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World observing Christmas in many ways

By BRIAN FRIEDMAN
The Associated Press

Shopping bags full of groceries, not supping, were on the minds of hundreds of needy who lined up in Chicago's bitter cold for a Christmas Eve food giveaway, while thousands of travelers at Western airports waited out a thick fog that even a pen-nosed reindeer couldn't penetrate.

Farmers were keeping a vigil at the state Capitol in Wisconsin to protest farm foreclosures, and some wise astronomers in the West planned to search the night sky for the celestial light known as Halley's comet.

A white Christmas was forecast for New England, the Ohio Valley and Great Lakes, and the western Dakotas, but warm, easterly winds will keep sunny, Southern California in unseasonable 80-degree temperatures.

In Chicago, Mary-Jones was the first to line up Tuesday in 11-degree

temperatures and a biting wind off Lake Michigan that made it feel like 22 below zero for a bag of groceries given out by the Rev. Paul Hall's boys' club.

"It isn't so bad, and Lord knows, this is certainly going to help out," said Mrs. Jones, a mother of three. "It's going to make Christmas feel like Christmas, at least for tonight."

Inside, the non-denominational minister directed volunteers loading shopping bags with loaves of bread, chickens or turkeys, canned goods and celery, baking mixes for cornbread, a box of cookies and a six-pack of soda.

"The economy may be up, but we don't see that down here," said Hall, who has enough food to distribute to 2,000 people.

Fog cleared airports in Seattle, Reno, Nev., and Missoula, Mont., on Tuesday, forcing thousands of travelers to take buses, rent cars or just sit and wait.

Fog cleared Monday at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport

late Tuesday morning, but instruments showed it rolling in right away again from the north, and the number of flights in and out remained far below the normal of 650.

Although travelers were soaked in the Reno, which has been shut down since Sunday, there was room at the Inn — the Shamrock Inn — thanks to owner Annie Olsen. She offered free rooms there and at her Chateau Motel until the fog lifts because business was slow and "I know what it's like to be stuck in an airport." It's not pleasant.

All 15 flights for the day were canceled in Missoula, and people boarded buses to other Montana towns, said Terje Bodenhamer, executive secretary for the Missoula County Airport Authority.

There were crowded air terminals in New York, especially John F. Kennedy International Airport, where extensive overbookings on Air Dominicana flights had stalled 100 to 200 people each day for the past week. See CHRISTMAS on Page A2



Creche complete

Twin Falls third-grader Joe Allen of Twin Falls places the figure of the baby Jesus in the manger of the city's new nativity scene in a noon ceremony Tuesday in City Park. The creche was donated by the boys' grandfather, Charles Allen, and their

grand-uncle, Howard Allen. In the same ceremony, the last candle on the city's advent wreath was lit. Muste was provided by the bells of St. Edward's Church.

Twin Falls photo by SKYE SAVESON

Bethlehem almost everywhere

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — If Joseph and Mary were en route to Bethlehem today, they might have a problem deciding where to stop.

There are 58 Bethlehems in the United States.

That's right, Bethlehem is in Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, California, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, and Wyoming.

In the holiday spirit, the U.S. Geological Survey scanned a list of place names — the appellations, placed on cities, towns, villages, hills, mountains, valleys, streets and sundry other features — for those reflecting the season.

Star was the clear winner with no less than 1,222 appearances on the list.

That was skewed somewhat, however, by Texas, which has 88 places using the word Star, many of them called Lone Star, which is not necessarily part of the Christmas celebration.

Bethlehem's 228 appearances placed it second. And it was followed by Holly, which weighed in with 542 colorful appearances.

Arkansas apparently is the best state to search for Holly, with the word appearing in 71 place names in that state. The high-splendored word also heads for joy, there are 34 of them. Texas seems to have the most joy, with 14 instances, but Alabama isn't far behind with a dozen.

There are 110 Hollies in America. Florida leads, eight followed by Indiana and New Jersey with seven each.

Christmas was strong with 88 instances, led by Illinois, Texas and nine in Virginia.

Travelers' hopes rise as fog lifts

By RENEE SCHOOF
The Associated Press

SEATTLE — Intermittent sunshine brought hope Tuesday to travelers whose plans for Christmas reunions were threatened by fog that has socked in Seattle-Tacoma International Airport for a week.

"We just got lucky," said Ed Neussendorfer, who was holding his 5-month-old son as they lined up for a flight to Minneapolis. He said they and his wife, Jane, had been waiting three days since they arrived from Chelan.

The family stayed with friends in Seattle during the wait, and other wise "just hung loose and waited for the fog to lift," he said.

"This is my third try out of here," said Daniel Elben of Seattle, who was trying to reach his family in Cleveland. He said he originally planned to arrive in Ohio last Friday.

But while fog which had settled in last Wednesday cleared momentarily late in the morning, instruments showed it rolling in again from the north, stalling airport supervisor Pete Wise.

The National Weather Service predicted morning and evening fog with some afternoon clearing at least through Christmas Day.

The number of flights getting in and out remained far below Seattle's normal load of up to 650 daily. However, Wise said, "The backlog's not as big as you'd think. I think a lot of people have been able to fly out, either from here or at Boeing Field."

Others have been "bused" to Portland, Ore., and more probably just gave up and canceled travel plans, Wise said.

"The population of the airport is definitely down," he said. Boeing Field, officially known as King County International Airport, is 10 miles to the north. Its visibility was up to three-quarters of a mile by late morning, said assistant manager Jack Frazelle.

Since the fog melted in last week, Boeing Field had handled 316 diverted aircraft, said Frazelle. It has runway and tower capacity to handle two or three times the number of diverted flights it has received, he added, but doesn't have space to park that many big jets.

Fog also blanketed other parts of the West, briefly Monday at Missoula, Mont., but all 15 daily commercial flights were canceled Tuesday in City Park. The creche was donated by the boys' grandfather, Charles Allen, and their

grand-uncle, Howard Allen. In the same ceremony, the last candle on the city's advent wreath was lit. Muste was provided by the bells of St. Edward's Church.

Russian-American couples awaiting day of their reunions

By NEIL McLAUGHLIN
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Woodford McClellan probably will have to wait until after New Year's day for his Christmas wish.

That's only a partial disappointment because McClellan has waited more than a decade for the day when his wife, Irina, would be able to leave the Soviet Union and live with him in the United States.

"I'm 41 years old, I've learned patience," said McClellan, a professor of Russian history at the University of Virginia.

Just a few weeks ago, McClellan had anticipated that his wife would be in Charlottesville, Va., by Christmas, a prediction he now dismisses as "an unrealistic hope."

Nevertheless, there are signs Mrs. McClellan and others like her may soon be home with their American loved ones.

Mrs. McClellan is one of 10 Soviet citizens — with American spouses or other ties — that Moscow pledged last month to let emigrate to the West. The promise came just days before the Geneva summit between President Reagan and Soviet Premier Mikhail Gorbachev.

The action — a reversal of prior decisions —

was viewed by U.S. officials as a gesture of good will on human rights issues.

About 25 or 30 such cases fall in the category of "divided spouses" — Americans with Soviet spouses who cannot obtain permission to emigrate. Most of the U.S. citizens met their husbands or wives while studying in the Soviet Union.

Eight of those divided spouses were covered by the Nov. 15 pre-summit Soviet decision.

So far, only one of the citizens affected by that decision is in the West. Marina Lepeshina is living with her husband, John Kapecki, on a temporary permit in Justice, Ill., at the

time of the announcement.

The Soviet government said it would not object to her staying in the United States.

A State Department official, who spoke on the condition he not be identified, said the U.S. government sees no signs of stalling on the

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Magistrate rules probable cause 'barely' shown

Suspect in spy case held without bail

By TOM SEPPY
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A magistrate ruled Tuesday the federal government had shown "just barely" probable cause to charge a 26-year-old courier with espionage.

U.S. Magistrate Jean P. Dwyer said she did not believe the government's case "gained very much weight overnight" but she "held Randy Miles Jeffries, a messenger for Acme Reporting Co., without bail pending a grand jury proceeding."

At a hearing Monday, Mrs. Dwyer said the government's case "was as thin as an affidavit as it has been my misfortune to see in many years," and told the government to return Tuesday with more "meat" to its charges.

Mrs. Dwyer said Tuesday, however, that the government did produce a statement from a Jeffries co-worker who said he saw Jeffries "with the documents a few hours before a person

resembling him arrived at the (Soviet) embassy."

She added: "That, in itself, gets us past probable cause, but just barely."

Jeffries' attorney, G. Allen Dale, immediately appealed the magistrate's decision to U.S. District Judge Joyce Hena Green.

At Tuesday hearings, FBI agent Michael Giglia acknowledged that the government did not find any classified documents on Jeffries when he was arrested last Friday night or any in his apartment on Saturday.

Giglia said Monday a co-worker of Jeffries at Acme, Kevin Collins, saw Jeffries go to the garage of their office building and retrieve documents which, Collins said, were supposed to have been destroyed.

A short while later, the Soviet Military Office in Washington received a telephone call from someone identified as "Dano" who offered to sell one "top secret" and two "secret" documents.

The agent said "Dano" was identified as Jeffries, and the document was later identified as a transcript of testimony by high-level defense department officials, which had been transcribed by Acme.

Giglia said a black male resembling Jeffries entered the Soviet Military Office and remained there for half an hour. He said an FBI undercover agent, who spoke with a Russian accent, later telephoned Jeffries at his home and set up a meeting with him for the sale of documents.

During the meeting, Giglia said, Jeffries said he had met with Soviet officials twice previously and had given them 13 pages of each of three documents he had and 15 pages of them at the second session. He described one document as being in excess of 200 pages.

He also described one of the documents as top secret, had good information in it and that it caught with it, "I'm in a lot of trouble," agent said. "He stated that the last time he met with the Soviets they said that the documents were good and that they were interested."

Decision in spring on ozone safeguards

The Associated Press
WASHINGTON — The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency will decide in the next few months whether to require auto manufacturers to install catalytic converters on cars to reduce air pollution. The decision will be made in the spring.

The agency is currently reviewing the health effects of ozone, a pollutant that is formed by the reaction of sunlight and certain pollutants. Ozone is a major component of smog and is known to be harmful to the respiratory system. The agency is also reviewing the health effects of particulate matter, which is a mixture of solid and liquid particles suspended in the air.

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part of Soviet authorities. "I have been given what we believe are absolutely bona fide assurances from the upper levels of the Soviet government," the official said.

The official said departure delays are caused by the need to do more work and other obligations imposed by the Soviet government on those who want to emigrate.

"It's not just pack up your suitcase and go," said Edith Luthi of Holliston, Mass.

Ms. Luthi said her husband, Michael Jossel, hopes to leave the Soviet Union on Jan. 12. She said he plans to depart with fellow Ingrand resident Dmitri Argakov, husband of Mary Lou Hutzemann of Cleveland.

Sandra Gubin of Kalamazoo, Mich., said her husband, Aleksai Gubine, also plans to leave sometime in January.

Most of the divided spouses echo the optimism of the State Department.

"I don't see any reason to doubt that they're going to fulfill this,"

said Ms. Gubin, who has been a spokeswoman for the divided spouses. "I have complete confidence."

Nevertheless, some of her friends who have gone through years of waiting and wrangling with the Soviet bureaucracy maintain a certain skepticism.

While McClellan hopes his wife will leave the Soviet Union next month, accompanied by his stepdaughter, he said his experience puts a rein on his emotions.

"I'll believe it when they land in the U.S.A.," he said.

Christmas

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five days.

"There were a lot of hot tempers," said Fort Authority Police Officer R. Sheehan. "It is not unusual to have roverbokings at this time of year, just some airlines do it a little better than others."

"Instead of wise men watching the stars of Bethlehem, the wise men lists stop Mount Hopkins near Tucson, Ariz., on Christmas night will be looking to the west for Halley's comet," said Susan Wyckoff, an astronomer at the University of Arizona.

Wyckoff and UA astronomer John Black plan to observe the comet through the powerful Multiple Mirror Telescope to study light emitted from vapors boiling off the comet's ice-and-dust core, or nucleus, to determine its carbon content.

Moonlight will prevent good views of Halley's comet, although people in extremely dark Northern Hemisphere areas might see it through binoculars about an hour after sunset, before the moon rises, by looking high in the southern sky to the right of the constellation Pegasus.

Carol Harsh, her daughter Janet, 11, and about a dozen other farm protesters were settling down in their sleeping bags to a long winter's nap on the floor of the Capitol in Madison, Wis. They were staging peaceful demonstration through Christmas to try to get a moratorium on farm foreclosures.

While many will be eating turkey for Christmas, "we're going to be having bologna sandwiches," said Mrs. Harsh, a farmwife from Mondovi.

For five servicemen who couldn't make it home for the holidays, there was a call from the commander-in-

chief to cheer them up.

President Reagan called the five men, now being held hostage, stationed abroad Tuesday, including returned home to their loved ones.

Although stock markets on Wall Street will be closed for Christmas, peacekeepers "is what the spirit of there was work to be done by the financial community—Merrill Lynch & Co. invited 1,200 elderly people to its headquarters, where they will be allowed to make telephone calls to loved ones anywhere in the world.

In addition, the Committee for a National Christmas Tree Dinner held in honor of Americans held New York Stock Exchange brokers traders and "bank-issued personal."

He said in a letter to families of raised \$115,000 to provide more than the hostages: "You have my solemn 1,700 dinners for needy and homeless who that we will not rest until all families.

Briefly

Teenager accused in deaths

BOISE (AP) — A 17-year-old has been charged with two counts of first-degree murder in the shooting deaths of two Boise County residents found dead at their rural home in October, according to the Attorney General's Office.

A statement released Tuesday by the Attorney General's Office identified the person charged as Justin Milo Beeson, address unknown.

A Boise County Sheriff's Office dispatcher said he is 17 and was arrested Tuesday.

Beeson appeared Tuesday before Magistrate Patricia Young. In addition to the two first-degree murder charges, Beeson faces charges of rape and grand theft.

The charges stem from the deaths of Charles Gorsolka, 30, and Debbie Clark, 21. They were found shot to death Oct. 27 at a cabin they shared near Grimes Creek.

Heart recipient unconscious

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Artificial heart recipient Mary-Lund remained unconscious Tuesday, but doctors were encouraged by finding that her other organs were not damaged irreversibly when a suspected virus destroyed her own heart last week.

Mrs. Lund, the first woman to receive an artificial heart, still exhibits reflex response, said Dr. Frederick Gobel, spokesman for the heart implant team at Abbott-Northwestern Hospital.

"It appears that no organ systems have been damaged irreversibly," he said.

Doctors are encouraged by the fact that Mrs. Lund, 40, still does not show signs of clotting or abnormal bleeding, and the mini-Jarvik 7 artificial heart is working well.

Rabbis freed, renew protest

WASHINGTON (AP) — Five rabbis, still in prison garb after serving time for demonstrating too close to the Soviet Embassy, renewed their protests Tuesday on route home from jail.

Gathering at the gate of the embassy, they read aloud a letter addressed to Soviet Secretary-General Mikhail Gorbachev and were told by a voice from an intercom that it should be mailed because it would not be accepted at the door.

The rabbis again were within the 500-foot radius that is forbidden to foreigners, but police made no attempt to arrest them this time.

Today's weather

Winter's song has a repetitive sound

Twin Falls, Burley, Rupert, Jerome and Gooding:
Christmas day and Thursday, areas of fog and smoke persisting. Otherwise partly cloudy. Highs both days 15 to 20. Lows Christmas night zero to 5 below zero.

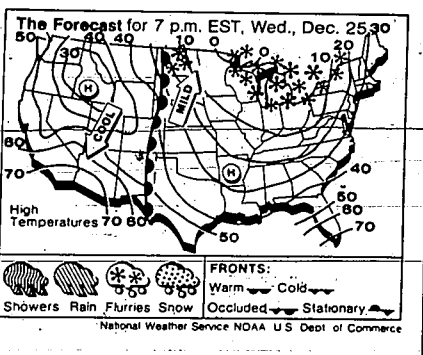
Camas Prairie, Halley and the Lower Wood River Valley:
Christmas day and Thursday, areas of fog and smoke persisting. Otherwise partly cloudy. Highs both days teens on the prairie and 20s higher valleys. Lows Christmas night zero to 10 below zero.

Northern Utah and southwest valleys:
Utah: Areas of fog and low clouds western valleys through Thursday with fog locally dense and occasional snow tonight and morning hours. Otherwise mostly fair mountains and remainder state. Lows 10 to 25 except locally colder—in the Cache, Uinta Basin, Sevier and southwest valleys. Highs mostly in the 20s north and upper 30s to mid 50s south.

Nevada: Extensive fog and low clouds in western valley. Fair elsewhere. Sunny entire area at higher elevations. Little temperature change. Highs in valley fog in the 20s elsewhere upper 30s and 40s. Lows mostly 5 to 25.

Synopsis:
The fog and smoke present in many Idaho valleys will continue into the weekend as no major storm systems are expected in the region, the National Weather Service said Tuesday.

Weather officials say that may be bad on one hand, but on the other hand



holiday travel will not be bothered by snow.

Cold air trapped in the valleys allowed the higher elevations to report the warmest temperatures this afternoon. The Halley-Sun Valley reported the warmest reading at mid-afternoon with 28 degrees.

The highest temperature in the state Tuesday was reported at McCall with 36 degrees, while Fairfield and Aberdeen registered the low of 10 degrees below zero.

The extended forecast for southern Idaho calls for continued cold with areas of valley fog and smoke. Highs in the teens and 20s, Lows 10 below to 10 above zero.

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Fog

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Great Falls or Helena. "We're socked in probably the worst we've been so far," said Terrie Bodenhamer, executive secretary for the Missoula County Airport Authority.

All commercial air traffic had been shut down since Sunday at Reno, Nev.-Airport-spokesman Rich Peacock said most of the thousands of stranded travelers had taken buses to San Francisco, but motel owner Annie Olson offered free accommodations to anyone who was waiting.

"They can rest, get a one-nighter in a bed and stay until the fog lifts," she said.

One traveler who had been waiting for a flight out of Seattle since Monday, Clarence Smith of Wenatche, said Tuesday. "They told me the same thing they did last night. Looks real good. I don't think they want to tell you the truth, so you don't get upset."

He said that even if he made his connections Tuesday, he'd miss Christmas because he would fly over the international dateline on his way to New Zealand.

"Some weren't concerned about the details."

"I think it would be kind of fun to spend the night at the airport," said Karen Larson, 20, of Seattle. She and two friends were lying on the terminal floor, reading magazines and waiting for a flight to New Zealand.

"I don't everyone is nonchalant. "Mother Nature really pulled a dirty trick," said Earl Sanasac of Issaquah.

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Small plane crashes into mall roof in a fog, at least 3 dead

CONCORD, Calif. (AP) — A private plane trying to land in heavy fog slammed into the roof of a mall jammed with Christmas shoppers, sparking flames and debris into an area crowded with youngsters waiting to see Santa Claus. At least three people died, including one who had been at the mall, and 70 were injured, police reported Tuesday. The twin-engine Beechcraft Baron was approaching Buchanan Field, making an instrument approach with visibility of about three

quarters of a mile, when it crashed into the roof of Sun Valley Mall about 8:45 p.m. Monday, authorities reported. The whole sky lit up and stayed lit, said Dino Vigil, who witnessed the crash from across the street. "I thought it was a bomb, then I realized it had to be the plane. The engine wasn't sputtering. He went down fast." Police Lt. Richard Gordy said there were three fatalities, including at least two from the plane, and 70 injuries ranging from smoke in-

halation to burns. Six people remained in critical condition today, he said. Police Lt. Al Jordan said one of the dead people had been at the mall. Thousands of people streamed into the parking lot after the crash, many crying or desperately seeking friends or relatives. The tail of the plane could be seen dangling off the roof, and one of the plane's propellers was lying on the floor inside the mall near where the plane hit. The pilot had radioed a "missed approach" and told the tower he was

going around for another try before the impact, said airport manager Harold Wright. The number and identities of those aboard was not immediately known. Commercial jets are scheduled to begin service to the airport in January. Water from the mall's sprinklers quickly doused the flames triggered by the crash, and a foot or more of water turned part of the mall into an indoor lake. Dr. Michael Buchele, disaster relief coordinator at Mount Diablo Hospital, said 40 doctors and 40 to 50 nurses were handling the steady stream of injured. Victims were

taken to several hospitals, and police said every ambulance in Contra Costa County was pressed into service to handle the injured. "There was a panic, people were running everywhere," said Dave Bell, a copy editor for the Contra Costa Times, who was shopping at the mall about 25 miles east of San Francisco. "The place filled up with smoke, and the power went out. People were crying and hugging each other," he said. "Friends and relatives were tending to the injured." Harry Sundstrom of Concord, who was also at the mall, said he "saw a ball of fire 30 to 40 feet in the air."

"My jacket caught fire. My hand caught fire," said Bret Jacobus, 25, of Concord. "My jacket was burned off. I didn't take it off. We're real lucky. There was stuff flying. I thought it was all over." Some of the bystanders helped with the rescue, showing burn victims into water fountains at the suburban shopping center. "I saw two girls burned on their hair, face and hands," said Kim Costas, 17, who was standing by the Santa Claus display. "There was a big rumble. The mall roof came in. For a good 1 1/2 minutes, the area was filled with flames. I just hope all the kids are OK."

Christmastime air fare cuts not meeting carriers' hopes

NEW YORK (AP) — Deep discounts for Christmas air travel have not produced as much business as the airlines had hoped and generally less than similar discounts at Thanksgiving, major carriers said Tuesday. Some people who took advantage of the low Thanksgiving fares on impulse might have decided not to make another plane trip so soon afterward, spokesmen for some of the carriers said. Also, since Christmas fell in the middle of the week this year it was harder for would-be travelers to extend the holiday into a long weekend, they said. Most of the big airlines are offering some seats at 70 percent off the economy-class fare from Wednesday or Thursday through Saturday. The cheap tickets are intended to fill planes during the traditionally slow Christmas week, when business travel drops off. They carry restrictions designed to keep travelers who would have flown

anyway from taking advantage of them. The airlines also have announced deals for around the New Year's holiday and for most of January, February and March, an off-peak period for air travel. John Hotard, spokesman for Dallas-based American Airlines, called the response to the Christmas offer "pretty good," but said it was "probably not as successful as the Thanksgiving fare was." American is the nation's second-largest airline after United Airlines. Most airlines announced Christmas deals around Dec. 10 or 11, and spokesman Joseph Hopkins of Chicago-based United said people might have made their travel plans by then. "They've had limited impact," he said, agreeing the Thanksgiving fares were a bigger hit with the public.

Reagans plan traditional gathering

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan plans a traditional Christmas at the White House. The president and first lady Nancy Reagan planned to spend Christmas Eve, as has been their custom, at the home of Charles Z. Wick, director of the U.S. Information Agency and a family friend. Today, the Reagans will gather at the White House with family and friends for a traditional dinner of roast turkey with chestnut dressing

and giblet gravy. Guests will include the president's daughter, Maureen, and her husband, Dennis Revell; Dr. Richard Davis, Mrs. Reagan's stepbrother, and his family; actress Claudette Colbert, a family friend who currently is performing at the Kennedy Center; former Reagan aide Michael Deaver and his wife, Carolyn; Nancy Reynolds, a friend of Mrs. Reagan; and the Wicks. Reagan gave the first lady her

present early, presenting her with a spaniel, whom she named Rex, to replace ex-White House dog Lucky, now living at the Reagans' ranch in California. Mrs. Reagan's gift to the president has not been announced. The Reagans leave the White House Friday for a brief stay in Los Angeles and Palm Springs, Calif., before returning to Washington, the president will meet with Mexican President Miguel de la Madrid in Mexico, Mexico, on Jan. 3.


Jet parts checked

SEATTLE (AP) — U.S. airlines were ordered to inspect a control cable to an engine on all Boeing 747 Jumbo Jets last weekend, a spokesman for the Federal Aviation Administration said. Dan Meyer of the FAA said Monday that the checks, which took about an hour, were ordered by the agency Friday. Airlines were required to do the checks within 48 hours.

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Yes, Virginia there is a Santa

Editor's note: "Is There a Santa Claus?" was the question little Virginia O'Hanlon wrote to the Baltimore Sun in 1897. Francis Pharcellus Church of the newspaper's staff wrote her this famous answer, which is reprinted here courtesy of Scripps-Howard Newspapers.

We take pleasure in answering at once and thus prominently the communication below, expressing at the same time our great gratification that its faithful author is numbered among the friends of The Sun:

"Dear Editor:

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

Virginia O'Hanlon
115 West 95th Street"

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

All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours, man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy.

Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

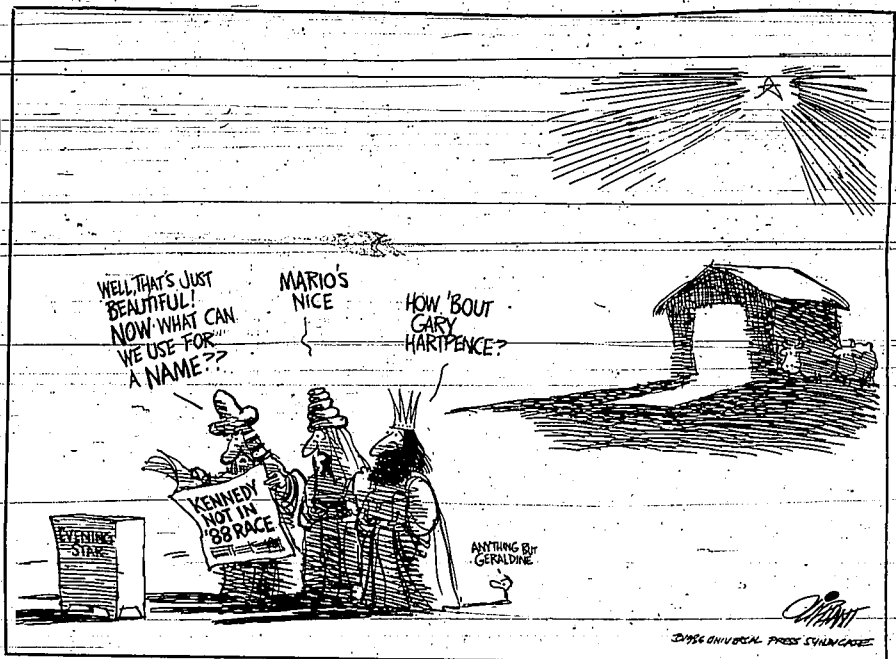
Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus.

