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THURSDAY

## At least 11 dead in Australian earthquake



(AP Laserphoto)

Damaged cars litter the car park of a city building in Newcastle, Australia, after Thursday's earthquake.

## Murder suspect Braun facing assault charges

By BEAR MILLS  
Staff Writer

A Garden City, Kan., man accused of murdering five people, including Pampa businessman Pete Spurrier, during a four-state killing spree this summer now has the added charge of threatening a Raton, N.M., jail administrator during a Christmas Day encounter.

Gregg Francis Braun, 28, is charged with aggravated assault on a peace officer, assault by a prisoner and possession of a deadly weapon by a prisoner.

Jail administrator Chuck Talley said during a telephone interview that Braun threatened him with a shank — a homemade knife — when Talley entered a dayroom to bring Braun and two other prisoners coffee.

Authorities said Talley pretended he was going to throw coffee on Braun, and was able to get control of the situation when Braun stepped back. A brief wrestling match allowed Talley to get the shank away from Braun, the administrator said.

**'That's one of the first things prisoners will try to do — make this kind of weapon because they ... feel like they need the protection.'**

No one was injured in the incident and the other two prisoners did not interfere, Talley said.

Talley explained that after he got out of the dayroom, which is a hub area fed by several cells, including Braun's, he ordered Braun back into his cell.

When Braun refused, Talley said, he summoned two Raton police officers who aided with getting Braun back into his cell and conducting a thorough shakedown.

No other weapons were discovered, Talley said.

Braun was arraigned Tuesday in magistrate court, and bond on the new charges was set at \$100,000.

Talley said of the homemade weapon, "It was made out of a toothbrush handle with a small razor blade out of a throw-away razor. That's one of the first things prisoners will try to do — make this kind of a weapon because they, especially the ones who have been to a state prison, feel like they need the protection."

The administrator added, "You can't deprive them of their damn razor and toothbrush and sometimes we miss them when we get busy, though we try to collect them all."

Talley described Braun as "a very demanding, moody prisoner," but said this was the first incident of violence since he has been incarcerated in Raton.

"He's like a little child when he doesn't get his way," Talley said of Braun. "We have one TV that feeds all the cells in that pod, and if he doesn't get to watch what he wants to watch, he just throws a tantrum."

Braun is being held in the Colfax County Detention Center in lieu of \$1 million bond in connection with the July 23 point-blank shooting death of convenience store clerk Geraldine Valdez.

Ms. Valdez, 48, was shot twice in the head at the mini-mart in Springer, N.M.

The trial for Braun, who was charged with first-degree murder in Ms. Valdez's death, is set for May 7.

Braun is charged with two counts of murder in the July 19 shooting deaths of two convenience store clerks in his hometown of Garden City, Kan., and with first-degree murder in the July 21 shooting death of a woman in Ardmore, Okla., flower shop. Braun also allegedly shot two other women during the flower shop slaying.

He also is charged with murdering Spurrier, owner of One Hour Photo in Pampa, during a robbery on July 20.

Each of Braun's alleged victims was shot in the head execution style and were apparently picked at random. Each of the murders also involved robberies.

Braun said at an August preliminary hearing that he killed Ms. Valdez but has denied involvement in the other slayings.

Ballistic tests from Ardmore and Garden City reportedly matched the weapon Braun used in the New Mexico murder. Heavy damage to the bullet that killed Spurrier caused ballistic tests in Texas to be inconclusive.

However, police noted at the time, the *modus operandi* of the robbery and murder in Pampa fit the Ardmore slaying exactly.

Finney County Attorney Rick Pierce in Garden City has said Braun will be sent to Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas, in that order, after his trial in New Mexico.

NEWCASTLE, Australia (AP) — A strong earthquake today crumbled buildings and homes in this southeastern city, killing at least 11 people and injuring more than 100, officials said. The army was called in to help prevent looting.

Some reports said as many as 30 people died in Newcastle, an industrial hub of 500,000 people about 75 miles north of Sydney. Hundreds of thousands of homes were reported without electricity.

Rescue workers frantically hunted for victims in the rubble.

The quake, which measured 5.5 on the Richter scale, struck at 10:28 a.m. Police said it was the first in Australian history to strike a heavily populated area.

"It felt like there was someone under my bedroom floor who lifted the house," said one Newcastle resident, who reported two aftershocks.

The worst damage appeared to be at a workers' club where drinkers, relaxing after night-shift work, were crushed by collapsed walls, police said. At least eight people died there, police spokesman Simon Latimer said. Police recovered five bodies and were working to free three others.

There could be at least another six still trapped in the building, Latimer said.

Three people were killed in a suburban shopping center when they were hit by bricks and awnings from shops, he said. Officials reported more than 100 injured.

"I saw at least six people lying in the road," said a shocked emergency worker in the city. "As we looked back, we could see destruction all around us. The second story of the carpark also gave way, bringing the structure down and crushing scores of cars."

There were reports of widespread looting in the business section.

Prime Minister Bob Hawke visited the scene and warned that looters



(AP Laserphoto)

An aerial view shows the collapsed roof of The Newcastle Workers Club after an earthquake hit the area north of Sydney Thursday.

would be punished.

Latimer said 200 soldiers were called into the city and to the suburb of Hamilton to help police patrols.

Hundreds of rescue workers also arrived from Sydney. Newcastle, Australia's fifth-largest city, also is a major coal mining center but there were no immediate reports of any miners trapped or injured underground.

In London, Queen Elizabeth II offered sympathy to relatives of the victims and said she was praying for rescuers searching for trapped victims.

Many buildings were reduced to rubble. The Newcastle Hospital reported major structural damage and doctors treated the injured on

the grass outside.

"Ambulances are reporting lots of devastation, lots of damage, lots of injuries," a spokeswoman for the Child Care organization was quoted as saying by the Australian Associated Press.

The quake was felt across New South Wales, Australia's most populous state. There was a short jolt in Sydney but the temblor lasted 45 seconds in some places; Newcastle and the adjoining Hunter Valley wine growing region were ardest hit.

Vicki Klein, a seismologist at the Australian Seismological Center in the federal capital of Canberra, said: "If the quake had struck right in

Sydney it would have brought down (high-rise) buildings. They are simply not built to withstand something of this magnitude."

Bureau of Mineral Resources Associate Director Peter Cook said the quake was unusually large for Australia and warned of possible aftershocks.

A quake measuring 5.5 on the Richter scale can cause considerable damage. The scale is a gauge of the energy released by an earthquake, as measured by the ground motion recorded on a seismograph.

In Canberra, a spokesman for the Australian Seismological Center put the quake's epicenter at 50 miles northwest of Sydney.

## Sheriff plans to file felony escape charges on Greene

By BETH MILLER  
Staff Writer

Felony escape charges from a November incident will be filed against Michael Frank Greene, 37, if the district attorney in Potter County will prosecute the case, Gray County Sheriff Jim Free said today.

Greene, a Gray County prisoner, has been indicted on charges of felony kidnapping. He allegedly kidnapped his estranged wife and their three children from Pampa. He has been in the county jail since his arrest on Sept. 28.

On Nov. 17, Greene and another inmate were taken to an Amarillo psychiatrist's office for evaluations when Greene reportedly escaped from the office building.

He was apprehended about 15 minutes later three blocks from the doctor's office. He was hiding behind a dumpster in an alley when the

authorities located him.

While at Dr. Hugh Pennal's office at 2209 W. 7th Ave., Greene reportedly told a Gray County deputy he needed to use the restroom and his handcuffs were removed. He went through an unmarked door which led to stairs and made his escape.

Escape charges must be filed in the county in which the crime took place, District Attorney Harold Comer said in November.

Earlier this week, an Amarillo Police Department detective in charge of the escape case said he had no intentions of pursuing the case further unless Gray County Sheriff's Office notified him otherwise.

"If they want to file charges, they can," said Detective Sgt. James Smith. "What I need from them is a statement from the deputy sheriff on what happened."

## Panamanians working to return to normal operations



(AP Laserphoto)

Panamanians line up Wednesday in Panama City, to turn in weapons, lying on grass, as soldier registers weapons.

PANAMA CITY, Panama (AP) — President Guillermo Endara's fledgling government worked to reopen banks and public offices today and to resume full Panama Canal operations for the first time since the United States invaded.

Endara appealed again to the Vatican embassy to surrender deposed strongman Manuel Antonio Noriega for trial on drug trafficking charges. But a Vatican spokesman said that would be legally impossible.

In Texas, President Bush said his administration was determined to bring Noriega to the United States to stand trial, but admitted that the Vatican's stand "complicated things."

The U.S. invasion began Dec. 20 and Noriega was on the run until appearing at the Vatican embassy on Sunday.

U.S. troops, armored cars and helicopters have stood watch around the clock since to ensure he doesn't escape or get spirited away.

Panama's new government hustled to restore order in the streets of the capital, screening members of Noriega's disbanded Defense Forces and incorporating a growing number of them into a new armed force that includes police.

Some former Defense Forces members were seen directing traffic, patrolling streets and guarding government buildings on Wednesday.

The U.S. Southern Command said all but a few hundred of the 15,000 members of the Defense Forces had surrendered or been arrested. In the early days of the invasion, many Noriega loyalists put

up stiff resistance.

Many residents of this capital of 1 million people returned to work Wednesday and lined up at grocery stores that reopened with goods not seen in a week of chaos in which looting was rampant.

Alfredo Maduro, president of the Panamanian Chamber of Commerce, said insurance brokers had conservatively estimated losses caused by looting or other damage to businesses in the capital at \$750 million to \$1 billion.

Dozens of merchants whose shops were sacked were told by insurance companies that their policies did not include "acts of war" and that the businesses could not collect for damages following the invasion.

Maduro said businessmen planned to ask the United States for "something like a Marshall Plan for Panama" to recover and resume operations.

A spokeswoman for the Panama Canal Commission said the waterway planned to return to a full 24-hour schedule today.

The canal normally can handle 42 ships a day. Under the 12-hour daylight schedule imposed after the invasion, however, only 12 ships a day have made the trip and there was a 125-vessel backup, said spokeswoman Willie K. Friar.

The United States and the Endara government, which was elected in May balloting that Noriega nullified, renewed their pleas to the Vatican to turn over the ousted military ruler.

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## Services tomorrow

**COBLE, Bea** — 2 p.m., graveside services at Mount Carmel Cemetery, Sidney, Ark.

**LOVELL, Glyn** — 2 p.m., graveside services at Little Cemetery, Seminole, Okla.

**PENROD, Bertha** — 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel.

## Obituaries

**BERTHA PENROD**  
Bertha Penrod, 89, a former Pampa resident, died Tuesday. Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday in Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Earl Maddux, pastor of the Fellowship Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery.

Mrs. Penrod was born Feb. 22, 1900 in Montague County. She was a former Pampa resident, moving to Clovis, N.M., in 1987. She was a member of the Church of God. She married Lloyd Penrod on Aug. 20, 1922 at Forestburg; he preceded her in death on Feb. 15, 1980. A sister, Dovie Brown, and two brothers, Din Ross and Bill Ross, also preceded her in death.

Survivors include a daughter, Lela Foster of Clovis, N.M.; a brother, Frank Ross of Amarillo; eight grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren and several great-great-grandchildren.

**MYRTLE BAILEY**  
McLEAN — Myrtle Bailey, 81, died Monday in Fort Worth. Graveside services were at 10 a.m. today in Hillcrest Cemetery with the Rev. Jeff Messer, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Arrangements are by Lamb Funeral Home.

Mrs. Bailey was born in Wynnewood, Okla. She moved to Fort Worth from McLean. She married Henry Bailey; he preceded her in death in 1988. She was a member of Springdale Baptist Church in Fort Worth.

Survivors include a son, Hank Bailey of Arlington; three daughters, Wanda Bailey of McLean and Minnie Bell Sanner and Hollie Ann Padgett, both of Fort Worth; 13 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

**GLYN LOVELL**  
AMARILLO — Glyn Lovell, 82, of Amarillo, died Wednesday. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Friday in Little Cemetery at Seminole, Okla. Arrangements are by Schooler-Gordon Colonial Chapel.

Survivors include a brother, R.C. Lovell of Fritch; an aunt, Edna Hobbs of Nowata, Okla.; and several nieces and nephews, including Don Lovell of Fritch, Lovell Kennard of Skellytown and Cotta Lovell Cruth of McAllen.

**MARY HEASTON**  
AMARILLO — Mary Heaston, 91, the great-aunt of a Pampa woman, died Wednesday. Graveside services will be at 3 p.m. today in Memory Gardens Cemetery with the Rev. Jim Garrett, pastor of Polk Street United Methodist Church, officiating. Arrangements are by Schooler-Gordon Memorial Chapel.

Mrs. Heaston was born in Abilene, Kan. She was a registered nurse for 20 years and a member of Polk Street United Methodist Church.

Survivors include a niece, Opal Penn of Amarillo; and three great-nieces, Crystal Lambright of Amarillo, Linda Abadie of Dallas and Mary Stevens of Pampa.

The family requests memorials be made to a favorite charity.

**J.L. NELSON**  
SHAMROCK — J.L. Nelson, 75, of Paramount, Calif., and formerly of Shamrock, died Tuesday. Services will be at 3 p.m. today at Richerson Chapel with Vernon Tarbet officiating. Burial will be in Shamrock Cemetery under the direction of Richerson Funeral Home.

Mr. Nelson was born in 1914. He moved to California in 1936, where he was a purchasing agent for a major grocery chain. He retired from that job after 30 years of service. He was a U.S. Army veteran, serving in World War II. He married Ida McClennan in October 1945 in Amarillo; she preceded him in death on Dec. 27, 1973.

Survivors include three sisters, Gladys Agan of Shamrock, Cula Rae Glasgow of Mangum, Okla., and Frances Shockley of Dumas.

## Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following call during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

**WEDNESDAY, Dec. 27**  
5:44 p.m. — Grass fire was reported 1 1/2 miles west of city on Santa Fe Railroad right of way. One unit and two firefighters responded.

## Emergency numbers

Ambulance.....	911
Crime Stoppers.....	669-2222
Energas.....	665-5777
Fire.....	911
Police (emergency).....	911
Police (non-emergency).....	995-8481
SPS.....	669-7432
Water.....	665-3881

## Mattox names Margie Gray county coordinator

Democratic gubernatorial candidate Jim Mattox has announced that Gray County Tax Assessor-Collector Margie Gray will serve as county coordinator for his 1990 primary campaign.

"When this campaign moves into full swing after the first of the year, I'm confident that Gray will be a lead driver on our road to the nomination," said Mattox, state attorney general. "Gray County is an important part of our campaign and I'm proud to have Gray on board."

In explaining her support of Mattox, Gray said, "He is the only candidate in the race who is unequivocally opposed to new taxes and in favor of a lottery. Mattox has pledged to veto a state income tax."

## Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL Admissions		Dismissals	
Earnest Barnett, Pampa		Velma Bateas, Pampa	
Elsie Batson, Pampa		Mary Eller, Pampa	
Jason Boydston, Allison		Florence Jones, Borger	
Susan Brittan, Groom		Ernest Barnett, Pampa	
Clarence Howe, Panhandle		Meghan Lewis, Pampa	
Travis Hunter, Pampa		Cruz Ortega, Pampa	
Hazel Lamke, Pampa		Maria Ortega, Pampa	
Opal McCathern, Pampa		Hazel Lamke (extended care), Pampa	
William McMillion, Pampa		SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admissions	
Della Moyer, Pampa		Wilma B. Jones, McLean	
Sharon Kay Ratliff, Pampa		Births	
Marion Sharp, Panhandle		To Dr. and Mrs. John Hunt of Shamrock, a boy.	
Robert Tyre, Pampa		Dismissals	
Sammy Whitley, Pampa		Norvell "Shorty" Sechrist, Wheeler	
Bert Jones (extended care), Pampa		Stella Clay, Shamrock	
		Ella Daberry, Shamrock	
		Lucille Pavlovsky, Shamrock	

## Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler-Evans of Pampa.		
Wheat.....	3.66	
Milo.....	3.50	
Com.....	4.10	
The following show the prices for which these securities could have traded at the time of completion:		
Ky. Cent. Life.....	19 1/8	
Serco.....	6 3/8	
Occidental.....	29 1/4	
The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of completion:		
Magellan.....	59.03	
Puritan.....	13.63	
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of		
Amoco.....	54	dn 1/8
Arco.....	109 3/4	dn 5/8
Cabot.....	36 1/8	NC
Chevron.....	67 1/4	dn 1/8
Enron.....	57 1/4	dn 1/8
Halliburton.....	42 5/8	up 1/4
Ingersoll Rand.....	49	up 1/2
KNE.....	25 1/8	NC
Kerr-McGee.....	51 1/8	dn 1/8
Mapco.....	39 3/4	up 1/4
Maxus.....	10 3/4	dn 1/8
Mesa Ltd.....	8 3/4	up 3/8
Mobil.....	62 1/4	dn 1/4
New Atmos.....	17 1/8	NC
Penney's.....	70 7/8	up 1/8
Phillips.....	25	up 1/8
SLB.....	48 3/4	up 1/8
SFS.....	30 1/2	up 1/8
Tenneco.....	61 1/8	dn 1/8
Texas.....	57 3/4	up 1/8
New York Gold.....	398.00	
Silver.....	5.12	

## Police report

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

**WEDNESDAY, Dec. 27**  
Ronna Young, 1416 E. Browning, reported criminal mischief at the residence.

Radio Shack, 1820 N. Hobart, reported criminal mischief at the business.

Johnny Dale Lewis, 721 N. Somerville, reported criminal mischief at the residence.

Robert L. Kibble, 1601 N. Somerville #1010, reported a burglary at 1601 N. Somerville #301.

Police reported possession of marijuana under 2 oz. in the 600 block of North Hobart.

Betty Carter, 435 N. Starkweather, reported burglary of a building at 501 E. Tyng.

