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Experts Differ On Citrus Risk

Freeze Expected In Most Of Florida

While there's talk of freezing temperatures expected to hit most of Florida by late Christmas day and continue at least through Friday, there's apparently a conflict of opinion on whether there's a danger to Seminole County's remaining citrus crops.

According to Bill Llewellyn, extension agent, multi-county vegetables, at the Seminole County Agriculture Center, the

danger is minimal, if any exists at all.

The National Weather Service in Orlando today predicted temperatures would be in the low 30s by Thursday morning, dipping to the 20s by Friday morning, and Don Martin at the weather service said the freezing temperatures do, however, pose a threat to citrus and vegetable crops throughout Central Florida. He predicted some mod-

eration in temperatures by Saturday.

However, Llewellyn pointed out the greatest danger is to the younger trees, and "they've already been wrapped or soiled for protection." Llewellyn said there are some 800 to 900 acres of citrus crops remaining in Seminole County with an estimated value of \$700,000, and that's spread among 60 or 70 growers with only small

plots.

Llewellyn said he had heard that temperatures were expected to dip to around 32 degrees, "but that's not cold enough to hurt the citrus. If it drops to 27 degrees and lasts four hours or longer, then there's a problem."

Other than the remaining young trees that may be in danger from a sustained freeze, Llewellyn said most of the fruit

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Santa Not Safe In Housing Project

CHICAGO (UPI) — Sixth-graders asked to write stories about Santa's visit to their homes in one of the nation's largest housing projects painted grim pictures of Santa being shot, robbed and smashed in an elevator.

"I thought Santa, at least, would be safe in the projects," said Michael H. Brownstein, a teacher at John Farren Elementary School.

Brownstein had asked his students to imagine what would happen if Santa Claus

showed up at the mammoth Robert Taylor Homes complex. Parts of the frightening essays were published Monday in the *Chicago Sun-Times*.

— "One Christmas Eve, Santa Claus goes to people's house and gives present (sic). Then he gets to my house in the projects. Santa Claus crawls on the wall with a rope and busts your window. Then he said, 'Ho, ho, ho, merry Christmas.' Then they shot Santa in the mouth because

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Letters To Santa

The following letters to Santa Claus, written by area children and received by the Evening Herald, have been rerouted to the north pole in time for Christmas Eve departure of Santa and his reindeer:

Dear Santa,

Jesico quiere que le mandes los juguetes o la con de la abuelita. Pulpera, Tiendita, Maquina, Computadora, Balda, Avion, Mueca, Vestidos, Doctor, Billetera por Ken, Play por Barbies, bano, lavatorio, TV por Barbies, foto de Barbies, telefono de Barbies, Honda, libro y bueto, escuelita.

Te Quere, Jesalco Sanchez
144 Grackle Court, Casselberry

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a Cabbage Patch horse, a Cabbage Patch Kid, a Barbie doll, a normal doll, a Barbie car, a toy race car, a fishing pole, a toy fire truck, a tinkler box, a radio controlled car, a Pinochio doll.

Sincerely, Crisay Galvez
Casselberry

Dear Mrs. Clause:

Make sure to make Santa nice and fat. I love you! Tell Santa to eat your cookies.

Prancer, come to my house and I love you. Dancer, make sure to take Santa to my house. I love you.

Rudoff, wake me up with your nose when Santa comes. I love you.

Mr. Elf, Merry Christmas. Frostie, I hope you don't melt.

Crisay

Dear Santa,

My name is K.C. I am three years old and my Granny says I have been a good boy this year.

Please bring me a big truck because my other one broke. And a new jeep. Also I would like to have a motorcycle and some new clothes.

My grandpa put some lights on our house so you can find me. We will share our cookies and milk with you on Christmas Eve. Thank you Santa. I love you.

K.C. Jackson, Lake Monroe

Dear Santa,

My mother is writing this. I have been a good girl. I want a whole lot of toys. I only want girl stuff. I have a little sister too.

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3 Dead, 59 Injured

Panic As Plane Crashes Into Mall

CONCORD, Calif. (UPI) — A light plane crashed into a huge shopping mall during the Christmas rush, killing three people and injuring 59, and sent a fireball hurtling into a promenade where children were waiting for Santa.

"There was tremendous panic," said witness Terry Jeffers. "People were running down the hallways, thousands of people were pouring out," he said.

The twin-engine plane was attempt-

ing to make an instrument landing in dense fog at nearby Buchanan Field Monday night when it hit the roof of the Sun Valley Shopping Mall, a mile-square complex one mile from the airport.

Two of the dead, the pilot and a passenger, were found inside the six-passenger Beechcraft Barony, and a third body was recovered from wreckage in the mall, said Inspector

Mike Ryan of the Contra Costa Consolidated Fire District.

Authorities said 59 others were injured, several critically. They were rushed to a half-dozen hospitals by 28 ambulances. At least five of the victims were children, hospitals reported.

Harold Wight, manager of Buchanan Field, said the plane was making its second attempt to land in dense fog, using an instrument approach.

"Apparently the pilot did not see the runway and elected to make a go-round, and during the go-round the crash occurred," he said, adding that other planes had landed safely.

Local authorities had not pinpointed the exact cause of the crash and said Federal Aviation Administration investigators were expected on the scene today.

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Sanford Man Shot, Killed

His Son Wounded In Fight

A Sanford man was killed and his son shot in the face following a midnight fight at a Sanford hotel.

Garfield Irwin, of 18th Street, died early today at Central Florida Regional Hospital. He was shot around 12:40 a.m. outside the McAllister Hotel, 2101 Southwest Road in Sanford. His son, Phillip Oneal Ford, 21, of 1206 Lincoln Ct., Sanford, was treated and released early today at CFRH.

A murder charge is expected to be filed in the case.

According to sheriff's spokesman John Spolski, the shooting followed a fight between a resident of the hotel and Ford.

Spolski said the assistant manager of the hotel, George

Cleveland Morris, broke up a fight in room 13 involving Ford and Leonard Gordon, who lives in the room. At that time, Ford reportedly threatened Morris and said he would be back.

A short time later Ford returned with his father, Irwin, and confronted Morris at the hotel's office, according to a sheriff's report.

Morris, afraid the men were armed, produced a .38-caliber handgun, and reportedly fired five times, two bullets striking Irwin, one Ford, Spolski said. Morris later told investigators the men "jumped" him. The shooting apparently occurred just outside the office door, Spolski said.

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Herald Photo by Tommy Vincent

Helping Hand For 'Wheels'

Seminole High School Polyglot Club members load lunches and gifts for delivery to shut-ins Monday at the Knights of Columbus Building. They're giving a helping hand to the Meals on Wheels program, which tries to supplement each holiday meal with a gift. From left, Pam Telsou, Craig Cunningham, Michele Simmons, Julie Archambault, Mike Horner, Tina Martin, Beth Ryan, and Hope Marlin.

Budget Cutters Suggest Space Station Funding Slash

CAPE CANAVERAL (UPI) — An aerospace magazine reports the White House budget office has proposed cutting about \$480 million from NASA's fiscal 1987 budget request for the agency's heralded space station project.

If unaltered, the Office of Management and Budget proposal would leave NASA with only about \$100 million in space station funding for fiscal 1987 and

delay operations aboard the orbital outpost by three years, according to *Aviation Week & Space Technology* magazine.

Aviation Week reported Monday the National Aeronautics and Space Administration is appealing the initial OMB proposal, which is aimed at helping reduce the national deficit.

Because the fiscal 1987 budget is still in negotia-

tion, NASA space station spokesman Mark Hess said Monday he could not comment on possible program cuts until the budget is formally announced after the upcoming State of the Union address.

The space station project was formally endorsed by President Reagan in the 1984 State of the Union address when he called for building a permanently manned space station within a decade. The project is expected to cost about \$8 billion.

Unless More Evidence Produced

Spy Case On 'Thin' Ground

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The prosecution must produce more evidence today to substantiate charges against a print shop worker accused of trying to slip top secret documents to the Soviets, a federal magistrate says.

During an arraignment Monday in U.S. District Court, Magistrate Jean Dwyer ordered Randy Miles Jeffries, 26, held without bond until today's preliminary hearing.

Acknowledging serious doubts about the government's "thin" criminal complaint, Dwyer gave the prosecution until today to amend or bolster its case against Jeffries.

The hearing will determine whether

enough evidence exists to prosecute Jeffries and whether the government should continue to hold the suspect without bond.

Jeffries, who remained silent during the 20-minute arraignment, worked for the Acme Reporting Co., which performs stenographic services, including occasional work with top secret documents, for the House of Representatives.

Jeffries worked as a "support employee" in the FBI's identification division from 1978 until 1980, performing "administrative, clerical-type work," FBI spokesman Lane Bonner said.

G. Allen Dale, Jeffries' court-appointed attorney, tried Monday to have the case dismissed, saying the government failed to show Jeffries actually turned over classified information and thereby damaged national security.

Jeffries is the 11th American this year accused of espionage, an offense that carries a maximum penalty of life imprisonment.

In another spy case, Ronald Pelton, a former employee of the National Security Agency arrested last month on espionage charges, pleaded innocent Monday to charges he sold secret documents to the Soviets.

13 HRS Workers Disciplined In Child's Death

TALLAHASSEE (UPI) — With 13 Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services workers punished in the death of an infant in a state licensed foster home, HRS Secretary David Pingree said the next step is to end the staff shortages he says contributed to the incident.

Pingree said the disciplinary orders close the case as far as HRS is concerned, unless Pinellas and Pasco County State Attorney James Russell turns up new evidence in his criminal investigation of the child's death.

But Pingree noted the case has prompted a number of investigations into the role of HRS funding levels

might have played in the Greer death. A task force has been appointed to study the HRS budget, and Gov. Bob Graham has appointed a separate panel of out-of-state experts to recommend reform to the Legislature.

In a report released last week, Russell cited the 13 HRS workers in the July 21 death of Corey Greer in the dirty and overcrowded Treasure Island foster home. An autopsy showed the child died of dehydration and too much salt in his bloodstream.

Russell's report said foster mother Judith Lundy was licensed to house four children but housed 12, and that a heart monitor doctors had ordered for

fear the child might fall prey to sudden infant death syndrome, or "crib death", was found unused in a closet.

"The key facts from my perspective are the placement of this child in a non-medical foster home and, secondly, the fact that the home exceeded its licensed capacity by three times," Pingree said in a news conference.

Pingree said the HRS field office was short-handed because workers had taken vacation time. So had some foster parents, which also contributed to the overcrowding.

But he added: "There is no excuse for having a home that exceeds its licensed capacity by three times."

Monday's disciplinary orders came from Pinellas County HRS officials. Pingree said he agreed with the orders.

Sarah Ann Black, a district intake counselor, was suspended without pay for 10 days and transferred to a job training program for the disabled for failing to place the baby in a home where his medical problems could be monitored — even though a place in a medical foster home was available.

Pingree said Black was also punished for initially offering false testimony that she requested the child be placed in a medical foster home.

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— Publication Notice —

There will be no *Evening Herald* published Wednesday, Christmas Day. Regular publication and home delivery will resume Thursday. Happy Holidays.

DAYS 'TIL CHRISTMAS

NATION IN BRIEF

Hopes Fading For Artificial Heart Patient Mary Lund

MINNEAPOLIS (UPI) — Artificial heart patient Mary Lund — given a less than 50-50 chance to survive — remains in a "light coma" that has left her unable to open her eyes since receiving her miniature Jarvik-7 doctors say.

Lund, 40, Kensington, Minn., the first woman to receive an artificial heart, underwent the six-hour operation Thursday at Abbott Northwestern Hospital. She was reported in critical but stable condition late Monday.

Dr. Frederick Gobel, the hospital's medical spokesman, who last Friday said Lund had a 50-50 chance to survive, said during a Monday news conference that her chances were "something less than 50-50 today."

Lund has not opened her eyes since the operation, but can respond to requests to move her legs or squeeze her doctor's hand. Lund is able to breathe on her own but she is aided by a ventilator as a precautionary measure, he said.