The most-real-things-in-the-world-are-those-that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

You tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart.

Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernatural beauty and glory beyond, is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

No Santa Claus! Thank God he lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.



'Franked' mail gives edge to incumbent

WASHINGTON, Va. — Widespread abuse of the Congressional mailing privilege may not shock you, but it's one of those small scandals that, taken together, eat away at the foundation of democracy.

The Secretary of the Senate has released a report on the amount that various Senators spent on franked ("free") mailings during a recent three-month period. Of course, the mailings may be free to the Senators, but you and I as taxpayers pick up the tab.

During the period from July to September, the biggest spender was Senator Alan Cranston (D-California), \$1.6 million, followed by Arlen Specter (R-Pennsylvania), \$700,000; John Heinz (R-Pennsylvania), \$500,000; Christopher Dodd (D-Connecticut), \$500,000; and Don Riegle (D-Michigan), and Chuck Grassley (R-Iowa), \$500,000 each. Remember, that's during a period of only three months.

From July to September, Sen. Steve Symms (R-Idaho), spent \$108,519.64 and Sen. Jim McClure spent \$10,116.30. Per capita costs for the Senators' mailings, calculated on an Idaho population of 1.1 million, were 1.01 cents for McClure and 10.84 for Symms.

And those figures greatly underestimate the cost to the taxpayers of the mailings. Senators have press secretaries to write their newsletters, and artists to design them, and government presses on which to print them.

They get many services "free" (or at a reduced price) that would cost a lot of money in the Real World. Thus, the supposed cost of the mailing only represents one-third to one-half of the actual cost to the taxpayers.

When each state's population is taken into account, the biggest mailers were Dodd, Patrick Leahy (D-Vermont), and Mark Andrews (R-North Dakota). Dodd, for example, sent his constituents 1.3 pieces of "free" mail for each man, woman and child in the state.

Of course, the office-holders involved claim that they are providing a service to the folks back home by letting them know what their

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Senators are up to.

But the truth is that most Congressional mailings are nothing more than campaign brochures. That's why the official cost of the mailings will escalate from \$86 million this year to an estimated \$144 million in 1996 (which, it so happens, is an election year).

With thousands of news media covering Washington — not to mention all the political organizations that monitor the work of officials — why should taxpayers foot the bill for these propaganda sheets?

Mark Green, a Ralph Nader protege, puts it this way: "Franked mail is a new form of vanity press. It's a valid purpose which has grown to excess, reminding me of the brooms of the Sorcerer's Apprentice. Too often it's more a reelection gimmick than an information service."

Does anyone doubt that the mailings are used by an incumbent Senator to build himself a propaganda machine in order to ensure his reelection?

How can you have free and fair elections when the incumbent is given such an incredible advantage? It's like a marathon where the previous year's winner is given a four-hour headstart.

Interestingly, many of the same senators who abuse their mailing privileges are in favor of taxpayer financing of Congressional campaigns which would limit the amount their challengers could raise and spend against them.

Indeed, the advantages of incumbency are so strong that many Congressmen are, in effect, elected for life. How things have changed! When this country was young, citizens were expected to serve in public office only a short time, then return to their former occupations to live under the laws they had passed.

Of the original 25 members of the U.S. Senate,

only four served two full terms; none sought a third. Daniel Webster served only two-and-a-half terms (five years) in the House, and Henry Clay only five terms; Clay was elected Speaker while a freshman. Before his election to the Presidency, Abraham Lincoln served a single two-year term in Congress.

Through 1870, the average Congressman had served less than four years; in 1920 the average length of service was less than seven years. Until 1895, at least half of every Congress was made up of new members. As late as 1949, 30 percent of the members were freshmen.

Today the average member of the House has served more than a dozen years. Only 9.4 percent are first-termers. Of the 468 Congressmen (including Senators) whose terms ran out in 1994, 437 sought re-election, and 418 of those won.

After two Reagan landslides, why are most of the seats in Congress still held by men who believe in the high-tax/Big Government philosophy of Ted Kennedy, Jimmy Carter and Walter Mondale? Largely because of the effect that privileges like franked mail have had, in undermining democracy.

The practical effect of those privileges is that it has become extremely difficult to defeat a sitting Congressman, no matter how much his philosophy differs from that of the folks back home.

He has a huge staff — 50 or more, for some Senators — and many staff members do almost nothing except work on his re-election. He commands free time on the radio and TV and free space in the newspapers. An entire bureaucracy exists to enable a Congressman to take credit for federal grants to his district, most of which he had nothing to do with.

Every day the advantage of incumbency grows and our elections become less fair. The big question is: If this continues, how long can democracy survive?

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Censors say 'Bah humbug' to ideas

This Christmas, I decided to give books as presents to everyone I know. I was so happy I was to see them under

the tree when I was a kid. Books are timeless, and give pleasure over and over again. A book can inspire a completely new way of looking at something, or make someone laugh, or help put even the most riled-up kid happily to sleep.

(Another reason they're good presents; of course, is that they're very easy to wrap.)

But as I was going up and down the aisles of the bookstore, pulling out books of every shape, size, and subject and eagerly reading a page here and there, I realized that many of the books I wanted to buy were not so readily available to everyone.

Remember the children's story about the Grinch who stole Christmas? Well, there are a growing number of "Grinches" out there who want to steal books away from children. And they're active all year round — not just the holiday season. I know it sounds crazy that here in America, some people's ideas of a Christmas rule log is a bunch of literary classics going up in flames. That some people think that the "new" ideas we learn about in books are almost always "dangerous" ideas that shouldn't be talked about. That some people who don't want their children to read a particular book then make it impossible for any child to read it. But it's true.

So I'm going to list some of the books — many of them literary classics — that the "Grinches" around the country have tried to keep out of our children's Christmas stockings for the past few years. These books have either been yanked off the shelves of libraries, or taken out of the classrooms, or banned from reading lists. Some of them have even been burned in public demonstrations.

** "Romeo and Juliet" (the unabridged version is now unavailable in any school anthology);

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* J.D. Salinger's "The Catcher in the Rye" (removed from Wilson County's Freeport high school English class in Florida);

* Mark Twain's "Huckleberry Finn" (taken off the reading list at Waukegan's public schools in Illinois);

* John Steinbeck's "Of Mice and Men" (removed from the curriculum in Scottsboro, Alabama);

* John Steinbeck's "East of Eden" (removed and put in a storage room in Anniston, Alabama);

* "The American Heritage Dictionary" (ordered for Polson, California, high school, but shipped back to the distributor because of 13 "obscene" words);

* Ernest Hemingway's "The Sun Also Rises" (burned with other books in a public demonstration in Huntington, Tennessee);

* Stephen King's novel "Cujo" (removed from Bradford, New York, high school libraries);

* Ken Kesey's "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" (pulled from the curriculum in Troy, New York, high school);

* Robert Cormier's "The Chocolate War" (banned from a high school English class in Lake Havasu City, Arizona);

* Judy Blume's "Deenie" (banned in Gwinnett County's Beaver Ridge elementary school library in Georgia);

* Irwin Shaw's "Bigger Man, Thiel"; Jean M. Auel's "Valley of the Lenses"; Judith Krantz's "Mistral's Daughter"; and Richard Hugo's "Star Witness" (removed from the Stroudsburg high school library in Pennsylvania);

* Studs Terkel's "Working" (scratched from the curriculum of a Phoenix, Arizona school district);

* Books by John Hersey and Tom Wolfe, along with numerous record albums — including those by Donny and Marie Osmond — were burned in a public bonfire in Bowie, Maryland; (While Donny and Marie may be the two most squeaky-clean rock stars in the English-speaking world, the censors objected to them because the Osmonds are Mormons.)

Of course, parents can buy many of the books that I've just mentioned as Christmas presents, to their narrow perspective. But the fact that many kids can't read them year round, either in their classes or quietly in a library, shows how influential the censors remain in this country. And the numbers of people and groups trying to limit the number of books that kids are allowed to read are growing. A recent study shows that books, plays, and even a Walt Disney movie came under attack in almost every state in the country, and that almost half of those efforts resulted in the material being banned, restricted, or literally put to the censors' torch.

Censorship is sort of the "Scrooge principle" writ large. The censors are saying "Bah, Humbug" to books — and ideas — that don't conform to their narrow perspective. Their miserly efforts hardly reflect the Christmas spirit. After all, the freedom to learn is one of the most precious gifts any one can give.

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Letters

Kimberly has choices

This is a letter to the people who listened to Kimberly councilman Jack Wright's elegant speech on the Jim Koutnik's talk show. Mr. Wright soon fed selected parts of the Attorney General report, then he turned to defame many people with his most vicious attack on our mayor. He claimed to be a good Christian and the fact that the mayor had used profanity during a conversation between the mayor and Qualls in the mayor's home, bothered him. (Wright), he then, over the radio, stated the mayor called someone in town a turncoat S.O.B. This went out over the air to 10,000 or more homes with small children and people who resented this coming into their homes. Let me ask you, would a good Christian have done this? He seems to have two sets of standards, his whole speech was full of hate and vindictiveness. Again, is this a good Christian? There is only one reason Jack

Wright and his council will want the mayor out, that is he will not be their puppet and he will fight for what is best for the city and not just a select few. I admire him for this.

People of Kimberly, we have the choice of a mayor that will fight for what is best for Kimberly, not just a special interest group or a weak-kneed council led by Jack Wright.

MRS. R.R. GOMEZ
Kimberly

Purse is returned

I am hoping the lady responsible for returning my purse from the parking lot to Waremart on December 17th will read this and know how appreciative I am of her honesty. It truly was an answer to prayer to recover my belongings in fact. It made my day! May God, bless you, friend.

CAROLYN HERZINGER
Gooding

Hofmann lawyers make case for change in gun trial venue

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Citing news accounts that police suspect Mark Hofmann their prime suspect in the bombing deaths of two people, his attorneys have asked his federal court firearms trial be moved in another state.

The documents dealer is charged with possessing a machine gun. No charges have been filed in the Oct. 16 bombing deaths of seven Christians and Kathleen...

Meanwhile, a meeting Monday afternoon of defense attorneys Ronald Yenglich and Brad Rich with county prosecutors, which was intended to be secret, was canceled when Yenglich found reporters waiting at the building.

Yenglich walked away, saying, "It's never fruitful to discuss our business in the media... This thing isn't some kind of situation comedy."

Deputy Salt Lake County Attorney Walter Ellett said the meeting was to approach Yenglich with the proposition that investigators be allowed to question Hofmann about the bombings.

Any case filed will have to be "ready to go," as prosecutors expect, defense attorneys to push for a preliminary hearing within 10 days of the filing of charges, he said.

Yenglich, in his motion in federal court, said publicity surrounding the bombings has generated prejudice against his client and made it impractical for him to receive a fair trial on the gun charge.

"I believe that due to the local newsworthiness of the bombing case that a transfer to another judicial district would allow for the selection of a fair and impartial jury," Yenglich said.

In a related development, Brigham Young University history professors Dean Jesse and Ron Walker said a collection of documents owned by a Houston family is significant but probably won't change Mormon Church history.

Part of the investigation into the bombings has concerned a purported collection of papers by William McLellan, an early apostle of the church who became embittered against church founder Joseph Smith, which Hofmann was attempting to sell. Investigators have said they found no evidence Hofmann had any of the papers.

Some McLellan papers were found by The Salt Lake Tribune to be in the possession of the family of Otis Traugher, 80, Houston.

Jesse said photographs of the documents show they are in McLellan's handwriting, but they will need careful study.

Traugher said he will allow experts to examine the papers, but probably not until a federal grand jury probe in Salt Lake City into the bombings is completed.

"Experts can come after the grand jury investigation is finished," he said. "We've had the papers for more than 100 years, there's no rush."

"Whatever we learn about early Mormonism from McLellan will be within a framework of disbelief," Walker said. "There also seem to be a few twists that a different from traditional understandings of Mormon origins."

One twist was McLellan's statement that Joseph Smith used a stone in translating the "Book of Mormon" rather than the Urin and Thurmmim, or breastplate, Mormons believe Smith used.

Another item in the Traugher collection is an 1851 book by early Mormon apostle Parley P. Pratt, which had some hand-copied letters on the back page.

President calls overseas troops for holiday

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan placed telephone calls Tuesday to five U.S. servicemen stationed abroad, including one from his boyhood home town of Dixon, Ill., saying that their role in keeping the peace "is what the spirit of Christmas is all about."

The White House said Reagan Class James Kernitz, 22, of Jacksonville, Fla., serving at a station in Kargabaran, Turkey; Sgt. Thomas C. Bushman, 20, of Dixon, Ill., serving with the Army at Camp Hofer, Germany; Lance Cpl. Christopher O. Pearson, 20, of Ocean, Electronic Technician 2nd Trappe, Md.

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Reagan fights polygraph flak

WASHINGTON (AP) — White House spokesmen Tuesday rejected as false a charge that President Reagan approved an order subjecting high government officials to random polygraph tests without realizing the scope of his directive.

"The president was fully aware, fully briefed and knew exactly what the secret anti-espionage order contained," presidential spokesman Larry Speakes told reporters.

The spokesman was responding to a report published in the Washington Post which quoted unidentified administration officials as saying Reagan had said privately he was not fully aware of the sweeping nature of the order he signed Nov. 1 that could require thousands of officials with access to highly classified information to take so-called "lie detector" tests.

Officials have said the tests would only be administered as part of a new intensified program to catch spies, not for other uses, such as

searching for the sources of news leaks.

But Secretary of State George P. Shultz objected to the program and said he would resign rather than take a polygraph examination, which he labeled inaccurate and said he would interpret as a signal he no longer had the president's trust.

Speakes' deputy, Edward Djerejian, said Reagan signed the directive after consultations with all his national security advisers and was fully aware of its implications.

"The president was fully aware of the full scope of all the options he signed off on," Djerejian said. After meeting with Shultz last week, Reagan told reporters neither he nor the secretary of state would be required to take a polygraph.

The Post story identified White House counsel Fred Fielding as one of those on staff who weren't told of the directive and quoted sources as saying Treasury Secretary James A. Baker III, a member of the National Security

Council, was too preoccupied with legislative matters to attend a key meeting on the new order.

Speakes said Baker's objection to the use of polygraph machines was limited to the handling of a specific case in 1982 and not to use of the machines generally as an investigative tool.

Order members freed

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) — Two "minimally involved" members of the white supremacist sect The Order have been sentenced and released from federal confinement here after serving less than 10 months in jail, officials said.

U.S. District Judge Robert McNichols sentenced Jackie Lee Norton and William Anthony Nash to 12 months in prison each, with credit for time served.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Jim Crum said during the sentencing Monday that federal prosecutors have characterized Norton and Nash as "the most minimally involved" of the 23 Order members indicted April 15 in

Seattle by a grand jury that probed criminal activities of the Nazi-like group.

Norton and Nash also were placed on five months of probation. Crum said the pair were given bus tickets home after the sentencing.

Norton, 29, of West Plains, Mo., and Nash, 48, of Philadelphia, had become FBI informants after pleading guilty to racketeering conspiracy charges.

Both had been scheduled for sentencing in early January. Court officials said the sentencing was moved up so the two could return to their families for the holidays.

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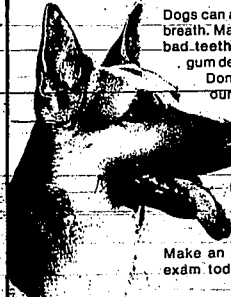
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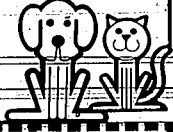
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Mandela cancels vigil outside prison where husband's held

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — Black activist Winnie Mandela Tuesday canceled a planned Christmas vigil outside the Cape Town prison where her husband, Nelson Mandela, is held, saying the government might be "trigger-happy" after a bomb killed five whites at a shopping center.

Near-Johannesburg, rioting black miners stabbled white officials to death and mine police opened fire, killing two blacks, police said today. Government officials and many apartheid critics expressed dismay and fear following Monday's bomb explosion in a crowded shopping center at Amanzimtoti beach resort.

Five whites were killed and 48 people were injured. Durban hospital officials had reported seven whites killed in the explosion, but a spokesman at police headquarters in Pretoria said Tuesday that fatalities not connected with the blast had been included by state officials.

No group immediately claimed responsibility. But government officials blamed the outlawed African National Congress guerrillas, who began fighting a sabotage war to end white rule since 1961, and called on the international community to ostracize the ANC for the "dastardly deed."

The liberal Cape Town newspaper wrote, "The spiral (of violence) that could be ahead is obvious and too ghastly to contemplate." Mrs. Mandela arrived Monday in Cape Town after police threatened to rearrest her for continued defiance of an order barring her from



WINNIE MANDELA
Officials may be 'trigger-happy'

Johannesburg and the adjacent black township of Soweto, where she has a house. She said she would make a Christmas Day visit to her husband, a former ANC president who is considered South Africa's most influential black leader despite having been jailed since 1964 on a conviction of plotting sabotage.

But Mrs. Mandela said she would not go ahead with a planned Christmas Day vigil outside Pollsmoor Prison, where he is held.

"In the light of what happened at Amanzimtoti, they may be trigger-happy now," Mrs. Mandela, 50, told reporters.

Mrs. Mandela, who was twice dragged by police from her Soweto home over the weekend, plans to return there Friday, her lawyers said, raising the specter of arrest.

Since 1977, she had been restricted by government order to the remote town of Brandfort, but recently has ignored that order. It was lifted last Saturday but Mrs. Mandela was told she still could not enter the Johannesburg area.

Officials at Western Areas' gold mine, 25 miles west of Johannesburg, said a riot erupted Monday night when several hundred black miners demanded to see white supervisors.

When the staff appeared, the miners attacked them with knives and sticks, killing a personnel manager and wounding two white assistants. Two blacks fell dead as mine police fired rubber bullets at the rampaging mob, managing director George Nisbet told The Associated Press.

"As far as we know there was no wage grievance and we don't know why they were attacked," said Nisbet. "It is one of those chaotic things that happen."

Nisbet said Western Areas, which employs 13,500 black miners, was operating normally today.

Police today also reported that a black policeman near Pretoria opened fire on black youths who attacked his wife for shopping in a white store and killed one man. Black groups have called for a boycott of white stores during the Christmas season to show black solidarity against apartheid.

In Durban's Addington Hospital, Minister of Law and Order Louis Grange visited some of those injured by the Amanzimtoti bomb and said, "We will get these terrorists. There is not a shadow of doubt. The ANC was responsible."

He said the blast was caused by a limpet mine placed in a trash can. Police identified the dead as two white women, a teen-age girl and two boys ages 2 and 8. One wounded white girl was in critical condition and five others were in "very serious" condition, police said.

The blast followed an ANC threat last week to escalate its fight.

About 1,000 people have been killed in 16 months of almost continuous anti-apartheid unrest. Most have been blacks killed by police.

But in a new twist, the violence 11 whites, including six slain by an ANC land mine near the Zimbabwe border, have been killed in explosions in the past 10 days.

Students stage protest in Peking

The Los Angeles Times

PEKING — Students from the remote Western province of Xinjiang staged a protest in Tianjin square Sunday, protesting against nuclear tests and presenting the Chinese government with a list of other demands.

The protest by the largely Turkish-speaking Muslim Uighur minority follows reports of larger demonstrations in Urumqi, the capital of Xinjiang, in which thousands of people called for greater political freedom.

The Chinese Foreign Ministry reacted Monday with unusual speed

by issuing a statement admitting that about 200 Uighur minority students had demonstrated and, put a few questions chiefly because they did not know much about the situation.

"In the present international situation, it is necessary to conduct a small number of nuclear tests to safeguard China's security. This is endorsed and supported by the great mass of the Chinese people," the statement said.

It added that "full attention has been paid to the people's safety and repeated checks have found that no harm has been done to the health of the inhabitants."

Some 30 nuclear tests have been conducted in the deserts of Xinjiang since October 1964, when China exploded its first nuclear bomb. China possesses an underground test site at Lop Nor but also conducts atmospheric tests there. The last was in 1980.

Waite: hostage talks progressing

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Anglican Church envoy Terry Waite said Tuesday he had met again with Muslim fundamentalists holding Americans hostage in Lebanon, but that "further steps are required" in his mission to free the captives.

Waite said he planned to fly to London later Tuesday to consult with his superior, the archbishop of Canterbury, "dashing hopes" the hostages would be freed for Christmas.

He stressed, however, that he is edging forward in his secret negotiations with the kidnappers, who say they are members of a Shiite Muslim group called Islamic Jihad, or Islamic Holy War.

"We're not deadlocked," he told a news conference at the Commodore Hotel in Moslem west Beirut. "I believe that a solution to the problem is possible and I continue to work for it."

Waite had returned to Beirut on Friday for the third time on his five-week-old mercy mission, said the "report" once again directed to Archbishop of Canterbury Robert Runcie in London.

"During the next few days I expect to have further contacts with these parties, who are involved in this matter," he said, without elaborating. "The negotiations remain at a critical stage."

Asked if he was carrying new proposals from the kidnappers to the government, Waite said, "There are steps to be taken which I hope to take in the next few days."

Waite began his mission Nov. 13 after four of the six Americans missing in Lebanon wrote to Runcie, the spiritual head of the Church of England, appealing for his intervention.

The four are Terry Anderson, chief Middle East correspondent for The Associated Press; Rev. Lawrence Jenco, a Roman Catholic priest; David Jacobsen, director of American University Hospital in Beirut; and Thomas Sutherland, the university's dean of agriculture.

Waite told reporters he had not seen the four, but said, "In the past days I have received assurances that the four Americans are in good health. I have passed Christmas messages from their families" to them.

A statement purported to come from Islamic Jihad said last October that the group had killed another kidnapped American, diplomat William Buckley, but his body has never been found. The group has been word about American University librarian Peter Kilburn since shortly after he disappeared about a year ago.

Waite said in a statement to reporters, "Since my arrival in Beirut several days ago I have had several meetings with the group holding the four Americans hostage. I discussed with them what I consider to be just and fair proposals, which, if followed, would, I believe, lead to the release of the hostages."

He did not say what proposals he put to the captors. The kidnappers have said they will free the Americans only if Kuwait releases 17 comrades jailed there for bombing the U.S. and French embassies in Kuwait. Five people were killed in the December 1983 attacks.

Waite said of this demand, "I have been able to put to the captors proposals which I believe would lead us through that problem without compromising fundamental principles. But there's no doubt that it is a difficulty."

Kuwait refuses to free any of the bombers, three of whom have been sentenced to death. Waite said, "I have said to the captors that I would like to meet with the families of those who have been convicted in Kuwait and are being held in prison there."

"So far, that request has not been granted. But I hope it will be on a future occasion. I both understand and share some of the families' concern."

Earlier today, Waite met with British Ambassador John Gray, but he did not disclose what they discussed. Gray drove into Moslem west Beirut from the British Embassy in the city's Christian east side accompanied by several bodyguards armed with automatic weapons.

A British journalist, Alec Collett, has been abducted by kidnappers claiming to be from a different Moslem group. Waite did not say how many times he met with the kidnappers in his latest trip or where the clandestine meetings took place.

The Vatican announcement said that the visit was "exclusively humanitarian in character (and) is intended to express the vivid interest of the Holy Father in the painful conditions of the two peoples involved in an old and worn out conflict."

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Papal emissary visits Iraqi prisoners of war

The Los Angeles Times

TEHRAN, Iran — A special emissary of Pope John Paul II arrived Monday to perform Christmas Mass for Christian Iraqi prisoners of war held in Iran, Tehran radio reported.

The emissary, Cardinal Roger Etchegaray, met shortly after his arrival with supervisors of Iraqi prisoners who "described documented evidence of violations by the Iraqi government against men of religion and places of worship," the radio said.

An earlier announcement at Vatican City said that the cardinal was visiting Iran on "a humanitarian mission" at an invita-

tive from Iranian spiritual leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini.

The announcement gave no further details but said that Vatican emissaries may meet with Khomeini and that efforts were being undertaken to arrange a similar mission to Iraq.

The unprecedented visit by Etchegaray, a French prelate, appeared to herald a possible Vatican role in dealing with some 50,000 prisoners held as a result of the Iran-Iraq war.

The Vatican announcement said that the visit was "exclusively humanitarian in character (and) is intended to express the vivid interest of the Holy Father in the painful conditions of the two peoples involved in an old and worn out conflict."

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Briefly

Moscow party chief removed

MOSCOW (AP) — The Communist Party removed Moscow party chief Viktor V. Grishin, a member of the ruling Politburo, from his post today at a special meeting presided over by Kremlin leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev, the official news agency Tass said.

The brief report by Tass said the 71-year-old Grishin retired and was replaced as Moscow party chief by 64-year-old Boris N. Yeltsin.

Yeltsin was elected a secretary of the Communist Party in July.

There was no word on Grishin's Politburo seat, but he presumably will lose that job as well. Politburo member Nikolai A. Tikhonov was removed from the Politburo earlier this year after retiring as premier.

Grishin, who was appointed Moscow city chief in 1967, is one of the last members of the Politburo's "old guard" that rose to power under the late Leonid I. Brezhnev. They have been removed one by one under Gorbachev, who became Soviet leader in March.

Grishin's name has been linked with a series of rumors and scandals involving Moscow's housing construction industry, which underwent party investigation earlier this year.

Tass said the action was taken at a special plenum of the Moscow party organization.

It said Yeltsin was named in his place and that Gorbachev attended the session "a move that lent his personal authority to the switch. Grishin is thought to have been at odds with Gorbachev and his supporters.

Olteanu new Bucharest mayor

BUCHAREST, Romania (AP) — Col. Gen. Constantin Olteanu, the former defense minister, has been appointed first secretary of Bucharest's municipal Communist Party committee and mayor of the capital, according to the Romania Libera newspaper.

The newspaper reported Monday that Olteanu, who was replaced as defense minister last week by Col. Gen. Vasile Milea, acted in his new capacity to greet President Nicolae Ceausescu and Bulgarian leader Todor Zhivkov when the two visited a building site in central Bucharest during a visit by Zhivkov on Sunday.

Olteanu replaced Gheorghe Pana as mayor. Pana was named minister of the food industry on Dec. 16. The organ was created as part of a drive to increase food supplies.

Both Olteanu and Pana have been members of the Communist Party Politburo, the party's top ruling body.