B&R Motors, 860 W. Foster, reported theft of a motor vehicle at the business.

## Correction

The Pampa News incorrectly reported in a Page 1 story on Wednesday, Dec. 27, that a soldier, Andy Glen Fisher, became involved in a dispute at Burger King on Tuesday that led to his shoulder being broken during a subsequent fight at the Coronado West Trailer Park. Police Chief Jim Laramore said it was Fisher's brother, Bryan, age 17, who had a dispute with other juveniles originally. Laramore said the injured Fisher did not become involved until he was forced to defend himself at the trailer park. The Pampa News apologizes for the error and any inconvenience it caused.

## Minor accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported no accidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

**DPS**  
**WEDNESDAY, Dec. 27**  
5:05 p.m. — A 1978 Chevrolet driven by Tracy Jo Ray, 19, 1222 S. Barnes, hit a state highway sign on Texas 273 near McCullough Street. According to the report, the left rear aluminum wheel on the vehicle broke, causing the vehicle to go into a broadside skid before hitting the sign.

**Calendar of events**  
**FREE BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK**  
The Red Cross office sponsors a free blood pressure check every Friday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 108 N. Russell, downtown Pampa.

# Angry homeowners and governors want investigation into high heating oil costs

By JOHN DIAMOND  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Angry homeowners, besieged oil delivery companies and governors across the Northeast are calling on federal officials to find out why home heating oil prices skyrocketed this month to their highest levels ever.

The price jump from about 85 cents a gallon two weeks ago to as high as \$1.62 per gallon now has led officials from Gov. Mario Cuomo of New York to Gov. Judd Gregg in New Hampshire to call for federal investigations of possible gouging and price-fixing.

Whether oil companies are in collusion or not, public officials and industry experts agree that an unusual confluence of events has led to the highest prices ever for home heating oil.

Events ranging from low water levels on the Rhine River in Germany to a refinery explosion in Louisiana have contributed to the upsurge, officials say.

## 'I'm outraged by what's happened here and it's not a factor and force of the market place.'

Above all, though, is the record cold spell that has gripped much of the nation this month. For the Northeast, forecasters are calling for more chill temperatures this weekend after a brief respite.

"It's pretty grim," said Sam Livieri Jr., vice president of Apple Oil Co. in Branford, Conn. "No, it's very grim. We're telling people \$1.29 a gallon and they can't afford it. I don't blame them for being upset."

J. Wallace Malley, chief of the public protection division of Vermont's attorney general's office, said, "It's what some people might call a gouge."

But he added that as yet there is no evidence of unlawful price-fixing.

Cuomo on Wednesday called on the Justice Department to investigate the heating oil price increases.

## Police issue warning about insurance scam

Pampa police are warning area senior citizens to be on the lookout for a con artist posing as an insurance salesman.

Sgt. Ken Hopson said the department has received complaints that a tall, well-groomed white male, clean cut and wearing a suit, is going to homes and offering to sell insurance that covers anything that Medicare or Medicaid does not.

"In one particular incident he asked for \$17,000 cash," Hopson said. "When the man refused to give it to him, he got very irate and belligerent."

## County, city offices to close for holiday

Gray County Courthouse employees will have Friday and Monday off and the courthouse will be closed those days for the New Year's holiday.

City offices will be closed Monday in observance of the holiday.

Banks and financial institutions will take Monday off for the holiday, as will the U.S. Post Office.

Normal business hours will resume Tuesday.

## City briefs

**LAS PAMPAS** After Christmas Sale Wednesday thru Saturday, select group of ladies apparel 35% off, Christmas items 50% off. 110 N. Cuyler. Adv.

**SHOP SAND'S** Fabrics Inventory Reduction Sale, 20-75% off. Sale starts Tuesday 26th. 669-7909. Adv.

**LANCER CLUB**, Phaze III, Thursday, Friday and Saturday night. Adv.

**ROWDY ACE** Dance New Year's Eve. Complimentary Bubbly, Breakfast, Knight Lites, 618 W. Foster. 665-6482. Adv.

**PERSONAL TOUCH** Sale in progress! Adv.

**NEW YEAR'S** Eve Dance, Silvercreek, Sunday, December 31st, 8-12. Members and guests. Moose Lodge. Adv.

**SKATE TOWN** New Year Lock In, December 31, 8 p.m.-7 a.m. \$15 per person. Adv.

**THE LOFT** 201 N. Cuyler, Friday pork chops, blackeye peas. Closed Monday. Happy New Year! Adv.

## Weather focus

**LOCAL FORECAST**  
Tonight, partly cloudy with a low in the mid 20s and westerly winds 10-20 mph and shifting to the north by sunrise. Friday, cloudy with snow flurries possible and a high in the mid 30s. Northeastly winds should be 10-20 mph and gusty. Wednesday's high was 62; the overnight low was 37.

**REGIONAL FORECAST**  
West Texas — Partly cloudy tonight. Partly cloudy south. Mostly cloudy and colder north Friday with flurries possible Panhandle. Lows tonight mid 20s Panhandle to mid 40s Concho Valley. Highs Friday mid 30s Panhandle to low 60s Concho Valley with mid 70s Big Bend river valleys.

North Texas — Mostly cloudy tonight and Friday with a chance of light rain mainly east. Lows tonight in the upper 30s northwest to mid 50s southeast. Cooler northwest Friday with highs 50s west to 60s east.

South Texas — Mostly cloudy through Friday. Patchy fog Coastal Plains over most of the area late tonight and Friday morning. Scattered light rain or showers tonight and Friday. Highs Friday in the 70s. Lows tonight in the 50s except upper 40s Hill Country to low 60s extreme south.

**EXTENDED FORECAST**  
**Saturday through Monday**  
West Texas — Mostly cloudy Saturday. Clearing north Sunday, and mostly clear Monday. Cool through the period. Panhandle: Highs mid 30s to near 40. Lows near 20 Saturday cooling to mid

"Home heating oil is a necessity, not a luxury," Cuomo said.

Massachusetts Gov. Michael S. Dukakis was the first to call for a probe, writing to the Department of Energy last week along with Rep. Richard Neal, a Massachusetts Democrat whose office has been deluged with calls from angry homeowners.

New Hampshire's Gregg ordered his energy chief to call federal energy officials. Rhode Island Gov. Edward D. DiPrete sent a telegram Wednesday to the head of the Federal Trade Commission requesting an investigation into the price hikes.

"I'm outraged by what's happened here and it's not a factor and force of the market place," Neal said. "Supplies could well have been kept low in anticipation of a cold winter in an effort to jack the prices."

About two-thirds of the homes in New England use truck-delivered heating oil, according to the New England Fuel Institute, which represents 1,300 companies. Unlike electricity and natural gas, home heating fuel is unregulated and therefore subject to market fluctuations.

Institute spokesman Bernard Smith rejected the charge of price manipulation.

"If you take one word it's 'demand' and the second word is 'weather,'" said Smith. The low water level of the Rhine River in Germany is slowing deliveries to Europe and thus tying up supplies, he said.

In addition, cold weather in southern states has caused about a half-dozen refineries to shut down or limit production because the temperatures hamper the refining process, he said.

And an explosion over the weekend at an Exxon refinery in Baton Rouge, La., caused the heating oil futures market to soar.

Prices this week topped the previous peak of \$1.35 per gallon in 1981 at the end of the Arab oil embargo, according to Smith.

Energy Department spokeswoman Mary Kayne Heinze said the department was aware of the concern in the Northeast and was collecting information to assess the situation, but had reached no conclusions.

Hopson said the man is believed to be driving a small maroon car of unknown make or model.

"He is not giving his name or the name of the company he supposedly works for," Hopson said.

He added, "If they've had any contact with this individual, they need to contact us or Crimestoppers. If he comes around, they need to get any information they can, such as his name or what company he says he works for."

Hopson assured that anyone who calls police can keep their name out of the media, but said that help is needed in catching the man.

"Whatever they do, they shouldn't give this man any money, though," Hopson cautioned.

## Pampa police to have extra patrols to handle holiday intoxicated drivers

Pampa police announced this morning that extra patrols would be on duty from Friday night through Monday morning with the express task of looking for intoxicated drivers.

Chief Jim Laramore said he was authorizing the additional units in an effort to keep drunk drivers off the street.

In addition, Pampa police have been visiting local taverns and clubs this week asking bar owners and employees to assist with reducing the number of people who

leave their club intoxicated. During the visits, officials noted, they are explaining that police and club owners can work as a team to reduce the chances that a drunk driver has an accident that injures them or someone else.

Police are reportedly explaining to the club owners what they can do in a non-threatening way to assist patrons in not leaving their establishment inebriated.

The extra patrols will be on duty from Friday evening until Monday morning, New Year's Day.

**NEW YEAR'S** Party at City Limits, \$12 per person, \$20 couple. Reservations suggested. Call 669-9171 for more details. Adv.

**SKATE TOWN** New Year Lock In, December 31, 8 p.m.-7 a.m. \$15 per person. Adv.

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Lows Saturday near 50. Highs near 60. Lows Sunday in the 40s with high in the 50s. Lows Monday in the 30s with highs near 50. Lower Rio Grande Valley and Plains: Mostly cloudy and cool Saturday with a chance of showers. Mostly cloudy and colder Sunday with a chance of rain. Decreasing clouds and cold Monday. Lows Saturday in the 50s and highs in the 60s. Lows Sunday in the 40s to near 50 with highs in the 50s. Lows Monday near 40 and highs near 50. Southeast Texas and Upper Coast: Mostly cloudy and colder with a chance of rain Saturday and Sunday. Partly cloudy and cold Monday. Lows Saturday in the 40s with highs in the 50s. Lows Sunday near 40 and highs near 50. Lows Monday 30s coast to near 30 inland with highs near 50.

**BORDER STATES**  
Oklahoma — Tonight, considerable cloudiness statewide with a chance for light rain central and east. Lows mid 20s Panhandle to low 40s southeast. Friday, mostly cloudy Panhandle with a chance of flurries. Partly cloudy elsewhere. Colder with highs low 30s Panhandle to near 50 southeast.

New Mexico — Variable cloudiness tonight. Turning colder northeast on Friday and cooler elsewhere. A chance for a few showers or snow showers north otherwise increasing cloudiness north and partly cloudy over the south. Lows tonight mostly in the teens and 20s in the mountains and northwest with 20s and 30s south. Highs on Friday from the 30s and 40s mountains and north to the 50s and low 60s at the lower elevations south.

South Texas — Hill Country and South Central: Mostly cloudy and colder Saturday and Sunday with a chance of rain. Partly cloudy and cold Monday. Lows Saturday 30s Hill Country to near 40 South Central Texas with highs in the 50s. Lows Sunday in the 30s and high near 50. Lows Monday 20s Hill Country to near 30 South Central with highs 40s Hill Country to near 50 South Central. Coastal Bend: Mostly cloudy and colder Saturday and Sunday with a chance of rain. Partly cloudy and cold Monday.

West Texas — Mostly cloudy Saturday. Clearing north Sunday, and mostly clear Monday. Cool through the period. Panhandle: Highs mid 30s to near 40. Lows near 20 Saturday cooling to mid

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# Bush says he's determined to bring Noriega to justice

By TOM RAUM  
Associated Press Writer

BEEVILLE (AP) — President Bush says that, despite complications and delicate negotiations on the fate of ousted Panamanian dictator Manuel Antonio Noriega, "I am determined to bring him to justice."

However, administration officials said privately that little headway has been apparent in prying Noriega from the Vatican Embassy in Panama City to stand trial on drug trafficking charges in the United States, and they expressed some frustration at the pace of negotiations.

"I want to see this man who is under indictment brought to justice for poisoning the children of the United States of America and people around the world," Bush said at a barbecue held here Wednesday night in his honor.

The president and fellow Texan, Secretary of State James A. Baker III, are spending the next few days quail hunting here on the 10,000-acre ranch of William Farish, a wealthy Houston oilman and longtime Bush friend.

Bush, who has been coming here for a holiday sea-

son quail hunt annually for more than two decades, thanked the crowd of more than 700 people "for this homecoming."

Presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said Bush planned to receive briefings by phone today on any new developments in Panama, but otherwise intended to spend the day hunting.

"Look, I don't make any cover. I'm going to be enjoying myself and I think the American people understand that," Bush told reporters on his arrival Wednesday at the Corpus Christi Naval Air Station.

The president spent several hours fishing on nearby San Jose Island, where he said he and Baker caught about a half-dozen fish.

Meanwhile, the Justice Department asked four European nations on Wednesday to freeze bank accounts where Noriega is thought to have hidden illegal drug profits.

David Runkel, a department spokesman, said the legal papers were filed with the governments of France, Switzerland, Luxembourg and the United Kingdom, requesting authorities to order banks to block any transactions in the Noriega accounts.

Authorities in France responded by freezing

accounts in two banks holding \$3.3 million under the names of Noriega and members of his families. Swiss officials placed a "precautionary" freeze on two accounts in banks in Zurich and Geneva.

Speaking to reporters in Corpus Christi, Bush congratulated Romania's new president, Ion Iliescu, and said he was "amazed and respectful" of the changes there.

"My concern is for tranquility and freedom in Romania," Bush said.

He declined to criticize harshly the quick executions of former dictator Nicolae Ceausescu and his wife, adding, "We did say that we were concerned that the trial of Ceausescu should have been more open, but that's their matter."

Regarding Noriega, the president said a Vatican refusal to simply turn over the former Panamanian dictator to U.S. officials does "complicate matters."

Hinting that trying Noriega in Panama remained an option, Bush said: "The main thing is he should be tried and brought to justice." He made clear, however, that bringing Noriega back to the United States remains a clear first choice.

Bush, speaking from a podium standing behind

bales of hay, received a hearty ovation when he told the crowd in Beeville, "I am determined to bring him to justice."

Administration officials, speaking on the condition of anonymity, said the talks with the Vatican were frustrating because the decision rested almost entirely with the Vatican — and that the Holy See did not seem anxious to make a speedy decision.

Noriega entered the Vatican Embassy on Sunday. Bush said there was "no time limit" to bringing Noriega to justice.

The president also said he was not concerned that Noriega, a former CIA informant, might seek to embarrass the agency or Bush, a former CIA director, by seeking to make public sensitive intelligence information at a trial.

But Rep. Charles Rangel, D-N.Y., chairman of the House Narcotics Committee, released a statement in Washington on Wednesday urging Bush to drop his effort to bring Noriega to trial in the United States.

"The trial would be a circus," Rangel said. "Noriega would undoubtedly call as witnesses President Bush as former director of the CIA" and other federal officials who had contact with Noriega.

## Rio Grande Valley facing higher fuel costs

HARLINGEN (AP) — The Rio Grande Valley, reeling from an arctic snap that destroyed much of its citrus and vegetable crops, now faces higher prices to pump gas and warm homes, due to a surge in demand for heating oils, industry officials said.

In McAllen, for instance, gasoline prices were as much as 16 cents higher on Wednesday than they were last weekend, when frigid temperatures swept the nation.

A surge in the demand for heating oils in the chilly midwest and northeast prompted an increase in unleaded and diesel fuel prices — as well as increased propane prices, officials say.

Jim Shillingburg, executive vice-president of the Texas Oil Marketers Association in Austin, said wholesale gasoline and diesel prices are "going through the roof" across the state, and industry experts don't know how much prices will go up before they stabilize.

Texas Oil Marketers Association district director Joe Phillips said the increased demand for diesel has

forced crude oil prices upward. Because crude oil also is used to produce unleaded gasoline, prices for that fuel have risen as well.

"It's all related to the cold weather," Phillips said. "If prices rise in the northwest and midwest, they're going to rise down here."

In McAllen, some fuel retailers were selling unleaded gasoline Wednesday for as much as 99 cents per gallon.

Just two days earlier, unleaded was priced anywhere from 83 to 89 cents per gallon.

Diesel prices at some McAllen service stations stayed at \$1.17 per gallon Wednesday, even though wholesale prices had gone up midday to about \$1.28 per gallon. Drastic price increases may be seen Thursday, he said.

In addition to higher diesel and heating oil consumption, last weekend's explosion at the second largest refinery in Louisiana and the shutdown of some refineries along the Gulf Coast due to bad weather has caused fuel prices to increase.

Valley consumers are also faced with an increase in propane prices,

due to increased demand in northern states hit by cold temperatures.

Escalating propane prices are not the fault of Texas propane dealers, who are being forced to pay the same price as dealers in northern states, said Lynn Gray, president of the Texas LP-Gas Association.

"The excessive cold in the midwest, the northeast and the southeast has put a great demand on fuel and there wasn't enough fuel in storage to take care of the demand," Gray said.

"Most of the propane produced in the country is produced in Texas, so they're buying it from here and having it pipelined to the northeast."

"That's what's driving the price up. They're willing to pay more for it because they don't have any, so we have to pay the same thing they're paying in order to keep it here."

Gray said that many of the state's propane retailers have experienced a dozen price increases in 30 days, with gas processing plants and oil company refineries charging up to 35 cents a gallon higher.

## What about those other stories?

All sorts of decade-end stories are cropping on the top items of the '80s. Fine, so now the Berlin Wall is a thing of the past. How does that affect our daily lives? Let's take a look at the issues that really matter — The Underrated Stories of the Decade.

1. **The Death of Mel Blanc** — Who's Mel Blanc, you ask? Ever enjoy Bugs Bunny or giggle at Barney Rubble? Then you know Mel Blanc. He was the voice of a plethora of other immortal cartoon characters.

But now he's gone. And, quite honestly, cartoons may never recover. If you've noticed that some of your favorite characters' voices sound not at all like you remember them, you are noticing the void Mel Blanc left unfilled.

2. **Garrison Keillor** — Author of *Lake Wobegon Days* and host of *A Prairie Home Companion*, Keillor has once again made living in a small town chic. More than that, Keillor has brought back the nearly lost art of storytelling. He has made this decade a better place to be.