Jury Finds For Tobacco Firm

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. (UPI) — The \$60-billion tobacco industry's record of never having to pay damages in a health-related suit is intact with a jury's ruling that R.J. Reynolds Co. was not liable in the death of a man who died after smoking three packs of cigarettes a day for more than half a century.

"The main issue in this case was personal responsibility and freedom of choice," Reynolds attorney Thomas Workman said after Monday's 9-3 verdict.

The jury, which had only one smoker, deliberated about nine hours before deciding against the family of John Galbraith, who died of heart and lung disease in 1992 at age 69 after smoking Camels and Winstons for 54 years.

The case was the first of about 45 similar pending suits to reach a jury and industry representatives and stock market analysts were among the spectators.

When the verdict came in, a representative of a Wall Street investment firm ran out of the courtroom to phone the news to brokers worried about the possible effect on tobacco stock prices.

Seniors Shout Scrooge

WASHINGTON (UPI) — A group representing almost 2 million senior citizens, charging, "Congress and the president have played ... Scrooge," is challenging in court the constitutionality of parts of a new balanced budget law.

The National Association of Retired Federal Employees said Monday it filed the class-action suit on grounds that part of the new Gramm-Rudman act is unconstitutional because it suspends a cost-of-living adjustment already in effect.

The cost-of-living adjustment took effect December 1, the group said, and was to be paid in January. The adjustment was suspended, however, following President Reagan's signing of the balanced budget measure Dec. 12.

The group said the new law constitutes seizure of property without just compensation in violation of the Fifth Amendment.

Judge Okays Donovan Tapes

NEW YORK (UPI) — A state judge said a "lack of leadership" plagued the FBI investigation that led to the fraud indictment of former Labor Secretary Raymond Donovan, but ruled tapes obtained in the probe may be used in his trial.

WORLD IN BRIEF

Waite Says Hostages In Good Health As He Goes To London

BEIRUT, Lebanon (UPI) — Church of England envoy Terry Waite, denying his negotiations to free four American hostages were deadlocked, said he would return to London today.

Waite's surprise departure plan, after three days in hiding in west Beirut, coincided with a claim by an underground group that it had executed a Jewish hostage in retaliation for Israeli attacks on south Lebanon villages.

Hours after the Organized of the Oppressed on Earth made its claim, police said the body of a man in his late 20s was found near the devastated city center and taken to a hospital for an autopsy and identification.

In another development, the family of French hostage Jean-Paul Kauffman arranged to visit the Lebanese capital today to spend Christmas "as close as possible" to him, his wife, Joelle, told a Lebanese radio station.

Waite said he had met the kidnapers and given them messages from the families of the kidnap victims. He said he received assurances that the American hostages were in good health.

Legal Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that JANE ADRIATICO, TR., the holder of the following certificates has filed said certificates for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate numbers and years of issuance, the description of the property, and the names in which it was assessed are as follows:
CERTIFICATE NO. 1263.
YEAR OF ISSUANCE: 1982.
DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: LEG LOT 72 LAKEWOOD SHORES 1ST ADD PB11PG56.
Name in which assessed ROBERT TRIZZINO.
All of said property being in the County of Seminole, State of Florida.
Unless such certificate or certificates shall be redeemed according to law the property described in such certificate or certificates will be sold to the highest bidder at the court house door on the 27TH day of January, 1984 at 11:00 a.m.
Approximately \$125.00 cash for fees is required to be paid by successful bidder at the sale. Deposit of 20% of the bid to be paid within 24 hours after closing of the sale. Balance due within 48 hours after closing of the sale. All payments shall be cash or guaranteed instrument, made payable to the Clerk of Circuit Court.
Dated this 12TH day of December, 1983.
(SEAL)
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Clerk of Circuit Court
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...Not Safe

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they think he is a burglar." Quindrell.

"One day Santa was coming to my house. He tried to go on the elevator and he got caught in the door. It smashed him. ... I said, 'What little hands you have Santa. What small feet you have Santa. What's in the smashed bag Santa?' Everything was smashed." Della.

"When he gets out of his sled, he lets the rats watch it. ... He knocked on the door and got hit with a pot of beans. The boys robbed his toys. He ran as fast as his belly could take him and he

tripped over a piece of trash. He screamed, 'Prancer, Dixon, Rudolph and Vixen, help me, I tripped over something.'" James.

"Santa Claus came to my house but he could not get in! No chimney. He walked up to the second floor, but the door was locked. He had to pick the lock. ... They beat him up and kicked him. He did not want to stay on the second floor. He went to the third floor. ... The dog bit him. ... He said, 'Forget it. I want to live!'" Maurice.

Brownstein said he was surprised.

"I guess the kids think no one can survive at Robert Taylor," he said.

...Shot

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Bullets struck Irwin in the chest and stomach and his son in the face.

According to a sheriff's report, Irwin, leaving a trail of blood, staggered to his car, fell down, got in the vehicle and drove away. Two blocks later he apparently lost consciousness and the car crashed into a building.

County rescue personnel treated Irwin. He and his son were transported to CFRH. Gordon also was treated at CFRH apparently for injuries from the fight, according to Spolaki.

The case is under investigation by Deputy Terry Huffman. Spolaki said.

—Deane Jordan

...Freeze

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has already been picked.

The first severe cold of the season is due to hit Florida just as Santa departs, taking temperatures into the low 20s or, as some weathermen are predicting, into the teens and sending citrus growers into the groves to protect their young trees.

Residents of Central Florida have been warned to protect plants from the expected freezing temperatures that are expected. Potted plants should

be brought indoors and tender outdoor plants and bushes should be covered.

A warming trend is expected by Saturday

Neighbors to the north in Georgia and Alabama will experience temperatures just above zero beginning early Thursday morning.

A northwest wind at 20 miles per hour will accompany the Central Florida cold, a bad experience for the pedestrian but helpful for growers.

Chances of rain are about 40 percent.

—Jane Casselberry

...Plane

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The plane hit the shopping center, one of the largest in Contra Costa County, 30 miles east of San Francisco, at 8:45 p.m. PST. Seconds later, a huge fireball erupted in the promenade where about 20 children and their parents were waiting for Santa Claus to return from a break.

Debris, flaming fuel and water from a broken six-inch pipe poured into the carpeted walkway where patrons were finishing a night of Christmas shopping.

"There was a huge ball of fire," said witness Tom Graham of nearby Martinez, who was in the mall. "Then everything went black. The electricity went out. There was mass hysteria — people screaming and running."

"The crash happened right dead center in the middle of the mall," said Stephen Bogner, 28, of Citrus Heights, who works in a mall clothing store. "It shook the whole mall," he said. Most of the injured suffered

burns and smoke inhalation. Hospitals treating the victims included Mount Diablo in Concord, County and Kaiser in Martinez, Brookside in San Pablo, Alta Bates in Berkeley and Children's in Oakland.

Ryan said the fire and police departments took command of the mall, and the fires were put out within an hour.

Weeping people wandered around the mall, trying to find family members and friends. Security officers and police, attempting to clear the scene, said there had been some looting. No arrests were reported.

Andy Beers of nearby Pleasant Hill said, "I've never been so scared in my life. There was just this loud noise and a tremendous ball of fire."

Witness Dan Veerward said he saw "a huge fireball" plummeting through the roof of the mall.

"There was a tremendous shudder. Nobody knew what happened. At first, we thought the decorations had exploded."

He said the fire burned the clothes off two women and "we put them in the fountain to cool them down" until emergency vehicles arrived.

AREA DEATHS

PEARLIE M. COX
Mrs. Pearl M. Cox, 82, of 430 Lakeview Ave., Lake Mary, died Monday at Central Florida Regional Hospital. Born April 5, 1903 in Big Stone Gap, Va., she moved to Lake Mary from Abingdon, Va., in 1980. She was a homemaker and a Methodist.

Survivors include four daughters, Frances E. Jones, Abingdon, Cleo Manning, and Betty Parlier, both Elizabethton, Tenn., and Mildred Walters, Lake Mary; two sons, Hubert Murray, Abingdon and William Murray of Sanford; 15 grandchildren 30 great-grandchildren.

Gramkow Funeral Home, Sanford, is in charge of arrangements.

C. EUGENE WARD
Mr. C. Eugene Ward, 66, 129 Reel Court, Sanford, died Friday at home. Born June 30, 1919 in Montgomery, Pa., he moved to Sanford from Williamsport, Pa., in 1982. He was a laborer and a member of First Friends Church, Williamsport. He was a member of First Friends Church, Williamsport. He was a World War II veteran and a member of the Order of the Purple Heart.

Survivors include his wife, Kathleen; son, Samuel E., Orlando; five brothers, J. Franklin, Earnest, Amos and Sterling, all of Williamsport, Thomas of Pennsylvania; four sisters, Luella Hiel, Allenwood, Pa., Arlene Breinsen, Maxine Fink, both of Williamsport, Thelma Freezer, Montoursville, Pa.; two grandchildren.

Baldwin-Fairchild Funeral Home, Orlando, is in charge of arrangements.

HY GOODMAN
Mr. Hy Goodman, 73, of 103 Shady Oak Drive, Sanford, died Monday at Florida Hospital, Orlando. Born Dec. 3, 1912 in Manhattan, N.Y., he moved to

...Santa

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Sometimes she is good also. Sometimes she pulls my hair. I want a whole lot of candy. I want a She-Ra Castle and all the dolls that come with it. Its OK if you give my sister Becky something too. I want some colored paper and pencils. I want a mermaid mother and children and father, if you have one.

I love you,
Emily VanDerworp, 6, Sanford

Dear Santa,
I am six and I want a bike, Rainbow Brite, My Buddy, GI Joe Men, Transformers. I'm sorry about my writing. Pound Puppy, Teddy Ruxpin, She-Ra and He-Man. I love you and I think you are cute. Bring me the bathing suit edition of Sports Illustrated.

Love, Matt Wilk

Dear Santa,
I want an Awake My Real Baby and a Barbie Workout Center and the Barbie with it. I want to ride in your sleigh very much. Please write back can I go on a sleigh ride with you. Yes— or No— Put in letter.

I love you Santa very much I hope to see you soon very soon.

Mikal Zapert
202 James Court, Winter Springs.

Dear Santa,
I want these Transformers, Bluestreak, Hound, Inferno, Grapple, Soundwave, Jetfire, Ormega, Spureme Megatron, Grimlock, and Blitzwing. I want these Gobots, Command Center, Leader 1, Robotix 2000 and 1500, Terox, black, blue, green, red and yellow Voltron lions, Skull tank, Castle-of-Lions, Hordak, Thunder-punch, He-man, Space Legos, Rhio, Thunder Hawk, Jackhammer, Scrabble, Spyhunter Chopper Command, Omnibot 2000, Electro-Tech lab, G.I. Joe Battle Platform, Snow Cat, Cobra Hydrofoil, Bridge Layer, G.I. Joe Aircraft Carrier, Colossal and Construx, and telescope.

Love, Russell Swift
1217 Cheetah Trail, Winter Springs.

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Te Quere, Jesalco Sanchez
144 Grackie Court, Casselberry

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Sincerely, Crissy Galvez Casselberry

Dear Mrs. Claus:
Make sure to make Santa nice and fat. I love you! Tell Santa to eat your cookies.

Prancer, come to my house and I love you. Dancer, make sure to take Santa to my house. I love you.

Rudoff, wake me up with your nose when Santa comes. I love you.

Mr. Elf, Merry Christmas, Frostie, I hope you don't melt.

Crissy

Dear Santa,
My name is K.C. I am three years old and my Granny says I have been a good boy this year.

Please bring me a big truck because my other one broke. And a new jeep. Also I would like to have a motorcycle and some new clothes.

My grandpa put some lights on our house so you can find me. We will share our cookies and milk with you on Christmas Eve. Thank you Santa. I love you.

K.C. Jackson, Lake Monroe

Dear Santa,
My mother is writing this. I have been a good girl. I want a whole lot of toys. I only want girl stuff. I have a little sister too. Sometimes she is good also. Sometimes she pulls my hair. I want a whole lot of candy. I want a She-Ra Castle and all the dolls that come with it. Its OK if you give my sister Becky something too. I want some colored paper and pencils. I want a mermaid mother and children and father, if you have one.