Chad rebels sign peace accord

LIBREVILLE, Gabon (AP) — Representatives of the government of Chad and of the Chad Democratic-Front rebel group have signed a peace agreement, officials said.

The rebel group is led by former Gen. Djibril Djogo and is not directly linked to another rebel force that is loyal to Libyan-backed former President Goukouni Oueddei. That group retains control of the northern half of the central African country.

The peace accord, which was arranged under the auspices of Gabon President Omar Bongo, calls for the liberation of "all political prisoners, without condition," including Chad Democratic Front leaders. It also calls for the creation within three months of a commission to monitor the accord, and the adoption of a new constitution within five years.

Chad, a former French colony, is one of the poorest countries in the world. It has been torn by virtually constant civil war since independence in 1960.

Afghanis supply weapons

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) — The government of Afghanistan has sent about 300,000 semi-automatic rifles and hundreds of heavy weapons to tribal forces in Pakistan's lawless North-West Frontier province, the Pakistani interior minister said.

The minister, Aslam Khan, told the National Assembly during a debate late Sunday that the government had determined that Soviet-made and Chinese-made Kalashnikov rifles, rocket launchers and anti-tank missiles had been smuggled across the border.

Khan said the weapons were being supplied by the Afghan regime to tribal chiefs disloyal to Islamabad. Pakistani military forces moved into the Khyber Pass near the Afghan border earlier this month and demanded the surrender of a group of tribal chieftains.

Pakistani officials said the operation was aimed at illegal drug operations and arms smugglers who were operating with the backing of the Afghan government.

Pakistan supports guerrillas fighting Afghanistan's Marxist regime.

Papal conspiracy suspects may go free

ROME (AP) — A well-placed source says the prosecutor in the trial of six men charged with conspiring to kill Pope John Paul II may ask the jury to acquit the defendants for lack of evidence.

The source said Monday that Prosecutor Antonio Marini was frustrated by often-contradictory evidence from the nearly 50 witnesses in the seven-month trial, including the star witness, Mehmet Ali Agca.

Agca, a Turkish terrorist, is serving a life sentence after being convicted of shooting and seriously wounding the pope in St. Peter's Square on May 13, 1981.

Agca first said he acted alone but later "turned state's evidence and said there was a Bulgarian and Soviet-financed conspiracy to kill John Paul. He named three Turks and three Bulgarians as the conspirators.

But during several weeks on the witness stand, Agca continually changed his story, admitted lying and even claimed to be Jesus Christ. Then he refused to answer any more questions.

The source, who is close to the prosecution but cannot be identified because of official secrecy requirements, said Marini probably will seek not full exoneration for the

defendants, but a separate verdict called acquittal for lack of evidence.

Such a verdict is similar to a less than honorable discharge from military service because the charge remains on the defendant's record.

Under Italian law, the prosecutor also can ask the eight-member jury, which includes two judges, to find the defendants guilty or completely innocent.

The prosecution wrapped up its case Saturday by questioning two of the Bulgarian defendants in the Bulgarian capital of Sofia: the two, Todor Alvazo and Lt. Col. Zhelevo Kolev Vassilev, returned home from diplomatic posts in Rome in late 1982 and refused to return for the trial, claiming diplomatic immunity.

Marini told reporters the two probably would be his last witnesses. The prosecutor is expected to present his final arguments Jan. 10 when the court reconvenes.

Defense lawyers, who present their final arguments after Marini does, maintain that the prosecution never had a good case largely because it was illogical for the two fellow conspirators for the shooting, Bulgarians to stay in Italy for 18 months after the shooting if they were guilty.

Judge Severino Santapichi, who conducted most of the interrogations, continually pressed Agca to provide corroborating evidence of the alleged conspiracy. But Agca failed to do so.

Investigators were unable to find any trace of the \$1.2 million that Agca said was paid to him and his fellow conspirators for the shooting. Another frustration for the prosecution was the problem of getting access to the defendants.

CORRECTION NOTICE

On Monday, Dec. 23, an ad ran incorrectly for Venzon Jewelers. Venzon Jewelers is located at 153 Main Ave. West, and Larson Arts is located at 132 Main Ave. North.

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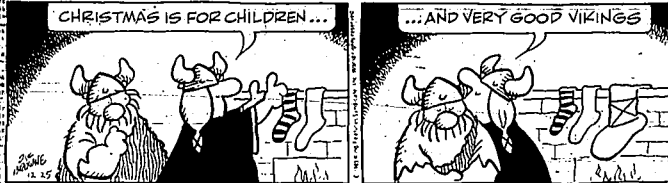
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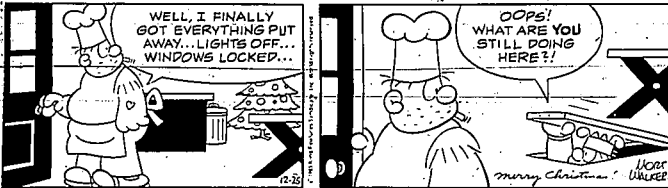
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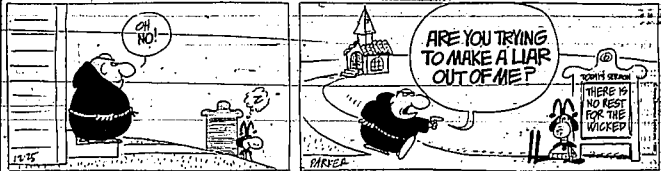
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L.M. Boyd
What's what

When that medical fellow with the martini in his hand says, "Here's to the right side," he no doubt alludes to the fact that liquor stimulates the right side of the brain — imagination, visualization, creativity, while it numbs the left side — memory, detail, responsibility.

Robert Louis Stevenson's plain pith was: "Make the most of the best and the least of the worst."

People are three times more likely to get heart attacks at 9 a.m. than at 11 p.m. Or so the Harvard medical report.

Surely those opposed to smoking ought not miss this creative idea out of history: The anti-tobacco fanatics in 18th-century Iran overpowered anybody caught smoking a pipe, ran the pipe through the smoker's nose, and dragged the unfortunate through the streets.

British surgeons in 1965 operated four times on the legs of Ann Rowston, age 20, to reduce her height from 6-feet-7 to just 6 feet. If the doctors can do that, assa-client, why can't they also lengthen legs to make a person taller. They can, if they can find the perfect bone-match. It's one thing to take bone out, another to put bone in. Where do they get that bone?

Takes longer for an elephant to have a baby — 625 days — than any other four-legged animal. A client who knows that, says, yes, but what four-legged animal takes the longest? The camel — 405 days.

Q. In liquor lingo, what's a "pony"?
A. Two tablespoons. A jigger is three.

Daily Horoscope

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) A good day to remember bigwigs on this festive day, and show them particular thought. Invite several into your home.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) A good day to start writing thank-you notes for nice gifts, especially those you have received from out of town.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Spend some time "in effect" today, and plan the future more wisely. The evening can be very happy socially.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) The day can be most charming with the one you love and much happiness is possible. Make fine plans for the future.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Getting friends to join with you and family at holiday festivities can make this a delightful day.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You are able to gain fine benefits today and tonight. Discuss with a financier how to add to your abundance in the new year.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Your partners have good ideas to talk over with you in the evening. This can lead to better understanding for the future.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Your intuition is good and you can establish greater harmony with your mate now. Later you can discuss whatever is practical.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) You have an opportunity to help others out of their confusion today. Enjoy a fine family dinner.

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Q. Isn't "Jenning's Corollary" that stipulates "An object will fall so as to do the most damage"?
A. No, that's The Law of Selective Gravity. Jennings' Corollary goes: "The chance of bread falling jelly side down is directly proportional to the cost of the carpet."

Computers turned up this statistical curiosity: Seventy-five percent of the industrial accidents happen to people who don't eat breakfasts.

SHORTEN LEGS

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People

Spielberg wants to make film about teen's aid to homeless

WASHINGTON (AP) — Film maker Steven Spielberg, best known for his special effects wizardry in such movies as "Young Sherlock Holmes" and "E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial," wants to make a film based on a 13-year-old boy's effort to help Philadelphia's homeless, the youth's father said.

The film would focus on "one little boy's experience with street people," Frank Ferrell, of suburban Gladwyne, Pa., said Monday. Ferrell's son, Trevor, began taking food and blankets to the homeless after seeing a TV news report on their plight in December 1984. He attracted enough attention and funds to open a 33-room home for the needy.

"Mr. Spielberg has talked to Trevor about the film," said the boy's father. "He hopes it will be a film in Philadelphia this winter while the snow is still on the ground," Ferrell said.

Spielberg was not available for comment, said an employee at his home-based production company, Amblin Entertainment.

Trevor, who is to be awarded a Young American Medal by President Reagan in a White House ceremony Jan. 16, said Spielberg "is really a real guy."

Heart recipient hopes to return to work soon

YOUNGTOWN, Ariz. (AP) — Michael Drummond, 26, who last August became the youngest artificial heart recipient at age 25, says he expects to be back to work in a month.

"I thank God and my doctors for the fact that I'm alive today," Drummond, 26, told reporters at a press conference Monday.

The grocery store assistant manager, who was also the first person to use the Jarvik-7 artificial heart as a bridge to a human heart transplant, received \$10,000 from donations solicited by the View Community Hospital to help pay his



STEVEN SPIELBERG
Hoping to shoot it this winter

medical bills.

Drummond, who is living with his parents in Phoenix, said he hopes in about a month to return to his job at the Cottonwood grocery store. He said he rides a bicycle often and has a daily exercise regimen to build up his strength.

Drummond received the Jarvik-7 heart Aug. 29 after his own heart was badly damaged by a virus. Ninety days later he received the heart of a 19-year-old Texas traffic accident victim.

Career women don't cry in public, says Feinstein

NEW YORK (AP) — Big girls and career women have one thing in common, says San Francisco Mayor Dianne Feinstein: "They don't cry at least not in public."

"Do not cry. No matter what, if you've got to bite your tongue off or close your eyes so tight that nobody can see what's in them, do it," she said in an interview in the January issue of Working Woman magazine.

Feinstein said she often cries. "I'll go into the shower, I'll turn on the water, and I'll just let it all come out. And I'll turn it off the minute I turn off the water. But no one will see me cry."

The problem, the mayor said, is that "a man can cry and somehow it doesn't bother anybody. If a woman cries, it's an immediate, destructive thing that goes out — and that everybody seems to remember, no matter how bona fide the situation is."

Inmate's knife used in rescue

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (AP) — An El Paso County Jail inmate carrying a knife that had been used in a search later used it to cut down a prisoner who apparently tried to hang himself in a cell, authorities said.

However, Haskell Ray Hunter, 53, shattered a dislocated shoulder when officers ran to the cell and disarmed him, thinking he had stabbed the other prisoner, said police spokesman Lt. Bill Thiede.

The 27-year-old who attempted suicide and Hunter were treated at a hospital. Hunter was released after the incident this past Thursday, Thiede said. Both men had been arrested for investigation of drunken driving, and were released on personal recognizance bonds.

Hunter was booked into the jail about 3 a.m. Thursday, but a search by an officer did not turn up the pocket knife, Thiede said.

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And the revised five-category system of the voluntary film industry rating program is now as follows:

- G: General Audiences, all ages admitted.
- PG: Parental guidance suggested. Some material may not be suitable for children.
- PG-13: Parents are strongly cautioned to give special guidance to children under 13. Some material may be inappropriate for young children.
- R: Restricted, under-17 requires accompanying parent or adult guardian.
- NC-17: No one under 17 admitted.
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People

Parking tickets don't amuse clown

By MARJORIE ANDERS
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Terry Knutson collects parking tickets the way furniture collects dust. He pays some, fights some, and ignores the rest. And he once spent 21 days in jail rather than pay fines for parking in front of his own driveway. "I have more problems with parking than most people have with their whole lives," he said Monday. Knutson, a 43-year-old clown known professionally as Glowzo and Terryteene who lives in Van Nuys, Calif., has been slapped with nearly 300 parking tickets over the years and he claims most of them are undeserved. Knutson's ticket total made him the winner of \$100 from a contest sponsored by the publisher of the New York City Alternate Side of the Street Parking Calendar, which lists the days on which parking rules are suspended and offers tips for avoiding tickets. Calendar Publisher Glen Bolofsky said he was shocked to learn Knutson had spent three weeks in jail for being a parking scofflaw. Knutson recalls the parking dilemma that led to his incarceration: "I had an apartment a block off Howard Boulevard. It had an abandoned driveway and I had a sports car at that time, a little Nash Metropolitan that fit in this space in front of the unused driveway. And two or three times a week I was ticketed for blocking a driveway. I paid many, many of these tickets. But it just got overwhelming so I just let it go and that's when I got in trouble." The jig was up when he was stopped for a traffic check and police

discovered 25 outstanding parking tickets with warrants out for 24 of them. Knutson was hauled into court and ordered to pay \$350. "When this happened in 1966, \$350 was an awful lot of money and I didn't want to pay it. Well, I got a hard-nosed judge and he said: '30 days.'" "I was young and innocent then... He threw out the tickets but threw me in jail for ignoring the obligation to go to court. That was their reasoning. I still don't buy it." Apparently a criminal record did not damage his reputation because the Los Angeles City Council proclaimed Jan. 25, 1978, "Terryteene Day" for his clowning at more than 100 charity shows the previous year. He has performed with the Circus Vargas and the Big John Strong Circus. "They take it really seriously down at the courthouse. But being a clown, I can laugh at a lot of things. Of course being in jail for 21 days wasn't funny. It was an experience, but it wasn't funny," Knutson said in a telephone interview from his home. He now lives on a cul de sac, where there are more parking problems. "It's a dead-end turnaround that's too small to actually park cars in," Knutson said. "The curb space between driveways is too short to park without blocking the driveways and the driveways are not long enough to fit a car without blocking part of the sidewalk." Knutson does have a carport, but he also has a car and a motor home. So he is again collecting tickets for blocking his own driveway. "I have successfully defended 76 parking tickets in that last 3 1/2 years," he said. "Before that time, I didn't keep count."

Refugee trying to gain weight for flight job

PENSACOLA, Fla. (AP) — A Vietnamese refugee who finished in the top 10 of his U.S. Navy officer school class is three-tenths of an inch short of his dream of becoming an aviator. Hung Dinh Vu, 34, said this past week that he needs more padding in his seat, and is confident he can correct the problem by eating and exercising. The Navy requires that pilots' upper legs measure at least 21.9 inches from buttocks to knees to make sure they can reach rudder pedals and "keep their legs flat against their seats in case they have to eject," said Lt. J. G. Donnie Plombon, an aviation psychologist. "My goal is to gain at least 10 pounds, if not more," said Vu, a recent graduate of the Pensacola Naval Air Station's officer school and a naturalized citizen from Glen Ellyn, Ill. "I'm doing squatting exercises to push it all back." Vu, who stands 5-foot-5 and weighs 140 pounds, said he's gained at least five pounds since being measured at the air station's Naval Aerospace Medical Institute in September. He is to be measured again after Christmas. Vu said he was very skinny when

he reported to officer school, and was unable to gain any weight during the 12-week course. "I'm putting on the padding," he said. "This is something that can be corrected." "I'm not sure" about the requirement, Vu said. "They are concerned about my safety." He said he has gotten a lot of support from Navy officials who have endorsed his request for a waiver in case he doesn't make it. "It seems like everybody is pulling for me." Vu is working, at least temporarily, as a maintenance officer at the Pensacola Naval Air Rework Facility, which overhauls aircraft. He is scheduled to report Jan. 6 to Maintenance Duty Officer School, also in Pensacola. Vu said he would fit into whatever role the Navy chooses for him, and said he would take this latest obstacle in stride, as he did when the Navy rejected him as a security risk two years ago because he had two older brothers still living in Vietnam. They escaped this year. Vu came to the United States when he was 14 as Saigon was falling to communist forces.

Biographer: Getty was a Hitler admirer

NEW YORK (AP) — Oil billionaire J. Paul Getty was an open admirer of Adolf Hitler, and his friends knew the Nazi leader, although he denied it to the FBI, a biographer says. Getty's letters and diary included favorable remarks on Hitler, whom Getty saw while working in Germany between 1937 and 1938, author Robert Lenzner writes in "The Great Getty," a new account of the late magnate's life. Lenzner says that government agents investigated Getty as a suspected Nazi sympathizer and were prepared to take him into custody late in 1941. "FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover decided against bringing in Getty, without explanation shortly after the bombing of Pearl Harbor that December, Lenzner wrote. Allegations against Getty, including charges that he illicitly sold oil to the Germans, were unsubstantiated in three years of investigations, Lenzner wrote. But he said government files indicated that the matter kept Getty from receiving an ambassadorship or a naval commission. "It would appear, lacking other evidence, that Getty has been indiscreet in his choice of associates and naive in his interpretation of the political scene, rather than an avowed supporter of the Nazi or fascist regime," the Naval Intelligence concluded in 1942, according to Lenzner. Lenzner said he used the federal

Freedom of Information Act to obtain notes on investigations of Getty, who left the \$2 billion when he died in 1976. The author described Getty's interest in Hitler as a "flirtation" and said that by 1941, Getty had come to support the war against the Nazis. Moses Laskey, now a lawyer for Getty who now represents his son Gordon Getty, said he had never heard of any such federal investigation of the elder Getty. The son did not return a telephone message relayed by Laskey. Said Laskey: "The whole thing seems to be of no significance. I guess the government's always investigating everybody." Lenzner said he traced the matter to 1933, when a Getty letter said Hitler "is an honest man — very decided in his ways and wishes to see justice done without any delay." A 1938 diary entry on a speech in which Lenzner said he had never heard of any such federal investigation to "invade Czechoslovakia said: "Führer makes great, manly speech," according to Lenzner. The FBI investigation began in 1940, prompted in part by Getty's admiration for Hitler's leadership, and perhaps partly by Getty's enemies, Lenzner wrote. Lenzner's book, released in England last month, is to be published in the United States on March 14 by Crown Publishers Inc. The author is New York correspondent for the Boston Globe and the Economist, an English magazine.

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Times-News obtains Kimberly police report

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Statement: The council after reviewing the investigative evidence submitted by the Attorney General's Office and the Twin Falls Police Department, finds that the silver bars theft from the residence of John Anderson did occur. But due to a family member being involved, Mr. Anderson initially requested there be no prosecution. We feel the Kimberly Police Department acted appropriately in this matter. All recovered silver bars were returned to the owner.

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By BONNIE HARRISON
Times-News writer

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• The 16-gauge, Model 37 Winchester was given to the department by the owner, Charles Renfrow.

• The .22-caliber revolver the attorney general's evidence claims was stolen by an ex-officer of the Kimberly Police Department, when he met a relative of the individual who committed the suicide, gave this weapon to an ex-officer.

• The .357-magnum, listed in the attorney general's evidence, belonged to the city of Kimberly, attained through the CETA program. This weapon was traded to Territorial Supply and purchased by an officer recently employed by the Kimberly Police Department.

• A 20-gauge, single-shot, sawed-off shotgun was listed in the attorney general's evidence as a 16-gauge single-shot, sawed-off shotgun. The department had confiscated this illegal weapon several years ago from a male resident of Kimberly.

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Bell targeted in fiber lawsuit

By BOB FREUND
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The contractor for the first half of Mountain Bell's new fiber optic cable connecting Boise and Pocatello is suing the telephone utility for more than \$5 million for alleged breach of contract.

Whitlock Construction & Supply of Powell, Wyo., is asking the 5th District Court in Twin Falls to order Mountain Bell to pay nearly \$2.2 million in actual costs for its work, as well as another \$3 million in punitive damages.

In a case filed late last week, Whitlock and two subcontractors — Ray's Trenching Inc. of Jerome, and Freeman Co. of Nampa, — accused employees in Mountain Bell's Twin Falls District of misrepresenting the footage of rock removed while burying the cable and of manufacturing "damage claims."

Mountain Bell spokesman Rick Hays gave the company's response: "Our position at this point is that we entered into what we figured was a fair contract. Beyond that, it's just a matter of litigation as to who's right or who's wrong."

So far, Mountain Bell has paid Whitlock Construction just over \$1.3 million under the terms of the contract, Hays said.

The utility hired Whitlock Construction in August, 1984 to dig a 4-foot-deep trench between Boise and Twin Falls and to lay fiber optic cable line.

The cable is a new technological advance that uses light instead of glass fibers to transmit messages. The system can carry many more phone calls or data signals than the conventional electric impulses carried by wire cables.

The entire 270-mile cable to



A secret Christmas wish
Some things just aren't for public consumption. In Santa's ear at a Christmas party at Harrison Elementary School, Santa was visiting Betty Laybourn's second-grade class on Friday to hand out gifts and listen to Christmas lists.

Senator has eye on truck tax code

By DEAN S. MILLER
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Sen. Larry Anderson, R-Twin Falls, has his keeping an eye on the Idaho Trucking Industry's proposed change in the state's commercial vehicle taxes.

The Idaho Motor Transport Association (IMTA) has said it will once again push legislation to do away with the mileage-based tax and replace it with a higher registration fee and higher fuel fees.

Anderson said Monday he wants to work with the IMTA, but only so long as its proposed changes do not end up costing Idaho's independent truckers more than their fair share.

He said their plan will be fine with him, as long as the registration fee takes into account differences between large and small truckers. He said he wants to see a "staggered" fee.

Under the plan proposed last year, Anderson said, trucks driving high mileage in Idaho would pay a lower rate than would those with low mileage in Idaho. He said small, independent truckers tend to drive all miles in Idaho, "with less mileage in Idaho."

"The freshman senator said he is waiting to see what the IMTA's bill will look like this year. I want to work with them on it, I'm for it as long as they make it fair for the little guy."

Last year's version included "a truckload" of exemptions, and some groups who would have been hurt by the change were unaware, he said. "Nobody showed up at the committee meeting last year except the lobbyists," Anderson said.

Among those who could be hurt by the change are custom farmers, he said.

After talking to some local small truckers, Anderson has encouraged

Repairs nearly done at 'antique' power plant

By KENNETH A. BROWN
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Repairs on Idaho Power Company's Shoshone Falls generator are almost complete, and company officials predict that the unit on the Snake River near Twin Falls should be back in operation by January.

According to company spokesman Larry Taylor, the 11.5-megawatt

main generator was damaged during an electrical storm in July. The storm, Taylor said, knocked out power to the plant. While everything shut down as it was supposed to do, the automated plant's backup system which maintained the system's oil pressure failed.

The drop in pressure allowed the wicket gates on the plant to open, sending water back into the plant's generating system. With no oil pressure, Taylor said, the generator

began turning on dry bearings, which caused extensive damage.

"We had to tear the whole thing apart," Taylor said.

While some repairs were made at the site, the 12-ton rotor had to be shipped back to the Westinghouse plant in Bethel Park, Penn.

The Shoshone Falls plant "is really an antique," Taylor said. The plant itself dates to 1907, although the rotor unit was installed in the 1920s. "It's kind of a piece of history," he added.

In other repair activities, Idaho Power's No. 2 generator at the Hells Canyon Dam was put back into service Dec. 18, after a major overhaul. The 150-megawatt generator was damaged in mid-August when a coil shorted, causing internal damage.

Because it was the unit's second coil problem in less than a year, the company decided to have all of the generator's coils rewound while it was disassembled.

Zoning 'flexibility'

Consultant offers city council alternatives for growth strategies

By ANNETTE CARY
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — There are means in which the Twin Falls City Council can pave the way for economic development in the city, many with little cost, a city consultant said Monday.

Not all councilmembers are agreeing, however, about the value of at least one of the more controversial recommendations.

Some cities are applying zoning and subdivision ordinances with "flexibility." In light of depressed economic conditions, said Wayne Forrey, city planner for J-U-B Engineers.

In cities such as Boise, the council has been compelled to be more flexible in applying zoning ordinances. Other recommendations are being built with narrow streets, he said.

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Councilmember Mary McClusky said city ordinances had been worked out over many years and she would not like to see them abandoned.

Other cities are allowing narrower streets and sidewalks on only one side of new streets in subdivisions. Even the most exclusive subdivisions are being built with narrow streets, he said.

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been complaining to state officials that Twin Falls is already getting too many of the area jobs, when they should be pleased with any development within the valley, Forrey said. On the other side of the coin, Twin Falls could be boosting its economy by helping Gooding get a prison started in the old state tuberculosis hospital, Vollmer said.

• The city should work closely with the College of Southern Idaho to identify economic development strengths, the report says. The college has access to entitlement funds that could be used to start specific vocational training or general business support services training, Forrey said.

CSI administrators say only six months would be needed to start operating a new program, a "phenomenal advantage" for the city, Forrey said. Since the large universities of the state cannot start training programs targeted for specific industries moving to their cities as quickly, the link between the college and city should be stressed in recruiting programs, Forrey said.

• The city and chamber should organize an economic development team to make sure that recommendations by Fantus Co., an industry relocation and business consulting firm, and the J-U-B report, are carried through, the report says. The council has hired Fantus to assess the communities and strengths and weaknesses and may ask for more economic recruitment help when that is completed.

• The city must continue to improve city facilities that serve the business community and pursue

'Creative' travelers find their way to Sun Valley

By JANE ROBISON
Times-News writer

SUN VALLEY — Sun Valley merchants are making merry this Christmas with an influx of creative tourists pushing occupancy rates up to the 100 percent mark.

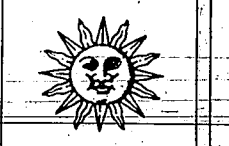
Fog on the West Coast is not keeping visitors away from holiday travelers arriving by the car and plane loads to Ketchum and Sun Valley, area officials say.

"We're finding the guests are being as creative as they can in getting here," said Theresa Comber, front desk manager for Warm Springs Resort, which manages 150 properties. "We've only had one cancellation so far from someone who couldn't get here because of the fog."

Carl Wilgus, public relations director for Sun Valley Company, said a lot of tourists are driving rather than flying, or are driving to Portland's airport and flying to Ketchum.

"It doesn't appear to be affecting us," he said. "We're having a 99 percent occupancy rate. We have a couple of broom closets left open."

Wilgus said six flights a day,



with 150 passengers per flight, have been arriving per week for the last couple of weeks via Twin Falls from San Francisco and Los Angeles. The influx has been spurred on by four agencies and charter flight companies, Wilgus said.

"Special Christmas and 50th Anniversary decorations have also buoyed holiday spirits, Comber said. "The whole community has caught the spirit of the 50th Anniversary," she said. "It's almost magical up here."