3. **Plastic trees** — Maybe the greatest lifestyle improver of this or any other 10-year period. No longer do we, the Brotherhood of the Brown Thumb, have to suffer through killing every plant we bring in the house.

Plastic trees and bushes don't need water, light or attention. Suddenly we are able to have homes that are alive with fake plants that don't look fake. Maybe in the '90s they'll work on doing the same thing for raising pets and children.

4. **Home shopping channels** — More addictive than crack, home shopping channels are cancer for the wallet. Spend 10 minutes with them and suddenly you are buying things you will never need and didn't have any idea you wanted.

The rap goes something like, "Here's a very attractive microwave gerbil dryer that sells other places for as much as \$2,000. But call now, and we can let you have it for only \$27.50. In the past you've tried gerbil dryers that got too hot and suddenly it's 'pop goes the weasel.' Not with our new gerbil dryer that also works on bunnies, rats and other small rodents. They are the 'in' item this year."

Don't look now, but they moved 8,000 of them in less than a half hour the other night. The power of the media is taking on gargantuan proportions.

5. **De-censored TV** — Not much has been made of the fact that in the last 10 years the words "bitch," "boobs" and "period" (having nothing to do with what goes at the end of a sentence) have become common fair on prime time television.

Recently *Roseanne* did an entire program on gas (but not the kind you put in the Volvo). Call it funny or call it tasteless, the real issue is that this kind of talk is becoming common.

Ask any teacher. They reprimand a child for calling someone a butthead and are informed that kids on *The Wonder Years* talk that way all the time.

6. **Video rentals** — Similar to the aforementioned subject, rented movies now allow even the youngest

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child to know in great detail the facts of life at the grade school level. In the '90s we will find out the moral consequences of this phenomenon.

7. **Denominational mergers** — Hardly making it off the religion page, denominational mergers are becoming more and more common. The Evangelical Lutheran Church of America, not associated with the Lutherans found in this area, are trying like mad to join forces with the Episcopalians, Methodists and anybody else who will have anything to do with them. Already, they have brought three separate denominations under their wing in the name of brotherhood.

The problem is their grounds for merger is based on least-common-denominator theology. Let's all agree to disagree and, most importantly, be tolerant. If you are not at all certain the Bible is literally true, are in favor of church-approved abortions, homosexual ministers and the like, this is for you.

If not, apocalyptic warnings of sheep in wolf's clothing and angels of light are becoming very real.

8. **SMU without football** — While the so-called death penalty got lots of ink because of the scandal aspect, its real value is that it reminded us what colleges are really for — education. SMU didn't dry up and blow away and nobody in Dallas had an aneurysm pining over their missing Ponies. Who would have thought a major university could have survived the blow?

9. **New Coke** — Was it the greatest scam of all time or the single largest marketing blunder in history? That argument will rage forever. What is certain is that Coca-Cola got more free advertising over the pet rock of the '80s, New Coke, than any amount of money could buy. And the American consumer was snookered into buying millions of dollars of pop out of fear the Coke they grew up with was to be no more.

10. **Elvis** — Is he living on the Moon, in Canada or dead than a doornail? This non-story got more inches than starving children in Third World counties. And it proved beyond a shadow of a doubt that no matter who claims we exist in an "enlightened age," we still live by faith in things we can't prove. Unfortunately, some of those things are so silly they remind us what finite, stupid creatures we really are.

With stories like that in the '80s, the '90s promise to be humdingers, indeed.

## Gift mobile winner



(Staff photo by Dee Dee Laramore)

Elizabeth Newman of Mobeetie, right, winner of the KGRO-KOMX/Marcum Motors gift mobile accepts an inflatable Santa from Hank Brown of KGRO-KOMX radio station. The Santa was the first of many gifts Newman unloaded from the Plymouth Voyager mini van gift mobile after winning the annual Christmas promotion. Newman said she entered the contest "as a lark" with a guess of \$1,454. The combined value of the gifts in the van was \$1,454.70. Appropriately enough, the Santa was donated by Alco, where Newman entered the winning guess. The gift mobile is an annual event sponsored by KGRO-KOMX and Marcum Motors in addition to approximately 20 city-wide sponsors who donated gifts that were wrapped and placed in the gift mobile provided by Marcum Motors.

## Last-minute shopping aids Christmas sales

By The Associated Press

Texas shoppers waited until the last minute this holiday season to spend the big money, stocking up on warm clothing — especially leather outerwear — on the last few days before Christmas, a survey of retailers in four Texas cities shows.

Most of the 107 stores surveyed in Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston and San Antonio reported sales at or above pre-season projections. The biggest weakness noted was in toy sales, where 50 percent of the stores in Houston and San Antonio said sales were below expectations.

"The outcome of the holiday season revealed that Texas is merely a microcosm of what is happening in the retailing industry country," said Louis J. Grabowsky, a partner in the Dallas office of Arthur Andersen & Co., which conducted the "holiday snapshot" survey along with Texas A&M University's Center for Retailing Studies.

"Customers are savvy, discreet and better prepared to purchase with generally less time to shop," he said. "These characteristics, coupled with sensitivity to price, led to the customer waiting out the retailer in order to receive the best value for the price."

The trends also led to more promotion by retailers, who Grabowsky said have become more sophisticated "and are better able to determine consumer buying patterns and thus plan their inventories to meet customer demands."

As a result, he said, "profits were preserved within planned levels as (retailers) went through the season in much better in-stock positions."

Leather outerwear was consistently cited as a top seller during the week before Christmas, which saw near-

record cold sweep through the state. Overall, men's apparel was the top seller in Dallas, Fort Worth and San Antonio and number two in Houston, where women's apparel was tops. Electronics also were a top seller this season, followed by cosmetics and both fashion and costume jewelry, Grabowsky said.

Nationally, last minute shopping also helped push sales up about 5 percent from last year, according to

some analysts' estimates. Stores were asked to report sales trends in cosmetics, women's apparel, children's apparel, men's apparel, jewelry and accessories, housewares and home furnishings, electronics-entertainment, miscellaneous gifts, toys and appliances.

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## Competition keeps beef prices down

HOUSTON (AP) — Strengthened prices of fattened feedlot cattle sold in recent days forecast a good year for cattlemen, analysts say.

Still, observers say consumers, too, will see good beef prices as the competition with poultry and pork continues in 1990.

Although beef prices traditionally drop through the holidays as turkeys and hams come to the tables, prices for live steers and heifers sold to packing plants in the Texas High Plains in the last several trading days are up to 79 and 80 cents per pound — virtually matching the highs reached in late March and early April.

"It has really turned around and moved, although most everybody thought it would go lower," said Jim Gill, market director for the Texas Cattle Feeders Association in Amarillo.

For consumers, Gill said retail beef prices in 1990 will be held to an increase of 1 percent to 2 percent, after rising by 5 percent in both 1989 and 1988.

Gill said competition from a 7 percent increase in the supply of poultry and a 1 percent increase in the supply of pork should hold retail beef at the relatively small price increases.

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## Opinion

### Bush is acting like wild and macho guy

Continuing efforts to make him look like a wild and macho guy, the White House announced that President Bush will probably attend a February drug summit in Cartagena, a fortress city on the northern coast of Colombia. There he will meet with the presidents of Colombia, Peru and Bolivia, the major sources of cocaine production.

Bush will thus appear to descend directly into the maelstrom of drug trafficking and violence, making especially good television images. Within the past month, among other things, a bombing killed 59 people and the bombing of a Colombian passenger jet killed 107 people.

But perhaps unknown to Bush, the issue is gradually shifting in another direction: toward the decriminalization or legalization of drugs. However dramatic the assault on the Colombian drug lords, the "war" on drugs has churned up its own opposition. Indeed, the drug lords and the drug "war" politicians exist in a kind of symbiosis. If drugs were legal, the drug lords would go broke and the politicians would lose a key demagogic theme.

One major concern is that, however damaging drug abuse may be to society, even more damaging is the wholesale violation of people's constitutional rights. William Bennett, the U.S. drug czar in charge of coordinating the multitudinous agencies charging into battle, expresses the common attitude of the generals of the drug "war."

In a recent interview with *The Wall Street Journal*, Bennett declared, "I'm mad." He then blasted state governments for not building enough new prisons, university administrators for not punishing student users, and "intellectuals" who worry about civil liberties. So much for civilized debate on this important topic.

But, in fact, we need seriously to consider whether we need to slam more drug offenders, who tend to be nonviolent insofar as no laws oppress them, into bigger and more expensive jails; why federal officials such as Bennett seek to violate academic freedom; and whether we need even more cops snooting and snouting around in our lives. It isn't just "intellectuals" who worry about such things, but every decent citizen.

For a good example of civilized discourse on the issue, Bush and Bennett might look to the December issue of *Harper's* magazine, where editor Lewis H. Lapham thoroughly discusses it. Lapham notes, "The government's own figures show that the addition to illegal drugs troubles a relatively small number of Americans, and the current generation of American youth is the strongest and healthiest in the nation's history."

He warns: "People who become accustomed to the arbitrary intrusions of the police also learn to speak more softly in the presence of political authority, to bow and smile, and fill out the printed forms with the cowed obsequiousness of musicians playing waltzes at a Mafia wedding."

As Bush prepares to swoop down on Cartagena, he should ponder if this is the sort of government he wishes posterity to record that he presided over.

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## Hatless hordes full of delusions

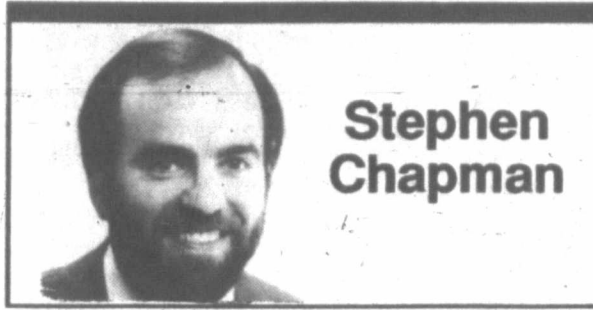
It is widely but wrongly believed that the female is the more vain of the human sexes. Women, to be sure, are not entirely blameless for this inaccurate stereotype. After all, many of them do things that have no earthly value beyond embellishing their appearance — wearing high-heeled shoes, shaving their legs, painting their lips, streaking their hair, curling their eyelashes.

But women are not entirely to blame for their attachment to empty ornamentation. Women don't punish their feet with six-inch spike heels because they like them, but because men do. It's not the fault of the average woman that men are suckers for the Morgan Fairchild look. Rather than squander their allotted days in the futile task of trying to raise the low aesthetic standards of the male, most women reluctantly elect to go along with them.

Still, if you want to see real vanity, don't visit the cosmetics counter at Neiman-Marcus. Just walk down a busy Chicago street on one of those Arctic days that enliven our winters and count all the men without hats. It is rare woman vain enough to risk frostbite of the cerebellum, but plenty of men do it all the time.

This is foolishness on the order of building a bonfire on a gas station's driveway, or getting on a flight to Beirut without making out a wife. No sane person would do it. On a typically bitter Chicago day, with a stiff wind blowing, exposed flesh can be transformed into permafrost in a matter of minutes.

I don't need the weatherman to tell me that.



Stephen Chapman

When I first moved here several Januarys ago, accustomed to the blistering summers of my native Texas, I once set out hatless across the Michigan Avenue bridge. Halfway across, my head felt as if it were going to explode from the cold. Needing no more evidence, I sprinted to the nearest store to buy a hat, determined never to step outside on a winter day without one. Some days I'm tempted to wear two.

A lot of lifelong Chicagoans aren't so smart. It can be 20 degrees below zero, with blowing and the wind howling off Lake Michigan, and some men will stride down the street with no cranial covering, trying to convince themselves it's July.

There are two possible explanations for this defiance of basic rules of self-preservation. The first is an excessive regard for appearance.

Half of the guys sporting hats display grand heads of hair — lovingly coiffed, combed and sprayed. They would no sooner muss their creations with a hat than Helmut Jahn would build

bungalows. In this vanity, they easily surpass the average Chicago woman, who will spoil a \$75 permanent rather than voluntarily endure frigid torture.

But some of the hatless ones have the most non-descript hair, and some have none at all. This group, I suspect, is motivated by a blind impulse to show their physical toughness, regarding hats as manifestations of effeminacy.

Of course this attitude makes no sense, in light of all the macho icons who have made a habit of covering their heads, from Davy Crockett and Ulysses S. Grant to John Wayne and George Patton. And how about all those wimps wearing helmets in the National Football League? But irrationality is no bar to masculine ideals.

The real problem is that men who go hatless in a Chicago winter suffer something resembling outright lunacy, marked by an inability to distinguish reality from fantasy. They persuade themselves that people gazing upon their uncovered heads will think, "Such a handsome head of hair!" or "What a tough guy!" In fact, anyone with minimal intelligence will have only one thought: "Here is an idiot."

Women who spend hours primping at least do so with a soberly realistic attitude, avoiding efforts that will earn them only ridicule. Their eagerness to be admired is nothing compared to the absurd delusions of winter's hatless hordes.

But if you want to freeze your brain, go right ahead. Me? I'd sooner curl my eyelashes.

## Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Dec. 28, the 362nd day of 1989. There are three days left in the year.

On this date:  
In 1694, Queen Mary II of England died after five years of joint rule with her husband, King William III.

In 1832, John C. Calhoun became the first vice president of the United States to resign, stepping down over differences with President Andrew Jackson.

In 1846, Iowa became the 29th state to be admitted to the Union.

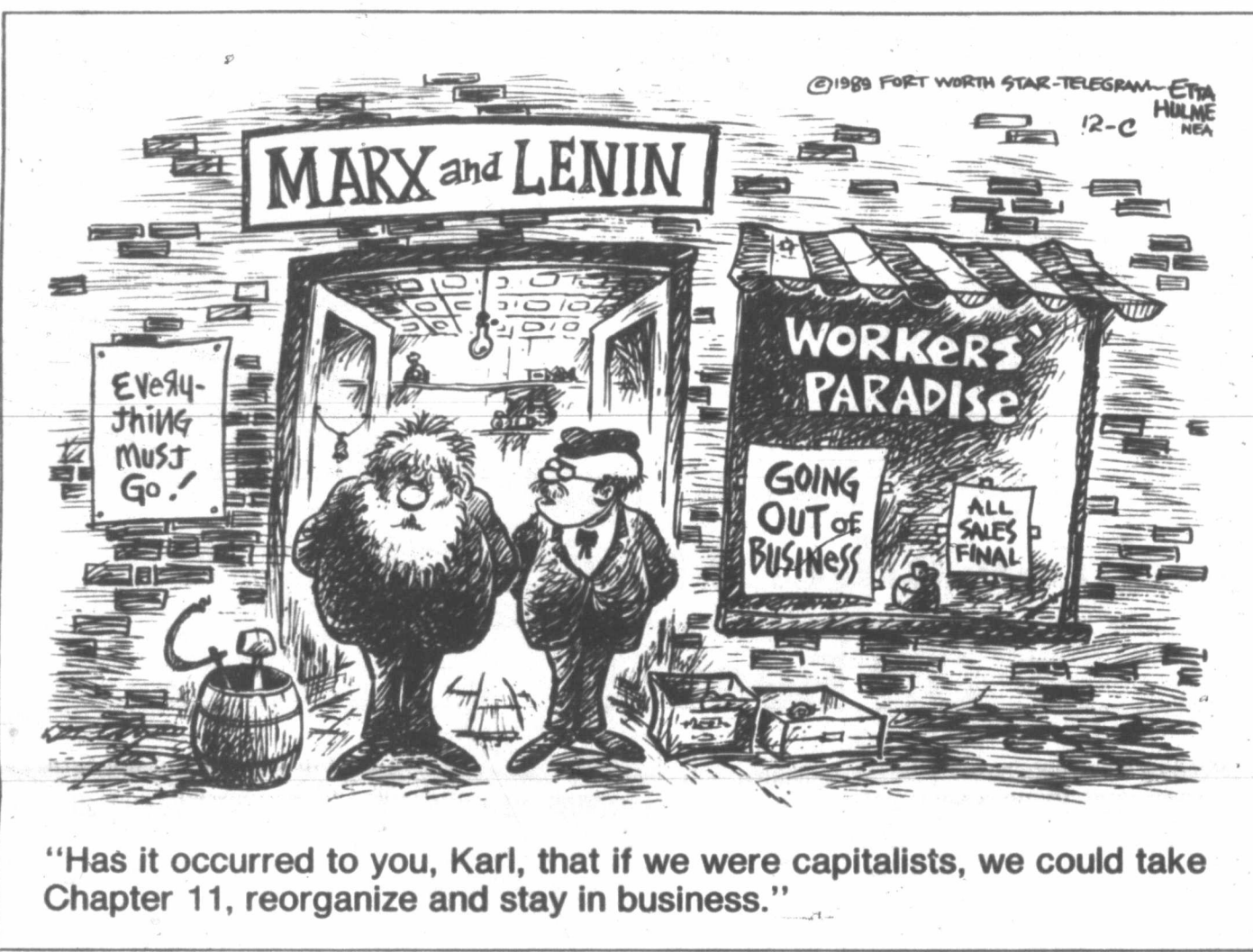
In 1856, the 28th president of the United States, Thomas Woodrow Wilson, was born in Staunton, Va.

In 1869, William Finley Semple of Mount Vernon, Ohio, patented chewing gum.

In 1937, composer Maurice Ravel died in Paris.

In 1945, Congress officially recognized the Pledge of Allegiance.

In 1973, Alexander Solzhenitsyn published *Gulag Archipelago*, an expose of the Soviet prison system that led to his expulsion from the Soviet Union.



## Album provides slim pickin's

Just when you thought it was safe to watch television again, country music's Slim Whitman is back.