I love you,
Emily VanDerworp, 6, Sanford

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Te Quere, Jesalco Sanchez
144 Grackie Court, Casselberry

Dear Santa,
For Christmas I want a Cabbage Patch horse, a Cabbage Patch Kid, a Barbie doll, a normal doll, a Barbie car, a toy race car, a fishing pole, a toy fire truck, a tinker box, a radio controled car, a Pinochio doll.

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FLORIDA IN BRIEF

NASA Reschedules Launches: Now Columbia Blasts Off Jan 6

CAPE CANAVERAL (UPI) — The space agency has rescheduled the shuttle Columbia's twice-delayed launch for Jan. 6 and pushed back Challenger's blastoff with a school teacher on board to Jan. 23, one day later than planned.

The schedule adjustments, announced Monday, were required to allow extra time for crew training in the wake of Columbia's launch postponement over the Christmas holidays.

By delaying blastoff until Jan. 6, Columbia's crew, which includes Rep. Bill Nelson, D-Fla., will be able to brush up on their flight plans after the holiday postponement with extra practice sessions in shuttle simulators.

That decision, in turn, apparently took training time away from Challenger's crew, prompting a one-day launch delay to Jan. 23 for that shuttle.

Flash Money Flashed Away

MIAMI (UPI) — State prosecutors will take a statement Thursday from the girlfriend of a Miami policeman who is under suspension pending the outcome of an investigation into the theft of \$150,000 from a police department safe.

The cash, used as "flash money" for undercover drug investigations, disappeared from the safe in October. Detective Louis Fernandez, 28, was suspended with pay on Oct. 18, pending the outcome of the investigation.

Fernandez' girlfriend, Mara Linares, 19, was subpoenaed by state prosecutors and was asked to take a polygraph test. Lawyer Douglas Williams argued in Dade Circuit Court Monday that the subpoena was invalid.

Williams said the police department was conducting an internal investigation of the theft and that a state subpoena was improper because no official state investigation was under way.

Score: Illegal Aliens 10, INS 1

MIAMI (UPI) — Very few U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service agents are out looking for the nearly 1,000 Bahamian Hatians which have arrived illegally in the United States, Miami district director Perry Rivkind said.

For every one that is caught, at least 10 slip by, he said. "We don't have the manpower," said Rivkind.

Officials said the illegal influx into South Florida, prompted by the Bahamian government's Sept. 2 order for 40,000 illegal Hatians to leave or face arrest, is in full force.

Shoplifting Epidemic Nets 7 Arrests

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Seven people were arrested during the weekend on charges of shoplifting at area stores.

In the first incident, a Winter Park man was also charged with carrying a concealed weapon when brass knuckles were found in his pocket when he was arrested.

An employee at Goodings, 1024 E. State Road 436 said he saw the man put a package of steaks down his pants. The theft reportedly occurred at 10:24 a.m. Sunday.

Being on \$500 bond in the county jail was Christopher Martin Simon, 19. He was also being held on an outstanding warrant for Volusia County.

In two other separate incidents two men were arrested three minutes apart at a Winn Dixie store in Casselberry.

According to arrest report, a store employee saw a man head into a restroom with two packages of meat. The employee followed and saw the man hiding the meat in his pants. The incident reportedly occurred around 12:30 p.m. Sunday.

An officer was called and the man taken into custody.

While the lawman was making the arrest, a clerk reported seeing another man stuff a pork loin down his pants. The officer noted the second suspect had an "unusual bulge," and he was arrested also.

Released on \$100 bond in the first arrest was Richard Benjamin Maxwell, 43, address unknown. Release in the second arrest on \$100 bond was Eugene Wright, 52, of 111 Jackson St., Altamonte Springs.

A man who was accused of taking champagne from a convenient store was arrested at 11:47 p.m. Sunday in Lake Mary at County Road 15 and Lake Mary Boulevard.

The clerk accused the man of taking a bottle after looking around to see if anyone was watching him.

Released on \$100 bond was Lloyd Scott Whitlock, 27, of 215 Short St., Lake Mary. At Albertsons, State Road 434

struck the door of a vehicle slightly injuring Michele DuBois of 621 Iris Road, Casselberry. The incident reportedly occurred around 10 a.m. Saturday. He was released on \$500 bond.

—Johnathan Joseph Roberts, 37, of 611 Park Ave., Sanford, arrested Saturday at 6:45 p.m. on Interstate 4 south of Lake Mary after a trooper watched his car weave in and out of heavy traffic and driving in the emergency lane. He was being held Monday in lieu of \$500 bond.

—Horace Antone Goulart, 37, of Orlando, arrested Sunday at 12:35 p.m. on State Road 46A after his car was seen traveling at about 60 mph along the lakefront near Sanford on U.S. Highway 17-92.

AUTO THEFT

A Sanford man was arrested after a deputy noticed that the car the man was driving was stolen.

According to a sheriff's deputy, he was writing a report when he saw a car he knew was stolen. The report did not include information about the arrest itself. The arrest reportedly occurred at 2:10 a.m. Sunday.

Charged with auto theft, resisting arrest with violence and battery on a police officer was Jeffery G. Bradley, 24, of Center St. He was being held in lieu of \$1,000 bond.

DRUG ARREST AT BAR

A 24-year-old man was arrested by a Seminole County Sheriff Department Deputy at a Fern Park bar after being accused of having drugs in the bar.

The manager of the bar said he saw the man with a small plastic bag containing a dark substance hanging out of his pocket at the House of Babes, U.S. Highway 17-92. The manager, Morris Wade, met Sheriff's Deputy Stuart A. Walthers at the club, and told him the suspect was inside the lounge.

The incident occurred 2:48 a.m. Saturday.

The Deputy escorted the man outside and found two bags of marijuana in his left front pocket and a bag of suspected cocaine in his right rear pocket.

Gene Boyd Hitchcock, 24, who refused to give his address, was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana and cocaine. He was taken to the Seminole County Jail at 2:58 a.m. Saturday. He was being held in lieu of \$4,600 bond Saturday.

LAKE MARY THEFT

Someone apparently entered the home of a 55 year old Lake Mary woman through an unlocked back door, and took her Storer cable television converter box Friday afternoon, according to a police report.

The theft occurred between 12:30 and 4 p.m. Friday, while no one was at home. A daughter noticed the black converter box was missing when she returned home at 4 p.m.

Priscilla Gochee, 287 Third Street, estimated the loss at \$75.

BURGLARIES AND THEFTS

Sharon Goforth, 18, a clerk at Albertson's, in Casselberry, told a deputy that someone broke into her car and took a gold bracelet worth \$185 and a gold nugget valued at \$150. The incident occurred some time between 8 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Sunday.

—A woman shopping at Flea World, Sanford, reported she set a package down beside her while eating lunch only to discover it was gone when she finished. It contained \$50 in cash, a purse and about \$40 worth of Christmas presents, she said.

—An Oviedo man reported the theft of about \$1,715 worth of items from his home. Most of the items taken from the residence of Lee Wilson Grandy, 53, of Box 670, were camping equipment. Taken were sleeping bags, back packs, pots, pans, utensils, tackle box, five reels, a 12 gauge shotgun, field jacket, field stove and lantern, ax, tent, thermos bottle and beret. Also taken was a VCR, stereo speakers and a machinist's tool box with tools.

It was the second time in five years Grandy's home has been burglarized, according to the report. In the latest incident, the thief pried a door open despite a locked door knob and a locked dead bolt.

Christmas Eve Special Service

Sanford Christian Church, 137 W. Airport Blvd., will hold a Christmas Eve candlelight service today at 7 p.m. It is open to the public.

For a listing of times and places of other Christmas Eve services see the Religion page of the Sunday, Dec. 22, Herald.

CALENDAR

THURSDAY, DEC. 26
International Training in Communication Greater Seminole Club (previously Toastmistress), 7:30 p.m., Altamonte Chapel Education Building on State Road 436, second and fourth Thursdays.
Alzheimer's Support Group, 7 p.m., Howell Place, 200 W. Airport Boulevard, Sanford. Second and Fourth Thursdays.
Employment help for senior citizens, 10 a.m., Casselberry Senior Center, 200 N. Lake Triplet Drive, Casselberry.
Sweet Adelines, 7:30 p.m., Casselberry Senior Center, 200 N. Lake Triplet Drive, Casselberry.
REBOS AA, noon and 5:30 (closed), Reboas Club, 130 Normandy Lane, Casselberry.
Sanford AA, 1201 W. First St., 5:30 p.m., closed discussion, and 8 p.m., open.
Oviedo AA, 8 p.m., closed, First United Methodist Church.
Overeaters Anonymous, open, 7:30 p.m., Community United Methodist Church, Highway 17-92, Casselberry. Newcomers meeting, 7 p.m. Call Jean at 830-0995. Also, 7:30 p.m., in the annex conference room behind Florida Hospital-Altamonte, State Road 436, Altamonte Springs.

FRIDAY, DEC. 27
Central Florida Kiwanis Club, 7:30 a.m., Florida Federal Savings and Loan, State Road 436 at 434, Altamonte Springs.
Seminole Sunrise Kiwanis Club, 7 a.m., Airport Restaurant, Sanford.
Optimist Club of South

Seminole, 7:30 a.m., Holiday Inn, Wymore Road, Altamonte Springs.
Central Florida Blood Bank Florida Hospital-Altamonte Branch, 601 E. Altamonte Ave., 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
REBOS AA, noon, 5:30 and 8 p.m. (closed), Reboas Club, 130 Normandy Lane, Casselberry.
Wekiva AA (no smoking), 8 p.m., Wekiva Presbyterian Church, SR 434, at Wekiva Springs Road, closed.
Longwood AA, 8 p.m., Rolling Hills Moravian Church, SR 434, Longwood. Alanon, same time and place.
Tanglewood AA, 8 p.m., St. Richard's Episcopal Church, Lake Howell Road. Alanon, same time and place.
Sanford AA Step, 8 p.m., 1201 W. First St., Sanford.
24-Hour Crossroads AA, 8 p.m. (open discussion), 4th Street and Bay St., Sanford.
SATURDAY, DEC. 28
East-West Kiwanis Club, 8 a.m., Sanford Airport Restaurant, Sanford.
Sanford Womens' AA, 1201 W. First St., 2 p.m., closed.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Central Florida Regional Hospital
Monday
ADMISSIONS
Sanford:
Gilbert S. Blake
Louise Hampton
Nola C. Hollerbeck
Edna M. Keller
Jeanette D. Knight
Dorothy M. Russ
Tom W. Spivey
Alice M. Varrecchia

Louis B. Ambrose, DeBary
James S. Mason, DeLand
Fulton H. Sessler, Deltona
DISCHARGES
Sanford:
Martin P. Bacon
Grace M. Cronk
Margaret L. Goll, Geneva
Rosane E. Esalahramit and baby girl
Linda M. Courtney and baby boy, Oviedo
BIRTHS
Edna M. Keller, a baby boy

WEATHER

NATIONAL REPORT: Snow, ice and another blast of sub-zero cold hit the northern part of the nation today, endangering millions of holiday travelers with slippery roads, while fog-bound flyers in Seattle and Reno, Nev., experienced a different kind of white Christmas. Heavy snow fell early today over parts of the Plains, much of the Great Lakes, and parts of New York state and Pennsylvania. Heavy snow warnings were posted for northern Wisconsin and northern upper Michigan, where up to a foot of snow was predicted. Bitterly cold temperatures numbed the northern Plains and upper Mississippi valley early today. At Duluth, Minn., where the temperature was 14 below zero, winds gusting to 34 mph pushed the wind chill to 70 below. The frosty air spread rapidly southward and was expected to reach the Gulf coast by tonight. Wind chills were expected to be near zero later today in Arkansas, and

Louisiana braced for a hard freeze.
AREA READINGS (9 a.m.): temperature: 57; overnight low: 46; Monday's high: 58; barometric pressure: 30.08; relative humidity: 80 percent; winds: SSW at 9 mph; rain: 0.00 inch; sunrise: 7:14 a.m., sunset 5:23 p.m.
WEDNESDAY TIDES: Daytona Beach: highs, 6:46 a.m., 7:00 p.m.; lows, 12:01 a.m., 12:53 p.m.; Port Canaveral: highs, 7:06 a.m., 7:20 p.m.; lows, 12:21 a.m., 1:13 p.m.; Baysport: highs, 6:35 a.m., 6:37 p.m.; lows, 12:09 a.m., 12:43 p.m.
EXTENDED FORECAST: — Becoming mostly fair and turning very cold Thursday and Friday then fair and warmer by Saturday. Lows as cold as the teens in the north, 20s central and 30s south and near 50 in the Keys by Friday morning. Lows Saturday from near 30 north, 40s central, 50s south

and 60s keys. Highs in the 40s north to 60s south Thursday then 60s north to around 70 south Saturday.
AREA FORECAST: — Today...cloudy with a 50 percent chance of light rain or a shower by afternoon. High near 70. Southwest wind 15 mph. Tonight...cloudy and turning colder with a 40 percent chance of showers. Low mid to upper 40s. Wind shifting to northwest 15 to 20 mph. Christmas day...colder with decreasing cloudiness. High low 50s. Northwest wind 20 mph.
BOATING FORECAST: St. Augustine to Jupiter Inlet out 50 miles — Southwest wind 15 knots today and early tonight shifting to northwest 15 to 20 knots later tonight then northwest 20 knots Wednesday. Sea 3 to 5 feet increasing Wednesday. Bay and inland waters a moderate chop. Widely scattered showers ending late tonight.