Shooting in Mountain Home leaves one dead, one suspect

MOUNTAIN HOME — An early morning shooting in a mobile home left a 28-year-old Mountain Home man dead and another named in a second degree murder warrant.

Elmore County Sheriff Larry Olson identified the victim as Hector Martinez Jr. He said Martinez died of multiple bullet wounds.

Olson said the shooting occurred between 6:30 and 7 a.m. at a residence of the victim and suspect.

He said a felony warrant has been issued for Juan Johnny Reyes, 26,

also of Mountain Home, charging second degree murder.

Reyes, who is being sought, is known to have fled the scene of the shooting. Olson said Reyes was found after it had rolled over about eight miles from the mobile home where Martinez was killed.

"We know that he then left on foot, walking across the desert for a quarter of a mile to the Interstate (I-84), and his tracks lead toward Boise," Olson said. "We believe he probably caught a ride."

The sheriff said the murder weapon is a small caliber gun but has not been found. He added at present he does not have a motive for the shooting but said it is the hope of his department that Reyes will turn himself in, either to Elmore County authorities or some other law enforcement agency.

Reyes is described as Hispanic, with a black mustache and goatee-type beard. He is 5 ft., 4 in. tall and weighs 135 lbs. He was last seen wearing a green t-shirt, and cowboy boots with high heels and thick soles.

Olson said the suspect may have sustained a fractured arm.



RON JONES
Objected to prepared report

JACK WRIGHT
Shocked by availability

JIM CAMPBELL
Received a copy of report

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Kimberly: Earlier this spring, the weapon was removed from officer Carroll's home by former officer Dave Mason. Officer Carroll, who is the officer in charge of weapons, had this weapon in his possession for repair. The whereabouts of this weapon is unknown at this time.

A .38-caliber revolver listed in the attorney general's evidence as a favor and compensation. Chief Campbell signed his qualification book. The hourly records of this officer, along with the hourly records of the reserve officers and part-time officers, were stolen with the chief's files.

Allegation 3: Missing bicycle.

Statement: The bicycle listed in the attorney general's evidence as misappropriated was, in fact, a ten-speed bicycle loaned to an officer of the department and used by a foster child and ridden until it was worn out.

Allegation 4: Missing confiscated funds.

Statement: Involves money from the narcotics case. This allegation does not have merit, as records have shown. Listed in the attorney general's evidence as an incident where \$15 was taken from two suspected drug dealers based in City Park in Kimberly. Our records show that the individuals received their property back based on information supplied by the attorney. It must be noted that this case is one where the files were removed from the Kimberly Police Department by individuals seeking, in our opinion, to discredit the chief of police.

Allegation 5: Violation of Idaho Uniform Controlled Substance Act.

Statement: The attorney general's evidence states that no inventory of controlled substances were available for inspection and assumed that no records were being kept according to the Idaho Code. Commander Corder's evidence states that the records, along with the drugs were removed from the same evidence locker in the burglary. At the present time the department has current files and records conforming to, or exceeding the Uniform Controlled Substance Act record requirements.

Allegation 6: Neglect of public duty.

Statement: The attorney general's evidence lists this accusation as the same as accusation 8. It is the opinion of this council that the department is in no violation at this time.

Statement: This was a joint investigation between the Twin Falls Police Department and the Kimberly Police Department where suspected drug trafficking and possible extra-marital affairs were occurring which could have involved officers and employees of the Department employees. The quality of surveillance of the suspects. After extensive investigation, there was, according to Commander Corder's evidence, no criminal or immoral activities involving employees of the Kimberly Police Department or Twin Falls Police Department.

Allegation 7: Theft of confiscated drugs.

Statement: On Nov. 10, 1983, the Kimberly Police Department evidence locker was broken into and approximately \$10,000 street value worth of drugs were stolen. The attorney general's evidence states that there was no forced entry to the locker and noted that several city employees had keys, and all should be polygraphed. Commander Corder's investigation shows that

essence was working full-time hours. POST certification states: An officer should be employed full time in order to be fully certified. The officer had full arrest power, was named as an insured on the city's workman's compensation, liability insurance and the false arrest policy and was a member of the department. This man worked many many hours at no charge to the city and as a favor and compensation. Chief Campbell signed his qualification book. The hourly records of this officer, along with the hourly records of the reserve officers and part-time officers, were stolen with the chief's files.

Briefly

IDWR sets 'trust water' talks

TWIN FALLS — The Idaho Department of Water Resources will hold two public hearings in Twin Falls on Jan. 15 on the merits and regulations proposed by the department for the allocation of "trust water" from the Swan Falls settlement.

The meeting will be held at the College of Southern Idaho's Yo-Teach Building, Room 101. The first hearing will begin at 10 a.m., the second at 7 p.m.

Those interested in submitting oral or written views, as well as arguments or data, may do so at any of these hearings. Written comments may be submitted to the IDWR, Water Allocation Rules, 450 W. State St., Boise 83720. The deadline for written comments is Jan. 27.

Other hearings are scheduled throughout the state in Moscow, Idaho Falls, and Boise.

Copies of the December special water rules edition of Currents, the agency's monthly tabloid, may be requested from the state office or the regional office in Twin Falls. This edition contains the revised rules and regulations proposed by the department for the allocation of trust water from the Swan Falls settlement and unappropriated water.

Writing, meeting from 6 to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays; Nursing 329, Implications of Pathophysiology, meeting from 4 to 8 p.m. on Tuesdays; Health Education 340/540, Fitness and Wellness Programs, meeting from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Wednesdays; Health Education 401/501, Issues in Health and Wellness, meeting from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Tuesdays in Kimberly.

Late-starting classes will be Ed. 417/517, Reading in the Content Field; Ed. 470/570, Manipulative Math; Geology 442/542, Economics Minerals Lab; Psychology 483-583, Stress, Health and Coping, Feb. 1 and 8 in Buhl. Psychology 332, Psychology of Adolescence, will be held on Mondays, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., at West Minico Junior High.

Further information is available at the ISU Center, 734-4478.

BLM closes Picabo to traffic

SHOSHONE — The U.S. Bureau of Land Management has announced an emergency closure of public lands in the Picabo Hills area to all motorized vehicles.

The temporary closure is effective immediately through April 15, 1986, according to Erwin Cowley, monument area manager for the BLM's Shoshone District.

Cowley said the closed area is bounded generally by U.S. Highway 20 on the north, the Picabo Road on the east and south, the Spud Patch Road on the southwest, and the Intermountain Gas pipeline road on the west.

The Picabo Hills area is a crucial winter habitat for a large number of deer. The purpose of the closure is to reduce conflicts between wintering deer and snowmobiles.

With snowmobile areas and groomed trails available in other areas of the Shoshone District, the BLM urges the public to enjoy the open areas and respect the few areas under closure to protect wildlife.

CSI offers language history

TWIN FALLS — Do you ever wonder about the meaning and origin of words like "left wing" and "right wing"? What about the words taken from Greek mythology, such as "Herculean" or "Achilles heel"? Or about words borrowed from other languages such as the Latin term "semester"?

Introduction to Language Study 251 will be offered at the College of Southern Idaho for those wishing to know more about the history of the English language. It is designed to increase their understanding of the words and expressions used in both science and the humanities, according to Dr. Kathryn Riedel, who will teach the course at CSI during the spring semester.

She said the course will cover the history of the English language with semantics. This study will include etymology and consider uses and misuses of language and the relationship of language to the psychopathology of everyday life.

The class will meet from 6 to 9 p.m. Thursdays. Students can register Jan. 8-10 at the Taylor Administration Building. It carries a college credit.

CSI services sessions planned

TWIN FALLS — College of Southern Idaho student services personnel will conduct information sessions at 7 p.m. Jan. 7-8 in the Taylor Administration Building cafeteria for potential students and their parents.

Students will be informed on how to get financial aid for the coming school year. Any other questions about college life will also be welcomed.

Logan police shoot loose bull

LOGAN, Utah (AP) — Logan Police Chief Ferris Groll is deeding his department's shooting of a runaway 1,500-pound bull gunned down in the parking lot of Logan High School last week as nearly 100 students looked on.

Groll Tuesday called the incident "unfortunate, but necessary."

Burglars busy near holiday

TWIN FALLS — A burglary at a Twin Falls residence Monday resulted in the loss of \$2,530 worth of photographic and sound equipment and skis, police reported Tuesday.

Calvin Wilcox, of 236 Sunrise Blvd. N., told police someone broke out of his home on Monday evening. On inside, he said, burglars removed the equipment from various parts of the home. Wilcox estimated damage from the broken window at \$100.

An unmarked vehicle in the Blue Lakes Shopping Center parking lot was also burglarized late on Monday. Raja Llanos-Maximo told police

someone removed camera equipment from his vehicle. He estimated his loss at \$277.

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Pocello was completed earlier this month at a cost of about \$10 million, Hays said. "The route generally follows Interstate 84."

In the court case, Whitlock Construction argues that the parties mutually agreed to raise the price of the contract as the work proceeded. In some areas, tough terrain forced the contractor to bury the cable in almost solid rock or in other difficult conditions.

The contract allows Mountain Bell to withhold as much as 15 percent of payments, at its option.

Whitlock is demanding close to \$2.2 million in what it claims are withheld or unacknowledged payments. Most are related to rock work.

The Wyoming contractor alleges that, once it entered the Twin Falls District, Mountain Bell inspectors and supervisors misrepresented the

footage of rock removed to avoid paying higher fees.

They "changed billings, changed contract document interpretations and otherwise cheated and deceived plaintiffs, all to suit their personal or company gain," Whitlock charges.

Describing the actions as fraud, the contracting company also is seeking \$3 million more in punitive damages, attorney's fees, and other unspecified costs.

John Pierson, who owns Ray's Trenching Inc., said Monday his company is owed \$7,500 as a result of the contract dispute. "The only thing I could say is, 'I want my money back,'" Pierson said.

Whitlock Construction did most of the work on the project, Pierson said.

Whitlock Construction's attorney in Idaho could not be contacted Tuesday and its Wyoming attorney declined to comment.

Obituaries

J.M. 'Joe' Urqugen

HURLEY — Jose "Joe" M. Urqugen, 89, of Rupert, and formerly of the Paul-Rupert area, died Monday at the Cassia Memorial Hospital.

Born Feb. 18, 1925, in Viscaya, Spain, he came to the United States in 1914, and worked in the sheep business in Mountain Home, Emmett, Arden, and Lewiston. He later moved to the area southwest of Paul, where he continued to raise sheep until his retirement in 1968. He then moved to Burley, where he had since resided. He married Maria Sanmarina Bidegana in 1943. In Elko, Nev. She died in 1979. He had spent a good deal of time working with the California Range Association and the Immigration Service, helping people from Spain come to the United States. He was a member of the Catholic Church, a life member of the Rupert BPOE Lodge No. 2106, the Euzkaldunak Society, the Basque Center in Boise, the National Wool Growers Association, the Idaho Lamb Feeders, and the Minidoka County Sheep Flock.

Surviving are his daughter, Ursula J. of Burley and Frank Urqugen of Paul; one step-son, Jess Bidegana of Twin Falls; one step-daughter, Raquel Hinz of Burley; one brother and two sisters, all of Spain; 25 grandchildren; 35 great-grandchildren; and two

great-great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by two daughters, two sons, two brothers and one sister.

Rosary will be said at 8 p.m. Friday at the Little Flower Catholic Church in Burley, with Father Enrique Terriquez officiating. Mass of the Resurrection will be celebrated at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Little Flower Catholic Church, with Father Juan Garata as celebrant. Interment will be in Gem Memorial Gardens in Burley.

Friends may call at the Payne Mortuary Chapel Friday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. and at the church Friday, prior to rosary, and Saturday, one hour prior to the mass.

The family suggests memorials to the Elks Rehabilitation Hospital in Boise.

Ora Ethel Lowman

GOODING — Ora Ethel Lowman, 93, of Gooding, died Monday at the Green

Acres Care Center in Gooding. Born Aug. 21, 1892, in Tarkio, Mo., she was reared and educated there. She married Roy Lowman on Oct. 20, 1912, in Scotsburg, Neb. They moved to the Buhl area in 1928 and then to North Shoshone in 1929, where they farmed. In 1938 they moved to Bliss and then in 1948 they moved to Gooding. He died in 1972. She was a member of the Methodist Church.

Surviving are: one daughter, Darlene Heiderman; two sons, Leyton Lowman and Tom Lowman Sr., all of Gooding; eight grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

The funeral will be conducted at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Remary's Gooding Chapel, with Rev. David White officiating. Burial will be in Elmwood Cemetery.

Friends may call at the chapel Thursday from 11 to 7 p.m.

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local sources of money to pay for improvements; the report says.

The mayor should designate a member of the council to serve as a business advocate, it also says.

Councilmembers asked Forrey to expand the J-U-B report to include an economic development strategy "after the first draft" of the report showed slowed economic and population growth for Twin Falls in the next decades, if changes do not occur.

the preliminary report listed a lack of revenue to support higher education and statewide facilities as a reason for the predicted stagnation in the economy. It suggested that Twin Falls work to obtain more control over local revenue, so that decay of city facilities does not undermine economic development efforts.

The report also notes that Twin Falls should not forget the business it already has. Of 23,000 Idaho miles out of its 108,000 annual miles, the proposed change in the tax law would cost him an additional \$600 per year.

Anderson said he is gathering letters from small truckers spelling out the costs and is encouraging some to travel to Boise this winter to testify against the bill, if it turns out the IMTA bill will mean small truckers will end up paying higher fees than they have in the past.

"I'm talking to people on the small side of this to educate them as to what this will do," Anderson said.

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TWIN FALLS — Jerry Olson, son of Jim and Janet Olson, will be installed master counselor of the Twin Falls Demolay Chapter at 2 p.m. Sunday at the Masonic Temple.

Other officers to take office during the ceremony will be Rodell Darnall, senior counselor; Steve Aysup, junior counselor; Bryan Olson, senior deacon; Jamie Gray, junior deacon; Chase Culp, senior steward; Brian Lee, junior steward.

Jeff Capps, scribe; Fred Chapman, sentinel; Allen Summers, chaplain; Sean Leake, marshal.

Presiders include Shaun Kirkman, Brian Blevins, P.J. Greene, Jim Nelson, Paul Black, Nathan Bills and Jason Carrio.

Derek Keswirth is almoner. Installing officers will be Derek Sprague, state master counselor; Paul Shofstall, state senior counselor; Dave Stansbury, state



Jerry Olson

junior counselor; Jeff Olson, junior past state master counselor; Tom Phillips, marshal, and Judd Higgins, senior deacon.

Marines happily swamped with letters

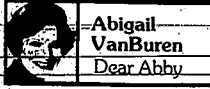
DEAR READERS: An update on the progress of "Operation Dear Abby" — It all started on Sept. 27 when Mel Hebert, a U.S. Marine stationed on Okinawa, wrote to say there were a lot of lonely soldiers who needed mail, so I asked my readers to write to Mel, who had promised to distribute their letters to Marines who wanted to per-pal.

First a letter from Mel: "DEAR ABBY: Whew! Truly unbelievable is the only way to describe the response. In the past weeks, over 30,000 letters have been received. Your readers are wonder-

ful. I just want to say that you and your readers have made a lot of Marines and sailors on the ground of the world very happy. Thanks again!

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DEAR ABBY: The success of "Operation Dear Abby" has been phenomenal, with mail pouring in at



Abigail VanBuren Dear Abby

the rate of some 3,000-plus letters per day. Corporal Hebert has assigned the distribution to the "Marine camps here on the island," and personnel from Camp Schwab in northern Okinawa to Camp Kinser in southern Okinawa are receiving your letters. The boost of morale has been profound, and a lot of us now feel "America carries."

—AMERICA, we are truly proud to be in a capacity to serve you and protect our way of life. A quote says it all too well: "Freedom has a sweet savor, that the protected will never know." Abby, please sign us.

"THE MARINES ON OKINAWA DEAR ABBY: Please settle this because I don't want to go through

the same thing next year. We have been married for three years, and both sets of parents live in our town. We both come from large families. My mother always makes a big Thanksgiving dinner and so does my mother-in-law. My folks have their dinner at 3 p.m. and my mother-in-law serves at 5 p.m. We don't want to hurt any feelings, so we go to both places. Naturally we are stuffed after the 3 p.m. dinner, but try to do justice to the 5 p.m. dinner.

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Weddings

Coleman-Vaughan

TWIN FALLS — Diane Coleman and Kevin Vaughan were married in the LDS Temple in Salt Lake City Aug. 23.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Coleman, Twin Falls; and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Vaughan, Encinitas, Calif.

A reception was held in Twin Falls Aug. 24. Kathy Harris, sister of the bride, was matron of honor, and Sue Miller, Amy Coleman, Lisa Vaughan and Sheila Farnsworth were bridesmaids.

Doug Bunn served as best man with David Coleman and Jason Vaughan as groomsmen. Sharon Harris and Jenelle Miller were flower girls.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Mikesel greeted guests. Kristi Gilbert attended the guest book with Karen Sharer and Cynthia Palmer handling gifts, assisted by Jonathan, Gregory and Aaron Miller.

Assisting with serving were Shirlee Adams, Dena Chapman, Jeanne Bird, Julia Powell, Salena Powell, Anna Jane Anderson, Rhea Orr and Rita Allgood. Nina Hamilton played background music for the reception.

Special guests were Mr. and Mrs. A.O. Coleman, Jerome, Grandparents of the bride, and Mr. and



Kevin and Diane Vaughan

Mrs. James Constantino, Glenwood, Ark., grandparents of the bridegroom.

The bride graduated from Twin Falls High School in 1983 and Ricks College in 1985 with a degree in emergency medical training. The bridegroom, a 1981 graduate of Encinitas High School, served an LDS mission to Indiana and attended Ricks College.

The couple resides in Boise where both are employed.

Auxiliary offers scholarships

TWIN FALLS — Four national and state scholarships are available through the Twin Falls American Legion - Auxiliary to qualified children of veterans, Phyllis Gerber, education and scholarship chairman, announces.

There are two national president's scholarships to be awarded to daughters or sons of veterans. One is for \$2,000 and the other for \$1,500. Applicants must be seniors of graduates of an accredited high school, but not have attended college.

The other national scholarship, of \$1,000, will be given to a junior member of the American Legion Auxiliary. Candidates must have a parent who belongs to the American Legion and have belonged to the auxiliary for three years.

The Idaho Department of the Legion auxiliary will give a nursing scholarship of \$750. Gerber says, The applicant must be a veteran or veteran's child, have resided in Idaho for the past five years and be between the ages of 17 and 35 and chosen the nursing profession. For more information, contact

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Briefly

Fund-raisers search for hungry

BOISE (AP) — The tenants, chief and managers of Boise's Ustick inn-boarding-house have raised \$300 to share a Christmas-dinner with Boise's needy. But as of Monday, the sponsors can't find any takers.

"We can't find any hungry people," said Dale Purdy, who, along with his wife, Mable, manages the boarding house. "We all chipped in money because the guys wanted to do something for people who weren't eating as good as they were."

Ron Madison, chief at the boarding house, said he was baffled by the lack of response to the tenants' invitations.

"I don't believe this," said Madison, who in his search for needy people contacted The Salvation Army, Idaho Hunger Action Council, Elks Club, El-Ada Community Action Agency Inc., Idaho Department of Health and Welfare and about four churches.

"I'm disappointed because all these guys were doing a good thing, and there just aren't any hungry people," he said.

Gas bills reflect January chill

BOISE (AP) — Cold temperatures are causing Intermountain Gas Co. customers to receive bills that are more characteristic of January, company officials say.

November was 30 percent colder than November 1984, and as of Monday, this December was nine percent colder than the same period last year, officials said.

Gas consumption for November and December, 1985, has been more typical of that seen in January, the company said.

Company officials say rates have decreased 8 1/2 percent since November of last year. But heating requirements have been so great customers won't be noticing a decrease on their bills, the company said.

The latest rate decrease was granted in October by the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at the request of Intermountain Gas and Washington Water Power Co. The companies requested the rate decrease to reflect a lower cost in natural gas paid by the utilities.

Meanwhile, Idaho Power Co. customers are reporting heavier than normal loads. Last week, the utility came close to interrupting power for residential customers.

Company officials say the highest electrical energy demand of the winter combined with mechanical problems at a coal-fired plant forced the utility to find additional power.

Man critical after tank rupture

BOISE (AP) — A rural Ada County man was hospitalized in critical condition after a cold-water pressure tank exploded near his home Monday evening.

David Nelson, 45, was in the intensive-care unit at St. Alphonsus Regional Medical Center Tuesday, a nursing supervisor said.

Ada County Sheriff's Deputy Chuck Howard said L. Joel Durrant, 49, who was with Nelson at the time of the accident, suffered a severe laceration to his lower hip. A nursing supervisor said he was treated and released from St. Alphonsus.

"They were checking their water pump and cold-water pressure tank when the pressure tank exploded," Howard said.

He said paramedics from Back Country Mountain Rescue Team responded by helicopter and took the two men to the hospital.

Silver/gold-mine site started

WALLACE (AP) — Coeur d'Alene Mines Corp. said it has started design and engineering work on a large silver and gold mine project near Rochester, Nev., with construction expected to begin early next year.

The mine, 11 miles northeast of Reno, has been leased to Coeur d'Alene Mines since December 1983. The Wallace-based company plans to develop it into a large, open-pit mine using chemical leaching to extract silver and gold.

The project will cost an estimated \$21 million, mostly to develop the mine and acquire the plant and equipment, the company said.

Coeur d'Alene Mines estimated about 48.6 million ounces of silver and 563,000 ounces of gold can be produced during the life of the initial mine.

Two-car accident kills woman

LEWISTON, Utah (AP) — An Idaho woman was killed and her daughter seriously injured in a two-vehicle collision near the Utah-Idaho border, authorities say.

The Utah Highway Patrol said Idell Kunz, 53, died after the car she was riding in was struck by a pickup truck about 11:20 a.m. Monday at the junction of State Road 61 and U.S. 91 near Lewiston, Utah, just south of the Idaho state line.

Her daughter, LaRay Kunz, was reported in critical condition today at Logan Regional Hospital. Both women are from Bern, Idaho.

The driver of the pickup, Laurance Smith, of Salt Lake City, sustained minor injuries in the crash and was treated and released from a local hospital, said UHP dispatcher Marcene Parker.

Smith's truck had crossed the center line and swerved into the Kunz vehicle, Parker said.

Tree farm owner recipient of help from friends after a sudden illness

LEWISTON (AP) — When nursery operator Michael L. Gabby suffered a massive brain aneurysm while cutting a Christmas tree, his wife didn't need to worry about the family business.

"That whole part was wonderful," said Sally Gabby. "People who've known Mike came out of the woods and into the woods to help cut the trees and salvage the Christmas sales season," she said.

"They sold them all this year," she said. The last of 500 trees was sold last week, she said, ahead of

last year's schedule. It was the peak of the Christmas harvest season Dec. 12 when Gabby, 38, suffered the aneurysm at the Tammany Valley Nursery.

Michael's brother, Charles, rushed him to St. Joseph's Hospital where quick action by neurosurgeon T. William Hill saved his life.

The Gabbys have run a choose-and-cut lot at Waha, south of Lewiston, and also have trees in Lewiston for several years. The tree farm is part of a family nursery and landscaping operation, Gabby

Farms. Someone even remembered to save a tree for the Gabby's children, Brett, 6, and Houston, 1. "It's still Christmas at our house," Mrs. Gabby said.

"I think it's just hitting us. I'm just glad he's alive. He's really well," she said. The aneurysm caused Gabby only a slight weakness on one side of his body, his wife said.

Gabby was released from the hospital Friday and must rest for six weeks, his wife said.

Fire destroys mobile home

GARDEN CITY (AP) — A fire believed to have started in a dry Christmas tree destroyed a Garden City mobile home Monday night, according to the Cole-Collister Fire Department.

Tammy Glass and her sons Darryl, 3, and Marty, 1, escaped without injury but lost all their belongings, including the family's gifts from The Salvation Army's — Christmas Assistance Program.

"They got out with their clothes on and that's it," said Connie Evans, Tammy's mother.

Shift Capt. Gerry Weast said the three-bedroom mobile home was "totally gutted" by the fire that broke out shortly after 6 p.m.

"The fire started in the living room area near the TV and Christmas tree," Weast said. "We suspect it could have been the Christmas tree because it was without water and had lights on it."

Damage was estimated at \$15,000, he said.

Gas prices nudge \$1.3 per gallon

BOISE (AP) — Motorists traveling in southern Idaho can expect to pay an average of \$1.289 a gallon for gasoline over the long Christmas holiday, according to the Idaho chapter of the American Automobile Association.

Idaho AAA spokesman Grant Jones said that price compares to \$1.302 a gallon at the same time last year, but is no change from Thanksgiving gas prices.

The current national average price for gas of \$1.256 a gallon is 3 1/2 cents higher than a year ago, but also is unchanged from Thanksgiving, Jones said.

He said Idaho motorists also should not have any problem finding gasoline over the Christmas and New Year's holiday. The AAA reports 70 stations will be open during the period and 27 will be open around the clock in Boise, Nampa, Caldwell, Weiser, Mountain Home, Bliss, Twin Falls, Burley, American Falls, Pocatello, McCallum and Idaho Falls.

IAAA stresses driving safety

BOISE (AP) — The Idaho American Automobile Association is urging caution during the holidays — a time when an estimated eight out of 10 motorists drink and drive, a spokesman said.

The association is urging guests to make sure their guests don't drive if they're under the influence of alcohol, officials said.

Idaho spokesman Grant Jones said alcohol contributes to nearly half of all highway deaths in the country each year.

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'Sun-Man'

Black adults buck the market to produce race-specific toys

By COTTEN TIMBERLAKE
The Associated Press

children 5 years or older and their suggested retail price is \$6.95.

NEW YORK — People seeking toys created for black children have more choices for this Christmas than ever, including "Sun-Man," a black male action figure, and Huggy Bean, billed as the world's first black character doll.

Ms. Eason said 150 Sun-Mans a day are being sold in California, Texas, Alabama, New York and Illinois. Yvonne Rubie, co-founder of Golden Ribbon Playthings Inc., which makes Huggy Bean, said, "While there are some black dolls on the market, none was a central, heroic, character in a collection. They were all accessories, sidekicks," Mrs. Rubie said. "I wanted a black doll that could take center stage and represent strength, self-esteem and concern for others."