I saw him the other night on cable. He's still wearing his poor man's Porter Wagoner outfit, playing his left-handed guitar and singing with a range that goes from the sound of a dog on crack would make to a sound oddly resembling the emergency warning tone they play on radio station.

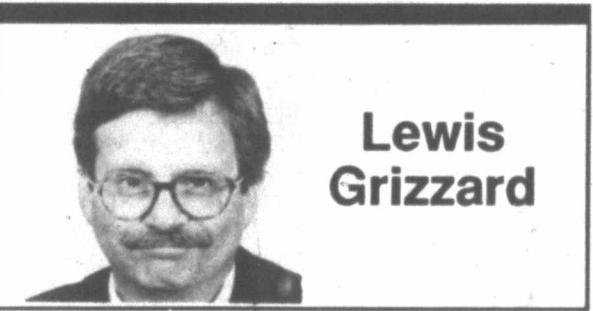
If you're not familiar with Slim Whitman, you're lucky. It's like not having had mumps when you were a kid.

Slim Whitman, in his black outfit with the rhinestones, looks like a cross between Zorro and a crooked funeral director.

I don't know a lot about Slim Whitman, except that several years ago, he showed up on television singing in a commercial beseeching the viewer to call one of those 800 numbers to buy his albums and tapes.

According to the new commercial I saw recently — which also beseeches the viewer to call one of those 800 numbers — Slim has sold more albums and tapes off television commercials than any other musician in history.

Which, when you think about it, isn't that big of



Lewis Grizzard

a deal since all he's basically been up against is Boxcar Willie and the amazing Zamfir and his magical pan flute — whoever he is and whatever that is.

The new Slim Whitman album features a treasury of your favorite hits. There's "The Tennessee Waltz" and "Please Release Me" and one of my all-time favorites, "Down in the Valley."

Slim begins with, "Dawn in the vaaaaaleeee ... The vaaaaaleeee so low," in his normal, displeasing voice, then goes tenor and above with the next line, which hurt my dogs' ears.

They thought they were hearing either a fire truck or word of a nuclear attack.

Slim Whitman can grab such high notes, as a matter of fact, I hope he wears a truss while performing.

The significance of all this is, 'tis the season for stupid record offers on television.

There's Slim, Boxcar and Zamfir (how would that be for an accounting firm?), the various collections of "Every rock 'n' roll song ever recorded!," "Love songs from the '50s, sung by people who are all now dead!" and the Christmas collections featuring Brenda Lee doing "Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree," not to mention those idiot dogs barking to "Jingle Bells."

"These records and tapes are not available in stores," the announcer always announces.

There's a reason for that. Stores won't take them.

I don't want Slim Whitman for Christmas, nor any other time. I wouldn't give an album featuring a man playing a pan flute to an East German commie, and I'd rather listen to a couple of cats fighting in an alley than to those stupid dogs, who obviously are on crack, barking to "Jingle Bells."

Give me Bing Crosby. Dead or not, his is a voice you can trust.

## Private efforts aiding higher education

By ROBERT WALTERS

Although high-school administrator Glen Adair has never met casino owner Margaret Elardi, he is an ardent admirer. "A lot of people just talk about helping higher education," he explains, "but she put up the needed money."

In the mid-1980s, Elardi approached Robert Maxson, the new president of the University of Nevada at Las Vegas, and announced that she wanted to "give something back to state" after becoming wealthy as owner of the Frontier Hotel and Casino.

At the time, Maxson was concerned about a "brain drain" because almost half of Nevada's high-school graduates, including many of the best and the brightest, were leaving the state to continue their education.

Elardi gave the university \$1 million to endow a unique program that every year offers a \$10,000, four-year UNLV scholarship to the valedictorian at each of Nevada's 53 public high schools. "We've always offered full scholarships to athletically talented

youngsters," says Maxson. "I think that's OK, but ... we ought to be able to offer the same to academically talented youngsters."

Elardi is one of a small but growing group of public-spirited individuals throughout the country who have concluded that the urgent need to improve access to the nation's system of higher education demands their personal intervention.

In New York, businessman-turned-philanthropist Eugene Lang has for many years encouraged youngsters from poor families to remain in high school by promising to pay their college costs through his "I Have a Dream" program. Moreover, his example has inspired similar efforts in other states.

In Louisiana, Patrick Taylor successfully waged a one-man, year-long lobbying campaign to convince the state legislature to extend free public education beyond high school. As a result of his tenacious effort, a new state law waives tuition costs for many students from low- and moderate-income families attending public colleges and universities.

To qualify for the program, high school graduates must have a respectable academic record. While in college, they must meet minimum grade standards to continue receiving scholarship aid from the state.

More than 1,000 youngsters now are benefiting from the program in its first year of operation. "Attendance at public colleges and universities must be based on the ability to learn and not the ability to pay," says Taylor, owner of one of the country's largest independent oil companies.

In other states, public officials are taking the lead in belatedly enhancing access to colleges and universities, which had become less available to low-income students earlier in this decade. Almost half of all states, for example, now have prepayment or college savings plans that allow middle-income families to more easily cope with the financial burden of their youngsters' higher education.

New or expanded grant, loan and work-study programs have recently been launched in New Mexico, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Wisconsin, Idaho and Virginia. Other states are

focusing their efforts on recruiting and retaining minority group college students from poor families.

In Rhode Island, the Children's Crusade offers full scholarships at state colleges to low-income youngsters who are drug-free and allow the state to monitor their high-school report cards. The program receives both public and private funding.

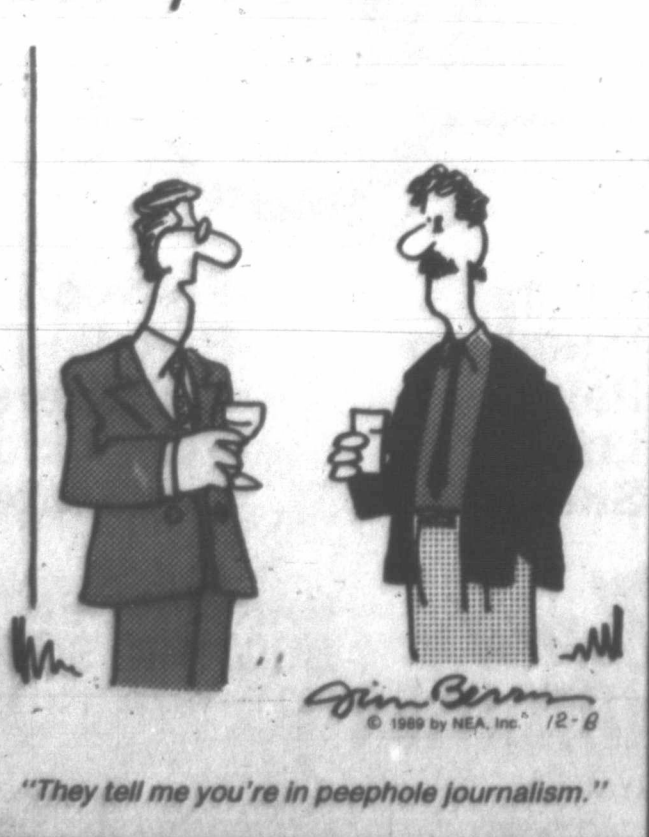
In New York state, the new Liberty Scholarship program will pay public college costs for high-school graduates from poor families beginning in 1991.

In Nevada, Elko High School principal Adair says the Elardi scholarship program has inspired even those not likely to be valedictorians to improve their grades and has provided a college education to some who otherwise could not afford it.

Before the program went into effect, there never were more than a half-dozen high-school valedictorians enrolled at UNLV at one time. In the five years since it was initiated, more than 100 youngsters have accepted scholarships.

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### Berry's World





Sgt. Roy Everett Burgess Jr., left, talks about his combat experience in Panama while recuperating in San Antonio. With him are his wife, Violeta, and son Brian. (AP Laserphoto)

## Wounded U.S. soldier tells of experiences in Panama

By SCOTT ROTHCHILD  
Associated Press Writer

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Sgt. Roy Burgess Jr. spent two days in Panama hot-wiring cars, filling body bags, taking prisoners and leading convoys past flaming blockades.

He found a huge cache of arms and went past civilians cheering the Americans as "Liberator."

His two-day tour of duty ended last Friday with a bullet wound to the leg. The gunner in the Jeep-like vehicle he was in died in the gun battle.

With his Panamanian wife, two children and other family members by his side at Brooke Army Medical Center here, Burgess, 34, said he was sorry he had to leave Panama.

"I regret not being able to help my wife's family," he said. Violeta, his wife, said her cousin in Panama City was killed and they had not been able to contact her family since last week.

A member of the 82nd Airborne Division, he parachuted into the darkness as part of a force that overtook Omar Trujillo airport last week.

Burgess, who was stationed in Panama for 2 1/2 years, said the Central American country was like

a second home, and he was so familiar with the territory that he volunteered to help convoys navigate through the neighborhoods.

His buddies said to him, "You crazy man. Aren't you scared?" But Burgess told them, "This is home to me."

On one street, Burgess said he thought he saw his wife's aunt wave at him. He was shot not far from where his mother-in-law lived.

The morning after the jump, Burgess said everyone needed water. The troops then went to a restaurant in the airport and found 5-gallon drums filled with cooking oil that they emptied and re-filled them with water.

They "commandeered" rental cars to transport the water. "We commandeered everything that had a key in it and then later started hot wiring everything we came upon," he said.

The next day was spent guarding the airport, filling approximately 18 body bags of Panamanian Defense Forces, many of whom died while defending the airport, he said.

They later found a cache of American, Russian and German arms worth about \$3 million, he said.

Nine wounded soldiers were flown into San Antonio aboard a C-

141 transport plane shortly before 10 p.m. Wednesday night, military officials said.

Five of the wounded were carried off on stretchers, while the other four were able to walk to nearby ambulances. Four of the men were taken to Wilford Hall Medical Center, while the other five were taken to BAMC.

Hospital officials said the four servicemen taken to Wilford Hall were in good condition. BAMC officials refused to comment about their latest casualties.

Since fighting began in Panama on Dec. 19, 250 U.S. servicemen have been treated at Wilford Hall Medical Center and Brooke.

But most have been released or sent back to their home bases. Late Wednesday, 41 soldiers were being treated at Wilford Hall and 17 across town at Brooke.

Nine patients at Wilford Hall were listed in very serious or serious condition and the majority of those at Brooke were in satisfactory condition; one remained in serious condition, officials said.

During a vacation in Texas, President Bush has planned a side trip New Year's Eve to visit the wounded in San Antonio, officials said.

Pvt. Jeff Peck, 21, an infantryman stationed in Fort Polk, La., was at Brooke, recovering from a shrapnel wound in his left shoulder.

Only three of the approximately 25 men in his platoon escaped injury during a two-hour firefight, Peck said.

"It's not a game, that's for sure. It was sure an experience that I'll never forget. I probably could have lived without that experience," he said.

wronged. "God is dealing with you," one letter said. "We will see to you not being dirty. Work on counsellors ... and you end up like Judge Vance."

The sheriff said he doubted the error-filled letters were connected with the Dec. 16 mail-bomb killing of 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals Judge Robert Vance, 58, at his home in Mountain Brook, a suburb of Birmingham.

"But we are taking them as a serious threat," March said.

The letters, mailed the week before Christmas, were poorly typed and had misspelled words and strike-throughs, March said. They lacked return addresses.

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## DA asks appeals court to overturn appellate ruling in Brandley case

CONROE (AP) — Neither the facts nor the law support an appellate court's decision that Clarence Lee Brandley was denied a fair trial in the 1980 rape-strangulation of a teen-ager, the Montgomery County district attorney says.

In a motion filed Wednesday with the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals, District Attorney Peter Speers asked the court to reverse the 6-3 ruling that overturned the former Conroe High School janitor's conviction and death penalty.

Speers must decide whether to retry Brandley or dismiss the charges against him in the rape-strangulation of Cheryl Ferguson, 16, of Bellville.

Ms. Ferguson was killed Aug. 23, 1980, while attending a volleyball tournament at Conroe High School, where Brandley, 38, was a janitorial supervisor.

Judge David A. Berchelmann, who wrote the appellate court's majority opinion, concluded that the investigation and trial that sent Brandley to death row "lacked the rudiments of fairness."

But Speers argued in the motion for rehearing that "neither the facts, in any version, nor the law support the conclusion that Clarence Brandley was denied a fair trial."

"Clarence Brandley is guilty of this heinous crime, and nothing in this Court's opinion even suggests that it believes otherwise," Speers wrote.

Speers has conceded it would be "virtually impossible" to retry Brandley because most of the physical evidence is missing and because key witnesses have recanted testimony.

He said he won't decide whether to retry the case until he has exhausted his appeal options.

In defense appeals that led to the appellate court's majority opinion, Brandley's defense team argued that Montgomery County officials railroaded Brandley by ignoring or suppressing evidence pointing to other potential suspects.

But Speers' motion suggests it was Brandley's defense team, not the state, that has been a party to manipulating witnesses, throwing out physical evidence and twisting facts, all in a concerted effort to steer evidence away from Brandley.

"If this court's opinion of December 13, 1989, is allowed to become final, a vicious killer will walk free," Speers wrote.

Defense co-counsel Paul Nugent of Houston described Speers' accusations as "the outrageous allegations of a desperate man."

"Peter Speers apparently has a personal desire to see Clarence executed and apparently will go to any length," Nugent said.

Retired state District Judge Perry Pickett of Midland, who re-examined the Brandley case for the Court of Criminal Appeals, concluded after an evidentiary hearing in October 1987 that Brandley's conviction by an all-white jury was racially motivated. Brandley is black. Ms. Ferguson was white.

The Court of Criminal Appeals seldom reverses its decisions, "but it does happen," said Speers, who has not ruled out the possibility of appealing to the U.S. Supreme Court if his motion is denied.

## Romanian security police warned to surrender

BUCHAREST, Romania (AP) — The revolutionary government warned security police holdouts to surrender today or face summary justice, and said most officials who served under Nicolae Ceausescu will not lose their jobs.

Corneliu Bogdan, the new deputy foreign minister, said most of the bureaucrats who worked in government during the executed president's 24 years of repressive rule need not fear.

"They are not all criminals, they were at the most too servile and obedient. We must try to avoid a witchhunt at any costs," he told reporters.

Most of the country was calm Wednesday, two days after Ceausescu and his wife, Elena, were executed by firing squad after being convicted by a military tribunal of "genocide" and other grave crimes against the people.

The government said members of Ceausescu's ruthless security police, or Securitate, would face a similar fate if they did not turn themselves in by this afternoon.

Securitate units terrorized Roma-

nians over the weekend, killing hundreds in an attempt to crush the popular revolt that, thanks to the support of the military, toppled Ceausescu on Friday.

"If they surrender voluntarily, with their weapons, they will be tried and the death penalty will not be applied," said a communique read on Bucharest radio Wednesday.

Since Ceausescu's body was shown on state television Tuesday, Securitate forces have been reported surrendering en masse, though no figures have been provided.

International aid and messages of support continued to pour into Romania Wednesday, and a member of the 37-member ruling National Salvation Committee assured Romanians — who lack a democratic tradition — that the provisional government intends to build a democracy.

"We want Romania to become a member of the free civilized world," Dumitru Mazilu, vice chairman of the new leadership, told reporters.

"Romania is no longer a Communist country. Romania is a free land, and we will create a real

democracy," he said. The government has said free elections will be held in April.

The state news agency Agerpres reported that an "initiative committee" had set up a panel to organize the country's first free trade unions, which would replace the Communist-dominated General Trade Union Federation.

The new unions are to have the right to petition, demonstration and strike and will struggle "for the observance of the fundamental human rights," the agency said.

The National Salvation Committee named a new foreign minister, 58-year-old university professor Sergiu Celac. His predecessor, Ion Stoian, has been ousted along with all other high-ranking Ceausescu loyalists.

The country's new leaders have already begun discarding Ceausescu's repressive laws — including statutes that required the registering of typewriters and banned unreported conversations with foreigners.

They have promised a new constitution that will lay the groundwork for multiparty democracy.

## Letter threatens four county officials with mail bomb fate

LEXINGTON, Miss. (AP) — Holmes County authorities on Wednesday were investigating letters threatening four black county officials with the same fate as a Birmingham judge who was killed by a mail bomb.

The typed letters were mailed to School Superintendent William Dean, Assistant Superintendent Judge Nelson, Justice Court Judge Shirley Neal and School Board president Henry Davis, officials said.

The U.S. Postal Service and the FBI also have been notified about the letters, said Sheriff Willie March.

The letters were basically the same, March said, and apparently stem from dissatisfaction over the dismissal of a school employee, whose name was not released.

Quoting from one of the letters, March said the writer or writers wanted the four to resign because the fired employee had been



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# Lifestyles

## Students of Orr in recital

Piano and organ students of Myrna Orr were presented in two recitals recently at Tarpley's Music Hall. Selections included *Jumping Rope* by Julie Rushing, *Minuet* by Hugh Teng, *Song of Joy* by Jessica Lemons, *Somewhere Out There* by Laura Dugan and *Carol of the Drum* by Leanne Dyson.

Performing at the 2 p.m. recital in duets with Orr were Christy Thomas playing *Jingle Bells* and Amber McCullough playing *Angels We Have Heard on High*. Others performing include Lori Beth Francis, Kristen Bell, Amy Eakin, Adam Day, Andrea Phillips, Dawn Marie Fox, Heather Mitchell, Jocelyn Brady, Mindy Randall, Jennifer

Rushing, Cathy Morse, Lindy Sells, Lindsey Burton, Sean Teng, Shanna Baker and Jill Day.

*Greensleeves* was performed as a group piano by Karen McPherson, Jennifer Rushing, Leanne Dyson, Andrea Phillips, Sean Teng, Christy Thomas and Myrna Orr at the 2 p.m. recital. *Parade of the Toy Soldiers*, group piano, was performed by Orr, Amy Eakin, Christy Thomas, Karen McPherson, Ginger Hannon, Amber McCullough, Shannon Molitor, Hugh Teng and Sean Teng at both recitals.