\$120 Million Coke Bust

HOUMA, La. (UPI) — Two men have been charged with trying to smuggle 555 pounds of pure cocaine into the country, police said.

Peter H. Taylor, 46, of Edmond, Okla., and Juan J. Sanchez, 30, of Hialeah, Fla., were arrested Saturday at the Houma airport, said Houma Police Chief Charles Farmer.

The cocaine was found in duffel bags and boxes aboard a twin-engine Piper Navajo, which was equipped with seven extra fuel tanks, Farmer said. The additional fuel tanks, with a capacity of 400 gallons, indicate the plane had flown a long distance, possibly from South America, he said.

The cocaine would have had a street value of about \$120 million, the chief said.

Taylor and Sanchez have been charged with possession with intent to distribute cocaine and unauthorized use of a movable. Farmer said, since it is not clear whether they were authorized to use the plane.

Sanchez also was charged

with illegal carrying of a weapon.

In addition to the cocaine, Houma police confiscated a parrot from the plane. Farmer said the bird was turned over to the U.S. Department of Agriculture.



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Creative Antics With Semantics

One of the problems we Americans have in understanding foreign cultures, and sometimes our own politics, is not unlike the problem of understanding teenagers. We forget there is a difference between freedom and independence. Then we interchange them "freely."

In fact, they are two quite different things. This world is full of people who want to be free, but do not really want to be independent.

Dependency, indeed, has become a national pastime here at home, usually ushered in by calls upon the politicians to show "compassion" — another word widely misused. It just sounds so good, whereas "pity," which means the same thing, sounds demeaning and insulting.

Perhaps the most widely abused word, however, since the 1960s has been "conscientious," which we have used as if anything we label with it automatically is above the law.

We have a way of making political causes into moral issues for which we claim legal immunity — and moral justification for all sorts of "movements."

The magic word also relieves us of responsibility to show tolerance to anybody who disagrees with us on this political issue, and we can even accuse them of "moral" lapse!

That's not the approach that the democratic principle requires for its own good health. Nor is it fair.

This word trick is responsible for a massive increase in disrespect for the law in general and a great deal of outright violence.

True conscience in a democracy was demonstrated by Socrates, when he refused escape offers and took the hemlock cup. He would neither violate his conscience nor the law, but accepted the dual obligation and paid the price without complaint.

He knew what life was like outside the city walls where there was no law, and that even when the law erred it had to be kept or humanity would suffer even more.

He didn't want to set a bad example. He had a real conscience, not a selective one tailored to his own advantage.

Today, we seek to make "conscience" a license to make our own laws and reject those we don't like. We have even held classes to instruct people in various movements how to make their political cause a matter of "conscience" semantically and, thus, in some cases, circumvent the law.

Conscience, the real thing, is not a loophole for escaping responsibility. It is quite the opposite.

This important distinction is just one of the consequences of the incredible, expanding carelessness with which we use the English language these days, when being "creative" in its use is more important than being precise.

Clear thoughts do not come from fuzzy language, and we are inundated in the trick use of words by politicians, TV commercials, an army of publicists and exposure to comedic and dramatic entertainment on a scale unknown to past generations.

The effective execution of any kind of organized enterprise, from industrial production to professional football, depends on clear and precise communication, understood by all. More problems arise in execution, and in labor and management affairs, as well, from misunderstandings than from any other cause.

Think of the staggering importance of precision in Geneva at the summit, not only between any written agreement which ultimately arises, but in the conversations themselves. Reading between the lines simply is not good enough when serious, functional actions are involved.

Yet, the two men of the summit were two of the planet's most talented players of the word game, and precise and accurate use of words is not either's habit. They say the talks are "frank." One hopes that means they spoke plainly and precisely.

But it would be a first for both of them.

BERRY'S WORLD



"He was just GREAT. Ate all the cookies and drank all the milk the kids left for me!"

DICK WEST

Nothing Is Safe...May Be The Only Thing

WASHINGTON — As if we needed any reminder, a national safety organization has emblazoned its seasonal envelopes with a sign warning: "Caution! Xmas Ahead!"

Most of us already were aware that the Christmas season is an exceedingly dangerous time of year. For the few that still need convincing, however, proof abounds.

One bit of evidence may be seen in the study which lists a certain doll as the most hazardous toy on the market this year.

The agency that performed this valuable public service points out the peril is posed by a collar that can be removed from the doll and placed around a child's neck, perhaps causing the kid to choke.

Before joining a protest that might lead to removal of that doll from toy store shelves, however, bear in mind that many other dolls are similarly risky. Some have arms and legs that are small enough for a youngster to jam down his or her throat.

You don't have to study medicine to appreci-

ate the danger confronting a child who is inclined to cram toy appendages down the esophagus. Suffice to say, tiny limbs can be as hazardous as a doll's removable collar.

As is traditional, many other hints and tips come from Dale Lowdermilk, founder of NOT-SAFE, the initials of the National Organization Touting Safety and Fairness Everywhere.

Lowdermilk, a Santa Barbara, Calif., air traffic controller, recently sent me a copy of a newspaper picture of a former sailor who planned to dump thousands of beer bottles containing religious messages into the Pacific Ocean.

"Remember when this used to be called 'littering?'" Lowdermilk asked.

I can indeed recall the anti-litter campaigns once in favor but I don't need a safety expert to remind me of them.

He also has passed along a magazine clipping that seems to provide talking points for opponents of the mandatory seat belt laws many states have enacted.

According to Science Digest, 20 months after

Britain's seat-belt law became effective, record numbers of bicyclists and pedestrians are being run down by autos. The magazine says seat belts may promote dangerous driving by making motorists feel more secure.

"I bet you thought seat belts were safe," Lowdermilk wagers. "Ha! Nothing is safe!"

Where he truly excels, however, is in the preparation of safety advice. I can tell you the head of NOT-SAFE definitely frowns on the prospect of anyone spilling Christmas by choking.

"Chew food carefully," he admonishes, and I would say that applies to chewing doll arms and legs as well.

If you feel you really must make like Santa Claus this year, stay on the safe side — leave only dolls with arms and legs that are too big to poke down young gullets.

Although I haven't cleared this bit of advice with Lowdermilk, I feel certain he would approve.

And if you plan to stuff the stockings with plenty of nothing, remember nothing is safe.

ANTHONY HARRIGAN

Soviets Require Imports

Over almost 70 years, a small minority of American corporations have done their best to sell the Soviets the rope they need with which to hang capitalism. They have sought to sell advanced computers, oil-drilling equipment, ball bearings needed in missiles and entire turn-key factories that produce trucks for the Red Army.

Some of these companies were simply greedy. Some thought that free trade with the Soviets would produce lasting detente. Again and again, however, they were proved wrong. The Soviets used and continue to use trade with the West as a means for playing technological catch up. Their aim is to enhance the industrial-technological-military base of the Soviet Union, not to provide Soviet consumers with a wider range of choice.

Those who urge trade with the Soviet Union persist in ignoring this history. They are back at the old stand, trying to use post-Geneva summit euphoria to launch new trade deals.

In early December, 600 Americans and Soviets attended a trade meeting in Moscow sponsored by the U.S.-U.S.S.R. Trade and Economic Council. The purpose of the meeting was to promote trade between the two countries.

It's a matter of regret that Secretary of Commerce Malcolm Baldrige attended this meeting. While he specified that the United States is interested only in "non-strategic" trade, he should know that the sponsoring group is for all-out trade with the Soviet Union, irrespective of the strategic cost to the United States.

Mr. Baldrige also should be aware of the fact that the U.S.-U.S.S.R. Trade and Economic Council is an extremely secretive organization that is reluctant to disclose names of its officials and members. Under the circumstances, it isn't appropriate that the Reagan administration align itself with an organization that is associated with detente policies.

The major media would do the country a favor by identifying the individuals and companies that spearhead the U.S.-U.S.S.R. Trade and Economic Council. The public has a right to know the objectives of this organization.

With hard times in a number of industries, many companies are under pressure to sell their goods to the Soviets.



JEFFREY HART

A Round About Bush

The fight is now on over the future of the Republican Party and over the future of the conservative movement in America.

Last week, Vice President Bush attended a banquet in Washington honoring the late William Loeb, the feisty editor of the Manchester Union Leader in New Hampshire. It was one of those rare moments in American politics. Bush was trying to bury the hatchet with the Republican right wing. Mr. Loeb had disdained Bush during the 1980 primaries, and strongly backed Ronald Reagan. He wrote a series of memorable editorials that year about Bush, one of them titled "More Mush From the Wimp." For his part, Bush was then attacking supply-side economic as "Voodoo Economics." The lines, to put it mildly, were clearly drawn.

Let me digress to say that I find it hard to believe that William Loeb has now been dead for four years. Last week, in The New York Times, Mr. James Reston saw fit to describe William Loeb as a "bigot." Then, having committed this McCarthyism, he had the chutzpah to say that for Bush to salute Loeb was almost as bad as saluting Joe McCarthy.

I have no idea what Mr. Reston had in mind when he reached for the term "bigot." William Loeb did not have a grain of bigotry in his body. He was never, to my awareness, anti any ethnic group. He was a colorful journalist reminiscent of an earlier era of American journalism, a many-colored unicorn amid the journalists in the gray-flannel suits.

In person he was also a reminder of another era. It would be an understatement to say that he was well-mannered. He was, there is no way other word, courtly. His father had been President Theodore Roosevelt's private secretary.

William Loeb came into our own time trailing clouds of American glory from that distant time. A vigorous polemicist, he was too well bred to carelessly use the term "bigot" to smear an opponent.

In slapping Vice President Bush on the knuckles for honoring William Loeb, Mr. Reston identified Bush with the "progressive" tradition of the Republican Party, associating Bush with the "Eastern" wing of Teddy Roosevelt and Eisenhower. Bush might have replied thanks, but no thanks. Neither Teddy Roosevelt nor Dwight Eisenhower would today associate himself with the Lowell Weicker wing of the Republican Party — a wing that consists of Lowell Weicker and the retiring Maryland Senator Charles Mathias. Dwight Eisenhower was a thrillingly tough military man who ended the Korean War by openly threatening the Chinese with atomic destruction. Theodore Roosevelt was not a liberal in today's terms. Ask the Spaniards on San Juan Hill. Ask Woodrow Wilson, whom Roosevelt publicly called a yellow dog pacifist.

But, who is George Bush? He cannot win the Republican nomination on the lines laid down by James Reston, and his presence at the William Loeb banquet indicates that he knows it.

WASHINGTON WORLD

Chemical Weapons On Hold

By Elliot Brenner

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The United States has not built chemical weapons since 1969 and cannot start until next fall, but the Pentagon has chalked up a major win by cracking the Capitol Hill opposition to them.