There's also a board game called "Rise 'N Fly" to teach children black history and culture. All are products of companies launched by black mothers in the last year or so.

Mrs. Rubie said she had not been able to find such a doll when shopping for her own children, now 7 and 14.

Some stores are reluctant to sell the products, and their makers face competition from the industry heavyweights, which produce black versions of best-sellers such as Barbie, GI Joe and Cabbage Patch dolls. Black entrepreneurs in the past have tried to capture this market without huge or lasting success.

Huggy Bean, which hit the shelves in September, is a 17-inch, vinyl and plush doll sporting a yellow shirt and blue overalls.

Olmes Corp., maker of Sun-Man, says there are 42 million black children under age 10 — 16 percent of the children in that age group.

Like many other toys these days, Huggy Bean's story, this one designed to teach young children about black history and culture, and the importance of helping others. She has a male companion called Oni Bean.

"We want our own images, our own fantasies and the only way we are going to get them is create them ourselves," said Ms. Eason, 35, a former New York Times reporter who started Olmes. While conceding the major companies have made strides in creating black toys, she says none of the existing figures satisfy black children's fantasy needs. For Ms. Eason, it all began when her 3-year-old son told her, "I want to be like 'He-Man,' but I can't because he's white." He-Man, an action toy made by Mattel Inc., is one of the best selling toys. "I was afraid he would think he couldn't possibly make it without blond hair and blue eyes like He-Man," Ms. Eason said. So she created "Sun-Man" and "Pig-Head," his bright-green arch-enemy. The possible, 5 1/2-inch plastic-toys are recommended for

The board game "Rise 'N Fly" is recommended for ages 8 and up and sells for \$29.95. Paul Valentine, a toy analyst with Standard & Poor's Corp., says it remains to be seen whether children have a strong sense of racial identity. "And do these kids want to, in their toys, specifically delineate themselves from the white mass culture?" he said. "You're asking whether the toy industry will divide itself along race lines. I don't know the answer." But, he added, "my instinct is that the desire to have the top selling toys will largely override the need for identifying with their race."

Prisoners hoping Christmas presents won't stop flowing

WASHINGTON (AP) — Several federal penitentiaries are allowing inmates to receive Christmas presents, as usual, even though a new policy by the U.S. Bureau of Prisons no longer requires wardens to do this. Earlier this week, Kathryn Morse, a spokeswoman for the Bureau of Prisons, had said that officials here at the time had confirmed that only one of 46 federal penitentiaries had opted to continue the practice of letting inmates receive presents. Initially, federal prison officials said they could confirm only that the federal penitentiary at Morgantown, W.Va., was the lone facility to permit the gift-giving to continue. Now, they say, the practice will be permitted in several institutions, including those in Oxford, Miss.; a prison hospital at Montgomery, Ala.; Lexington, Ky.; and the Metropolitan Correctional Center in Miami. Ms. Morse said that in these institutions which have chosen to ban Christmas gifts for inmates, and in the others as well, inmates will be allowed to spend up to \$30 during December in prison commissaries.

Features

Santa gears up with graphite sleigh

MAGNA, Utah (AP) — Santa the Hercules Aerospace Bacchus Claus is moving into the high-tech era and this year his firm has spent months developing the sleds with a graphite composite fabricating — and testing — the sleigh driven by a solid-propellant Christmas-Launched Automated rocket motor. Ultrasonic Sleigh for its first use. An article published this week in Christmas Eve.

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Lights out

Chicken mogul loses his legal battle over lighted yule display in front lawn

By KEVIN MCGILL
The Associated Press

METAIRIE, La. — The state Supreme Court Monday ordered "fried chicken king" Al Copeland to take down his lighted Christmas lawn display that drew thousands of gawkers to this quiet suburban New Orleans neighborhood.

The court, which acted on a complaint by a neighbor, also ordered Copeland's arrest, but canceled that after Copeland's attorneys said their client would immediately comply.

Workers began dismantling the display just a few hours before the nightly wave of traffic would have begun.

Monday's action came on a complaint Burton Klein, a lawyer who argued that bumper-to-bumper traffic attracted by the display kept him from the free use and enjoyment of his home. He said earlier that his aversion to the crowds did not make him a Scrooge.

When the display was at its brightest — some said its most garish — virtually every inch of every palm and evergreen tree on Copeland's lawn was covered with tiny lights.

Giant angels, snowmen and a Santa Claus complete with sleigh and reindeer were fashioned from metal and wire mesh covered with lights.

'It does bother me that people think ill of me. I am so desperate to get the message across that I'm not a bad guy — that I enjoy Christmas and I'm not an anti-Christ.'

— Burton Klein

The display was topped with a giant star of neon and incandescent bulbs.

Klein, 58, began a court battle against the display in district court in late 1983, and he and Copeland traded victories at the district and appeal court levels.

The court Monday found Copeland, owner of the Popeyes Famous Fried Chicken franchise, in contempt of a September ruling to tone down the display. In addition to telling Copeland to take down his display, it ordered him to dismantle electric decorations he had furnished other neighbors.

Copeland, hoping to appease the court, had turned off secular displays, such as the snowman and the Santa Claus, to sympathetic neighbors. But that wasn't enough.

"We have no alternative but to obey," said Peter Butler, Copeland's lawyer. Copeland declined comment.

Klein said he was relieved, and noted that since he began his legal fight to dim Copeland's extravagant show, he's received letters reviling him and telephoned curses from anonymous callers.

After September's state Supreme Court order telling Copeland to take down his huge lightbulb snowman and reindeer, someone slashed Klein's tires.

Klein estimated that the traffic averaged 500 cars an hour on weekend nights.

"They're decent people — families, young couples, church groups, tourists. No one shouts or acts wild but there are so many of them it sounds like a roar," Klein said.

Although he's been a lawyer for 30 years, Klein said it's the first time he's been a plaintiff in a lawsuit.

"I don't like to be involved in something like this; I find it distasteful," he said. "I don't mind confrontation as an attorney but I don't like to be involved."

The thing that bothers him the most, he said, is being thought of as a Scrooge.

"It does bother me that people think ill of me. I am so desperate to get the message across that I'm not a bad guy — that I enjoy Christmas and I'm not an anti-Christ."

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Poll shows most kids still believe in St. Nick

NEW YORK (AP) — In an age of harsh realities, some children still believe in the tradition of Santa Claus. In fact, 87 percent of American children aged 3 to 10 believe in the jolly old man, according to a published poll.

But as they get older, skepticism sets in. While every 3 interviewed for the New York Times polls believed in Santa, only two-thirds of the 10-year-olds said they believed. The newspaper today reported its survey of 261 children in every state except Hawaii and Alaska.

"He's a spirit," said Katie Nicholson, 9, who lives on Whidbey Island in the state of Washington.

"He's kind and loving."

"He's the guy who brings you your presents," said Cade Barber, 8, of Gray, La.

Age was the only element that seemed to affect the belief in Santa, the Times found in telephone interviews Dec. 11-18. Sex, color, religion or politics didn't matter. However, children from poorer families were slightly more likely to believe than were the children of the well-to-do, and liberals' children were more likely to believe than conservatives'.

Some older children had logical explanations for their disbelief.

"One time I got a bike for Christmas," said Sara Oates, 8, of Burke, Va. "A bike can't come down a chimney."

While other children without fireplaces believed Santa Claus was smart and powerful to get in without a chimney, Miss Oates had no faith. "He can't get in the door," she said. "The doors are locked."

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Yule traditions vary around globe

Features 

By The Associated Press

Although the Yuletide message is the same, the way people celebrate Christmas around the world differs from country to country, continent to continent and culture to culture.

This Christmas season, foreign correspondents of The Associated Press were asked for reports on various Christmas traditions in the countries from which they report the news. These are their dispatches:

the lighting of candles placed around a wreath of pine sprigs. A candle is lit each Sunday during the four weeks before Christmas.



AUSTRALIA, from Peter O'Loughlin

SYDNEY — Artificial Christmas trees decorated with artificial snow; roast turkey, plum pudding and carols about sleighs, snow and reindeer are increasingly seen as incongruous in Australia—Christmas here means summer heat, brushfires and surfing at the beach.

An increasing number of people want to "Australianize" Christmas by decorating gum trees and substituting a cold turkey salad picnic at the beach for hot turkey in the dining room.

School children are taught "An Australian Christmas Carol" and a story about Christmas in the heat of the outback called "A Bush Christmas" is a best seller every year.

But with it all, mistletoe, holly, Santa Claus and Bing Crosby singing "I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas" still mean Christmas down under.

CHINA, from Donna Anderson

PEKING — Thousands of Chinese Christians crowd into Peking's St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception Cathedral and other churches for midnight Mass on Christmas Eve.

The churches are packed and many people travel for miles in the cold on bicycles or other forms of transportation to get to the services.

The Christian churches were reopened following the Chinese Communist Cultural Revolution that ended in 1976.

Christmas is not celebrated by most Chinese but a few Christmas trees, ornaments and cards are available for sale to foreigners in Peking.

DENMARK, from Frank Powley

COPENHAGEN — Danes begin celebrating Christmas on the first Sunday of Advent with

GREECE, from Stefan Fatsis

ATHENS (AP) — Greeks in recent years have replaced decorated trees with models of ancient ships to offer Christmas symbol.

They select either the trirreme, an ancient warship, or the caïque, a traditional fishing vessel. The changeover from Christmas trees was encouraged by the Greek government in an effort to preserve the country's forests.

The ships are displayed in windows and on mantels of households during the holiday season. Gifts or candy are placed in or around the ships.

The models have no real connection with Christmas but they symbolize Greece's seafaring tradition and remind Greeks of sailors having to spend the holiday at sea.

HONDURAS, from Andrew Selsky

TEGUCIGALPA — People of this banana-growing country celebrate Christmas by eating fruit imported from the United States.

The custom began a half-century ago when American banana companies, once the largest employer in Honduras, gave packages of apples and grapes as Christmas bonuses to their workers.

At Christmas time nowadays street vendors sell mounds of juicy red apples from Pennsylvania and plump purple grapes from California.

ICELAND, from Hjortur Gislason

REYKJAVIK — Iceland has the equivalent of 13 Santa Clauses who, according to legend,

are sons of trolls.

In legend they were mischievous beggars and thieves, but in modern times they have been transformed into generous gift-givers who visit homes nightly during the 13 days before Christmas and leave small presents in shoes placed on window sills by children.

The reason for leaving shoes on windows is that Icelandic homes have no chimneys for the Santas' visits; they are heated by hot water from thermal springs.

KENYA, from James R. Peipert

NAIROBI — Christian missionaries brought Christmas to Africans in the last century and today it is the biggest family holiday in Kenya and throughout much of this vast and diverse continent.

The biblical nativity story has even worked its way into the Moslem-dominated Swahili folklore of Kenya's Indian Ocean coast. In one version, a virgin, Maria, gives birth to a child under a long dead date tree, which suddenly blossoms. The child Isa grows up to be a great prophet.

Many Kenyans save for as long as six months to buy a goat or a cow for slaughter and open-air roasting at a family reunion over Christmas, which is observed with church-going, gift-giving and carol-singing.

MEXICO, from Isaac A. Levi

MEXICO CITY — Like almost everything else in Mexico, Christmas is celebrated with a mixture of the new and the old. It includes Santa Claus, a wreath on the door and a tree with all its trimmings, as well as "posadas," "pinatas" and "mole" sauce and "guacamole" to go with the turkey.

The festivities begin Dec. 16 with eight nights of neighborhood "posada" parties, marking the week Joseph and Mary wandered from inn to inn, looking for a place where Jesus would be born.

The "pinata" is a huge earthenware gourd filled with candy and sweets, adorned with paper-mache to look like a star and hung from the ceiling. Blindfolded children stand under others' shoot-off-own-firecrackers, small it, each swinging a big stick, until one of

breaks the gourd and spills out the goodies.

For the Christmas turkey, cranberry sauce is replaced by "mole," a hot sauce made from ground chocolate, chili peppers, peanuts and spices... It's usually also served with guacamole.

PARAGUAY, from Alfredo Selferheld

ASUNCION — "Christmas of the cocotero" flower, Christmas of Paraguay, carolers sing in this tiny South American country.

The fragrant flower of the cocotero, a subtropical palm, blossoms in December during Southern Hemisphere's summer and is traditionally linked with the celebration of Christmas.

It often is used to decorate the holiday dinner table, where families gather to feast on roast pig, cornbread, and other delicacies, washed down with "cericito," a mixture of wine and fruit.

SOVIET UNION, from Andrew Rosenthal

MOSCOW — From the 10th century until the Communists took over in 1917, Christmas was the central holiday. Ded Moroz (Grandfather Frost), who looks like Santa Claus, and Snegurochka (the Snow Maiden) brought gifts to children.

Those traditions have long been transferred to the New Year holiday, complete with decorated trees and presents.

Although the Soviet government fosters atheism, Christian religious services are held Jan. 7, Christmas on the Russian Orthodox calendar.

In late December, huge pine trees are decorated with lights, toys and tinsel in public places, and streets are festooned with holiday trim. The "main tree of the country" stands in the Grand Kremlin Palace in Moscow until Jan. 11.

URUGUAY, from Daniel Gianelli

MONTEVIDEO — The exploding Judas doll is an Uruguayan Christmas tradition.

The doll, portraying the biblical betrayer of Jesus, is stuffed with pieces of newspaper, sawdust or rags — and fireworks. As children watch with delight, the doll is lighted and explodes in the street on Christmas Eve, as others shoot off their own firecrackers, small rockets and other incendiaries.

Georgia council cancels parade

Klan's plan to enter a float killed effort

By WILLIAM F. SCHULZ
The Associated Press

COMMERCE, Ga. — About 200 people, blacks and whites, held an emotional service Monday night in place of this city's annual Christmas parade, which was canceled because the Ku Klux Klan entered a float.

"Help us to remember we are all God's children, no one greater than the other, working together, side by side," the Rev. Robert Nelson said during the service at First Baptist Church.

After the Christmas parade was canceled earlier this month, the city agreed not to oppose Klan efforts to hold a parade next spring. In return, the city got a promise that the Klan would stay away from any Christmas program in Commerce.

There was no evidence of Klan activity in the northeastern Georgia city Monday night.

"The Klan didn't steal Christmas, only the Christmas parade," said Mayor Tommy Stephenson. "I think maybe that's the part some people missed."

About a quarter of the crowd at Monday's hour-long service was black. The six-voice choir included members of at least seven black and white congregations.

The mayor and city council "must be commended for taking a stand for what is right," said the Rev. Leroy Doe, pastor of predominantly black Mt. Calvary Baptist Church.

"In a real sense this city has experienced a rebirth this evening," he said. "You have to be careful how you treat folks next year. To be careful how you talk about other folks."

Taking notice of reporters and three television crews, Doe said, "Commerce, if you stand up for what's right—if you stand up for what's decent, the world will beat a path to your door."

Shortly after the parade was canceled, Councilman Bob Sosebee said, "I hope now that they have taken us through the mill, they will leave us alone and go elsewhere because they are not welcome or wanted in Commerce."

Klan leader Ed Stephens of Jonesboro said the KKK had agreed not to stage public events in Commerce this month but will march there in the spring and will participate in Christmas parades in several Georgia cities next year.

Sosebee said he could not remember the last time Commerce did not have a Christmas parade. This year's parade had been set for Dec. 13.

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Family thankful for their blessings

Despite sicknesses, they still feel lucky

The Associated Press

GRANGEVILLE — Nine-year-old Christian Ervin wrote Santa recently, but asked nothing for himself. "Give my little brother who is 7 years old, and my little brother who is 2 years old, something," Christian wrote. "And have my little sister, who is 7 months old, come home for Christmas and my Mommy and Daddy all home for Christmas."

Christian received part of his wish. His mother, Sue, 29, and his sister, Charisa, came home recently from a Spokane, Wash., hospital. The Ervin family, facing unemployment, Charisa's \$100,000-plus medical bill and a son's debilitating bone disease, expects this Christmas to be meager. But they aren't discouraged.

"We've already decided our Christmas is going to be real slim right now," Sue Ervin said. "But we don't really care. We're just hoping we can be together — that's enough for us."

In the past two years, Sue, her husband, Dave, 27, and their four children have been beset by one catastrophe after another. Yet through it all they remain a close and affectionate family realizing how to cherish its most valuable asset — time.

The other children are Chance, 7, and Chase, 2.

Last winter while playing, Chance ran into the street behind a parked car and was struck by a pickup. He was knocked several feet and his left thigh bone was broken.

Doctors estimated recovery would take six to eight months. But to their astonishment, Chance's bone healed in less than a month. That's when they discovered Chance has a rare disease that causes his bones to age prematurely.

Chance underwent several months of experimental treatment at University Hospital in San Francisco.

Because Chance's disorder is so rare, all his medical treatment is free. But he must be taken to San Francisco every three months for check-ups, and the transportation and lodging costs were more than the family could handle.

Various fundraisers helped, but the money is almost gone, Sue Chance said.

About that time, Pottlatch Corp. cut back several logging operations and Dave Ervin lost his job with a surveying company that worked for Pottlatch.

With jobs scarce in the region, Dave Ervin left his family behind to go to Boise and work for his father making furniture.

But the strain of being apart was more than the family could bear.

"We needed to be together. That was the most important thing," Sue Ervin said.

Dave decided to give up his job and return home to Grangeville, and try to make a living through odd jobs.

In the meantime, Charisa was born. She was unable to keep food down, and surgery was performed when she was 2 days old. Doctors discovered several congenital problems, including five spleens, no bile ducts or gall bladder and a liver dysfunction.

Charisa underwent two more operations before she was 5 weeks old. Her weight dropped dramatically.

"She was a very sick little girl. I was really scared for a while," Sue said.

Treatment has been ongoing and doctors say her medical problems will be with her the rest of her life.

Despite their problems, the Ervins say they have learned to take one day at a time and make the most of it. That's what they plan to do this Christmas.

Christian is serious about his holiday expectations. "I don't want our sister home," he said.

But Chance, a lively second grader with a sense of humor, has a more typical Christmas wish list.

"I want a transformer and another transformer," he said, referring to popular toy robots.

David Ervin says he'd like a permanent job for Christmas, and Sue says she just hopes they can stay together.

Constant emergencies have kept the family apart, but about two months of the past two years. And, she says, she hopes the family will be granted the federal funding they've applied for to help pay medical bills.

With Christmas approaching, the family prefers to count its blessings rather than its problems.

"I figure one of these days something really, really super is going to happen to us and I want to be around to enjoy it," Sue said. "Even with everything we've been through, we still feel pretty lucky."

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Gooding retakes No. 1 spot in A-3

By The Associated Press

If Gooding and Pollatch, high schools met in the Idaho State Class A-3 high school boys' basketball tournament in March, the game had better be a close one.

Gooding, 4-0, supplanted Pollatch atop A-3 in this week's Associated Press prep poll by a single point. Last week the Loggers, now 6-0, bumped the Senators from the No. 1 position by a single point.

Gooding received 49 points in the survey of Idaho sportswriters and broadcasters, including four first-place votes. Pollatch got 48 points, including six first-place votes.

There is also a new No. 1 team in A where Genesee took over for Ashone after the Indians suffered their first loss of the season at the hands of Kimberly. The Bulldogs, now 7-1, got 53 points to 50 points for Spokane.

In Classes A-1 and A-2, Boise and Shelley maintained their No. 1 ranking, although the Braves' lead over Skyline of Idaho Falls — the only other unsubstantiated A-1 team in the state — was widened.

Boise, 6-0, received 47 points to 40 ranking in A-3 with a 4-2 record, but McCall Donnelly, now 6-0, moved up from fifth to fourth, replacing Emittland, which fell out of the top

both 4-1, tied for the No. 5 position, bumping Twin Falls from the rankings.

In A-2, the 7-0 Russels picked up 53 points compared with 42 for No. 2 Bishop Kelly of Boise, now 6-2.

Rigby 4-3 moved up to the third position, bumping St. Maries, which fell to fifth place following an 80-57 loss to fourth-ranked Moscow. The Lumberjacks are now 5-2 for the season, while the Bears are 6-3.

Sugar-Salem retained the No. 3 ranking in A-3 with a 4-2 record, but McCall Donnelly, now 6-0, moved up from fifth to fourth, replacing Emittland, which fell out of the top

five after losing three games last week. Marsing, 6-0, took over the No. 5 position.

North Gem remained the No. 3 team in A-4 with a 4-1 record, followed by Oakley 2-1 and Cambridge 6-0, which tied for fourth place.

The Bulldogs replaced Mullan in the rankings after the Tigers fell to 2-4 for the season with a defeat at the hands of the Coeur d'Alene junior varsity.

By The Associated Press

Here's how the state's sportswriters and broadcasters rank Idaho's prep boys' basketball teams this week — (first-place votes in parentheses):

A-1			A-2			A-3			A-4		
Team	W	L	Team	W	L	Team	W	L	Team	W	L
1. Boise (10)	6	0	1. Shelley (7)	7	0	1. Gooding (1)	4	0	1. Boise (10)	6	0
2. Skyline (1)	5	0	2. Bishop Kelly (2)	6	2	2. Shoshone (5)	4	1	2. North Gem (4)	4	1
3. Meridian (1)	4	1	3. Rigby (2)	4	3	3. St. Maries (3)	4	2	3. North Gem (4)	4	1
4. Borah (1)	3	1	4. Sugar-Salem (1)	4	2	4. Moscow (3)	3	2	4. Cambridge (0)	6	0
5. Camilla (1)	3	1	5. Marsing (1)	3	2	5. Moscow (3)	3	2	5. Moscow (3)	3	2
6. Idaho Falls (1)	2	2	6. Marsing (1)	3	2	6. Marsing (1)	3	2	6. Marsing (1)	3	2
7. Skyline (1)	2	2	7. Marsing (1)	3	2	7. Marsing (1)	3	2	7. Marsing (1)	3	2
8. Sugar-Salem (1)	2	2	8. Marsing (1)	3	2	8. Marsing (1)	3	2	8. Marsing (1)	3	2
9. St. Maries (1)	2	2	9. Marsing (1)	3	2	9. Marsing (1)	3	2	9. Marsing (1)	3	2
10. Sugar-Salem (1)	2	2	10. Marsing (1)	3	2	10. Marsing (1)	3	2	10. Marsing (1)	3	2

Sports

Nine or 10 years from now I'll have guys who hate my guts now write me long letters.

Paterno

Editor's note: Penn State football coach Joe Paterno, who has coached the Nittany Lions since the University of Oklahoma's Boone Pickens was named national champion in 1956, is one of the most respected coaches in the sport. He has coached the team since 1969 and has won 112 games and 11 national championships. He is also one of the most successful coaches in college football history.

By MAUD S. BEELMAN
The Associated Press

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. — As the Beaver Stadium crowd sang the school chant for "Joe Paterno" in honor of the coach's 17th bowl game, he and his wife, Betty, were seen in the stands. The coach, who has coached the team since 1969, is one of the most successful coaches in college football history.

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Rush to get there

NFL grounded

By DAVE GOLDBERG
The Associated Press

The Miami Dolphins are an exception in the National Football League playoffs, in which the route to success lies on the ground. Of the 10 teams that have qualified for postseason play, only the Dolphins are without a 1,000-yard rusher.

The final statistics for the NFL season highlight an important element — how Coach Don Shula has adjusted to Dan Marino and the passing game from his powerhouses of the '70s that combined the rushing of Larry Csonka, Jim Kick and Mercury Morris with an impenetrable defense. These Dolphins, AFC East champs at 12-4, are last among the playoff teams in both running and defense.

Nowhere is the trend more evident than in the playoffs.

On Saturday, the New England Patriots will bring Craig James and his 1,227 yards into Giants Stadium to face the New York Jets (Froeman McNeil, 1,331) in the AFC wild-card game. In the same stadium Sunday, it will be the New York Giants and Joe Morris (1,336 yards) vs. the San Francisco 49ers and Roger Craig (1,050), the only man to go over 1,000 yards in both rushing and receiving.

Baseball's troubleshooting MacPhail will hang 'em up

By HAL BOCK
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Lee MacPhail looks a little like a man who has been through a lot. He is a troubleshooter, a man who has been through a lot. He is a troubleshooter, a man who has been through a lot.

MacPhail did not exactly covet the job, but he took it as a favor to the owners who were seeking a better working relationship with the players. His qualifications included a larger variety of non-playing jobs than anybody in baseball.



LEE MACPHAIL
42 years in baseball

Blue skies persist above ski runs

Sun Valley — Sun Valley reported clear skies and highs in the lower 30s on Tuesday, with more of the same in prospect for today. There is 25 inches of packed snow on the top of Bald Mountain and the same amount at mid-slope. All lifts will be in operation today and all runs will be open this week. Hours: 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Pomerelle — Pomerelle reported clear skies and temperatures in the high 30s on Tuesday. There is 50 inches of packed snow at the base and 80 inches on the top of the mountain. The access road has been plowed, but snow tires or chains are advised. Pomerelle will be open daily through Jan. 5, and night skiing will begin on Thursday. Hours today: 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



packed snow at the base and 25 inches on the top of the mountain. Soldier will be open daily through Jan. 5, and buses will run from Twin Falls on Thursday. Hours today: 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Magic Mountain — Closed today, reopens Thursday.

Conditions Tuesday at other major southern Idaho resorts:

- Bogus Basin — 34 total, no new. Brundage — 52 total, no new.
- Grand Targhee — 57 total, no new.
- Kelly Canyon — No report.
- Pebble Creek — 57 total, no new.
- Snow depth in inches refers to untracked snow at the top except for Bogus Basin, which reports depth at the base. New snow refers to snow within last 24 hours.

Pinkett, McCallum to square off today

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP) — Navy's Tim Pinkett and Notre Dame's Allen Pinkett are among the top college seniors who will be playing Wednesday in the 48th annual Blue Gray All-Star Football Classic.

McCallum, unlike every else, will not be showcasing his talent for the pros. He has a five-year commitment to the Navy between him and a shot in the National Football League.

McCallum, who pined up 2,300 all-purpose yards for the Middles this year, is in a South backyard that includes Florida's talented tandem of tightback Neal Anderson and fullback John L. Williams.

Pinkett, who holds 16 scoring and rushing records at Notre Dame, shares the spotlight in the North backyard with Reuben Mayes of Washington State, who set an NCAA

College football

record when he ran for 357 yards against Oregon.

The Blue-Gray rosters filled for the most part with players whose names are familiar only to the five Notre Dame standouts and five players from every major college football league.