During the 3:30 p.m. recital selections and performers included: *Morning Mood* by Sarah Gattis, *Angels We Have Heard on High* by Ashlee Bohannon, *Spinning Song* by Karen McPherson, *O Holy Night*

by Shannon Molitor, *Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer* by Sarita Mohan and *Sonatina* by Lynes by Lori Sutton. Duets with Orr included *Jolly Old St. Nicholas* with Alison Piersall and *A Wish is a Dream Your Heart Makes* with Shaylee Richardson.

Also in performance were Suzanne Gattis, Kristi Carter, Amy Alexander, Andrea Abbe, Justin Molitor, Cassie Hamilton, Danny McPherson, Kristina Carr, Keidi Searl and Stacie Carter.

Other Orr students who were unable to perform due to illness were Katie Miller, Carrie Prater, Jennifer Fischer, Julie Smith, Grace Sutton and Amy Houseman.

## Club News

**Order of Eastern Star**  
Pampa Charter No. 65, Order of the Eastern Star (OES), will observe Friendship Night and a 75th Birthday Celebration on Dec. 30 with a dinner at 6:30 p.m. in the Sportsman Club. Highlighting the event will be special guests; Betty Phillips, Worthy Grand Matron, of the Grand Chapter of Texas, OES and Lillian Barnard Parker, Past Grand Matron, of the Grand Chapter of Texas, OES. Parker is the only living charter member of the Pampa Chapter, serving as Worthy Matron in 1922-23 and as Worthy Grand Matron of the State of Texas in 1944-45.

Approximately 200 guests from all over Texas and Oklahoma are expected to attend the celebration. Mrs. Jerry Sheppard, District 2 Deputy Grand Matron, is in charge of seating arrangements for dinner. Elizabeth Lewis, Worthy Matron, Pampa Chapter and member of the Grand Chapter Arrangements Committee, will welcome the guests. Ruby Lee Meckley of Amarillo Chapter No. 787 and also a member of the Grand Chapter Arrangements Committee will give the response.

Elective officers of the Pampa Chapter are: Elizabeth Lewis, Worthy Matron; Ralph Jackson, Worthy Patron; Bettie Craig, Associate Matron; Robert Craig, Associate Patron; Babe Mastin, secretary; Mildred Pierce, treasurer; Georgia Holding, conductress; and Margaret Washington, associate conductress.

Organized and chartered on Oct. 14, 1914, Pampa Chapter No. 65, OES, was founded to perform charitable and benevolent work and to cement bonds of good fellowship and sisterly and brotherly love among its members. For 75 years, Pampa Chapter has contributed to the OES Home for Ladies in Arlington and also performed benevolent work in Pampa.

**Pampa Art Club**  
Pampa Art Club met for a Christmas brunch and gift exchange in the home of Mrs. R.D. Mack on Dec. 19 with 18 members attending.



Betty Phillips, Worthy Grand Matron, Grand Chapter of Texas, OES.



Lillian Barnard Parker, Past Grand Matron, Grand Chapter of Texas, OES.

Assisting as hostesses were Mrs. Gene Barber and Mrs. W.R. Whitsell. Guests were Mrs. Gladys

Inmire and Mrs. A.L. Soukup. The next meeting will be on Jan. 2 in the home of Mrs. Tommie Grant.

## Judge ensures that inmate's debt to society will be paid

DEAR ABBY: I just read something in the Joliet Herald-News that I think should be aired in your column.

A 20-year-old liberal arts student at the University of Iowa was sentenced to seven years in prison for distributing LSD. Abby, this guy made a fortune selling drugs. Furthermore, the judge ordered him to pay \$1,210 a month to pay for his prison stay! After he serves his prison term, he will be on supervised release for four years, for which he must pay \$91 a month.

I think this is a wonderful idea. Why should honorable, law-abiding citizens have to pay to feed and house these criminals—especially the ones who got rich selling drugs? I wonder what your other readers think of this.

E.S. IN JOLIET, ILL.

DEAR E.S.: I'm with you. I am amazed that judges didn't think of it before, or have they? Readers?

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DEAR ABBY: An unusual situation has caused hard feelings in our office and we would like your opinion of the following:

My friend and I purchased four choice tickets for a major upcoming sporting event as soon as the tickets went on sale. A lot of legwork and advance planning went into buying these tickets at \$100 each.

The sporting event will take place shortly, and the value of the tickets has quadrupled. We could easily get \$400 apiece for those tickets. My friend and I plan to attend the event and sell the other two tickets, thus paying for our expenses and making a small profit.

Office cronies want to buy the two tickets for their original price—\$100 each. We insist on selling them for a price that we can easily get from others. We have not seen this topic discussed in your column and would appreciate your opinion.

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Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

DEAR FOLKS: Tell your office cronies that the early bird gets the worm, and they must be cuckoo to expect you to sell those tickets at your cost at this late date.

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DEAR ABBY: Will you please do a service for all adoptive families? Inform newspaper editors that adopted children are not fertility drugs. I am sick of seeing sentences such as this one — from The New York Times, no less: "They tried for 10 years to have a child; it was not until after they adopted a baby boy that Mrs. Brand became pregnant." There is no cause-and-effect here. The chances of conceiving a child are the same before and after adoption.

Implying that all one has to do is "relax" belittles the infertile couple's experience, and is an insult to them and their adopted child.

Imagine how adoptees must feel when they read that they were just a means to an end — a reproductive aid to bring about their parents' second child! Adoptive parents do not think that way, but journalists thoughtlessly perpetuate the myth that adopted children are second-best.

And another thing: Could we all lighten up on phrases such as "adopt a whale," or "adopt a zoo animal"? One last thing, Abby, and I'll have it off my chest. My son's "real mother" didn't give him up. His real mother adopted him. The dear young woman who gave birth to him wasn't able to be a mother to him, so she gave him up.

MARY RUSSELL,  
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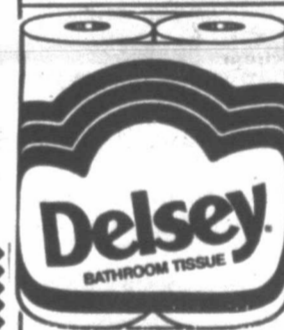
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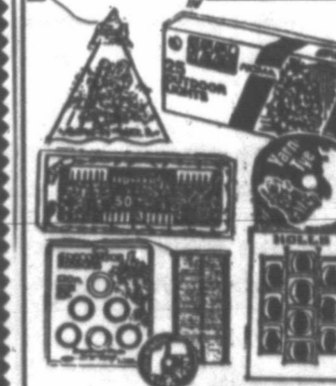
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# Food

## Black-eyed peas - a Southern tradition for New Year's Day

It is traditional in some families, especially in the South, to eat black-eyed peas on New Year's Day to ensure good luck and prosperity for the coming year. Here are a variety of recipes for even the most finicky black-eye pea eaters.

To follow Southern tradition, you may want to put a penny or dime in the peas while they are cooking. The person who gets the shiny coin is promised a prosperous year.

### Black-Eyed Peas

- 1 cup dried black-eyed peas
- 2 teaspoons oil
- 1 onion, chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, diced
- 1/2 teaspoon red pepper flakes or freshly ground black pepper
- 4 to 6 ounces Canadian bacon or fully cooked lean ham, cut into cubes

Put peas in a colander and rinse with cold water; drain and put in a large pot. Add enough cold water to come 2 inches above top of peas; cover and soak for 6 to 8 hours or overnight. Drain and rinse peas; discard water.

In large pan or skillet, heat oil. Add onion, garlic and red pepper flakes and cook until soft. Add Canadian bacon or lean ham and cook 1 minute. Stir in peas and about 5 cups water. Cover and cook for an additional 40 minutes or until peas are tender.

Note: For quick cooking, put peas in large pot with 8 cups water; boil for 2 minutes. Remove from heat, cover and let stand for 1 hour; drain.

### Hoppin' John

- 1 cup dried black-eyed peas\*
- 4 thick slices bacon, cut into 1/2 inch pieces
- 1 cup chopped onion
- 1/2 cup chopped green pepper
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 bay leaf
- generous dash cayenne pepper
- generous dash black pepper
- 3 cups cooked rice

Wash peas. Add 5 cups boiling water; boil 2 minutes. Remove from heat; cover and soak 12 hours or overnight. (Or, for quick-soak method, add boiling water to beans; boil 3 minutes. Cover and set aside 1 to 4 hours.) Rinse and drain thoroughly.

Cook bacon in large, heavy saucepan until browned. Add onion, green pepper and garlic. Saute until onion is tender. Add peas, 2 cups water and seasonings. Cover and simmer 40 to 50 minutes or until beans are tender. Remove bay leaf; stir in cooked rice. Continue simmering about 10 minutes or until all liquid is absorbed. Serves 4 to 6.

\*Two cans, 15 ounces each, drained and rinsed black-eyed peas may be substituted. Reduce water to 1/2 cup and simmer 30 minutes before adding rice.

Or try Dee Dee Laramore's recipe for Hoppin' John:

- 1 ham hock
- 1 8 oz. pkg dried black-eyed peas
- 1 small onion
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper
- 1 cup rice

Place ham hock in large saucepan, cover with water and cook 30 minutes. Add black-eyed peas, onion, salt, pepper and enough water to cover. Cook covered 45 minutes. Add water as needed. Stir in rice. Cover and cook 30 minutes longer or until rice and peas are tender. May add 1 can of tomatoes if desired. Serves 6.

The following cold salad recipe was contributed by Joy Fulton (Beth Miller, reporter's mom).

### Black-Eyed Pea Salad

- 2 cans of black-eyed peas with jalapenos, drained
- 1/2 cup chopped onions
- 1/2 cup chopped celery
- 2 avocados, sliced
- 1 8 oz. bottle Catalina dressing

Mix together and let marinate overnight in refrigerator.

Emma DeWitt, Pampa News circulation bookkeeper, offered another black-eyed pea salad recipe:

- 2 cups cooked black-eyed peas, drained
- 1 boiled egg, chopped
- 1/4 cup sour pickles, chopped
- 1 tablespoon chopped onion
- 1/2 cup chunked Velveeta cheese
- Italian dressing

Mix all ingredients together and toss with Italian dressing.

**Pineapple Baked Black-Eyes**

- 1 1/2 cups dried black-eyed peas
- 3 cups pineapple juice
- 1 cup water
- 1 medium-size onion, minced
- 1 tablespoon light molasses
- 1/8 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1 tablespoon honey
- 1 cup shredded fresh pineapple

Preheat oven to 300°. In a large saucepan, combine peas, juice and water. Bring to a boil and continue

to boil for 2 minutes. Remove from heat and let stand for 1 hour. Then cover and simmer until peas are tender, about 1 hour. Drain, reserving liquid.

In a large ovenproof casserole or bean pot, combine peas, onions, molasses, ginger, honey, and pineapple. Add 1 1/2 cups reserved liquid, cover, and bake for 3 hours. Uncover and bake 1 hour longer, adding a little more reserved liquid if peas appear to be drying out. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

### Vegetarian Taco Stacks

- 1/2 cup vegetable oil
- 1 medium-size onion, chopped
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1 1/2 cups cooked black-eyed peas, drained
- 1 cup cooked black beans, drained
- 4 cups canned tomatoes
- 1/4 cup chopped green or red chili peppers (optional)
- 1 tablespoon chili powder, or more to taste
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper
- 12 corn tortillas
- 1 1/2 cups shredded cheddar cheese
- 1/2 head lettuce, shredded
- 2 large tomatoes, finely chopped
- 1 medium-size onion, finely chopped

Heat 3 tablespoons of oil in Dutch oven. Add chopped onions and garlic and saute until onion is translucent. Add peas, beans, canned tomatoes, chilies, chili powder, cumin, and pepper. Simmer for 15 minutes.

In a large skillet, heat remaining 5 tablespoons oil and lightly saute tortillas on both sides, one at a time, placing each in a warm oven as completed.

Stack cooked tortillas in 4 piles of 3 each. Spread bean filling and cheese between layers and on top of each stack. Garnish with lettuce and chopped tomatoes. Makes 4 servings.

### Texas Caviar

- 1 16 oz pkg dry black-eyed peas water
- 1/2 cup cider vinegar
- 1/3 cup olive or salad oil
- 1 tablespoon salt
- 2 teaspoons sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon ground red pepper
- 1 small garlic clove, minced
- 1/2 cup chopped parsley
- 3 green onion, minced
- 2 celery stalks, thinly sliced
- 1 hard cooked egg, chopped, for garnish

Rinse black-eyed peas and remove any stones or shriveled peas. In 5-quart Dutch oven over high heat, heat beans and 6 cups water to boiling; cook 3 minutes. Remove Dutch oven from heat; cover and let stand 1 hour.

Drain and rinse beans; add 6 cups water and over high heat, bring to boil. Reduce heat to low; cover and simmer 30 minutes or until beans are tender; drain.

In medium-sized bowl, beat vinegar, oil, salt, sugar, ground red pepper and garlic until mixed. Add beans, parsley, green onions, and celery; toss gently to coat with dressing. Cover bowl and refrigerate at least 2 hours to blend flavors, stirring occasionally. To serve, garnish with chopped egg.

### Black-Eyed Pea Loaf

- With Creole Sauce
- 1 1/2 cups dried black-eyed peas
- 1 cup chopped ham
- 1 hot red pepper, seeded
- 2 teaspoons salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 2 cups cracker crumbs
- 2/3 cup chopped onion
- 1 cup chopped green pepper
- 2 stalks celery, chopped
- 2 eggs, beaten
- 1/4 cup catsup
- 2 teaspoons steak sauce
- 2 cups (8 ounces) shredded sharp cheddar cheese
- Creole Sauce
- Sort and wash peas; place in a

large saucepan. Cover with water; soak overnight. Drain. Combine peas, ham, hot pepper, and water to cover in large saucepan. Bring to a boil; cover, reduce heat and simmer 35 minutes or until tender. Drain, reserving 1 cup liquid. Remove and discard pepper.

Combine peas, 1 cup reserved liquid, and remaining ingredients; stir until well blended. Spoon mixture into a greased 9x5x3-inch loaf pan. Bake at 350° for 45 minutes or until firm. Cool in pan 10 minutes. (Recipe can be refrigerated overnight at this point; cover and reheat at 350° for 20 minutes before serving.) Invert loaf onto a serving platter. Serve with Creole Sauce. Makes one 9-inch loaf pan.

### Creole Sauce

- 1/2 cup chopped green pepper
- 3 tablespoons chopped onion
- 2 tablespoons butter or margarine
- 1 (2 oz) can sliced mushroom, undrained
- 1 cup tomato juice
- 1/2 cup catsup
- 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
- 1/4 teaspoon hot sauce
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch
- 2 tablespoons cold water
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon dried whole thyme

Saute green pepper and onion in butter in a medium saucepan over low heat until tender. Add mushrooms with liquid, tomato juice, catsup, Worcestershire sauce, and hot sauce; stir well.

Dissolve cornstarch in water, stirring until well blended. Add salt and thyme. Stir cornstarch mixture into sauce. Bring to a boil; reduce heat and cook 1 minute or until thickened, stirring constantly. Yield: 2 cups

### Black-Eyed Pea Dip

- Serve this dip the traditional way - with benne wafers (otherwise known as sesame crackers.)
- 1 10 oz pkg frozen black-eyed peas, or 2/3 cup dried black-eyed peas, soaked overnight
- 8 bacon slices
- 1/2 cup finely chopped onion
- 2 cups sour cream
- 2 teaspoons fresh lemon juice
- salt and freshly ground black pepper

In a skillet or saucepan, combine the peas with 2 slices of the bacon and add water to cover. Bring to a boil over high heat; turn the heat to low and simmer for 1 hour.

Meanwhile, fry the remaining 6 slices of bacon. Drain on paper towels, crumble, and set aside.

Strain peas and bacon, reserving the cooking liquid; discard bacon. Put peas and 2 tablespoons of reserved liquid in food processor and puree. Add more liquid as needed and process until smooth; mixture should be thick but not runny. Scrape the puree into a bowl and stir in the crumbled bacon, onion, sour cream, lemon juice and salt and pepper to taste.

Serve cold or at room temperature, garnished with additional crumbled bacon, if desired. Makes 3 cups.

### Black-eye-Dough Cakes

- Chopped green peppers or cooked, finely chopped shrimp may be added to this batter before frying.
- 2 cups dried black-eyed peas, soaked overnight and drained
- 1 large onion
- 1 large tomato, peeled
- 2 tablespoons flour (optional)
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 1 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1 egg, lightly beaten (optional)
- oil for deep frying

Rub soaked peas with your finger tips to loosen and remove the husks; then wash the peas in a bowl of water. Repeat this several times until the husks and all of the black eyes have been removed and discarded.

In a blender, grind the peas until they are very smooth, then add the vegetables and 1/2 cup water. Grind all together adding flour if used, until the ingredients are well blended and a smooth batter is obtained. Pour the batter into a bowl and set it aside, covered, for about 30 minutes. Stir in the salt, pepper, ginger and egg (if used).

Heat oil in a heavy saucepan or deep fryer until it registers 375° on a deep-frying thermometer. Drop spoonfuls of batter into the oil, and fry the cakes until all sides are golden brown. (For smoother shapes, dip the spoon into water each time before spooning out the batter.)

### Black-Eyed Cream Soup

- A really meaty soup that makes a great one-dish dinner.
- 2 cups dry black-eye peas
- 8 cups water
- 3 ham hocks
- 1/2 cup chopped yellow onion
- 3 cups celery, with leaves, chopped
- 3 small carrots, scraped and sliced in thin rounds
- 3 tablespoons chili powder
- 2 cups beef bouillon
- 1 cup light cream or half-and-half
- 1 pound Polish sausage, sliced very thin
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon black pepper

Wash and pick over peas. Place in a large saucepan with water and bring to a boil. Add ham hocks, onion, celery, and carrots. Cook, covered, for 2 to 3 hours or until the meat is falling off the bones. Remove the ham hocks, mince the meat, and discard the bones.