It is likely to be only a matter of time — barring any quick agreement with the Soviets on a chemical arms treaty — before assembly work can begin on chemical weapons.

The opponents can claim a small victory: the money approved this year was largely locked up until a long list of requirements are met. But that is a long way from the absolute refusal of the House between 1982 and 1984 to accept the idea in any form.

While the Republican-controlled Senate approved money to modernize the stockpiles each year, the House balked. And the House position prevailed in conference committees.

This year the House backed off a bit, and Pentagon backers were quick to press their advantage, even though they did not get immediate production.

Even one of the principal opponents — who vows to try again in the spring with the next Pentagon budget to scuttle the entire proposition — concedes the dam has been breached.

Rep. John Porter, R-Ill., said, "With this [catchall spending] bill, the foot is in the door and the historic commitment the U.S. made in not producing these terrible weapons years ago will be broken."

Specifically, the new Pentagon spending bill provides \$126 million of the \$163.5 million the administration wanted to do early work on a new generation of chemical weapons.

The new weapons are termed "binary" munitions because they contain two chambers, each with a largely harmless chemical. The two mix and become dangerous when the shell is fired or bomb is dropped.

"What we're trying to do is give the Soviets an opportunity to come to the table, and give us a safe weapons system if it does come to that point," said Rep. Bill Chappell, D-Fla., who pushed for the system during House debate.

Barring that agreement, with its foot already in the door, the Pentagon is likely in the coming years to pry the opening wide enough to get almost all it wants.

JACK ANDERSON

FDIC Bargains For Late Shoppers

By Jack Anderson
And Joseph Spear

WASHINGTON — What's that? You say it's the last shopping day before Christmas and there's someone on your list who has everything? Don't panic. Just call your friendly neighborhood office of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. They've got things for sale that you wouldn't imagine — and at bargain prices.

The FDIC isn't usually regarded as Santa's workshop, but with banks failing at a historic rate, the government insurance agency has come into possession of some mighty exotic, one-of-a-kind merchandise. The stuff was accepted as collateral for loans by banks that subsequently went belly-up, and the FDIC took reluctant possession after it seized the banks' assets to pay off depositors' insured accounts.

Our associate Michael Binstein dug up some "colorful examples. Would you believe:

— Gen. George Armstrong

Custer's knife? Old Yellowhair's blade, confiscated by Sitting Bull's warriors at the Battle of Little Big Horn, was accepted by an Arkansas bank as collateral, along with a shirt adorned with 350 scalps dating back to 1875 and other Indian relics, paintings and figurines.

— A startling 25,000 pounds of frozen rabbit? A California bank foreclosed on a rabbit breeder's loan and wound up in the stew. You better move fast, though. A major food conglomerate has expressed interest in the rabbit meat to process into dog food.

— An abandoned gold mine in Wadapai, Ariz.? This might be just the thing for that worthless in-law on your list: A squatter has moved in and takes potshots at strangers with his rifle.

— A hundred bird dogs? A Kansas bank unwisely accepted these as collateral, and the FDIC, having saved the dogs from starvation, is now desperate to sell them.

— A hundred pairs of parakeets? An Oklahoma bank got stuck with these before it folded. Please hurry:

The FDIC is running out of newspaper.

— A 40-acre gravel pit? It's located in Oregon, and the asking price is a mere \$65,000. The property includes five ponds and three lakes. (Don't ask us the difference.) As a matter of fact, 28 of the 40 acres are underwater.

— An almost-completed home in Southern California with 10 bedrooms and 1 1/2 baths? (You know Californians' obsession with cleanliness.) The house, near Irvine, has a three-car garage, and the FDIC is asking \$1.2 million. But they should be open to offers: They've got more than 130 parcels of real estate they want to unload in some of the most exclusive neighborhoods.

— Quarter horses? The FDIC is still trying to liquidate the assets of Penn Square National Bank, which collapsed in July 1982. Its collateral included several million dollars' worth of horse flesh, and the government eventually auctioned off \$1 million worth. Still left in the

agency's inventory, though, is a breeding horse with venereal disease.

— A Rolls-Royce with a cracked block? It's sitting in Midland, Texas.

— A sunken tugboat? It awaits you on the bottom of a river. The FDIC will gladly locate it for you.

For those who specialize in the age-old Christmas excuse — "I was going to get you that, but someone beat me to it" — we might mention some past FDIC merchandise that you are too late to acquire:

— An R-rated movie called "The Happy Hooker."

— An antique Koran.

— A Texas house of ill fame.

— A herd of Buffalo in Kansas.

They were diseased and the Agriculture Department destroyed the poor beasts. "They shot our collateral," mourned an FDIC official.

But there's still time to pick up some plastic glasses with a bankrupt bank's name embossed on them, or a set of colonial-era gold coins valued at \$2 million.

SPORTS

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Hempstead's 'Saucy' Attack Rips Cougars

By Sam Cook
Herald Sports Editor

Trying to play the Hempstead (N.Y.) Tigers' basketball team without a point guard is akin to eating barbecue ribs without a napkin. When the sauce stops running, all you have leftover is a mess.

"We knew that," Clearwater Countryside said after Hempstead's saucy pressure defense and fastbreaking offense ran all over his Cougars. "But our point guard transferred to Clearwater (High). He jumped ship on us after two years."

And it's pointless to play the Tigers without a point guard. The spirited pressure inflicted by this tangy and unselfish band of New Yorkers is just too great.

Hempstead pressed and harassed its way to the first Central Florida Classic championship Monday night with an easy 81-58 victory over Countryside before 303 fans at Seminole Community College's Health Center.

The staunchest of the runners was George Alford. The 6-3 senior forward picked up the tournament's most valuable player award with his fourth consecutive standout performance. Alford popped in a game-high 25 points and pulled down nine rebounds as Hempstead improved to 6-0.

"Alford is one of the best players I've ever coached," Hempstead mentor Ted Adams said. "He is totally into the game and aware of everything that's going on."

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Alford, who was joined on the all-tournament team by teammates Rob Smith and Byron Prince, poured in 16 points as the Tigers rolled to a 7-0 start before settling for a 20-17 lead after the first period.

Hempstead's fullcourt pressure hounded the Cougars all night, forcing 28 turnovers. "I believe it," Heints said about the giveaways. "But credit Hempstead for that. We couldn't handle them on the press or under the boards."

Nine of those turnovers came in the first period but all-tournament selections Greg Stauffer and David Fletcher offset the miscues with some stellar shooting. Stauffer, a 6-4 senior gunner, rang up several long bombs while Fletcher, a 6-2 sophomore, scored on several nice drives.

"No. 23 (Stauffer) was their catalyst the first half," Adams admitted. "He accounted for the first seven points directly or indirectly. At halftime, we decided to deny him without the ball and keep their other guard (David Rittenhouse) away from him."

By halftime, Hempstead had a 42-32 lead but the handwriting was on the slowly tightening walls of the Tigers' defense. The Cougars had already turned the ball over 15 times and there was

more to come. Along with Alford's 16 points, guard Smith had 14 and Prince seven. Stauffer's 13 and Fletcher's eight led the Cougars.

Adams' isolation of Stauffer took effect in the final 16 minutes as he could manage just two more points. Hempstead's Prince, Alford and Robert Moore also took control inside to forge a 35-20 rebounding edge.

Stauffer fired in his final bucket and Fletcher added two free throws to open the third period and cut the deficit to nine, but Countryside would get no closer. Hempstead outscored the Cougars, 11-2, over the next four minutes to take a 53-38 lead. The quarter ended, 55-42.

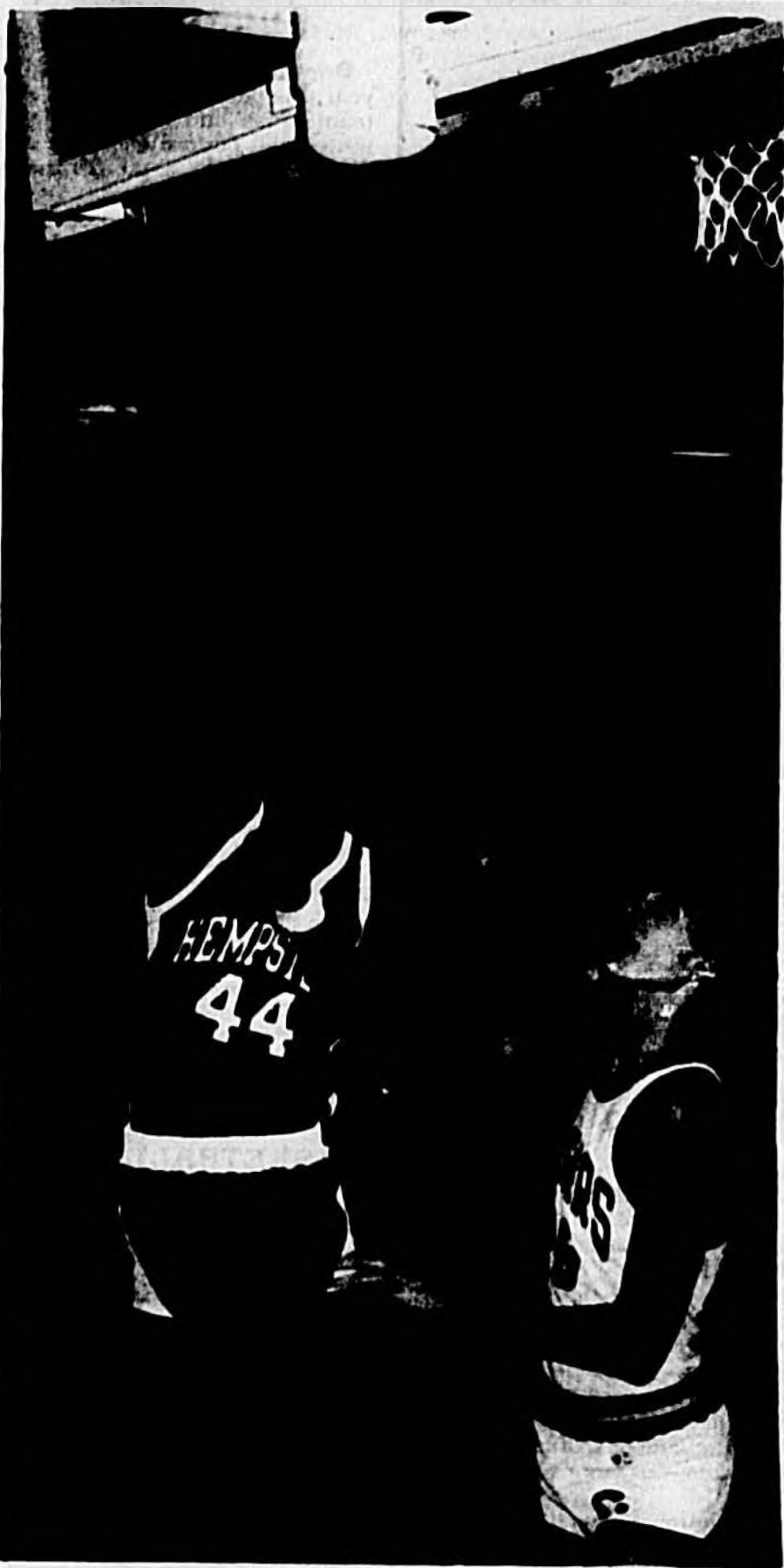
Hempstead's pressure really took hold in the fourth quarter. The Tigers forced six turnovers in a two-minute span while running off 15 consecutive points for a 72-44 bulge. Countryside didn't get its second basket of the quarter until four minutes remained.

Both coaches turned loose the reserves for the final two minutes.

"We played well," Adams said about the Tigers' fourth tournament win in five days. "I kept saying, 'I hope we have one more night in us.' We were lethargic the first night but we came out of it in the second half. We're tough to stop when we start running."

Like barbecue without a napkin.

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Herald Photo by Tommy Vincent

Tournament MVP George Alford, left, switches over to his right hand to drop in a reverse layup against Countryside's Matt Geiger. Alford, Hempstead's power and finesse forward, scored 25 points as the Tigers won the tournament.