The game ranked teams or a traditional powerhouse like Notre Dame because it is played prior to the major bowl games. This year, however, the "Blue-Gray" tradition—the Irish losing record and the NCAA's bowl ban against Florida.

The kickoff at Cranton Bowl is scheduled for 10 a.m. MST, with Christmas Day—temperatures ex-

pected to drop below freezing. The game will be televised on CBS.

While the best-known talent is the Blue and Gray running back positions, the quarterbacks are well known to the scouts and may turn the game into a passing contest.

For the North, the quarterbacks are Mike North, the quarterback who gained 3,214 yards in total offense, and Steve Bradley of Indiana. For the South, the signal callers are Willie "Satellite" Tolson of Mississippi Valley State, whose blitz on the NCAA record book includes a career total offense mark of 13,004 yards, and Ken Karner of Tulane.

Receivers for the North are led by Oregon's Lew Barnes, a second-team All-America selection, and Purdue's Steve Pruitt, with Fullerton State's James Griffin, Delaware State's John Taylor and tight end Sylvester Boyd of Kansas and Greg Baty of

Stanford rounding out the pass-catching corps.

For the South, the receivers include Ernest Alvin of Louisville, Joe Thomas of Mississippi Valley State, Florida's Ray McDonald and Kevin Edwards of Liberty University. The tight ends are Carl Hilton of Houston and Jim Popp of Vanderbilt.

Defensively, the outfit is led by Florida-linebacker Alton Johnson and down lineman T.J. Turner, a 282-pound star from Houston.

The North's defense includes Notre Dame defensive tackle Eric Dorsey and Terry Unrein of Colorado State.

Along with the five Florida players, the Gators sent Coach Galen Hall to direct the South squad along with Eddie Robinson of Grambling. The North coaches are Leon Burnett of Purdue and Bruce Arians of Temple.

Briefly in Sports

Women's tourney entries open

TWIN FALLS — Entry forms are now available for the 1986 Twin Falls Women's Championship Bowling Tournament.

The tournament will be held Jan. 18-19 and on Jan. 25-26 at the Bowldrome, with team, doubles, and singles events open to all members of the Twin Falls Women's Bowling Association.

Entries will close Jan. 8. Entry forms can be obtained at either the Bowldrome or the Magee Bowl.

CSI to sponsor X-country course

TWIN FALLS — A cross country ski course will be offered by the College of Southern Idaho during spring semester.

The class will meet at noon Fridays and travel by bus to the ski site, returning to Twin Falls by 5:30 p.m.

The class is a one-credit course, and the registration fee is \$50. It will be taught by a certified Nordic instructor from Sun Valley. Students can register at the Taylor Administration Building.

Game tournament slated at CSI

TWIN FALLS — The Associated Students of the College of Southern Idaho will sponsor a basketball tournament Jan. 20-25 in the CSI gym.

Games are scheduled between 5 p.m. and 10 p.m. Monday through Friday. The last day of the tournament will have games scheduled all day until a champion is determined.

The tournament will be scheduled around city league games.

Entries must be submitted to the CSI Student Center office by Jan. 10. Entry fee is \$50 per team, and each team is guaranteed two games.

There will be a \$200 first-place prize and second- and third-place prizes based on the number of teams participating.

For more information, contact the Student Senate office or at Donnelly's Sports in Twin Falls. Further information can be obtained by phoning 733-9554, extension 232.

Football

NFL standings

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Buffalo	11	0	0	1.000	200	100
Cleveland	11	0	0	1.000	200	100
Dallas	11	0	0	1.000	200	100
Denver	11	0	0	1.000	200	100
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Kansas City	11	0	0	1.000	200	100
Los Angeles	11	0	0	1.000	200	100
Minnesota	11	0	0	1.000	200	100
New England	11	0	0	1.000	200	100
New York	11	0	0	1.000	200	100
Pittsburgh	11	0	0	1.000	200	100
San Francisco	11	0	0	1.000	200	100
Seattle	11	0	0	1.000	200	100
Washington	11	0	0	1.000	200	100
Atlanta	10	1	0	.909	190	110
Baltimore	10	1	0	.909	190	110
Carolina	10	1	0	.909	190	110
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Los Angeles	10	1	0	.909	190	110
Miami	10	1	0	.909	190	110
San Diego	10	1	0	.909	190	110
Tampa Bay	10	1	0	.909	190	110
Washington	10	1	0	.909	190	110
Denver	9	2	0	.818	180	120
Green Bay	9	2	0	.818	180	120
Indianapolis	9	2	0	.818	180	120
Los Angeles	9	2	0	.818	180	120
Minnesota	9	2	0	.818	180	120
New York	9	2	0	.818	180	120
Pittsburgh	9	2	0	.818	180	120
San Francisco	9	2	0	.818	180	120
Seattle	9	2	0	.818	180	120
Washington	9	2	0	.818	180	120
Atlanta	8	3	0	.727	160	140
Baltimore	8	3	0	.727	160	140
Carolina	8	3	0	.727	160	140
Chicago	8	3	0	.727	160	140
Houston	8	3	0	.727	160	140
Los Angeles	8	3	0	.727	160	140
Miami	8	3	0	.727	160	140
San Diego	8	3	0	.727	160	140
Tampa Bay	8	3	0	.727	160	140
Washington	8	3	0	.727	160	140
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Green Bay	7	4	0	.636	140	160
Indianapolis	7	4	0	.636	140	160
Los Angeles	7	4	0	.636	140	160
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New York	7	4	0	.636	140	160
Pittsburgh	7	4	0	.636	140	160
San Francisco	7	4	0	.636	140	160
Seattle	7	4	0	.636	140	160
Washington	7	4	0	.636	140	160
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Carolina	6	5	0	.545	120	180
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Denver	5	6	0	.455	100	200
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Green Bay	3	8	0	.273	60	240
Indianapolis	3	8	0	.273	60	240
Los Angeles	3	8	0	.273	60	240
Minnesota	3	8	0	.273	60	240
New York	3	8	0	.273	60	240
Pittsburgh	3	8	0	.273	60	240
San Francisco	3	8	0	.273	60	240
Seattle	3	8	0	.273	60	240
Washington	3	8	0	.273	60	240
Atlanta	2	9	0	.182	40	260
Baltimore	2	9	0	.182	40	260
Carolina	2	9	0	.182	40	260
Chicago	2	9	0	.182	40	260
Houston	2	9	0	.182	40	260
Los Angeles	2	9	0	.182	40	260
Miami	2	9	0	.182	40	260
San Diego	2	9	0	.182	40	260
Tampa Bay	2	9	0	.182	40	260
Washington	2	9	0	.182	40	260
Denver	1	10	0	.091	20	280
Green Bay	1	10	0	.091	20	280
Indianapolis	1	10	0	.091	20	280
Los Angeles	1	10	0	.091	20	280
Minnesota	1	10	0	.091	20	280
New York	1	10	0	.091	20	280
Pittsburgh	1	10	0	.091	20	280
San Francisco	1	10	0	.091	20	280
Seattle	1	10	0	.091	20	280
Washington	1	10	0	.091	20	280
Atlanta	0	11	0	.000	0	300
Baltimore	0	11	0	.000	0	300
Carolina	0	11	0	.000	0	300
Chicago	0	11	0	.000	0	300
Houston	0	11	0	.000	0	300
Los Angeles	0	11	0	.000	0	300
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New Clippers' stars go from limelight to sideshow

By JOHN NADEL
The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Jamaal Wilkes says his move from the Los Angeles Lakers to the Los Angeles Clippers was going from a Rolls Royce to a '62 Chevy.

For Cedric Maxwell, being sent by the Boston Celtics to the Clippers was like a banishment to pro basketball's version of Siberia.

Pro basketball

Both veteran forwards, winners throughout their respective National Basketball Association careers, became members of the lowly Clippers last summer.

Talk about a lesson in humility . . .

"On the one hand, I'm very grateful to have an opportunity to play without moving my family and where people have shown me a lot of love," said Wilkes, who signed with the Clippers after being placed on waivers by the Lakers. "On the other hand, it's the opposite end of the spectrum."

"I realized it would be frustrating and it certainly has been. This franchise has no credibility in this town. . . . I don't think the whole town gets this team to the playoffs, that would be something. It's kind of like the ultimate challenge."

Through last Monday's games, the



JAMAAL WILKES
Falling expectations

Clippers — In their second season in Los Angeles after moving from San Diego — were in fifth place in the Pacific Division, 14½ games behind the defending champion Lakers.

Boston, which lost to the Lakers in last season's championship round, had a 4½-game lead in the Atlantic Division.

According to Maxwell, who's been

used as a starter, the Clippers have an illness he calls "franchiseitis."

"There's a lot of talent in this organization," he said. "We have to get over the stigma of being losers. You get into that rut of losing. It's hard to get out of it."

"This organization doesn't live and die with each game. Our purpose is to get into the playoffs. If you lost a couple of games when you were with the Celtics, it was like the sun went away as they could." Maxwell said wasn't going to rise again. "Their purpose is to become champions."

Said Wilkes, a reserve with the Clippers who recently was sidelined for a month with a sprained ankle: "The job here is to play. It's a big difference. It's a mental thing, an attitude. With the Lakers, every practice was a happening an event. They know they're going to win. Here, it's just the reverse. Everything is habit-forming. The Clippers have solid personnel, but they're a lousy team, as far as their record is concerned."

Wilkes, 32, played on three NBA championship teams with the Lakers, while Maxwell, 39, was a member of two championship teams with the Celtics.

For Wilkes, leaving the Lakers was a sad occasion for all involved. "Hampered by illness and injuries the last two years, he was deemed expendable because Los Angeles had plenty of talented forwards."

General Manager Jerry West of

the Lakers had tears in his eyes at a news conference announcing that Wilkes was being waived.

For Maxwell, it was a much different story. He wanted out of Boston and the Celtics couldn't wait to get rid of him. He went west in exchange for a player with a history of injuries, center Bill Walton.

"In my case, I'm sure they felt like they were sending me as far away as they could," Maxwell said. "If there was an NBA franchise in Hawaii, I'm sure they would have traded me there."

"I think they did it because they didn't think I rehabilitated my knee properly. And they thought they could get a good player in Walton. They needed a backup center. It made sense."

Maxwell, who brought a career scoring average of 13.7 points a game into this season, underwent knee surgery last Feb. 20. He was used sparingly in the NBA playoffs.

"The Celtics questioned my integrity," Maxwell said. "I did the best I could do under the circumstances. I have no idea why they would have any malice toward me."

"They said I was the reason they didn't repeat (as NBA champions). I did not want to be there after that. I think considering the situation, it was best for everybody that I be traded. I'm really happy to be here (with the Clippers)."

Both players, though, retain good feelings about their old teams.



CEDRIC MAXWELL
Misses Garden

"After being released, I was real hurt for two or three days," Wilkes recalled. "Then, it was, 'What next?'"

"I was more hurt than bitter. I had a great time there. It's kind of like a love affair. While it was happening, it was great. Sometimes, things don't work out."

Maxwell said he wished the Celtics



all the luck in the world.

"I mean that," he added. "I really do. Anything I would do to demean (Celtics president) Red Auerbach or the organization wouldn't do any good."

"I did everything they asked me to do for a lot of years and didn't complain. So many guys would have lived and died for the experiences I had there, two championship rings and everything else. It was wonderful."

"At the same time, while I'm not going to make or break that organization, it's hard to do what I did for that team, digging the ditches, setting the screens."

"They can tarnish my image, but they can't erase me. I'm in Celtic history like granite. That can't be changed."

"The same can be said for Wilkes and the Lakers."

"I could walk away from playing basketball today. It's been a very satisfying career," he said. "I still love the game. I have options. Right now, I want to play basketball."

Blazers' owner, Ramsay fall out over Valentine

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Portland Trail Blazers owner Larry Weinberg says he wasn't particularly pleased with Coach Jack Ramsay's public announcement that the team would try to trade guard Darnell Valentine.

"I understand his thinking process, but I wish it hadn't happened that way," Weinberg told The Oregonian newspaper.

"Don't think it's helpful to Darnell or our ability to make a trade to have this kind of comment in the media," he said.

Still Weinberg said he remains a strong supporter of Ramsay, who is in his 10th season as the Portland coach.

"I think nobody wants the team to move along more than Jack," Weinberg said. "I think Jack is more impatient than I am sometimes."

Valentine had been the starting point guard until Ramsay announced Dec. 14 that the Blazers would try to trade him to another National Basketball Association team.

Weinberg said the Blazers "will not make a trade that will not fill important needs for us down the line."

"This (trade) is no knock on



DARNELL VALENTINE
Trade bait

Darnell," the Blazers' owner said. "We just happen to have three good players at his position."

Assistant Coach Bucky Buckwalter, who has taken over the function of player personnel director for the Blazers, said a deal for Valentine is not imminent.

Meanwhile, Weinberg said he was disappointed with the Blazers' erratic start this season.

"I know that we have a young team and I know you have to be patient with a young team. And I know we're going through a lot of evolutionary style of play, we're using things that these things don't happen overnight."

"Nevertheless, I had expected we'd pick up where we left off last season. I thought we had been progressing very well. But we didn't start off well."

"There are still some wonderful signs and I have no question that the team is going to become the team

we all expected it to be," Weinberg said. "That's based on my confidence in our players and segments of the way we've played in individual games."

"We are getting there. It just hasn't been the smooth curve I expected it to be. There are more and more encouraging signs lately — signs I thought I would see a month and a half ago."

Weinberg also said he hoped to act soon on the status of General Manager Stu Inman, who apparently has relinquished most of his duties to Buckwalter and reportedly is a candidate for a front-office job with the Milwaukee Bucks or another unnamed NBA team.

"I hope to have that situation clarified very quickly," Weinberg said. "It will be done within the next two-week period."

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Pioneering auto racer now a dowdy, East Bloc hausfrau

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia (AP) — Sixty years ago, she was renowned as the top female auto racer in the world. Nowadays, Eliska Junkova just walks or takes public transportation.

"It's very important to stop at the right moment," she said. "I say this especially to the address of the older people, because they can be so vain. . . . they continue (racing) and continue, and sometimes it ends badly."

Once, Junkova not only drove a lot, but drove faster than some of the best competitors of her day — male or female.

The Royal Sicilian Automobile Club praised her "exceptional qualities of courage and skill" in the 1927 Targa Florio, 335 miles of grueling driving over unpaved, twisting roads.

Wearing a pair of baggy golf slacks, the 5-foot Junkova sat on a pillow while driving and sluck a piece of wood on her shoe to reach the accelerator.

Reminiscing among scrapbooks in her small apartment, the 65-year-old auto pioneer spoke with pride of a special gold medal she was awarded for her participation in the race — one she didn't even finish.

"It was the first time a woman raced against the best in the world," she said. Lending in the first lap, the steering wheel of her Bugatti locked and she went into a ditch.

"Her luck was better. In the 1928 Targa, where she finished fifth, despite water pump failure and a blowout, among the cars' top drivers were Louis Chiron, Rene Dreyfus, Albert Divo and Giuseppe Campari."

"One of my characteristics was to plan carefully for every race. You have to know the course well," she said. Her planning paid off. She was carrying a pull and was able to refill her radiator from a spring she knew was nearby.

Junkova began racing in 1923 because I wanted to understand my husband better." She was riding a cog with him in a Czech rally when a World War I wound in his hand began acting up and he was unable to shift or adjust the spark.

Junkova did not let him. Her first triumph was at a hill climb near Pize in 1924. She said a victory in a race near Prague in 1925 was the first time a woman had ever beaten men in racing competition.

One of the losers that year was her husband twice.

"He was happy to see me win, but

Racing

net the second time," she said.

She also won the 2.5-liter class at Nuerburging, Germany, in 1927 and two women's races in France the same year. In one of those, at Montlhery, she reached her top speed ever, 121 mph, in a 145-horsepower supercharged Bugatti.

Her husband, Cenek Junek, was a banker at a time when Czechoslovakia was very much a part of the West, and the well-to-do could indulge in expensive hobbies — like buying Bugattis, the limited-production racers now cherished by collectors.

The couple went through 11 of them before Junek was killed at the German Grand Prix at Nuerburging in 1928. Junkova never raced again, but she represented a tire firm until retiring in 1956, "so I was in contact with cars and drivers."

Known to her English-speaking friends as Elizabeth Junek, Junkova visited the United States for the first time in 1985, speaking at a gathering of Bugatti collectors in Maine.

Would she race today if she were younger?

"I think so. I didn't know in advance that I could take on a lot. But now I know," she said.

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Women's basketball isn't struggling at Texas

By JACK KEEVER
The Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas — Women's basketball Coach Judy Conrad of Texas, a team with five assistants, a multimillion dollar arena and a travel schedule that takes the Lady Longhorns to Ohio for Thanksgiving and Miami for Christmas, remembers when she had to furnish her own shorts to play in college.



become a history teacher. At the time, most high school girls were not allowed to shoot jump shots, and Conrad said, "I didn't even know you could coach because I had always had men coaches. I didn't know there was a woman coach in the state of Texas."

Twenty-five years ago, there were no athletic scholarships for women in the Southwest Conference (Texas) and most other major schools across the nation — just "put-in" (volunteer) basketball. Conrad had to buy her own basketball shorts and track members drove their own cars and paid expenses on "out-of-town" trips. About 50-100 people, counting the janitors, took time to watch the games and it was considered "really big time" to play a junior college because some of them had started to give scholarships.

In 1963, when Conrad became coach at Sam Houston State, the women's basketball uniforms were blue although the school colors were orange and white. It was explained to her that the sporting goods store — the "one and only" — just in "other blue uniforms."

"I coached three sports — volleyball, basketball and track — and all wore the same uniforms. We just passed them around, depending on what season it was," she said.

Conrad's teams at Sam Houston were "7-22 and," after four seasons when she left, wore orange uniforms. Her next job was at Texas-Arlington, where she ran an advertisement in the school newspaper and drafted her volleyball players to form a women's basketball team. Starting from scratch, her teams were \$5-\$9 in three years, and she was hired by Texas in 1976.

"The first thing I asked when I came here was, 'I hope those skirts (the Longhorns women had worn) are gone.'" They were.

However, Conrad says the UT campus bears a reminder of the role women's sports once had in college.

She said the basketball court in the women's gym was built shorter than regulation length "so it would never be used for competition."

Her teams play in UT's Frank Erwin Special Events Center, an arena that seats 16,231, and women's Athletic Director Donna Soplione says an average crowd of 4,000 is a "reasonable expectation."

Last year, Texas hosted the NCAA Final Four in women's basketball, and even though the Lady Longhorns had been eliminated in regional playoffs, more than 22,000 tickets were sold, making it the most financially successful championships ever for that sport.

College basketball

Conrad, who played at Baylor in the early 1960s when women's basketball was "nothing more than glorified intramurals," held a head-coaching job in the state before coming to the University of Texas in 1976.

Her fast-breaking Lady Longhorns teams through last week have won 293 games and lost only 49 for a winning record of more than 85 percent.

Conrad was selected national coach of the year in 1980 and 1981, and her current squad is ranked No. 1 in the nation after defeating top 10 teams Ohio State, Tennessee, Northeast Louisiana and Southern California.

Perhaps more importantly for UT,

women's basketball finally appears to be catching on with the fans. A record 2,431 season tickets were sold this year, about four times as many as the previous year.

Recently, 11,370 spectators, the third-largest crowd in women's basketball history, ignored afternoon tornadoes and forecasts of cold, rainy weather to watch Texas defeat Southern California. The next night only 3,082 saw the Texas men's team beat Oral Roberts.

Conrad, interviewed the day after the Southern California victory, recalled how women's basketball had changed since she left Goldthwaite, 90 miles west of Waco, with an idea of studying at Baylor to

Lady Longhorns still dominating AP survey

The Associated Press

Old-Dominion, the defending NCAA women's basketball champion, has something in common with Villanova, last season's men's winner. The Lady Monarchs have become an unranked team after the announcement of the weekly poll on Tuesday.

The decline of Villanova was not unexpected, but Old Dominion's ouster is a bit of a surprise since many expected Coach Marianne Stanley's team to reside in the Top Ten all season.

The banishment by a nationwide panel of 60 women's coaches was caused by visits to North Carolina State's upset of ODU in the little game of the Monarchs' tournament last Saturday.

This is the first time in nine years that ODU, 4-2, is looking up at 20 other teams as the Monarchs ended a record streak of 145 straight poll appearances.

"They're very talented, they have great athletes," said North Carolina State Coach Kay Yow. "But they're young and inexperienced. We play them again in February at our place and we're probably going to have our hands full."

The victory enabled the Wolfpack, 7-2, to return to the poll at 20th after a week's absence.

Meanwhile back at the top of the list, unbeaten Texas, 5-0, which had the week off, and unbeaten Georgia, 9-0, which could get its first contest in Southern Cal's tournament this weekend, continued to monopolize the vote.

The top-ranked Longhorns and the Lady Bulldogs once again received all the No. 1 and No. 2 ballots. Texas received 55 first-place votes and 1,195 points — five short of perfect. Georgia collected five first-place votes and 1,144 points, a gain of one each over the previous week.

The voting is compiled by Mel Greenberg of *The Philadelphia Inquirer* for The Associated Press.

Texas will join three other schools in the first 11 — No. 5 Northeast Louisiana, No. 8 Mississippi and No. 11 Penn State — in the University of Miami's tournament beginning Sunday.

By Associated Press
The nation's top 20 women's collegiate basketball teams as compiled by Mel Greenberg of The Philadelphia Inquirer on the vote of 60 women's coaches. First-place votes in parentheses. Season's records, points and last week's ranking. Voting based on: 20-19-18-17-16-15-14-13-12-11-10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1.

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11. Penn St.	11 644 11
12. Tennessee	8 612 13
13. Louisiana St.	7 612 12
14. Ohio St.	5 527 15
15. Nevada-Las Vegas	7 322 17
16. Oklahoma	7 1 229 14
17. Houston	6 217 19
18. North Carolina	6 198 20
19. Iowa	6 158 18
20. N. Carolina St.	7 2 158 16

Other teams receiving votes and their points:
Old-Dominion 2; Kansas 3; Idaho 3; Rutgers 3; Northwestern 1; Arkansas 1; St. Joseph 1; St. Peter's 1; Southern Illinois 4; DePaul 2; Kansas 2; Utah 1; Washington 1.

Conrad, who played at Baylor in the early 1960s when women's basketball was "nothing more than glorified intramurals," held a head-coaching job in the state before coming to the University of Texas in 1976.

Her fast-breaking Lady Longhorns teams through last week have won 293 games and lost only 49 for a winning record of more than 85 percent.

Conrad was selected national coach of the year in 1980 and 1981, and her current squad is ranked No. 1 in the nation after defeating top 10 teams Ohio State, Tennessee, Northeast Louisiana and Southern California.

Perhaps more importantly for UT,

women's basketball finally appears to be catching on with the fans. A record 2,431 season tickets were sold this year, about four times as many as the previous year.

Recently, 11,370 spectators, the third-largest crowd in women's basketball history, ignored afternoon tornadoes and forecasts of cold, rainy weather to watch Texas defeat Southern California. The next night only 3,082 saw the Texas men's team beat Oral Roberts.

Conrad, interviewed the day after the Southern California victory, recalled how women's basketball had changed since she left Goldthwaite, 90 miles west of Waco, with an idea of studying at Baylor to

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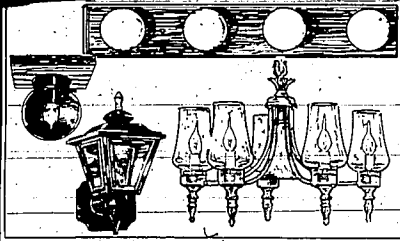
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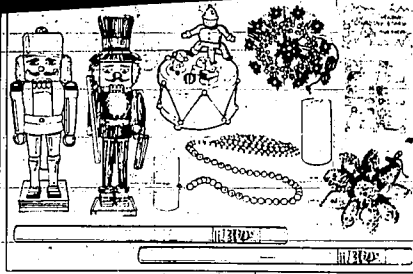
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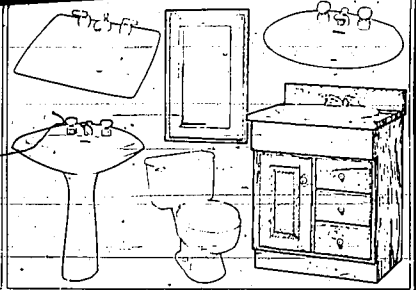
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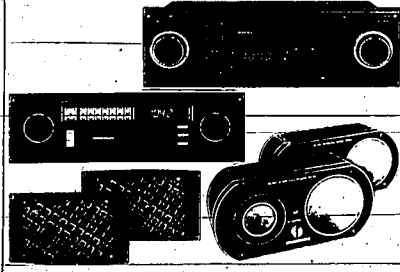
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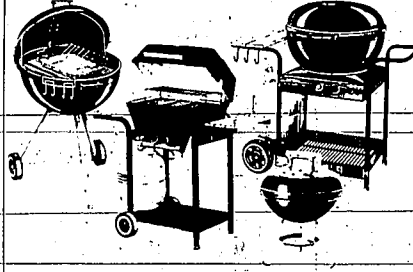
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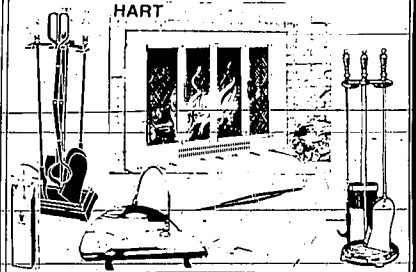
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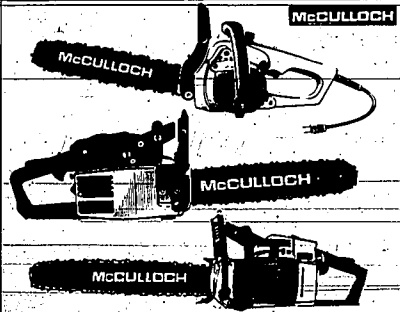
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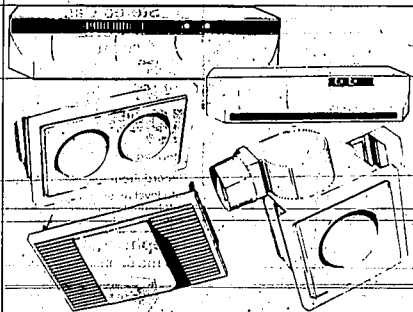
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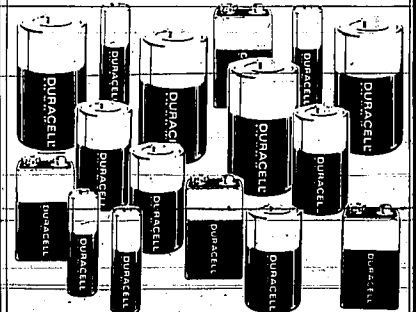
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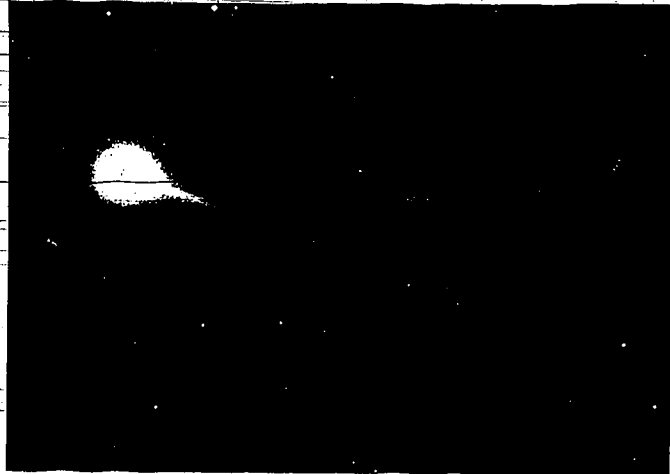
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Features

Comet 'common denominator' for mankind



According to the California Institute of Technology, this is the most detailed photograph yet taken of Halley's comet. The photograph was taken Dec. 13 using a 48-inch telescope

The Associated Press

FORT DAVIS, Texas — An elderly, blind man arrived at the McDonald Observatory recently, clutching a portable oxygen bottle and asking to look through a telescope at Halley's comet, which is now visible for the first time in 76 years.