Drain the vegetables, reserving the cooking liquid, and press through a food mill, or blend in a blender with a little of the cooking liquid.

Return ham and vegetables to the saucepan, add remaining ingredients and simmer, covered, for another 30 minutes. Add more seasonings if desired. Serves 6 to 8.

### Turkey Salad with Blackeyes

- A new and interesting way to use leftover turkey meat; especially nice with corn bread.
- 4 cups cooked or canned black-eye peas, drained
- 1 cup shredded celery
- 1 cup chopped yellow onion
- 1 cup diced green pepper
- 1/4 cup pimento
- 1 cup vegetable oil
- 1/8 cup vinegar
- 1/2 teaspoon granulated sugar
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon dry mustard
- 1/8 teaspoon black pepper
- 2 cups cooked, diced turkey
- 1 cup mayonnaise
- 1/8 teaspoon prepared mustard
- 1/2 teaspoon lemon juice
- 1 small head iceberg lettuce, shredded

Combine peas and vegetables in a large bowl. In the blender blend together the oil, vinegar, sugar, salt, dry mustard, and pepper. Taste and add more salt if desired. Pour the mixture over the vegetables and toss well. Mix in turkey. Make dressing by combining mayonnaise, prepared mustard, and lemon juice. Serve Turkey Salad on shredded lettuce with dressing on the side. Serves 6 to 8.

### Blackeye Supper

- This is a cheesy blackeye casserole that's easy on the budget, high in nutrition and popular with most kids.
- 3 cups cooked or canned black-eyes, drained
- 4 tablespoons butter or margarine, softened
- 1 teaspoon curry powder
- 1/4 teaspoon salt

- 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 3/4 cup milk
- 3/4 cup grated medium-sharp cheddar cheese
- 2 to 3 frankfurters

Heat oven to 350°. Empty peas into a 1 1/2 quart casserole and spread them into a smooth layer. Melt 2 tablespoons butter in a small skillet over low heat and stir in curry powder, salt, and flour to make a smooth past. Add the milk and stir until sauce smooths and thickens. Mix in cheddar cheese and cook, stirring, until cheese has melted.

Pour cheese sauce over the peas. Split frankfurters lengthwise and arrange over the bean mixture. Brush 2 tablespoons soft butter over the top and bake until lightly browned and bubbly. Serves 2 to 3.

### Blackeye Chili

- 3 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 2 pounds ground beef
- 2 cups chopped yellow onion
- 1/2 cup chopped celery
- 3 peeled cloves garlic, sliced
- 1 large green pepper, seeded and chopped
- 1 pound dry blackeyes
- 8 cups cold water
- 2 tablespoons salt
- 1 tablespoon granulated sugar
- 2 teaspoons chili powder
- 1 teaspoon Tabasco sauce
- 2 28 oz cans whole tomatoes and pepper to taste

Heat oil in a 6-quart kettle or Dutch oven over medium heat and saute beef, onion, celery, garlic and green pepper until meat is well browned. Add beans, water and remaining ingredients; cover, bring to a boil, boil 2 minutes, lower the heat to simmer and simmer for 4 hours or until beans are tender. After the first 2 hours check pot to make sure water isn't boiling away.

Add more if necessary. If the liquid is too thin at the end of the cooking period, boil rapidly, stirring to prevent burning, until mixture has thickened. Check seasoning before serving. Serves 8 to 10.

### Blackeye Hash

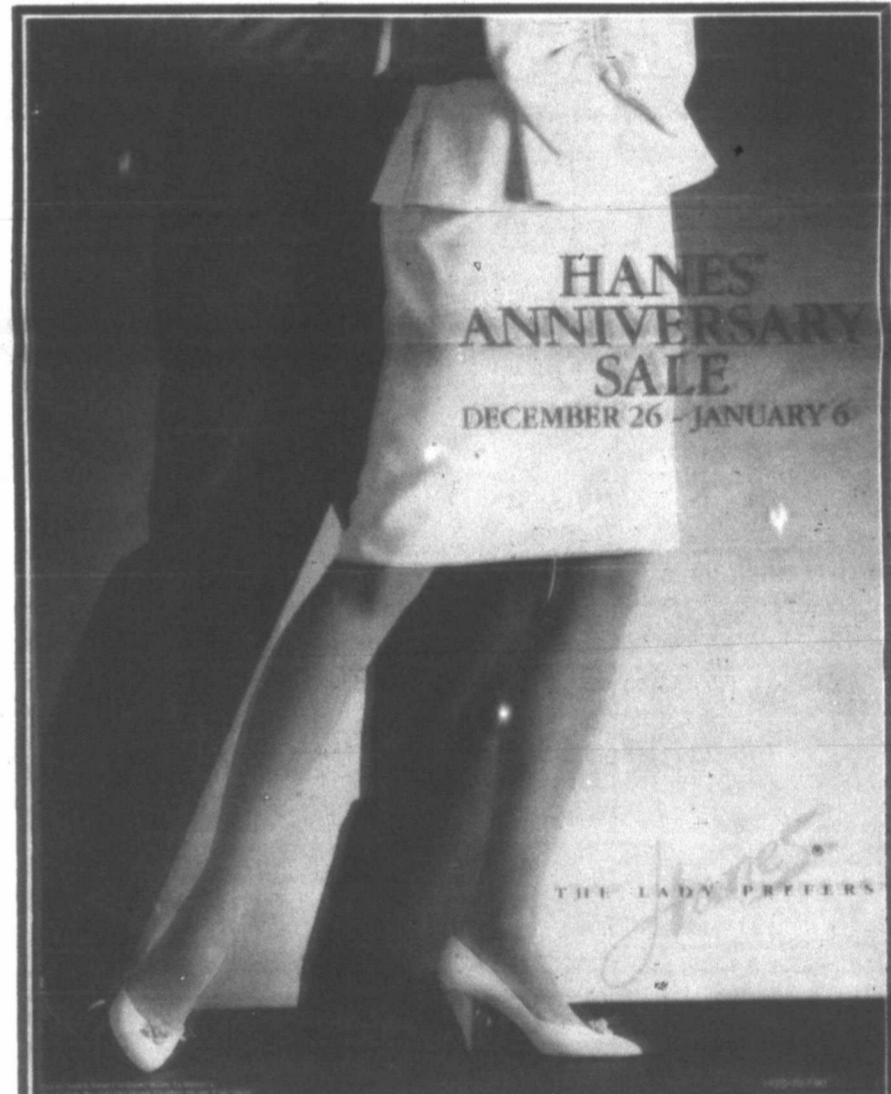
- 3 1/2 cups cooked or canned blackeyes
- 3 tablespoons bacon drippings
- 1 medium yellow onion, minced
- 1/2 15 oz can corned beef hash
- 1 tablespoon soy sauce
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon black pepper
- catsup

Drain beans and reserve liquid. Melt the bacon drippings in large skillet over medium heat and saute onion. Add hash, peas and 1/2 cup bean liquid and mix thoroughly. Add soy sauce, salt, and pepper. Taste and add more seasonings if desired. Cover, lower heat and cook about 10 minutes. Add more bean liquid if the dish dries out. Serve with catsup. Serves 4 to 6.

### Black-Eyed Cake

- 1 cup margarine
- 2 cups sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1 1/2 cups flour
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon soda
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon allspice
- 1/4 teaspoon clove
- 2 cups blackeyed peas
- 1/2 cup chopped pecans

Cream margarine and sugar and beat in eggs thoroughly. Sift together dry ingredients. Pour peas and liquid into blender and puree. Add peas and dry ingredients alternately to egg/sugar mixture. Add nuts. Bake in greased and floured large loaf pan or bundt pan at 350° for 1 hour. Frost with brown sugar frosting or cream cheese frosting.



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- 13 For men and women
- 14 Abominable
- 15 Sandwich meat
- 16 Fur-bearing animal
- 17 King
- 18 Layover
- 20 Language suffix
- 21 Painters
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- 36 Came before

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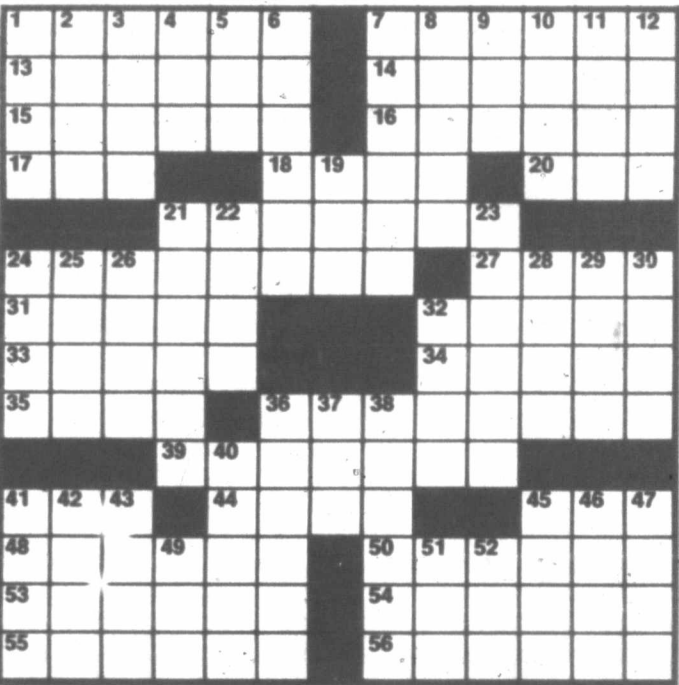
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### Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- 19 Dead heat
- 21 Develops
- 22 Begin a day
- 23 Caulking, for one
- 24 Funeral item
- 25 Cultivator
- 26 Son of —
- 28 Thin nail
- 29 Computer term
- 30 Sleigh
- 32 Art — (1930s style)
- 36 Type of wheel
- 37 Fled
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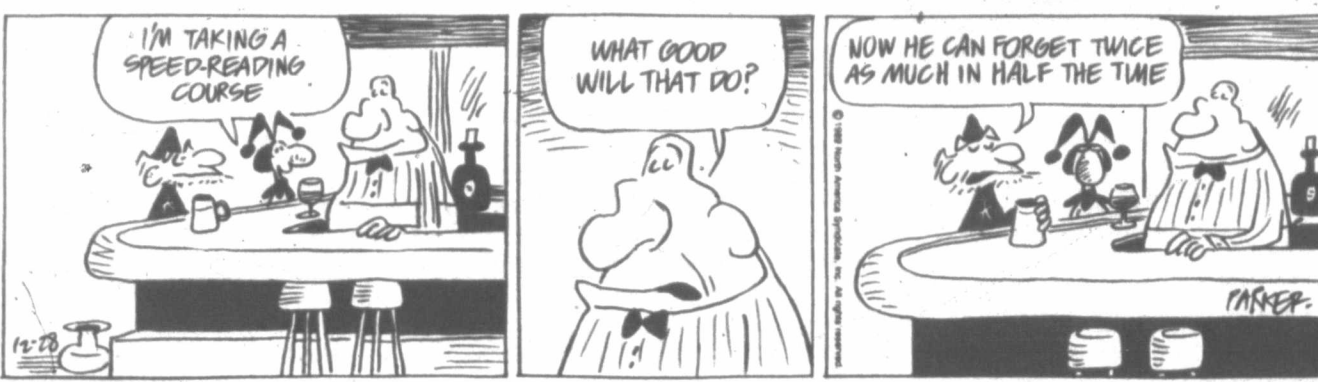


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**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** If things have been a trifle hectic for you this week, your outlook can be refurbished if you have some time off by yourself. Seek isolation free from distracting, outside influences.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** As of today start looking ahead a bit to figure out ways to effectively extend your present efforts so they'll blend comfortably with your future hopes.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** Your words have a special impact today and they'll not be readily forgotten. Be sure what you say in front of others leaves the type of impression you desire.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Try to spend more time on creative, mental projects today as opposed to those of a physical nature. The muscles in your mind are stronger than those in your back.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Your abilities to research, probe and detect could be more acute today than usual. Getting to the root causes of problems that have been cleverly covered should be rather easy.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** It's to your benefit today to listen attentively to the suggestions offered by your mate or partner pertaining to joint interests. Let wiser heads prevail.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** Give a little extra attention to common sense health matters today, especially if your eating habits have been rather poor lately. With some applied self-discipline, you can get back on tracks.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** If you associate with people who act and think young today, it will have a benefit effect on your own outlook. Conversely, negative thinkers could put you in a dark frame of mind.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** Someone younger or less experienced than yourself for whom you feel protective may be coming to you for advice today. Give this person as much time as necessary.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** This is a good day for you to catch up on correspondence or other types of communications. Mentally you'll be very alert, creative and able to express yourself effectively.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** You're likely to get more mileage out of what you spend today than you'll be able to do tomorrow. It might be advantageous to shop while you have an aptitude for bargains.

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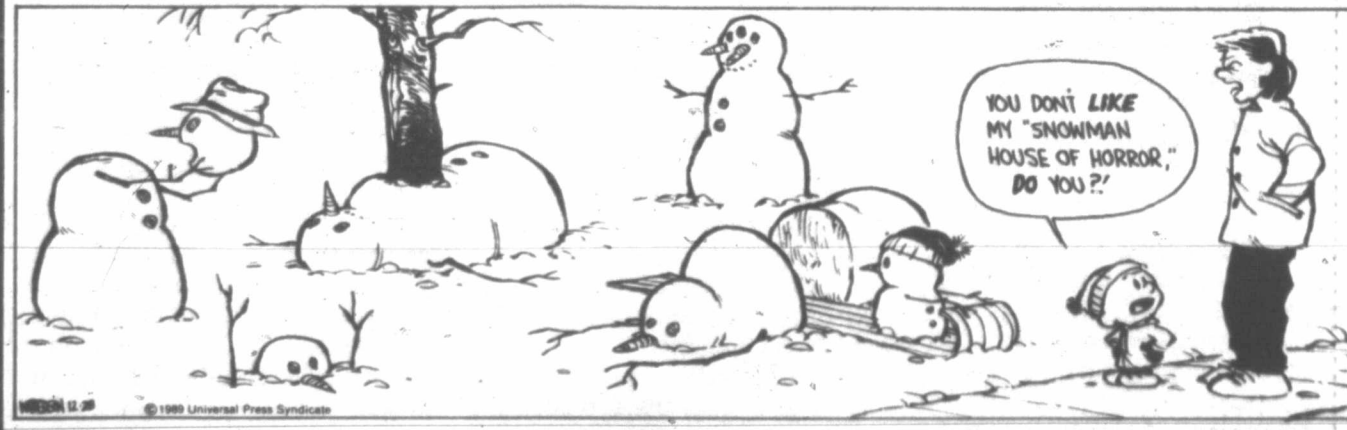
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# Sports

## Tech defense will have its hands full

By HOYT HARWELL  
Associated Press Writer

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Clarkston Hines, 20th-ranked Duke's "Frequent Flyer," holds the NCAA record for career touchdowns, 38, has three 1,000-yard receiving seasons and is sixth in career yardage with 3,318.

So, how will No. 24 Texas Tech handle the All-American receiver in tonight's 13th All American Bowl?

"Our defense bends but doesn't break," said Tech linebacker Charles Rowe.

"We'll give Hines a few catches here and there but we don't want him to break a long one," he said. "We don't believe anybody can drive the ball down our throat. That's the way we've played all year and that's the way we're going to play Duke."

Coach Spike Dykes of Tech (8-3, as is Duke) said he knows how to defend against Hines: "Just hope. He's a great player."

Hines said he is glad to be playing for Steve Spurrier, an offensive-minded coach whose passing won him the Heisman Trophy at Florida in 1966.

"His passing offense is the dream of any wide receiver," Hines said. "He employs an explosive attack, and if used properly, it's almost unstoppable."

Hines has played with two quar-

terbacks this season, Billy Ray and Dave Brown while Ray was hurt, and said he has no preference.

Neither does Spurrier, who plans to start Ray and then insert Brown in the second period and "see how it goes."

### All American Bowl

Dykes said that facing a good passing attack will be nothing new for his team, which gave up 475 yards to Houston's Heisman winner, Andre Ware. "We've seen a few passes," Dykes said.