Lyman Mauls Mustangs

By Chuck Burgess
Special to the Herald

T.J. Scaletta and Robert Thomas combined for 36 points to help the Lyman Greyhounds rout the Merritt Island Mustangs, 79-48, in prep basketball action at Seminole Community College in the first Central Florida Christmas Classic consolation finals.

In the game for fifth place, junior guard Randy Ferguson sank a reverse layup at the buzzer to send the Oviedo Lions and Dunedin into overtime, where the Lions rolled to a 67-57 win.

The Greyhounds played in Monday's first game and jumped out to an early eight-point lead, 16-8, over the Mustangs with Scaletta, a member of the all-tournament team, hitting eight of his game-high 20 points in the first period.

Into the second period with the score 24-19, the Greyhounds went on a scoring rampage with an eight-point burst and a comfortable 13-point lead. However, the Mustangs hit three points and the 'Hounds went into the intermission ahead 32-22.

When the third period opened with a jumper by the Mustangs' Greg Seaton, it looked as if the Greyhounds might be faltering.

However, the period belonged to the Greyhounds' football star Thomas. Thomas hit 10 points, most of them coming off feeds from Scaletta.

"We executed really well," head Greyhound coach Tom Lawrence said. "This may be the smartest team I've ever coached. We wanted to get them (Merritt Island) into a fullcourt game because of their (large) size."

The key to the Greyhounds' victory was their consistency at the free throw line, according to Lawrence. The 'Hounds only missed five free throws all night and didn't miss a single one in the first half.

"It's a lot of fun when we're playing like this," Scaletta said. "I was able to penetrate and dish off to the open man all night long. They were a lot bigger than us and we just outthruated them."

In the Oviedo game, Ferguson put in an over head, behind-the-back ball Mary shot at the buzzer to pull the game into overtime with the score tied at 53 apiece. Just two nights ago, Ferguson sank a jump shot off a rebound with 19 seconds left to beat Cocoa in a 44-43 upset thriller.

In the overtime period, Robb Hughes connected on two short jumpers and Terry Campbell sank eight points, all on free throws, to pace the Lions to the 10-point victory.

The Lions jumped out to an early 18-8 first period lead. The Dunedin team sank the first bucket when Lon Hadwin hit a short jumper from the left wing. However, with the score 7-6 in Oviedo's favor, the Lions poured in 10 straight points to take the early lead.

The second period involved the use of a Dunedin trap that left the Lions dumbfounded. Tony Collie provided the inside punch for Dunedin as he hit two layups to pull Dunedin within six points.

The Lions' lead was cut even closer when Adolphus Merricks popped in a six-foot jumper with 4:46 remaining in the second period. The score remained a six-point deficit until Collie put in a layup, making the score 31-25 at the end of the half.

Dunedin hung tough, though, throughout the period as they took the lead when Kirk Hadley was fouled by Hughes and hit both ends of the foul shots. But, battling back, Hughes made up for his mistake and took a feed from Garth Bolten to go ahead.

However, Chris Williams hit nothing but net on a jumper from the top of the key to put the Dunedin team up by two. The Lions' Ferguson made the shot to tie it up at 39-39, but Collie hit two ends of a one and one after being fouled by Bolten to give the Falcons a 41-39 lead at the end of three.

The Lions battled back with the play of Ferguson and Hughes to bring the game to 53-51 with five seconds to go. The Lions called a timeout to talk it over and then Ferguson made the game-saving shot at the buzzer.

"I guess I'm just lucky," Ferguson said. "I just shot it up there. I still can't believe it went in."

Henderson Plays Hero At Buzzer

By Sam Cook
Herald Sports Editor

Rod Henderson, whose been the heart and soul of the Seminole High basketball team the first half of the season, added the hero's role to his dossier Monday night in the third place game of the first Central Florida

Basketball

Classic at Seminole Community College's Health Center.

Henderson, a 6-4 swingman, took a pass from Andre Whitney

and dropped in a 12-footer just inside the foul line at the buzzer to lift the Seminoles to a 56-54 victory over Auburndale's Bloodhounds Monday night before 303 fans.

"We had them all the way,"

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Hayes: Raiders Invincible In L.A.

ANAHEIM, Calif. (UPI) — With their victory over the Los Angeles Rams Monday night, the Los Angeles Raiders are planning just one more road trip this season — to New Orleans for Super Bowl XX.

"The Silver and Black is invincible in Los Angeles," Raiders cornerback Lester Hayes said. "As far as the Silver and Black mentality, we could go to Siberia and win. No one can beat us in L.A."

The Raiders hope that's true. They clinched the home-field advantage throughout the AFC playoffs by smothering the Rams 16-6 before a crowd of 66,676 at Anaheim Stadium.

"The driving force tonight was to get the home-field advantage," said Hayes. "All week long we kept saying we didn't want to play the Dolphins in Miami."

The Raiders entered the game knowing they would host the winner of Saturday's wild-card game between New England and the New York Jets — teams

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they have beaten this year.

And with the Dolphins hosting the 8-8 Cleveland Browns in their first post-season game, there's a good chance the Raiders and Miami will meet for the AFC crown on Jan. 12. The Raiders wanted that title game at the Los Angeles Coliseum, and they got it, so long keep winning.

Marcus Allen also got the NFL rushing title he was seeking. The slippery halfback gained 123 yards on 24 carries to finish with 1,759 yards — 50 more than Atlanta's Gerald Riggs. He is the first Raider to win the title.

For the season, Allen had 2,311 yards in running and receiving, topping the NFL record set by Eric Dickerson of the Rams last year. And he rushed for at

least 100 yards for the ninth straight game, tying the record set by Chicago's Walter Payton this season.

"The team opened up the holes for me all season," said Allen. "To win the home-field advantage in the playoffs, that was important to all of us. I was happy I could do the things I did, but it was more important that we win."

Chris Bahr connected on three field goals and the Raiders' defense sacked quarterback Dieter Brock six times and permitted just 50 total yards in the first half.

NFC WILD CARD GETS BEARS

NEW YORK (UPI) — The winner of Sunday's NFC wild-card game — either San Francisco or the New York Giants — will play in Soldier Field against the Chicago Bears Jan. 5 in a divisional playoff game, the NFL said Monday in announcing the league playoff schedule.

The New York Jets host the New England Patriots at 4 p.m. EST Saturday

in the AFC wild-card game. The San Francisco 49ers are at the New York Giants at 1 p.m. Sunday. Both games are at Giants Stadium.

EXUBERANT FANS GET BURNED

FOXBORO, Mass. (UPI) — Five exuberant fans burned when a goal post they were carrying struck a 20,000-volt power line were recuperating while the New England Patriots expressed sadness: "that the enthusiasm turned into tragedy."

"When that many people try to get on the field at the same time, there's not a whole lot you can do," spokesman Mike Loftus said Monday, the day after the Patriots defeated the Cincinnati Bengals 34-23 and won a playoff berth.

The five sustained electrical burns to the hands and face and were in good to stable condition, hospital officials said.

Thousands of fans poured onto the field and tore down the goal posts Sunday.

Bennett: Tampa Needs Top Picks

TAMPA (UPI) — Tampa Bay Coach Leeman Bennett closed the books on a 2-14 tale of terror Monday by predicting the Buccaneers would evolve into playoff contenders within two years.

The Buccaneers tied Buffalo for the worst record in the NFL, but Tampa Bay holds the No. 1 pick in the April collegiate draft. The Buccaneers also own Miami's first-round pick and they will have three of the first 28 choices as Bennett tries to rebound from a disastrous rookie season.

"When you're 2-14, it's hard to make a mistake in the draft," said Bennett Monday before departing for a hunting trip. "We've gotta have some wins or the attitude that we can't win will be implanted in this football team. After all, we haven't been very good for three seasons now. I think we can turn it around and we will turn it around."

Tampa Bay owner Hugh Culverhouse has indicated he will probably sell the club if the Buccaneers do not display a "dramatic turnaround" by 1987. Bennett feels no added pressure operating under that timetable.

"We've won 10 games in the last three years," he said, "and my feeling is you're competitive when you're in playoff contention down the stretch. I certainly expect that in two years. Of course, that phrase will probably come back to haunt me."

Not as much as the '85 season will. "I'm not contemplating making any coaching changes," said Bennett, "but I intend to review our entire program in the months ahead. We made far too many errors that aren't related to talent — lining up incorrectly, lining up officials, that sort of thing. Those types of errors shouldn't be expected as part of learning a new system 16



Lee Roy Selmon racks up Gary Danielson. Buc's defense was lost without Selmon, who missed the season with a back injury.

games into the year." Bennett said James Wilder, who rushed for 1,300 yards, will probably have company in the backfield next season as Tampa Bay veers away from a 1-back set.

Quarterback Steve Young, who started the final five games, impressed Bennett with his improved arm strength but the former Brigham Young star will work with the coaching staff on throwing the ball away under pressure rather than taking a sack.

Lake Mary Stuns No. 4 Seabreeze

Soccer

Ernie Broenne and Jerry Meyers scored one goal each and goalkeeper Steve Kilpatrick along with a trio of defenders did a good job shutting down offensive-minded Daytona Beach Seabreeze as Lake Mary's Rams claimed a 2-1 victory over the previously unbeaten Sand Crabs (10-1) Monday night in prep soccer action at Lake Mary High.

The Rams, 6-1, return to action along with Lake Brantley, Lake Howell and Lyman in the Pizza Hut Tournament starting Thursday and running through Monday (Dec. 30). Early tournament games will be played at two sites, Bishop Moore High and Lake Brantley High.

Both fourth-ranked AAA Seabreeze and Lake Mary had 21 shots on goal Monday but the Rams only let one slip through the pipes and that was in the last 15 minutes of play. Lake Mary coach Larry McCorkle said Kilpatrick (11 saves) and

defenders Louis Rosen, Vinay Jotwani and Chris Risko did a good job containing Seabreeze's hard-pushing offense.

The Rams took a 1-0 lead in the first half as Broenne scored on an assist from Tony Fiorentino.

The Rams made it 2-0 in the second half when Jerry Meyers scored on an assist from Mike O'Reilly. O'Reilly crossed the ball to Meyers who headed it into the goal.

Seabreeze made a late charge when high-scoring Brett Stoner pumped in a goal with 14 minutes left but the Crabs couldn't crack the Lake Mary defense the rest of the way.

"Seabreeze has always been a tough opponent for us," McCorkle said. "We had a couple chances to blow the game open but missed a lot of scoring opportunities."

— Chris Pieter

SPORTS

IN BRIEF

Anderson, Alexander Make Gym Unwelcome For Hempstead Girls

The Hempstead High girls basketball team, out of Long Island, N.Y., may have been more than welcome staying in the homes of the Seminole High girls, but, once they stepped on the court, they were given a rude introduction to Florida girls' basketball.



Catherine Anderson

Catherine "Kitty" Anderson poured in 25 points and Temika Alexander popped in 16 as the Lady Seminoles trounced Hempstead, 62-28, Monday in a preliminary to the Central Florida Classic tournament at Seminole Community College.

Along with her 25 points, Anderson collected 14 rebounds, dished out seven assists and came up with four steals. Alexander added six assists and three steals. Kim "Big Wheel" Johnson contributed five points and nine rebounds.

Jackie Walker was high for Hempstead with 11. Behind 15 points by Anderson and 10 by Alexander, the Lady Tribe built a 29-14 lead by halftime and never looked back.

Coach Charles Steele's Lady Seminoles improved to 7-3 with its fourth straight victory. The Lady Tribe returns to action Jan. 6 against Lyman. — Chris Pieter

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Hoyas Drops Despite Big Win

NEW YORK (UPI) — Georgetown last week stepped outside its "comfort zone" for the first time this season, and surprisingly dropped in the United Press International Board of College Coaches Top 20 college basketball ratings as a reward for its successful foray.

The Hoyas, who recorded victories in their first seven games of the year over opponents of vastly inferior caliber, registered an impressive 85-70 victory Saturday over No. 18 DePaul. Despite the triumph, the Hoyas, 8-0 through games of Sunday, dropped from sixth to seventh place. The Blue Demons, meanwhile, maintained their ranking.