The man claimed to have seen the comet during its last visit, in 1910, observatory staff member Robert Scheppeler said.

After seeing it for the second time, the man announced he was ready to die.

It's that kind of emotion that has accompanied Halley's return visit, Scheppeler says. Its next pass won't be until the year 2061, and in Scheppeler's analysis, people are looking at the comet as a "common denominator" for all humans, past and future.

"In a period of time when people pooch-pooch historical values, it raises the hair on the back of my neck to think that in theory there is one experience everybody who ever lived can share, and that is looking at Halley's comet," Scheppeler told The Dallas Morning News.

Nestled in the Davis Mountains about 200 miles southeast of El Paso, McDonald Observatory is considered by astronomers to be nearly perfect for looking at the comet.

It's protected within a 60-mile radius by a state law that prohibits

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—Robert Scheppeler

light encroachment that would affect the observatory, which sits at the base of 6,700-foot Mount Locke.

Not just anybody can watch Halley's comet with the observatory's 107-inch telescope, which was completed in 1969.

Aside from a few professional astronomers, whose time with the scope was allotted two months ago, only a few VIPs are scheduled to get a look through the giant device.

Gov. Mark White will have his chance to view Halley's comet with the state's best telescope. He's expected in late March, during the comet's prime viewing period. So are the chancellors and regents of the University of Texas at Austin.

Routine visitors to the observatory are allowed to see the comet through an 8-inch telescope, which makes the comet look like a small football among the distant stars.

Groups of more than 100 visitors appear regularly at the observatory's thrice-weekly "star parties," with the largest crowds yet to come. Area motels are booked solid for the prime-time viewing period in March and April.

Astronomers said people can get a good view of Halley's brush with Earth through binoculars if they have good eyes, some people already can see the comet, which appears like a fuzzy star. Binoculars and small telescopes bring out the comet's faint light, but astronomers say viewers shouldn't expect to see the comet moving.

While visitors and tourists come to McDonald Observatory just to get a good look at the comet, serious experiments are going on by professional astronomers seeking to learn more about the solar system.

"We believe that comets are some of the purest material from the early solar nebula. They were formed at the same time as the sun and the planets," said Anita Cochran, a research assistant at the observatory.

Consequently, understanding comets could be a key to explaining the birth of the solar system, she said.

Date of Jesus' birth in doubt

Halley's comet might have pointed way for Wise Men

By MASHA HAMILTON
The Associated Press

BETHLEHEM, Occupied West Bank — New archaeological evidence indicates Jesus may have been born in late summer or early fall of the year 12 B.C., and the star that led the three wise men to Bethlehem was Halley's comet.

Although the theory would dash traditional Christian beliefs about the timing of Jesus' birth, Biblical scholar Jim Fleming said at least the location of his birth, near Bethlehem was Halley's comet.

Fleming, a native of East Meadow, N.Y., lectures on historical geography and archaeology at Hebrew University in Jerusalem and is dean of the Jerusalem Center for Biblical Studies, a non-profit educational institute.

He founded the non-denominational center 10 years ago to offer Bible courses for Protestant ministers, Roman Catholic priests and lay school teachers.

Scholars in the 4th century used New Testament references to choose Dec. 25, the year 1 A.D. as the birth date of Jesus.

"But it appears they made a mistake in guessing," the 42-year-old Fleming said during a seminar with students and journalists sponsored by the government press office in cooperation with the Ministry of Religious Affairs.

Fleming said his theory about the timing of Jesus' birth was based in part on unpublished work by Jerry Vardaman, professor of archaeology at the Cobb Institute of Archaeology at Mississippi State University, in Starkville, Miss.

Modern scholars have found evidence indicating Jesus was born before 12 B.C., including a reference in the Book of Matthew that says King Herod was alive at the time of the Messiah's birth, Fleming said. Herod II believed to have died in 4 B.C., he said.

In addition, Fleming said, scholars recently have found that the census which the Book of Luke said brought Mary and Joseph to Bethlehem probably was conducted in 12 B.C.

A tablet known as the Acemilus Secundus inscription, discovered 500 years ago in Beirut, Lebanon, has recently been deciphered, and scholars found that a census was ordered by Quirinius, the governor of Syria, in 12 B.C., Fleming said.

Vardaman, interviewed by telephone, concurred with Fleming's interpretation of his work. He added

that the Acemilus Secundus inscription tablet is now in Italy at the Vatican Museum.

The Book of Luke says the census that sent Mary and Joseph to Bethlehem was carried out while Quirinius was governor.

According to Luke, the couple traveled from Nazareth, where they lived, to Bethlehem, Joseph's home town, and it was there that the baby Jesus was born.

Fleming said the traditional Dec. 25 birth date was probably wrong because of the reference in Luke to shepherds "in the fields" near Bethlehem being the first to learn a new king had been born.

Fleming said shepherds' flocks were not permitted on fields after they were plowed, in October or November to allow the winter rains to soak into the parched ground.

However, shepherds were encouraged to graze their sheep in late summer and early fall to eat the stubble of sown crops and fertilize the fields, Fleming said.

Thus, it is more likely, he said, that Jesus was born sometime between late July and early October.

Fleming added that he believed the Star of Bethlehem was an early visitation of Halley's comet.

Halley's comet, which returns every 76 years, was visible in about 12 B.C., according to calculations by the Jet Propulsion Laboratory of Pasadena, Calif.

According to the Book of Matthew, the wise men reported the star appearing to them twice, which would fit the appearances of Halley's comet. The comet is visible for several weeks before it passes behind the sun and then reappears.

Fleming said that the wise men's impression that the star pointed the way to Bethlehem might have come from the tail of Halley's comet, Fleming said.

The traditional site of Jesus' birth is marked by a silver star inside the grotto of the Church of the Nativity. Although the star may not mark the exact location, Fleming said Jesus was probably born near the site of the church.

Archaeological evidence shows the church, first erected in the 4th century, is on the edge of biblical Bethlehem, where an inn could have been located, he said.

Bethlehem today is a mixed Moslem and Christian town of 50,000 on the West Bank of the Jordan River, which Israel captured from Jordan during the 1967 Arab-Israeli War.

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Ticket puts damper on yuletide joy

Strict enforcement of tree law needles father on annual trek

BOB MIMS Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — At first, Clarence Cummings thought the Utah Highway Patrol car pulling up behind him, its light bar flashing, was an errand of good will. Perhaps his Christmas tree, was slipping off the roof; he knew he wasn't speeding.

As his terrified grandchildren looked on, Cummings discovered he wasn't really in trouble. He wasn't going too fast, but the UHP officer, eyeing the tree, was pulling out his ticket book.

Although Cummings produced a carbon copy of a check and other proof that the tree was legally purchased, it wasn't enough to dissuade the trooper.

"He said, 'If you don't have a tag, you're just got yourself a ticket, mister,'" Cummings said. "And as we were leaving, he made the most stupid statement. He said, 'We're not paid to think, we're just paid to enforce the law.'"

Cummings' spokesman Sgt. Gary Mims acknowledged Cummings and at least 10 other Utahns have fallen victim to the state's newly launched campaign to enforce a little-known 1983 law against Christmas tree poaching. And while many of the unknowing violators have been overzealous, he basically defends his behavior.

"The reason for enforcing this is that we received a request from the state's Division of Natural Resources," Mims said. "But there's got to be a little more definition of what constitutes proof of ownership. Each individual tree is supposed to have a tag on them. If they don't, then supposedly they've been taken illegally."

Specifically, the law prohibits transportation of trees without proper permit, bill of sale or receipt.

However, while trees cut from federal forests carry tags, some trees legally cut from state lands do not. David Schen, DNR forest management specialist, said the state is considering requiring such tags.

den of First Security Lending does not argue against the need to fight poaching of trees from the state's forests. But he pleads for "some common sense" in enforcement of the law.

"It would seem you'd want to go after truckloads of trees," he said. "It's just dumb. Had there been a truckload of trees going by (when he was stopped), he (the trooper) couldn't have done anything about it because he was checking me out."

"Someone needs to have his butt kicked," Cummings said, angrily recalling how the Nov. 29 incident ruined for him, his wife and four grandchildren a four-year "family tradition" — a trip to a small tree lot in the central Utah town of Nephi to cheer in the holiday season.

"We were in a joyous mood after getting our Christmas tree," said Cummings. "It was a shock. My poor little granddaughter was crying, scared to death. She thought we were going to have to go to court right away."

His son-in-law, who was following Cummings in a station wagon loaded with three trees, was not stopped.

Cummings said he has mailed in the citation, copies of the Nephi lot's permit and the check used to buy the trees and a written innocent plea to the Springville Justice of the Peace. He also has written letters to local newspapers and the UHP.

"I'll let it go at that," he said. "I would hate to spend time and money to appear (in court) on such a stupid citation. If they expect me to appear, then I'll probably turn it over to my attorney."

Cummings said the UHP is investigating the incident, and that perhaps more "officer discretion" should have been used. Still, he said until the law is clarified, officers will continue to have problems with its strict enforcement.

"At this point, we've decided to look over what constitutes a legal receipt," he said. "We don't want to go around arresting everyone who picks up a Christmas tree from a lot. We have to make sure permits are given out (at the point of sale)."

'Rudolph' treated for yellow tinges

ANDOVER, Mass. (AP) — At 46 years old, "Rudolph, The Red-Nosed Reindeer" was turning a bit yellow.

The Dartmouth College Library has decided to have the 32-page manuscript treated so it will last as long as the story charms children at Christmas.

As it being preserved by the Northeast Document Conservation Center, a nonprofit organization that specializes in conserving library architectural material and art on paper. Each year it treats material from more than 300 museums, historical organizations and libraries.

The story was written by advertising copywriter Robert L. May 1929 and has a Christmas marketing giveaway for Montgomery Ward, the Chicago catalogue and retailing company.

The company rejected the idea at first but May enlisted the help of artist Denver Gillen, who drew some illustrations of reindeer for the story, and the idea was accepted.

By Christmas 1939, Montgomery Ward stores across the country had given away 2.4 million copies of "Rudolph" — booklets. — Distribution halted during World War II, then 3.6 million copies were distributed in 1946.

The following year, popular New York composer Johnny Marks wrote a musical version.

Gene Autry, one of several top artists of the day, was given a demonstration record of the song, and thought it didn't go with his cowboy image, the Boston Globe said. But he recorded "Rudolph" in 1949 on the advice of his wife Ina, and it became a best-selling record.

Since then, more than 300 arrangements have been recorded with total sales passing \$300 million, and a television show of the tale has been aired almost every year since 1964.

The Dartmouth Library received the manuscript in 1958 from May, a 1926 graduate.

President, First Lady issue holiday message

WASHINGTON (AP) — Here is the text of President Reagan's Christmas message, issued by the White House.

Nancy and I are pleased to share our warmest greetings with all Americans during the celebration of this Christmas season.

Amid all the hubbub and hustle that every year always brings, we should not forget the simple beauty of this first Christmas long ago. Joseph and Mary, far from home and judged in a place barely fit for habitation, felt the universal love that binds all families together and a unique awe at the special purpose for which God had chosen them.

Gathering around them first the shepherds and later the Magi — poor men, humble and great, native and foreign — each bowed before the King whose dominion knows no boundaries. Above them was the Star, the guiding light which would shine down through the centuries for

everyone seeking the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

Let the center of all lay the infant, born in the shadows and churches, among family and friends, and by our many different traditions, let us accept and share the generous gifts of joy, peace, and love given on that first Christmas. May we honor them in our hearts and keep them through the year.

Nancy and I pray that this Christmas will be a time of hope and happiness not only for our nation but for all the people of the world. Merry Christmas, and God bless you.

A daily crossword, the best comics, your favorite features, all this and more in the daily Times-News Ph. 733-0931

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Announcements

002-Lost & Found

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Because dogs are brought in every hour and SOLD or DESTROYED after 48 hours, please call or call the pound daily to check whether your pet has been picked up. This not an up-to-date list. Mixed dogs also hard to describe, come along to see if your pet is there. Come and pick up a puppy. Let your dog-they would love to have a home!!!

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Hours Mon-Fri 12:00pm-2:00pm

- Male, Lab, gold, 18 months old.
- 1 male, 1 female, German Shepherd X, black & brown, 3 mos.
- Female, Poodle Schnauzer X, black-2 years old.
- Female Doberman, black and tan, 4 yrs.
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X Means Cross Breed.

Shelter located on 1 mile west road, use the entrance to Sewer plant across the road from K&R Tire. 1986 dog licenses may now be purchased at the City Water Office.

Call 324-8436

Shelter will close 1 pm. Dec. 24 and will be closed 3 days. Merry Christmas if no answer 324-4313

Lost Female Beagle, in the vicinity of the Sugar Factory. She is black, white and brown, wearing a brown collar. If located, please call 423-5155 or 734-9431.

Lost 1 year old male Bassett Hound, black, white and tan. Reported 734-2293 or 233-2293.

Lost Charm Bragel with 3 charms. 1215 S. 6th St. Alford. Sentimental value. Please Call 423-5721.

003-Announcements

005-Memorial Notices

We would like to thank all the friends and neighbors who sent flowers and cards, and offers of help during my recent stay in the hospital. Also the comfort, care and ambulance crew. Basil Zink

006-Personals

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS Call 733-8300

HOTLINE 733-0122

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006-Personals

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007-Jobs of Interest

Experienced auto body repair person, with at least 2 years exp. 87 own hand tools. Call 733-1929.

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Extended Care Unit Coordinator, immediate opening available. Call background and BSN preferred. Will consider any previous nursing experience. Negotiable. exc. benefits, flexible vacation and holiday pay. Write DNS BCCM, PO Box 927, Hays, ID 83333. Call 208-738-2222.

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IMMEDIATE OPENINGS for RN's and LPN's. Benefits include vacation and holiday pay, insurance, sick pay, etc. Call Pat Gooding at 623-6591.

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TO ALL, FROM THE CLASSIFIED DEPT.

008-Sales People

IMMEDIATE OPENINGS National Corp. will be interviewing for the following positions: Assistant Sales Representative for full time employment. Opportunity for promotion. Starting Management with starting salary of \$24,000.00 after training. Must be ambitious, neat in appearance, good character and have some college background. Call 733-5616 between the hours of 9 AM and 10 AM. EOE.

010-Professional Services

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015-Babysitters

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Selected offers-Real estate-Rentals

015-054

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007-Jobs of Interest

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What could be a better gift on Christmas Day than to find a sure way to land a touchy slant? Well, bridge players could wish for anything more.

On April Fool's Day, South would undoubtedly win his heart ace, rattle off a few trumps and then wonder about which minor suit finesse would work. After some thought, he would probably cash the king and ace of diamonds, hoping to drop a doubler queen. Then he would take the club finesse for down one.

On Christmas Day, West's illuminating opening lead should make things easy. South should win his heart ace, draw trumps, and play the ace and king of diamonds and his third diamond, heart in dummy. Next comes a ruff to South's jack, and West is stuck. A red suit lead yields a ruff and discard, while a club lead offers the free finesse.

Merry Christmas to all my readers. May you all find many slams under your Christmas trees.

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117-Farm Work... 1985 New Holland 134 pivot tongue sweeper, call 324-6250.

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123-Travel Trainers... MUST SELL 1979 LAYTON 25' fully self-storing boat, call 734-7477.

124-Snow Vehicles... 4 place factory snow machine trailer, call 733-2423.

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135-Heavy Equipment
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 1974 Mazda PU 4 sp. new tires, exc cond. #2500. Call 324-3944 after 5 PM.
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 1981 1600 (5 series) International, V8, Allison Auto. #4 CA, low miles, exc cond. 324-8868 or 324-3459.
142-Import Sports Cars
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135-Cycles & Supplies
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 Office 433-5543

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146-4 Wheel Drives
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 1984 GMC 4x4, 8.5 diesel, loaded, new radials, 100% Warranty. #12,950. 734-4299.
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148-Antique Autos
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152-Autos-Buick
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162-Autos-Fords
 1975 Ford Maverick, 3200. Call 734-7448 after 5:30, or 234-8282, at Ray's Klobet.
 1978 Thunderbird, PS, PB, AC, AM/FM, cruise, tilt wheel, radial tires, very good cond. \$2000, 734-4983.
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166-Mercury & Lincoln
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Santa's bill would top \$5.9 billion in 1985

by MICHAEL C. BUELOW
The Associated Press

MADISON, Wis. — If you cringe at spending good money for toys for Christmas, think of what Santa Claus' expenses would be this year.

If he allotted only \$10 to make or buy a toy for each of the world's estimated 500,000,000 children aged 5 and under, he would face a bill of \$5.9 billion.

But Santa also needs reindeer, elves, his sleigh and telephone and office help.

Next to toys, his second highest cost would be labor.

Using a wage-rate a few dollars above the minimum, \$18 an hour, the cost of employing 100 elves eight hours a day, year around, would be about \$1.75 million in wages and benefits, according to calculations by Credit Union National Association Inc. of Madison.

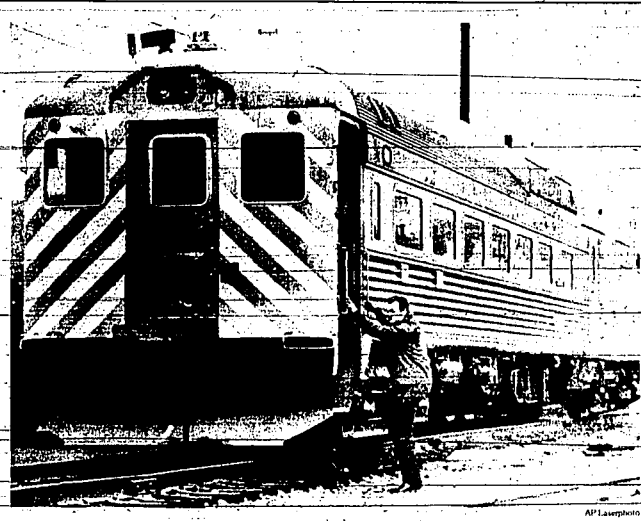
Since Santa's front office would probably need to gear up for business a few months before Christmas, he would also have to hire temporary clerks and install WATS eight lines for toys who want to call with their gift requests, rather than write.

Mary Jo Suminski, a service representative for Manpower Inc. in Milwaukee, a temporary help business, said the average cost-of-hiring-people-to-type-keep-books and answer telephones is about \$7.50 an hour.

Figuring he may need such qualified people, the cost-of-hiring-them-to-work 40-hour weeks would be about \$150,000.

American Telephone and Telegraph Co. of Milwaukee said the cost and maintenance for 100 WATS telephone lines for regular business hours during that period would be \$14,160.

CUNA said Santa would also need liability and roof damage insurance.



Rebuilt in Boise, this diesel-powered rail car is being shipped to Alaska Railroad

Winter runs in wilds first assignment Rail cars bound for Alaska

SEATTLE (AP) — A pair of self-propelled railroad cars will be ferrying passengers around the wilds of Alaska next year.

The first of two rebuilt Rail Diesel Cars, or RDCs, has been delivered to Seattle and is awaiting shipment to Alaska, said Alaska Railroad Corp. President Frank Turpin. The second will be shipped in January.

The cars will initially be used for winter passenger runs north of Anchorage. Next summer, they will be available for passenger service between Anchorage and Seward.

The cars, run by an engineer and conductor, were built in 1953 for the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad and were refurbished this year by Morrison-Knudsen in Boise, Idaho.

The 75-foot, 129,000-pound cars seat 48 passengers each, with the rest of the space used for baggage and vending machines. Their top speed is 58 mph.

The cars are intended primarily for winter use, when passenger loads are light and many stops are for people simply flagging trains between designated stops.

Alaska Railroad predicts a \$7 million profit for 1985.

'Preemptive market strike' could wreck oil competition

The Los Angeles Times

MANAMA, Bahrain — A leading Saudi Arabian newspaper warned Monday that a "preemptive market strike" by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries could send crude oil prices to \$7.70 per barrel to drive off competitors unless global producers agree to cooperate in averting a price war.

The warning in an article by the leading daily Asharq al-Awsat coincided with reports by authoritative oil journals that Saudi Arabia was now producing up to 350,000 barrels per day over its quota of 4.35 million.

If true, it would be the largest single production violation by any OPEC member.

OPEC's very low production costs and its vast reservoirs of cheap petroleum represent a powerful strike force which can be used just as effectively as the "oil weapon" of 1973," the Jeddah newspaper said.

The organization should have used the blitzkrieg method four years ago when it had vast financial surpluses, but it is not too late," Asharq al-Awsat said.

"It can double its present production, to 22 million barrels daily, without any loss of income if it reduces prices to \$15 per barrel," the newspaper said.

"The remaining producers could also be forced to vacate the entire 60 million barrel per day international market OPEC if prices were reduced to \$7.70 per barrel, still without any effect on OPEC's present income," the paper added.

The article said that such a strategy by OPEC would require that richer nations provide temporary funding to poorer members and may involve such tactics as "auctioning oil" to push rebellious producers completely out of the market.

The authoritative, Cyprus-based Middle East Economic Survey said that OPEC experts will meet in Vienna in mid-January to study steps for implementing OPEC's recent decision to defend its "fair share of the world oil market."

Mees said that Saudi Arabia's daily production averaged 4.5 million to 4.7 million barrels during December, in comparison with a 4.1-million barrel level during November and a daily OPEC quota for the kingdom of 4.35 million barrels.

It said that Saudi Arabia was quickly using up reserves stored in oil tankers off its coast, currently estimated at less than 30 million barrels in comparison with 50 million to 60 million barrels earlier this year.

Defense orders spark durable goods upturn

By The Associated Press

Orders to U.S. factories for durable goods rose 0.9 percent last month for their first increase in three months, the Commerce Department reported Tuesday.

The increase came from a turnaround in the government reported Monday that "Americans' personal income grew 0.6 percent in November, the biggest gain since a 0.9 percent April increase. The Commerce Department also said that consumer spending rose 0.8 percent in November, rebounding from a 1.1 percent plunge the previous month.

The spending rebound was attributed by some analysts to the fact that spending had dropped so steeply in October following the expiration of cut-rate financing and other buying incentives offered by the nation's major automakers.

Despite the income gain, a continued low savings rate and record amounts of consumer debt could mean continued sluggishness in the U.S. economy over the next few months, some analysts said.

"We still have problems. People are still deep in credit and the savings rate is quite low," said Sandra Shaber, consumer economist for Stacey Economics.

Stock prices dropped because of the economic gloom at year-end profit taking. The Dow Jones Industrial Average of 30 stocks fell 14.22 points to 1,528.78 in its first double-digit drop since Dec. 2.

The market said a downturn had been expected as a "breather" in light of the Dow's torrid three-month climb of more than 200 points.

To record heights.

Separately, the Treasury Department reported the federal budget deficit in November was \$33.39 billion, a 23 percent surge from October.

The biggest expenses were defense, social programs and interest payments on the national debt.

November's deficit pushed the total deficit for the first two months of the 1986 fiscal year \$60.47 billion — a 6 percent increase over last year.

The Reagan administration in August predicted the deficit would fall to \$17.7 billion in fiscal 1986 from the record \$21.3 billion in 1985.

The so-called Gramm-Rudman legislation signed into law earlier this month would require a fiscal 1986 deficit of \$17.9 billion.

Battles over where to make the needed \$50 billion in proposed spending cuts have prompted Cabinet officials to ask President Reagan to personally decide a handful of key budget disputes, administration sources said.

Sources who spoke on condition of anonymity said battles over sweeping cuts in health and housing programs were included in the issues to be decided by the president.

Edwin Duff, a spokesman for the Office of Management and Budget, said only a few Cabinet officials had appealed the cuts proposed by budget director James C. Miller III, but he declined to identify them or the issues involved.

February production from plant

CALDWELL (AP) — J.R. Simplot Co. plans to finish construction of a new ethanol plant late next month at its Pond Division complex here and to start full production in February, a company spokesman says.

Spokesman Fred Zerza said Monday the company has completed the structure of the 12,000-square-foot plant and is installing piping and electrical wiring and testing major equipment. When completed, the plant will have an annual capacity of about 3 million gallons of ethanol which will be used primarily as an octane enhancer for gasoline.

The multimillion dollar plant will occupy a one-acre site and employ about 19 people, Zerza said. "That is the number we expect to operate with in the future. The plant is quite automated. It represents the top of ethanol technology," he said.

Simplot will use rejected potato solids or low quality potatoes to make ethanol, although grain such as wheat, barley and corn also can be used. The plant will be operated by the Food Division, which processes potatoes.