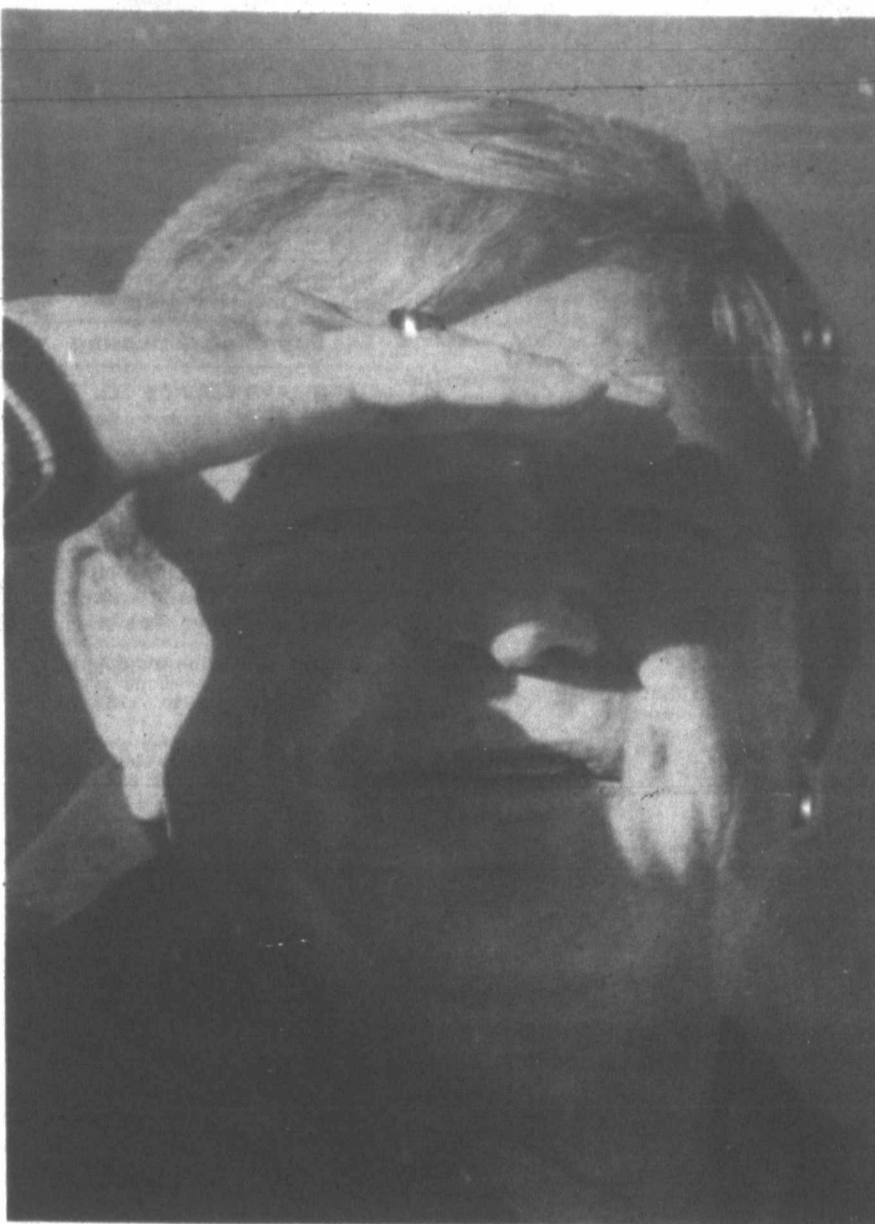
Tech, though not immune to passing itself, relies largely on the running of James Gray, fifth-leading runner in the nation this year with 1,509 yards.

"He's scored more points than anyone ever in the Southwest Conference," Dykes said, "and some pretty good players have come out of our conference."

Duke linebacker John Howell said Gray "has very strong legs. He is quick on his moves and a great cutback runner. It will be a defensive showdown for Duke."

The All American Bowl is Duke's first postseason game in 29 years.

"It will be good to let the nation know we've got a football school as well as a basketball school," Brown said.



(AP Laserphoto)

Texas Tech coach Spike Dykes looks out over the field as his Red Raiders prepare for tonight's game against Duke in the All-American Bowl.

## Harvesters advance to winners' bracket

FORT WORTH — The Pampa Harvesters got things going in a big way Wednesday morning at the 1989 West Side Lions Club Holidays Basketball Tournament.

Pampa opened with 10 unanswered points and never looked back in a commanding, 91-46 victory over the Keller Indians during first-round action at Frank Billingsley Fieldhouse.

The Harvesters, who improved to 11-3 on the season, held Keller scoreless for the first 5-1/2 minutes and never trailed in the ball game. It was the second-highest margin of victory and second-highest scoring total for the Harvesters this season.

The top mark in both categories came in a 96-44 rout over Randall on Dec. 5.

Six Pampa players scored in double figures, led by Mark Wood, a 6-3 senior. Wood poured in a game-high 18 points, just under his 16.5 average per game. Jeff Young was next with 13, followed by Ryan Teague, Jayson Williams and Cornelius Landers with 12 each and Cedrick Wilbon with 10.

Lee Warren, the only double figure scorer for the Indians, tossed in 13. The loss left Keller with a 3-11 record.

Overall, nine of Pampa's ten players contributed points.

"You never know what you're going to do in an early morning game, especially after a week off," said Pampa coach Robert Hale. "We

faced a team that plays good defense and we scored quite a few points. Fortunately, we played well enough to get the victory."

Despite a low-scoring first period, the Harvesters jumped out to a 10-0 lead and stretched it to 18-6 at the end of the period. After a 33-point performance in the second frame, Pampa led by 30 at halftime, 51-21.

Keller mounted a comeback in the first 5-1/2 minutes of the second quarter thanks to Warren, who added nine points in less than six minutes. He pitched in 13 points total before fouling out with 51 seconds remaining in the third period.

The Indians closed the gap to 22 points, but Pampa added 29 more in the final 8 minutes to clinch the win.

Pampa dominated the game in virtually every area, including shooting percentage (50% to 36%), rebounds (35-25) and turnovers (20-31).

"It's a good, positive thing to start off the tournament this way," Hale said.

The Harvesters advance to the quarterfinals of the winners' bracket today, where they will take on White Settlement Brewer at 4:45 p.m. Brewer was a 61-37 winner over Nolan on Wednesday.

If the Harvesters win again, they'll take on the winner of today's Borger-Everman game in the semifinals at 9:15 p.m. Friday. Today's loser will play at 4:45 p.m. Friday

## Timberwolves rout Houston to halt nine-game skid

By BILL BARNARD  
AP Basketball Writer

After nine consecutive losses, Minnesota coach Bill Musselman figured it was time for a change.

Taking a page from Don Nelson's book, Musselman started a front line of 6-foot-7 Sam Mitchell at center, 6-7 Tony Campbell and 6-6 Tyrone Corbin at forward and 6-1 rookie Pooh Richardson and 6-0 Sidney Lowe at guard.

Musselman's decision came up roses as the expansion Timberwolves routed Houston 108-91 Wednesday night.

"You might see anything next game," Musselman said. "From now on, I'm going to play according to who we play."

Richardson and Lowe were the biggest surprises. Both played the entire game, running a "motion" offense that Musselman decided to use just minutes before the tipoff.

Richardson scored a season-high 18 points and Lowe had 22 points and 13 assists after going the entire season without a double-figure scoring game.

Elsewhere in the NBA, it was

San Antonio 107, Washington 97; Indiana 106, Orlando 101; Detroit 99, Cleveland 82; Dallas 114, Atlanta 101; Seattle 110, Philadelphia 106, and Boston 115, Sacramento 112 in overtime.

Lowe came within two rebounds of a triple-double for the Timberwolves.

"Yo, Sid, I'll give you two of my rebounds," Mitchell said.

Mitchell, a 26-year-old rookie starting his first game at center, had 10 rebounds and 17 points in his head-to-head matchup with Akeem Olajuwon, who scored 32 points.

Richardson's 20-footer gave the Timberwolves an 83-78 lead after three periods. They were leading 86-81 early in the fourth when they turned the game into a rout with a 19-4 spurt, during which Lowe had 10 points, including two 3-pointers.

Spurs .....107  
Bullets.....97

San Antonio pulled within two victories of last season's victory total with its seventh straight win as David Robinson scored a season-high 34 points against Washington.

The game was tied 33-33 with

10:19 remaining in the second period when reserve guards David Wingate and Vernon Maxwell keyed a 13-0 run that gave the Spurs a lead they never lost.

Celtics .....115  
Kings .....112 OT

Boston extended Sacramento's losing streak to 10 as Larry Bird scored nine of his 37 points in overtime.

Bird, who also had 11 rebounds and 10 assists, had a scoring duel with former teammate Danny Ainge, who scored 39 points, including nine of the Kings' 11 in the extra period.

Sonics .....110  
76ers .....106

Dale Ellis scored 12 of his 33 points in the third quarter when Seattle took control against Philadelphia with a 28-12 surge.

The Sonics' run during the final 9:50 of the third quarter turned a 66-64 deficit into a 92-78 lead.

Derrick McKey had 21 points for the Sonics. Charles Barkley led the 76ers with 22.

Pacers .....106  
Magic .....101

Indiana moved into a tie for the Central Division lead with Chicago as Rik Smits scored 11 of his 23 points in the final 6:50 against Orlando.

The Pacers led only 92-91 when Smits started his game-closing run.

Reggie Theus led the Magic with 30 points and 10 assists. Reggie Miller scored 22 for Indiana.

Pistons .....99  
Cavaliers .....82

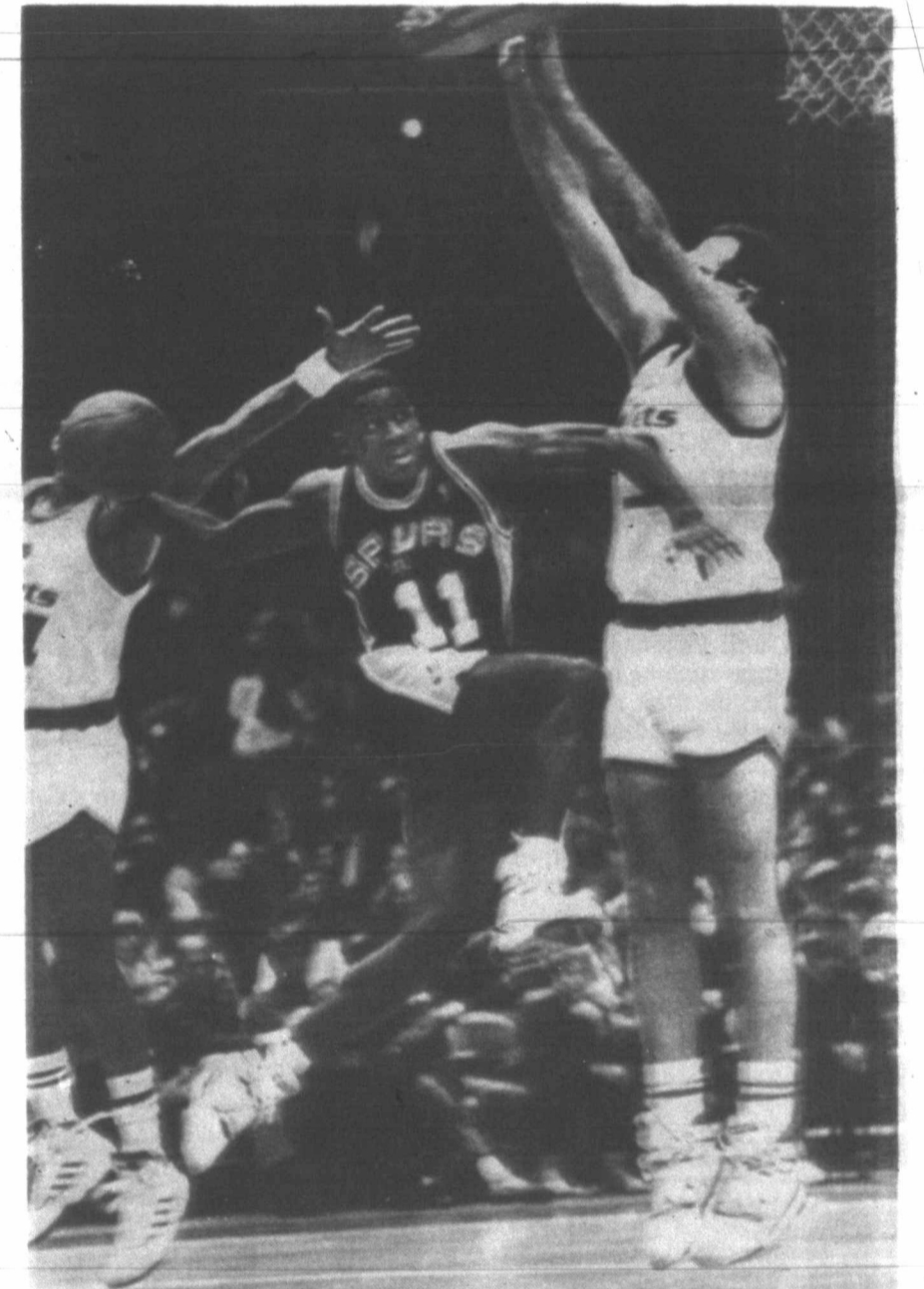
James Edwards scored 25 points for Detroit, including a tiebreaking jumper that started an 11-1 run in the third quarter against Cleveland.

Cleveland trailed by as many as 18 points in the second quarter, but the Cavaliers tied it 57-57 on a 20-footer by Mark Price, who scored 22 points. Edwards responded with a short turnaround shot that put the Pistons ahead for good with five minutes left in the third period.

Mavericks .....114  
Hawks .....101

Derek Harper scored 25 points and Sam Perkins and Rolando Blackman added 22 apiece for the Mavericks, who shot 54 percent from the field.

Dallas, second in the NBA in scoring defense (98.6 points), held the Hawks well below their 111 points-per-game average. The Mavericks' biggest lead was 99-77 in the fourth quarter.



(AP Laserphoto)

San Antonio's Vernon Maxwell (11) drives against Doug Roth of Washington in the Spurs' 107-97 win.

## Oilers hope fans excited about playoffs

By MICHAEL A. LUTZ  
AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON — The Houston Oilers missed out on winning the AFC Central Division title but they did make the playoffs for the third straight year, and coach Jerry Glanville hopes that fact isn't lost on the fans.

"I think after you go a couple of years and you're expected to win the division and you don't, the worst thing that can happen is your fans and your city aren't excited about you being there," Glanville said Wednesday.

The Oilers (9-7) will host Pittsburgh (9-7) Sunday as a wild card instead of division champions.

"We're a little down and depressed and we're asking the whole city to help them come back," Glanville said. "I think the feelings of the city can help bring this team back."

The Oilers have been accused of backing into the playoffs because they lost their final two games 61-7 to Cincinnati and 24-20 to Cleveland.

A victory in either game would have given the Oilers their first division title and a bye in the first week of the playoffs.

Defensive end Sean Jones can't understand any fans being unhappy. "Some people seem like they are

mad that we're in the playoffs, but we're here," Jones said. "We're one of the better teams in the league and that's how we should be acting, not like a team that lost two games."

The Browns rallied in the final 39 seconds to take the division crown from the Oilers. Glanville gave the Oilers a three-day break from practice to recover from the heartbreak.

"We are a loose team and we seem to be coming out of it," center Jay Pennington said. "I think by Sunday, our confidence will be where it should be and we'll be ready to play."

The Oilers have been hampered by injuries in the defensive line the past two weeks.

End Ray Childress has missed two games and has not practiced this week because of a broken bone in his right leg. Nose tackle Doug Smith was slowed by injuries against the Browns and his backup, Richard Byrd, suffered from recurring back spasms.

"You go into a game and you don't have anyone to play," Glanville said. "We've done that two weeks in a row and we've got to do something about it."

Glanville is at least glad the Oilers have a playoff game at home.

"We wanted it to be here no matter who we played," Glanville said.

"We would have liked to win the division, but we didn't and we can't worry about that anymore."

The three-day vacation helped, Glanville said.

"I think the extra day off will help us come back," Glanville said. "We were all drained after the Cleveland game."

Pittsburgh lost its first two games of the season by a combined 92-10 margin but they finished with five victories in their last six games, losing only to Houston in that stretch.

"I think the advantage in playing the Steelers is that we both know each other so well," Glanville said. "I think it will be a very good game based on what they have done recently."

"They are playing their best football right now."

The Oilers beat the Steelers 27-0 and 23-16 this season.

Houston has an 8-8 all-time playoff record. They beat Cleveland in the 1988 wild card game and lost to Buffalo in the second round.

The only other home playoff game in the Astrodome this decade was a 23-20 victory over Seattle in 1987.

Houston is one of four teams to qualify for the NFL playoffs at least three straight years. The others are San Francisco, Minnesota and Cleveland.

Weekly Football Poll	Sonny Bohanan	Chico Ramirez	Bear Mills	Larry Hollis	Guest Voter Mike Downes
Week 17: Dec. 28-Jan. 1					
All American Bowl: Duke vs. Texas Tech	Texas Tech	Duke	Duke	Texas Tech	Texas Tech
Liberty Bowl: Air Force vs. Mississippi	Air Force	Air Force	Air Force	Air Force	Air Force
Holiday Bowl: Penn St. vs. BYU	BYU	Penn State	BYU	BYU	Penn State
John Hancock Bowl: Pitt vs. Texas A&M	Texas A&M	Texas A&M	Texas A&M	Texas A&M	Texas A&M
Freedom Bowl: Washington vs. Florida	Washington	Washington	Washington	Washington	Washington
Peach Bowl: Georgia vs. Syracuse	Georgia	Georgia	Syracuse	Georgia	Georgia
Gator Bowl: W. Virginia vs. Clemson	Clemson	Clemson	Clemson	Clemson	Clemson
Copper Bowl: N.C. State vs. Arizona	Arizona	Arizona	Arizona	Arizona	Arizona
Hall of Fame Bowl: Auburn vs. Ohio St.	Auburn	Auburn	Auburn	Auburn	Auburn
Citrus Bowl: Virginia vs. Illinois	Illinois	Illinois	Virginia	Illinois	Illinois
Cotton Bowl: Arkansas vs. Tennessee	Arkansas	Arkansas	Tennessee	Arkansas	Arkansas
Piesta Bowl: Nebraska vs. Florida St.	Florida State	Florida State	Florida State	Nebraska	Florida State
Rose Bowl: Michigan vs. USC	USC	Michigan	USC	Michigan	Michigan
Sugar Bowl: Alabama vs. Miami, Fla.	Miami	Miami	Miami	Miami	Miami
Orange Bowl: Notre Dame vs. Colorado	Notre Dame	Colorado	Notre Dame	Notre Dame	Colorado
Last Week:	12-3	0-0	10-5	11-4	9-6
Season:	167-71	8-7	163-75	158-80	160-78
Percentage:	.702	.533	.685	.664	.672

# Hogs and Tennessee both have something to prove

## Cotton Bowl

DALLAS (AP) — Tennessee players and coaches say they realize Arkansas wants to avenge its loss to UCLA in the 1989 Cotton Bowl, but point out that they have motivations of their own.

The Razorbacks have pointed to a 17-3 loss to UCLA in the 1989 game as a spur to this year's 10-1 record and Southwest Conference championship, which carries an automatic Cotton Bowl bid.