Only 33 of the 40 coaches on the UPI Board submitted ballots, and all based their ballots on games through Sunday.

The top five spots remained unchanged. North Carolina led in the ratings for the fourth straight week, receiving 26 first-place votes and a total of 484 points.

Georgetown Demolishes Seattle

United Press International

It's a rare whipping boy who loves the whip, a rare team that's proud to be soundly beaten.

Nevertheless, the Seattle Chieftains were content Monday night to merely be on the same hardwood as the No. 7 Georgetown Hoyas.

"In my book, this is an incredible opportunity," said Seattle forward Kevin Bailey, who scored a game-high 19 points in the Chieftains' 96-57 loss to Georgetown. "It's a real honor getting to play Georgetown. It's a great event for any ballplayer."

David Wingate scored 16 points and Reggie Williams added 14 to power the Hoyas, who improved to 9-0. Seattle dropped to 1-11.

Elsewhere, No. 4 Kansas defeated George Washington 94-71. No. 13 Illinois handled Howard 95-61, and No. 18 DePaul fell to Purdue 71-56.

Bowden's Son Joins Faust Staff

SALEM, W.Va. (UPI) — Salem College football coach Terry Bowden, once a rival of former Notre Dame coach Gerry Faust for the top job at Marshall, is joining Faust at Akron University as an assistant.

Faust, who left the Fighting Irish under intense pressure after a dismal season, was expected to make Bowden's appointment official today.

"Right now the only thing I could say about it is it will be in an offensive capacity and I am pleased with the capacity," said Bowden, the 29-year-old son of Florida State coach Bobby Bowden, who formerly coached at West Virginia.

...Hero

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Joked Seminole coach Bill Klein. Henderson finished with 13 points, nine rebounds and seven assists. Whitney, a 5-10 junior, turned in his best shooting night of the tournament with 16 points and eight assists. Both Henderson and Whitney were members of the 11-player all-tournament team.

Seminole, 6-5, broke quickly against 5-5 Auburndale as Henderson and 6-7 towers Craig Walker and Rod Fossitt each funnelled in four points en route to a 12-6 lead.

Auburndale pulled even behind the hot hand of all-tournament choice Terence Barber but Sanford's Joe Holden bounced off the bench to grab three boards and score four points in the final two minutes for a 16-12 first-quarter lead.

Three minutes into the second quarter, Holden's three-point play gave the Tribe a 27-16 lead but the Bloodhounds came back behind 6-9 junior David MacPhee to close the gap to 35-28 at halftime.

In the third quarter, Auburndale made effective use of the free throw line to eventually pull even (45-45) at the end of the quarter. MacPhee's

three-point play closed the gap to 43-39 with 3:13 to play and six points in the final 1:39 pulled the game into a deadlock.

Whitney hit two jumpers and a nifty driving layup to give the Tribe a 53-49 lead but the Bloodhounds reeled off the next five points for a one-point edge with 3:22 left. The 'Hounds then went into a spread offense but Whitney stole the ball on one occasion and Henderson took it away on another.

Henderson's free throw at the 2:10 mark tied the game and his steal seconds later gave Seminole a chance to regain the lead. Jerry Parker, who was held scoreless for the first time this year, however, missed the free throw.

The Bloodhounds broke quickly with the rebound and Barber took it to the hole. Fossitt, though, set himself perfectly and took the charge with 53 seconds left, giving the ball back to the Tribe.

Two timeouts later, Henderson became the hero.

ALL-TOURNAMENT — Henderson and Whitney joined three Hempstead players — MVP George Alford, Byron Prince and Rob Smith — on the 11-player Central Florida Classic All-Tournament Team. Lyman's T.J. Scaletta and Oviedo's Al Unroe also made the elite squad.

The remaining members were Stauffer and Fletcher from

Brown's Caps Banner Year

Saylor, Davis Turn In Strong Showings At State Meet

By Chris Pieter
Herald Sports Writer

Brown's Gymnastics capped off a banner year this past weekend with a second place team finish and a number of outstanding individual performances in the Class IV State Meet at Lake Brantley High in Altamonte Springs.

Brown's finished second in the team competition with the Tumblebees of Pompano Beach taking top honors. Brown's also had a pair of individuals in both the 9-11 and 12-14 age group place high in the all-around competition.

In the 9-11 age group, Sally Naylor took fourth in the all-around with a fine score of 34.75. Naylor's all-around effort included a third place on the uneven parallel bars with a score of 8.9 and a 10th on the vault with an 8.85. Naylor also recorded an 8.55 on the balance beam and 8.45 on floor exercise.

Pam Davis claimed seventh place in the

Gymnastics

9-11 all-around with a score of 34.45. Davis turned in the top routine for Brown's in the 9-11 age group as she took second on the bars with an 8.95. Davis also scored an 8.7 on the floor exercise, 8.45 on the vault and 8.35 on the beam.

Cynthia Wongauwan, out of the Sanford Gymnastics Association, came through with a beautiful effort on the balance beam as she attained a score of 9.1 for first place in the 9-11 age group.

Also competing for Brown's in the 9-11 division were Heather Mellin (34.0 all-around), Elan Holtzclaw (33.15), Jennifer Shoemaker (32.45), Mindy Hall (31.85), Steffanie Schrader (31.50), Laura Viles (31.0), Ashley Baker (29.80) and Melissa

Perham (29.15). Mellin took seventh place on the beam with an 8.8 and Holtzclaw was ninth on the beam at 8.75.

The 12-14 age group featured a pair of performers who took first places on individual apparatuses.

Erin McFadin tumbled to first place in the floor exercise with a 9.1 while Mary Kay Habel hit an 8.9 on the vault for first place.

McFadin's floor exercise and a second-place performance on the beam (8.95) paved the way for her to take third in the all-around with a score of 34.15. McFadin also took fifth on the bars (8.4) and scored a 7.7 on the vault.

Habel's effort on the vault led the way for a sixth-place finish in the all-around. She also posted an 8.6 on floor exercise, 8.0 on the bars and 7.75 on the beam.

Also representing Brown's in the 12-14 age group was Karl Ryan.

SCOREBOARD

TV/RADIO

Time	TV/Radio
7:30 p.m.	ESPN, NBC, Olympic Center
8:00 p.m.	USA, NBC, SportsCenter
8:30 p.m.	ESPN, NBC, SportsCenter
9:00 p.m.	ESPN, NBC, SportsCenter
9:30 p.m.	ESPN, NBC, SportsCenter
10:00 p.m.	ESPN, NBC, SportsCenter
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11:00 p.m.	ESPN, NBC, SportsCenter
11:30 p.m.	ESPN, NBC, SportsCenter
12:00 a.m.	ESPN, NBC, SportsCenter

BASKETBALL

Game	Score
Georgetown vs. Seattle	96-57
Georgetown vs. DePaul	85-70
Georgetown vs. Kansas	78-70
Georgetown vs. Georgetown	78-70
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NFL

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Certificate Of Completion

Geraldine Bowman of Lake Mary receives a certificate for the completion of the "Elderly and Disabled Care" course from Seminole Community College instructor, Midge MyCoff, left. The 450-hour course

prepares students to work as personal care aides, visiting homemakers, companions, and other related occupations. Registration is underway at the college for a new class which starts Jan. 7, 1986.

Classic Evokes Spirit Of Season

DEAR ABBY: Many years ago you had a letter in your column from a little girl named Virginia who wrote to say that her friends had told her there was no Santa Claus. Your response to Virginia captured the spirit of Christmas and the Santa Claus story so beautifully. I wish you would run it again.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER, BALTIMORE

DEAR TEACHER: To set the record straight, the piece to which you refer is a famous, well-loved classic titled, "Yes, Virginia, There Is a Santa Claus."

It was written in 1897 by Francis P. Church, who was, at the time, the editor of the now defunct New York Sun.

He wrote it in response to this letter:

"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

"Dear 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



Dear Abby

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 in 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 that are unseen and unseeable in this 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.

Embroidery Class Offered

Under the direction of Ann Wahab, the City of Casselberry is offering Japanese Bunka Embroidery Classes as part of the Winter recreational program.

Six, two-hour sessions are being offered at the cost of \$42 for Casselberry residents and \$45 for non-residents. This fee includes instructors fee and all necessary materials and a kit. Classes are offered at the Casselberry Senior-Multi-

purpose Center (200 Lake Triplet Drive), on Mondays, 2-4 p.m. beginning January 13, and on Tuesday evenings, 7-9 p.m. beginning January 14th. Registration must be made in person or by check prior to the first class session. Registration may be made at the Secret Lake Park Recreation Center, 200 Ivey Road or by mail to City Hall 95 Lake Triplet Drive. For information, please call the City P&R Dept. at 831-3551 EX 260.

Sharon Reid Admitted To Veterinary Program

Sharon Reid, a graduate of Lake Mary High School, has been admitted to the Veterinary Technology program at St. Petersburg Junior College (SPJC). Ms. Reid is the daughter of Doug and Camille Reid of Winter Springs, Florida.

The two-year program trains veterinary technologists who then provide medical and surgical assistance to veterinarians. Students take their specialized technical classes in Pinellas Park at the Caruth Veterinary Technology Building, the College's newest facility, which includes classrooms, laboratories, animal housing and state-of-the-art equipment.

It's Not Too Late For College

Seminole Community College has a brand new term beginning January 7th in all areas of the college. Students may enroll to begin or complete their college degree, and vocational classes are offered to provide skills for better-paying careers. The College's adult and continuing edu-

cation division has a myriad of courses available for self-improvement, and fun courses to make your free time more enjoyable.

Seminole Community College has day and evening classes and financial aid is still available for those who qualify.

The admission office is open

Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Fridays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., but will be closed for the holidays, re-opening January 6th.

For more information, call Seminole Community College. In Seminole County call 323-1450 and in Orange County, call 843-7001.

Center Accepting Enrollment

The Parent Resource Center of Seminole Community College is now accepting Winter enrollment in its Parent-Child Co-op Preschool. The program runs September through July and registration is on-going.

This is a parenting education program that involves both parent and child. It is made up of a Preschool program for children and parents meeting from 8:30 to 12:30, Monday through Friday mornings and Monday evening parenting classes from 7:00 to 9:30 P.M. The Co-op helps support and guide parents while children develop creativity, readiness skills and socialization. Parents participate

1 morning per week in the preschool activities with the children.

Cost is \$45.00 per month per family, plus a small materials fee.

For more information please call 323-1450, Extension 553 or from Orlando, 843-7001, Extension 553. To register go to the Admissions Office in the Administration Building.

Chanukah Celebration

Congregation Beth Israel (Sanford Jewish Community) celebrated Chanukah Sunday, December 15, with a luncheon at the home of Annette and Cleo Williams. Members of the Congregation renewed old friendships and welcomed newcomers and visitors.

Congregation Beth Israel, while no longer serving the Sanford area in a religious capacity, is a group of Jewish families dedicated to the idea that "Newcomers or established residents, it's nice to get together in the home town". For further information, please call Doris Stein, President, at 322-4290.

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Legal Notice

Run north along State Road 426 to its intersection with Bear Creek. Run northwesterly along Bear Creek to a point on the west line of Tuskawilla Unit 14A. Run northwesterly on said west line to the point on the south line of Lot 53, Tuskawilla Unit 11A...

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DISTRICT NO. 3. Begin at the intersection of Interstate 4 and the south line of Section 24, Township 20S, Range 29E. Run west along the south line of Sections 24, 23 and 22, Township 20S, Range 29E to the Little Wekiva River...

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CR 426A (Kapler Road) to SR 9 (1-95) (WPA 561092) (100 calendar days). VOLUSIA COUNTY (ROUTINE MAINTENANCE FUNDS) STATE PROJECT JOB NO. 77906-9019. Work consists of removal of existing markers and furnishing and installing new reflective pavement markers on SR 9 (1-95) and SR 40 (I-4) in Volusia County...