"It certainly represents an important investment for us. It's particularly significant because we view it as the beginning of an industry in Idaho that can add value to Idaho agricultural products," Zerza said.

The Caldwell ethanol plant will be the second such operation opened by Simplot, which started producing ethanol at its Heyburn site in 1984.

No other ethanol plants now operate in the state, Zerza said, although several smaller, uneconomical plants that used to operate in southern Idaho have closed in recent years.

"There is a growing market in Idaho," Zerza said. "Some of that market is created due to an Environmental Protection Agency directive that lead is to be removed from gasoline."

He said more ethanol will be substituted for lead as the metal is phased out of gasoline.

J.R. Simplot Co. is a large, privately held agribusiness company based in Boise.

Dollar up a bit; gold wavers

LONDON (AP) — The U.S. dollar edged up Tuesday in tight Christmas trading. Gold bubbled in Hong Kong but fell in Europe.

A currency trader at Citibank in London said some year-end squaring of investment positions underpinned the dollar during morning dealings. But there was little activity, with most markets on the European continent either closed or trading business early for Christmas.

The dollar quoted at 202.00 yen in Tokyo up from 202.80 yen. Later, in London, the U.S. currency was quoted at 202.925 yen.

Selected midmorning dollar rates compared with levels in Europe late Monday included:

- 2.5015 West German marks, up from 2.5000
- 2.1970 Swiss francs; up from 2.1015
- 7.6950 French francs, up from 7.6925
- 2.8280 Dutch guilders, up from 2.8245
- 1,711.75 Italian lire, up from 1,711.50
- 1.3965 Canadian dollars, up from 1.3940

The British pound fell to \$1.4270 from \$1.4295.

London's five biggest bullion houses fixed a recommended gold price of \$324.85 a troy ounce, down from \$327.70 late Monday.

Idaho building declines

BOISE (AP) — Construction in the state was down last month, compared with November, 1984, levels, according to the Idaho Construction Report, a First Security Bank of Idaho publication.

Total value of authorized building permit construction in 56 Idaho locations last month was \$25.12 million, down 10.1 percent from a year before, the report said.

New residential construction last month for 251 dwelling units was \$9.47 million, a decrease of 1.9 percent in number and a decrease of 17.4 percent in value compared with a year ago.

The report said commercial construction in November was valued at \$5.27 million, 30.4 percent less than last year, while alterations and repairs totaled \$8.37 million, up 23.9 percent.

The Idaho Construction Report is edited by Kelly Matthews, an economist with the Salt Lake City-based First Security Corp., parent company of First Security Bank of Idaho.

Rollover IRA offers the holder a key to financial security

As life expectancy increases, you — a retiree or an individual facing retirement soon — actually may fear you'll live "too long" and thereby outlive your pension funds.

You then will be compelled to rely solely on Social Security in your later years and whatever personal savings you've been able to build up.

To the younger ones among us, it seems fantastic to fear living too long. Yet, this is a real concern. The problem of outliving retirement funds is growing steadily, and it's already widespread.

But one form of income protection can be a lump-sum distribution from your company's pension plan (assuming you work for a company with an established pension plan). How would this work? For answers to your questions on this and other vital areas, I consulted

Sylvia Porter

Anthony J. Russo Jr., director of retirement planning for Lord, Abbott & Co., a New York-based mutual fund organization.

Q. What is a lump-sum distribution?

A. A lump-sum distribution is a single payment made to you from your company's pension plan when you retire or otherwise leave your job. Many plans today pay out benefits in this way.

Q. Since there will be substantial tax and investment decisions, what are the investment alternatives and the tax liabilities of your lump-sum distribution?

A. You may want to roll your funds over into an IRA. By using the rollover IRA, you'll have no federal income tax due on the amount that is rolled over. Taxes are due only when money is withdrawn. The earnings will continue to grow free of immediate tax.

Q. What is the advantage of using a rollover IRA instead of 10-year averaging?

A. There is a temptation to use the special 10-year income averaging method for a lump-sum distribution instead of the rollover IRA. This method results in federal taxes which are lower than the ordinary income taxes that would apply.

For instance, a taxable \$50,000 lump-sum distribution from a tax-qualified plan would result in federal taxes of only \$5,910 using 10-year

averaging. However, by paying the tax you would have only \$44,090 left to invest. By using the rollover IRA instead of 10-year averaging, the entire \$50,000 would be available for investment.

Second, by using 10-year averaging, you cannot shelter the earnings from taxes as easily as you could under the rollover IRA.

Q. How should you use the rollover IRA in the event you take early retirement?

A. If you retire early and will not need the lump-sum distribution for fully expenses for a few years, the rollover IRA offers a unique opportunity. Say you're a 55-year-old retiree who receives a taxable \$50,000 lump-sum distribution. You could roll the entire amount into a rollover IRA. Through the tax-deferred growth of the earnings, your

\$50,000 would grow to \$130,000 10 years later (assuming a 10-percent return).

Q. What other investment strategies are available for the rollover IRA?

A. Like traditional IRA, a rollover IRA need not be invested solely in one investment vehicle. You may want to invest in a conservative stock mutual fund and the balance in a high-yielding U.S. government security fund. A family of mutual funds can provide an easy means of diversifying the rollover IRA.

Q. When must you start to withdraw funds from a rollover IRA?

A. Not until after you reach age 70½. The amounts withdrawn are taxable as ordinary income.

Distributions prior to age 59½ are subject to penalty taxes of 10 per-

cent of the amount withdrawn, except in cases of death or disability. After age 59½, distributions are not penalized by taxes.

Q. Can you establish a periodic withdrawal plan if your rollover IRA is invested in a mutual fund?

A. Yes. You can receive a check monthly, quarterly, once a year. Also, you are not locked into the withdrawal schedule you select. You can even ask for a lump-sum payment for unexpected needs.

NOTE: The IRS states that you have only 60 days from the day you receive your distribution to roll it over into a rollover IRA. After the 60 days expire, you will have lost this chance to defer taxes.

Sylvia Porter works as consumer matters for Universal Press Syndicate.

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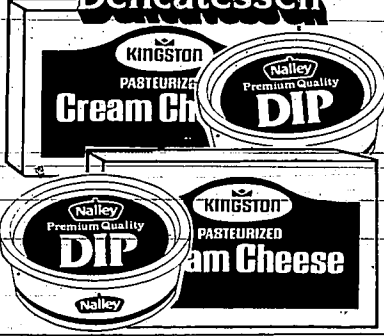
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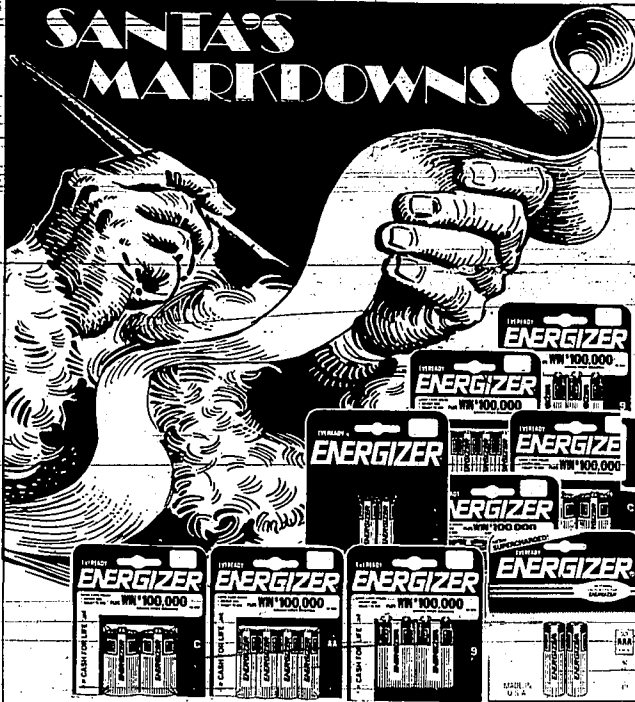
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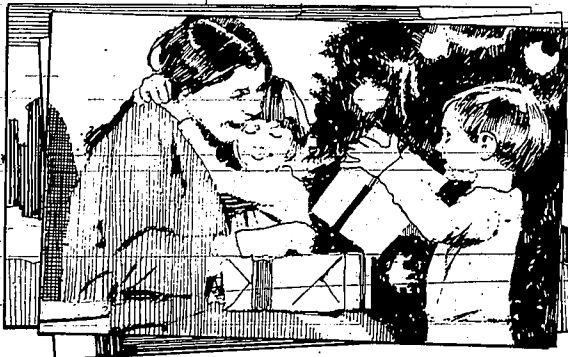
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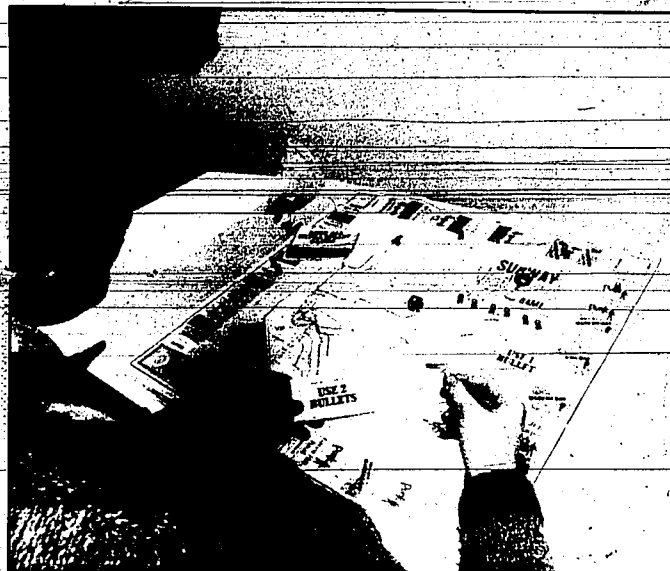
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Holding a miniature gun and game card, a player tries out The Subway Vigilante Game

Vigilante game

For those with a macabre sense of humor, Goetz can play gunman in your living room

By MICHELL LANDSBERG
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Choose your weapon, hop on the subway and try to make it to the Bronx alive. That's the object of a new board game inspired by New York's subway gunman, Bernhard Goetz.

The Subway Vigilante Game, designed and marketed by a Washington, D.C., accountant who goes by the name of "Mad Mike," offers a lighthearted look at vigilantism for those whose sense of humor runs toward the macabre.

There is a board that includes a New York subway map, tiny guns that are moved around the spaces, bullets that serve as currency, and cards that are selected when one lands on spaces labeled "Punk" or "Make My Day."

"Put gun to punk's head — move ahead two spaces," reads a typical "Make My Day" card. "Punk shot, but still moving — use two bullets," reads a "Punk" card.

Cards accuse charges of attempted murder in the slayings of four teenagers on a subway train last December. He says he pulled out a pistol when the youths demanded

money from him and that he felt endangered.

"Mad Mike" is Mike Marine, 31, a fiscal affairs director for a Washington nursing home and hospice who wrote "101 Ways to Get Rid of a Lettuce Head Doll," a satirical sendup of Cabbage Patch Kids.

Marine acknowledges that some people consider the Subway Vigilante Game to be tasteless, but he insists that it's good, clean fun.

"I have a 5-year-old son, and we play Subway Vigilante and he loves it," Marine said in a telephone interview. "I'm trying to come up with entertainment that's fun, it's relaxing and you don't have to be entirely sober to play."

But Marine is aware of the game's serious undertones. He is a member of the National Organization for Victim Assistance, and has strong views about the frailties of the criminal justice system.

"The whole Goetz case... there's really a lot of subliminal issues that come to light in this case that I want to bring to people's attention," said Marine.

Marine describes himself as a liberal, does not own a gun and has

ridden New York's subways only as a tourist.

He said he has sold about 1,500 games nationwide, and hopes to mount a stepped-up marketing campaign soon. The game retails for \$9.95.

Marine hopes sales will pick up when — and if — Goetz goes on trial. A judge is scheduled to rule next month on whether the case should be dismissed.

Reactions are mixed. Danny Kilbert, owner of the Complete Strategist, a chain of game stores headquartered in New York, said he has sold 60 to 80 Subway Vigilante games out of one mid-Manhattan store.

"A lot of people come in and say it's tasteless," Kilbert said. "But there are a lot of games that are tasteless. Wolinsky, manager of Pushtime, a game store in Queens, said she ordered a few copies of the game and sold them quickly.

"We don't know whether we'll reorder it or not," she said. "I didn't like the idea that much... and some of the people who were looking at it were not the type of people we'd like to have in the store."

Christmas — a time of sorrow in Armero

Survivors of volcano can't hide sadness

By EDUARDO GALLARDO
The Associated Press

ARMERO, Colombia — Although the children have been "overwhelmed with toys" and full-scale Christmas celebrations are planned, the holiday season has been a time of sorrow and painful remembrance for the volcano survivors.

"Maybe it's because Christmas has always been a family celebration for us, and most of us have had our families either lost or broken" by the tragedy, said Jose Abel Jimenez, a survivor who lives in a tent city in nearby Guayabal with his wife and three children.

About 29,500 Armero residents died when the Nevado del Ruiz volcano erupted Nov. 13, triggering mudslides that wiped out the once prosperous agricultural center of 28,000.

"I know Christmas night is going to be especially sad, and I'm not sure I want to stay up that night," said Blanca Idaly Sanchez, a woman in her mid-40s who said she lost her entire family in the disaster. "But I'm going to try. We have to be realistic and face things the way they are."

Mrs. Sanchez, a seamstress in Armero before the volcano, has started to make stuffed animals for the camp's children "as a way to keep my mind away from my sorrow."

"But it's difficult in Christmas," she said with a sob.

About 2,450 Armero survivors are living in the Guayabal camp. The remaining survivors live in other cities, government shelters or with relatives.

Army Maj. Rafael Ruiz, the provisional mayor of Armero who works from a Guayabal office, said the survivors are "In general, trying to make things easier for them during this pre-Christmas time when they tend to be sad, to remember more intensely the loved ones they lost."

In many of the camp's blue tents, children played with new toys, around colorful Christmas trees and replicas of the manger.

"The children are overwhelmed with toys," Ruiz said. "Everybody is bringing presents. The Central Bank employees were here yesterday, another company did it today — and the Jewish Ladies Association (15) coming tomorrow."

The adults, meanwhile, are looking for work.

"Talk to any of them and they'll tell you that what they want is jobs, a means of earning their own money," the mayor said.

"And the starting point of all the reconstruction effort is to define where the new Armero will be built," he added. "We expect the government technicians to make the decision before the end of the year."

Abel Jimenez, a farmer, said, "I don't want charity. Give me something to do, and I'll start all over again." Added his wife: "Before the volcano (eruption) we were poor, indeed, but independent."

Still, says Ruiz, aid is needed. "If people abroad want to help, let them send things we can use to rebuild Armero, and let them send

medical supplies," he said. "Let them send things to set up carpentry and other shops, so I can put all these able people who are now idle to make the doors, the windows of their future Armero."

Ruiz said that decomposing bodies are still a problem in Armero.

"As the mayor talked to a visitor, a doctor came into his office seeking help to bury six bodies discovered in an Armero street. "This is urgent, very urgent," the doctor said. "We can hardly keep the dogs away from the bodies."

The mayor said he is punishing looters by forcing them to bury the decaying bodies which are found daily.

Ruiz has a team of eight psychologists to help survivors who are still jittery, have nightmares or suffer emotional problems.

"We are making progress," he said. "But there is still a long way to go. There are some very serious cases."

Christmas celebrations are part of the effort to help the survivors. There will be colored lights, Christmas trees, a Santa Claus and a band to play Yuletide carols.

On Christmas night, dinner will not be the typical fare of beans, rice and potatoes. Eberner Gutierrez, the Guayabal camp's cook, said that that he will serve natilla — a sweet made from milk — and pork and chicken pies, all traditional Christmas meals in the region.

"But don't spread the word," Gutierrez said. "It will be a surprise for our people."

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Catholics in Peking celebrate Christmas

By JERRY BRADLEY
The Associated Press

PEKING — Teresa Ma stopped attending Mass in 1968 when the Communist government closed the cathedral. On Christmas Eve, she will return for the first time to celebrate not only Christmas but the reopening of the century-old church.

"I've been waiting for this day," said Mrs. Ma, 65, who talked and argued for an imitation stained-glass panels.

The Gothic-style cathedral, built with imperial blessing in 1887, has been closed for 20 years. The cathedral and an electrical power plant for 10 years.

Ma's government severed relations with the Vatican in 1968 and then closed many churches, claiming the numbers of Catholics had declined under Communist rule.

"I remember that last day here," said Mrs. Ma. "I didn't want to leave, but I did go."

By the 1960s, Catholic rituals in most churches, temples and mosques were shut, desecrated or destroyed.

Under Deng Xiaoping, some churches and hundreds of holy places have been reopened, apparently to appease religious minorities and demonstrate China's "more open" policies to foreigners.

Last May, the government allocated 1 million yuan (\$312,000)

for the renovation of Bel Tang, or the Church of Saint Francis. It becomes the third and largest Catholic church in the capital, after the Nan Tang (southern cathedral) and St. Joseph's, the largest church in the city and more than 3 million nationwide — less than 1 percent of China's 1.04 billion people.

An unknown number of Catholics still loyal to the Vatican continue to worship in underground "house churches," and up to 20 priests who refused to break with Rome are imprisoned.

Yet for parishioners in North Peking the reopening of Bel Tang is a happy event.

Carpenter Liang Shuming, 65, one of dozens of volunteers helping the parish complete the renovations, said, "When we heard the church was to reopen, we all joined in."

One Catholic electrician said he worked nights at his regular job and days for free at the church.

The oldtimers said they still remember the complicated Gregorian chant which Chinese Catholics sing during Mass. "There's so much of it — you could never forget it," said Mrs. Ma.

A choir has been formed and an electric organ acquired in time for the 2,000-member congregation to rehearse Christmas carols.

Thirty-three golden chandeliers illuminate the spacious building.

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rigated columns. A few original panes of stained glass remain and new windows depicting 22 saints are in place.

The gray-and-white facade includes new statues of evangelists Matthew, Mark, John and Luke. Two Chinese garbons, originally built to house roles provided by the emperor, have been restored in a startling contrast to the European-style church.

"We used old photographs for the restoration," and some oldtimers remembered all the details," said Teresa Ying Mui, vice secretary of the Peking Patriotic Catholic Association.

She said engineers found all the spires flattened and so small trees sprouting on the roof, when they began renovations last summer.

Four structural beams had rotted and had to be replaced.

The second phase will include heating and side chapels, said Mrs. Ying, who was Christened in the cathedral.

The first Bel Tang was built by French Jesuit missionaries in 1703 by edict of Emperor Kang Hsi, in thanks for their quinte. Located within the imperial city, the building was later destroyed and a second cathedral constructed in 1860.

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Hint of scandal can't tarnish name of poinsettia politician

By DAVID FOX
The Associated Press

VIENNA, Ill. — The late Illinois Secretary of State Paul Powell may be best remembered for the unexplained \$750,000 found in shoeboxes in his Springfield hotel room after his death in 1970.

But his hometown remembers him differently this time of the year — for the poinsettias that are given in his name to — shut-ins — every Christmas.

The Paul Powell Flower Fund, established with part of the Vienna Democrat's \$3 million estate, has sent 130 of the holiday plants this year to elderly residents of Johnson County.

"We've been doing it for about six years, and another florist did it before I did," said Kathy Harper, owner of This 'n' That Gift and Flower Shop in Vienna.

"We personally take them around to nursing homes and individual homes, give them to these people and tell them it's on behalf of the Paul Powell Fund," Mrs. Harper said. "They're very, very appreciative."

"They remember him and think it was nice of him to remember the people of Johnson County, because after all it was their votes that got him started on his way to becoming secretary of state."

Powell was a center of controversy during his long career in Illinois politics which included a 20-year stint in the state House during which he served three terms as speaker and four as minority leader.

An investigation of corruption was aimed at his office in 1966, two years after he was elected secretary of state. Although Powell was exoner-

ated, his office felt the scandal, and under pressure, later was imprisoned for theft of state funds.

In 1969 he denied connection with the scandal. Nonetheless, residents of Vienna do not let suggestions of scandal tarnish his name. Mrs. Harper said townspeople think of Powell fondly when they receive his remembrances.

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Mr. T shows the spirit of Santa

PITTSBURGH (AP) — He may not look like Santa Claus, but Mr. T stepped into the role of the jolly old elf to cheer up an ailing 14-year-old girl.

The former bouncer-bodyguard-ballplayer who stars in "The A-Team" sent Almee Cox of Dormont enough toys to fill eight shopping bags.

The teen says she will share some of the toys with friends and relatives, but she plans to give most of them to the children of an unemployed through a donation to the Brookline Food Pantry.

"She's an exceptional child," said Elizabeth Altman, office coordinator for the Make A Wish Foundation's Pittsburgh chapter. "To have so many problems of her own and yet be willing to play Santa for other children this time of year is extraordinary."

Miss Cox had a malignant brain tumor removed three years ago and now has a degenerative bone disease.

The seventh-grader met Mr. T in October through the foundation, a national non-profit organization that grants the wishes of children with life-threatening illnesses.

Almee's fantasy was to spend some time with Mr. T.

"I liked him because he was different," she said Thursday.

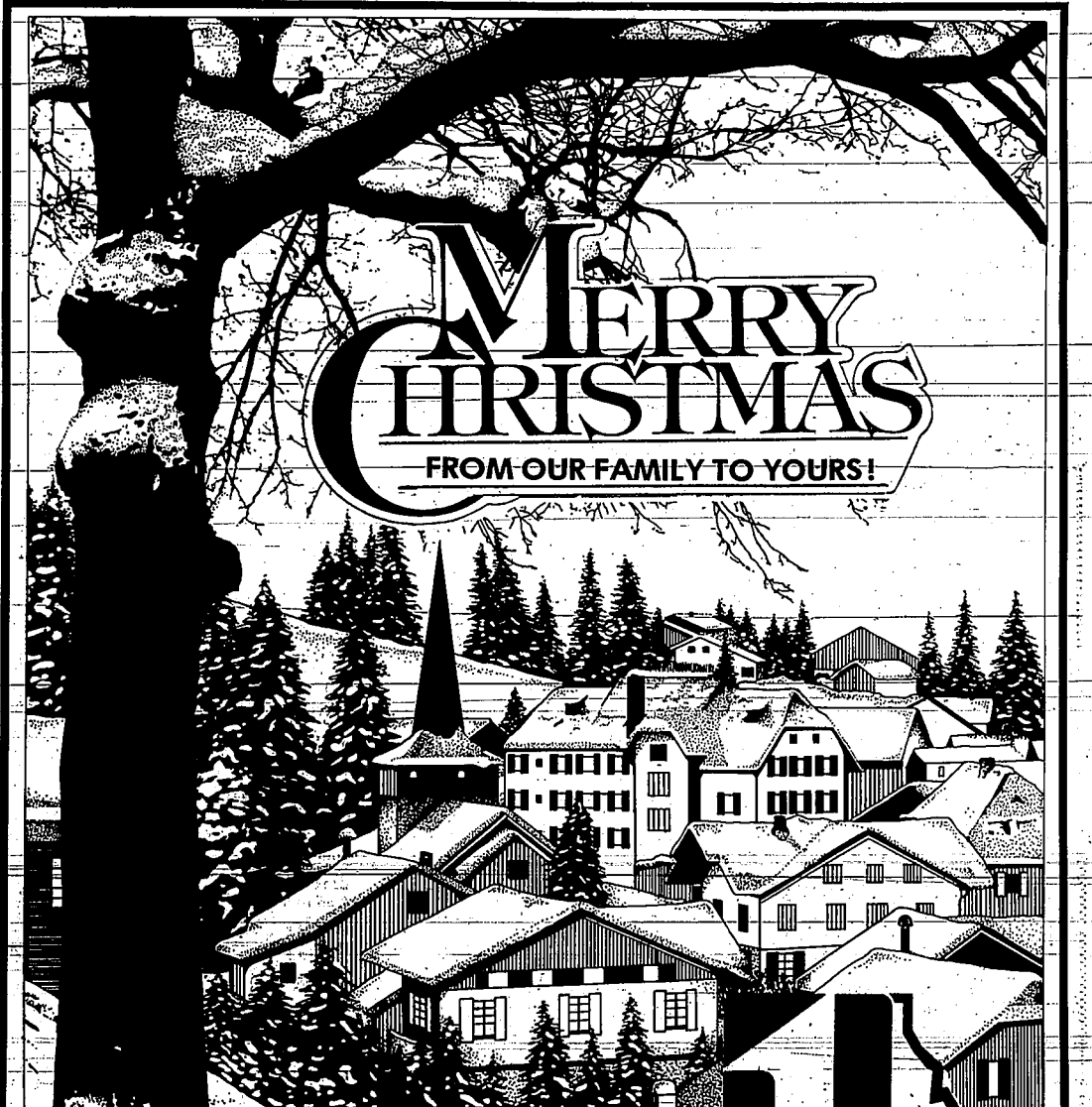
Almee's mother, Dorry, asked the foundation to make the dream come true. Two months ago, Almee, her mother and sister were flown to California.

"It was great," Almee said. "Mr. T was more on the nice side than I expected. And he was so much fun."

One of the things Almee enjoyed most was playing with some toys Mr. T had in his trailer. Before she left, he promised to send them to her.

The gifts arrived last week at the Make A Wish office in Pittsburgh. Family friends helped Mrs. Cox cart away eight bags of cars, trucks, games and other toys.

"Almee was so excited, especially to be able to share them," Mrs. Cox said, noting that her daughter kept only a magic kit. "She's gotten such good care the whole time she's been sick. And I think this gave her an opportunity to do something nice for people in return."



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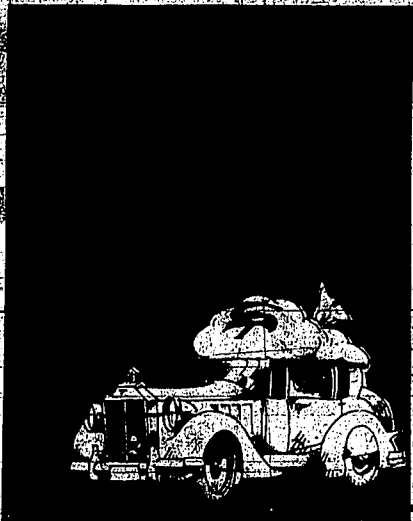
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