Tennessee, on the other hand, was driven this year by the misery of losing its first six games of 1988. The Vols rebounded and also finished 10-1 this season.

The two teams will meet for just the third time in the 54th annual Cotton Bowl on New Year's Day. Tennessee is ranked eighth, Arkansas tenth.

"I've never been too concerned about Arkansas losing last year," Tennessee coach Johnny Majors said Wednesday. "I don't think that's going to make much difference."

"Obviously they'll be fired up. That'll be a little motivational factor. But we ought to have some motivational factors, too. We're playing to stay in the Top 10 and improve our ranking, and so are they."

## John Hancock Bowl

EL PASO (AP) — A year ago there were serious doubts whether another post-season college bowl game would be played in El Paso.

That was then. This is now.

Last year, the bowl, known as the Sun Bowl, didn't have a sponsor. This year, the John Hancock companies agreed to sponsor the game.

And the new leader of the organization coordinating John Hancock Bowl activities asked county commissioners Wednesday for another \$50,000 for expenses for a game that has drawn more fans and interest than anticipated.

"More expenses are incurred when we have a game of this magnitude and this many visitors," said Sun Carnival Association director John Junker. "Instead of 50 writers we have 80, we have more ticket sellers ... the popularity of the game is swamping us."

The Sun Carnival Association coordinates activities surrounding the game, such as hosting the teams, organizing the parade and handling administrative chores associated with the Saturday matchup between Pittsburgh and Texas A&M.

The teams have attracted enough people to help fill at least 12 local hotels, an influx that could translate into an estimated \$18 million for El Paso, officials say.

The association says about 35,000 tickets to the game have been sold, and if tradition holds up, many more will be bought this week. Sun Bowl stadium seats about 52,000.

"This place is a madhouse, the phones are ringing off the wall and the ticket master outlets are doing really well too," said Katie Carlson, marketing manager.

The city had promised to give the Sun Carnival Association \$150,000 of hotel tax revenue, but later reduced the contribution to \$100,000. Junker says he needs that extra \$50,000 to meet additional administrative expenses and to hire extra people for the stadium for Saturday's game.

"We only keep 25 cents of every dollar spent on tickets, 75 cents goes to the universities. For us to make up \$50,000 lost ... we'd have to sell another 200,000 tickets which is a physical impossibility because the stadium isn't large enough," Junker said.

The commission voted to give the association \$25,000 as long as the city agreed to contribute \$25,000 as well.

## Bowl roundup

"We're excited about coming to the Cotton Bowl. There are a lot of things to get ready for."

Majors said the game will be decided by the same things that decide most football games — kicking, turnovers and field position.

Tennessee defensive end Marion Hobby noted that Arkansas has been to the Cotton Bowl before "and some of our guys have never even been to Texas. I guess I wouldn't say it's an advantage, but this is the bowl site for their championship."

Nevertheless, he said, "It's all in the game."

Volunteer linebacker Darryl Hardy was even more succinct when asked if he thought Arkansas had a motivational advantage.

"Nah," he said.

Defensive end Tracy Hayworth said losing last year's Cotton Bowl "is going to be a great motivational factor on their part, but we've come here to win, too."

"So I think it's going to be a battle," he said. "We're not going to come down here and lay down for them or anybody else. I feel that we have a chance to win against anybody. We've got as much chance to win as they do."

Whether the Volunteers can take advantage of that chance may hinge on how well they can contain the powerful Arkansas running attack. The Razorbacks will be the first true option team Tennessee has seen this year.

"That's our main concern. We've seen it so infrequently," Majors said. "We'll be tested like we haven't been tested before. Arkansas' offensive backfield talent is the most potent we've seen this year as far as a running trio."

The main cogs in the Arkansas running game are Barry Foster, James Rouse

## Scoreboard

### Football

#### NFL Playoffs

By The Associated Press  
All Times CST

Wild Card  
Sunday, Dec. 31

NFC  
Los Angeles Rams at Philadelphia, 11:30 a.m.

AFC  
Pittsburgh at Houston, 3 p.m.

Divisional Playoffs  
(Times TBA)  
Saturday, Jan. 6 and Sunday, Jan. 7

AFC  
Buffalo at Cleveland  
Pittsburgh-Houston winner at Denver

NFC  
Minnesota at San Francisco or New York Giants  
Philadelphia at San Francisco (if Philadelphia wins wild-card game)  
Los Angeles Rams at New York Giants (if Los Angeles wins wild-card game)

Conference Championships  
Sunday, Jan. 14

Super Bowl XXIV  
Sunday, Jan. 28

Pro Bowl  
Sunday, Feb. 4  
At Honolulu  
AFC vs. NFC

Houston	12	16	429	81/2
Minnesota	6	21	222	14
Charlotte	4	20	167	141/2
Pacific Division				
L.A. Lakers	20	6	769	—
Portland	18	9	667	21/2
Seattle	13	12	520	61/2
Phoenix	11	12	478	71/2
Golden State	10	15	400	91/2
L.A. Clippers	9	15	375	10
Sacramento	6	20	231	14
Wednesday's Games				
San Antonio 107, Washington 97				
Indiana 106, Orlando 101				
Detroit 99, Cleveland 82				
Minnesota 106, Houston 91				
Dallas 114, Atlanta 101				
Seattle 110, Philadelphia 106				
Boston 115, Sacramento 112, OT				
Thursday's Games				
New York at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.				
Cleveland at Charlotte, 6:30 p.m.				
Miami at Denver, 8:30 p.m.				
Portland at Utah, 8:30 p.m.				
Golden State at Los Angeles Clippers, 9:30 p.m.				

## Hockey

### NHL Standings

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#### WALE CONFERENCE

Patrick Division

Washington	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
New Jersey	17	16	4	38	127	123
Philadelphia	17	17	4	38	149	148
NY Rangers	17	17	4	38	136	122
Pittsburgh	15	19	3	33	152	162
NY Islanders	13	20	4	30	125	143

Adams Division

Buffalo	23	9	6	52	135	113
Montreal	20	15	5	45	127	110
Boston	20	14	3	43	130	111
Hartford	19	17	2	40	130	127
Quebec	8	25	6	18	113	176

#### CAMPBELL CONFERENCE

Norris Division

Chicago	21	15	2	44	152	143
Toronto	18	21	1	37	167	179
Minnesota	17	19	2	36	126	137
St. Louis	15	15	6	36	129	121
Detroit	11	20	6	28	119	147

Smythe Division

Edmonton	20	11	7	47	150	123
Los Angeles	19	14	4	42	170	148
Calgary	16	12	10	42	155	129
Winnipeg	15	15	5	35	115	125
Vancouver	12	19	7	31	119	137

Wednesday's Games

Detroit 7, Toronto 7, tie  
Pittsburgh 7, New York Rangers 4  
Washington 3, New Jersey 1  
Edmonton 2, Philadelphia 1  
Calgary 5, Los Angeles 5, tie  
Vancouver 2, Montreal 1

Thursday's Games

St. Louis at New York Islanders, 6:35 p.m.  
Minnesota at Chicago, 7:35 p.m.

## Basketball

### NBA Standings

By The Associated Press

#### EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

New York	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	18	7	.720	—
Philadelphia	14	11	.558	41/2
Washington	12	15	.444	7
New Jersey	8	18	.308	101/2
Miami	7	21	.250	121/2

Central Division

Chicago	W	L	Pct	GB
Indiana	17	9	.654	—
Detroit	17	10	.630	1/2
Atlanta	16	10	.615	1
Milwaukee	13	13	.500	4
Cleveland	10	15	.400	61/2
Orlando	9	19	.321	9

#### WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

San Antonio	W	L	Pct	GB
Denver	18	6	.750	—
Utah	17	9	.654	2
Dallas	14	12	.538	21/2

## Museums

**WHITE Deer Land Museum:** Pampa. Tuesday through Sunday 1:30-4 p.m., special tours by appointment.

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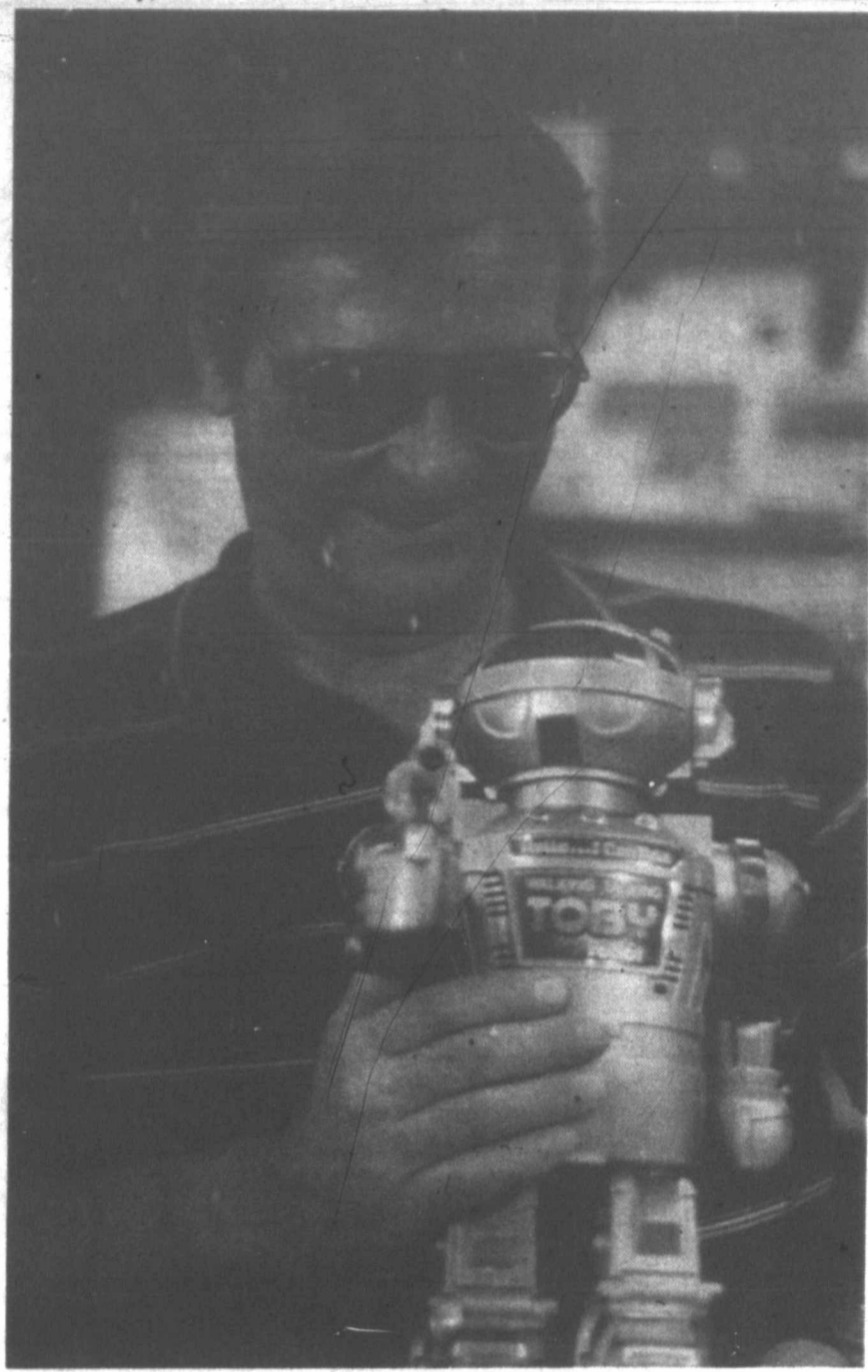
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Jim Barclay holds his robot Toby, which has been receiving a number of mysterious love letters.

## Robot having long-distance affair with secret girlfriend

By SHERA GROSS  
Associated Press Writer

CHRISTOPHER, Ill. (AP) — Each month Jim Barclay's robot, Toby, receives a love letter full of yearning from a mysterious girlfriend as she travels the country.

Nobody has seen the girlfriend called Jodi, but her letters arrive about once a month bearing postmarks from all over. Sometimes she even takes the robot along.

Barclay, a practical joker himself, doesn't know who's behind the elaborate scheme that began with the robot's arrival last Christmas at the Rea Clinic in this southern Illinois town of 3,000.

"I don't want to know whose doing it," he said. "I'm having a ball out of it."

Barclay, a printer and maintenance worker at the clinic, said he came to work one morning and found the foot-high, gold-toned, plastic robot in his chair.

An accompanying note read: "Jim, maybe Toby can work the second shift and help catch up Santa."

Barclay said his wife, Margene, and each of the clinic's 50 employees denied any involvement. So began the string of 19 love letters, gifts and even Toby's temporary disappearance.

Every month to six weeks, another card comes to the clinic for Toby, Barclay said.

"When we get a card everybody at the clinic gets excited," Barclay said recently.

The letters have come from as far away as Eagle, Colo., and Tampa, Fla.

"That one we got from Florida, it was a tear-jerker. I sat here and tears came to my eyes. He was standing over there doing nothing."

## El Paso religious TV show gains popularity in Mexico

EL PASO (AP) — The Mexican government may have banned evangelical television, but the audience of Ernesto Rodarte's bilingual religious show gets enough support across the border to help meet the program's bills.

Rodarte's program *Impacto* airs from El Paso and is beamed into Ciudad Juarez, the largest Mexican city along the U.S.-Mexico border, with more than one million residents.

"And we hope to reach farther and farther into Mexico and other Latin American countries," Rodarte said.

The Mexican government banned religious programming on the country's airwaves five years ago.

"Right now we've got thousands and thousands and thousands in Juarez watching us. We've gone over there to talk to them and they tell us, 'You don't even know what kind of following you've got here,'" he said.

Rodarte, who is pastor of Rosa Saron Church in El Paso, said the program eventually will be aired entirely in Spanish.

Barclay said, nodding in Toby's direction in mock disgust.

Toby walks and plays a programmed message but doesn't do much else around the shop, Barclay said.

The postmarks give clues about Jodi's travels, but the gifts and disappearances have confused him.

Barclay came to work one morning and Toby was gone, replaced by a note saying the robot was with Jodi. A week later, Barclay arrived at work to find Toby back along with a note saying the robot and Jodi had enjoyed a trip to Wisconsin. Wisconsin cheese in the refrigerator was for Barclay, the note said.

The intrigue continued in September when Jodi and Toby took off to Wausau, Wis., and spent a week at the Marshfield Clinic, a regional rural health center, Barclay said.

When Toby reappeared, he was accompanied by a note from a Dr. Paul Stamer declaring the robot to be in fine health.

But employees at the health clinic said Stamer doesn't exist, Barclay said.

As this Christmas approached, the Barclays nearly decided to take Toby home because of concerns that Jodi would take him away for good during the holiday weekend. They decided against it.

"We don't want to interfere with their love life," Barclay said. Their trust was rewarded.

In a Christmas card with the usual confessions of love from Jodi and a message for Barclay to look in an old car at his home.

Inside the car was a plaster elephant painted gold — Barclay collects toy elephants — and a 15-pound ham with a tag wishing the couple Merry Christmas from Jodi and Toby.

Listeners are supportive and have sent in substantial donations, he said. All donations go for expenses, said station manager Ricky White.

"We're their ministry," said Rodarte. "When they aren't able to get to the church, they turn us on, and we teach the Word of the Lord."

Rodarte said his show responds to the growing popularity and demand for evangelical Christian broadcasting in Mexico in light of the governmental ban of such shows.

Rodarte said the government banned the shows in response to rampant abuses in religious television programs.

"People from here and over there were abusing the rights," Rodarte said. "They scalped poor people and took their money and promised salvation. And there were also false religious teachers."

Six years ago, Rodarte worked for radio station La Buena Vida (The Good Life) in Ciudad Juarez. But he said that when he began working there the program was kicked off the air.

## Gorbachev to visit Lithuania to mend party rift

By CAREY GOLDBERG  
Associated Press Writer

MOSCOW (AP) — President Mikhail S. Gorbachev will travel to Lithuania to try to persuade the republic's defiant Communist Party to reaffirm its allegiance to the national party, officials say.

When it declared itself independent on Dec. 20 the Lithuanian Communist Party created the first major crack in the political monopoly forged by Vladimir Lenin after the 1917 Bolshevik Revolution.

Gorbachev attacked the Lithuanian party leadership at a meeting of the Soviet party's Central Committee held Monday and Tuesday to consider the Lithuanian break with Moscow.

He accused the Lithuanians of allowing themselves to become "hostages to separatists."

But, in a report published this week in the party newspaper *Pravda*, he also urged "maximum restraint" to allow emotions to cool. The

250-member Central Committee unanimously approved the report.

The committee decided to send Gorbachev and other top party officials to Lithuania "to explain our position and at the same time to get a better sense of the situation there," Vadim A. Medvedev, a Politburo member and the party's chief ideologist, told a news conference afterward.

Medvedev said some officials at the Central Committee meeting proposed ousting the Lithuanians from the national party or annulling the Lithuanian decision, but others pushed more moderate measures. All were united, however, in their disapproval of the Lithuanian move, Medvedev said.

Medvedev said the trip to Lithuania would take place "in not very many days" and that the Central Committee will make a firm decision on the dispute in January.

The Lithuanian Communist leader, Algirdas Brazauskas, said in an interview that the party officials' visit would be "good and helpful," an editor at Lithuanian Radio said.

Despite the postponement of a full decision, the Central Committee's stand as stated Tuesday refused to recognize the Lithuanian party's self-proclaimed independent status.

"No part of the Soviet Communist Party has the right to decide the question about its independent existence with its own program and rules, not taking into account the position of the Soviet Communist Party as a whole," Gorbachev said in the report approved by the plenum.

Gorbachev told the Central Committee meeting the Soviet government should consider the legal status of movements that are "carrying out separatist activities and whipping up nationalist terror."

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