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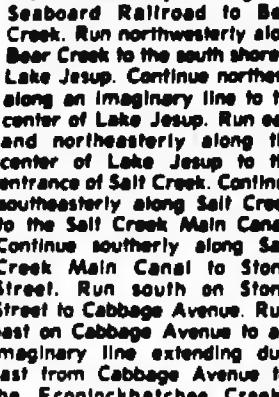
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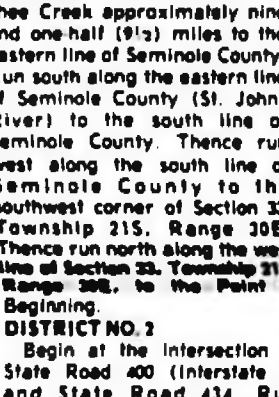
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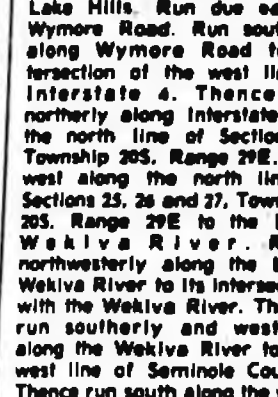
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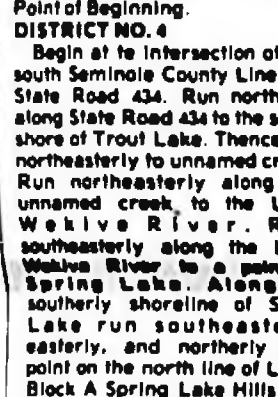
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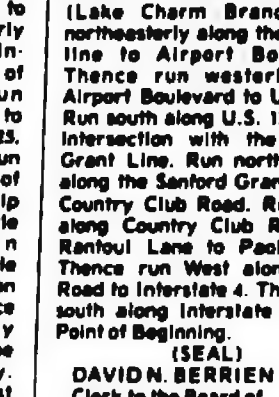
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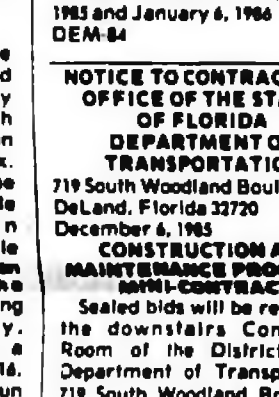
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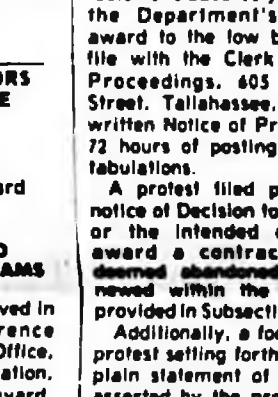
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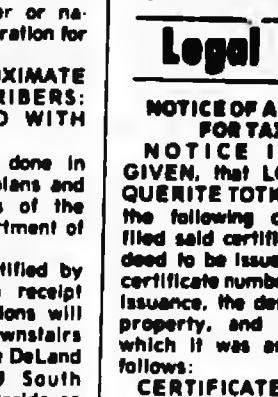
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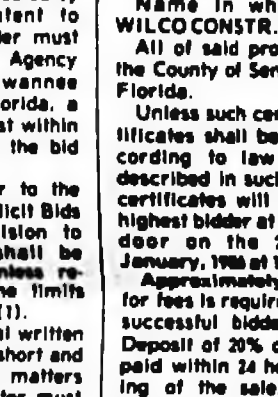
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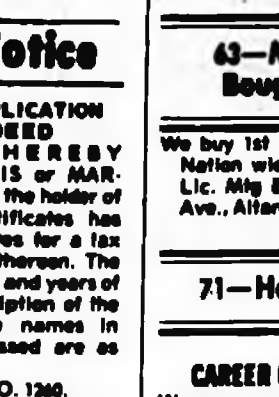
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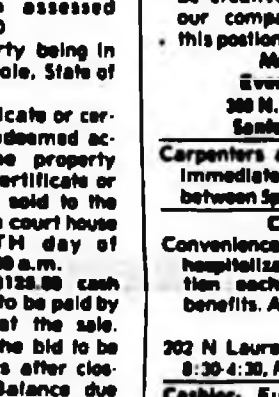
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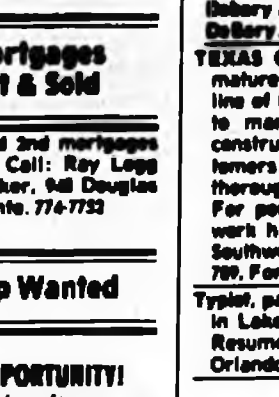
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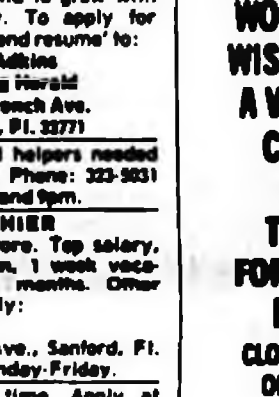
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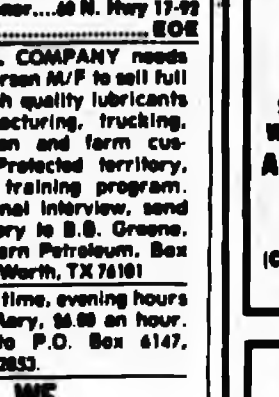
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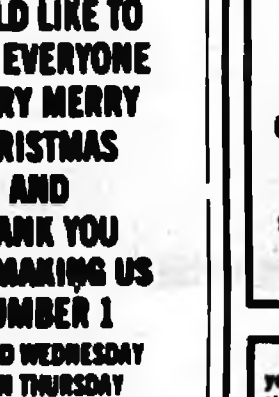
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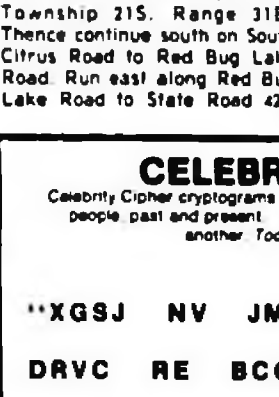
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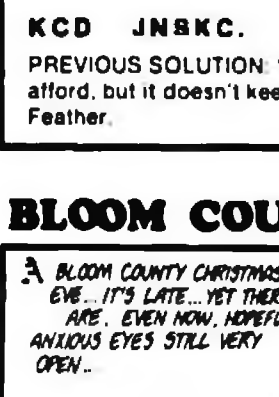
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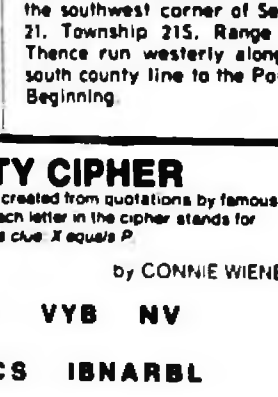
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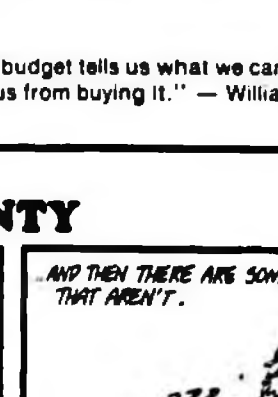
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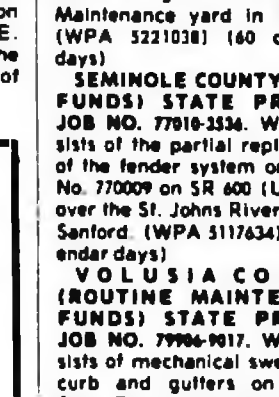
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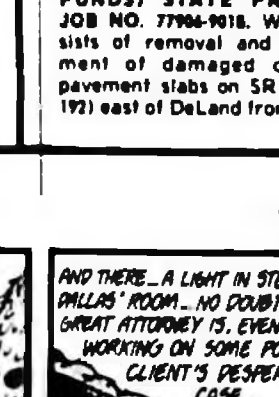
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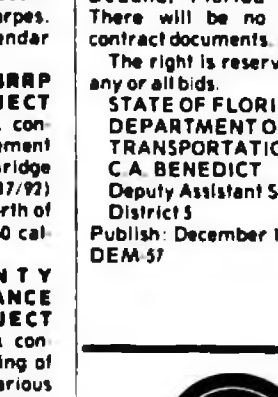
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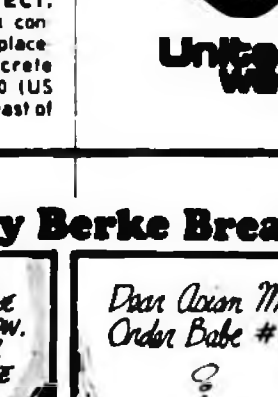
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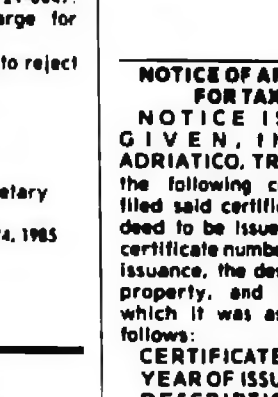
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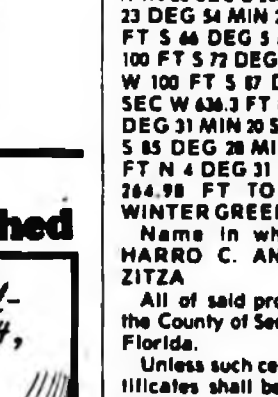
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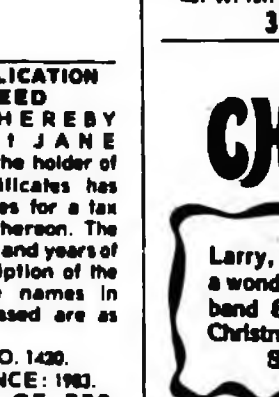
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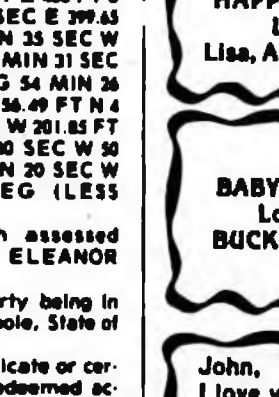
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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Larry, You're a wonderful husband & daddy. Merry Christmas, we love you. Stephanie & Sue

Merry Christmas David. Glad you're with us. Pam & Mel

Mom, Christmas has always been special, because your love has been the only gift we needed. Eve

MERRY CHRISTMAS HAPPY NEW YEAR Love You Lisa, Amanda & Dolby Love Jr.

A.S.E. and M.A.E. You keep the true spirit of Christmas alive. Love, Mom

DANNY WRIGHT Merry Christmas to my special guy! I love you! Mommy

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Dear D. I don't believe in Santa Claus anymore, but I sure have some great fantasies about you! Love B

Merry Christmas to the Freedom House Ladies! Inner Peace...Love...Hope...they will come! Cathy

John, I love you very much, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Love Always, Peggy

To wish the Millers' Blakes', Williams & Jackson families & friends the best through out the years. Cynthia Black & Family

Rhonda, Merry Christmas. I'll miss you in A.P. T.M.

Us Dowdy's Thank you for the best present of all, being together. Iahle

John, We wish you a Merry Christmas from Fantasyland. Your Dreamweavers

Merry Xmas, Gail, Rosalind, Sheila, Mom, Dad & Lucky. Love, Billy

To Mom, To a very special lady who is my Mom and my best friend. Love Laurel

To Mom & Dad, Wishing you a very Merry Christmas & best wishes for a very bright New Year. Love Bob & Laurel

To a very special person. Love always, Mike

To The One I Love, Best wishes for a Merry Xmas & looking for a very bright & promising New Year. All my Love, Laurel

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Lisa, Congratulations on a Job well done. Love, J.R.

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DECEMBER 23, 1983
 Your holdings are apt to be far greater at the end of the coming year than they will be when the year begins. Large gains may be in the offing.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Conditions are promising today pertaining to your material desires. Santa may treat you more generously than you expected. Major changes are ahead for Capricorns in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$1 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, Box 1846, Cincinnati, OH 45201. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) One of your greatest assets is your ability to make friends with people from all walks of life. Today, this quality will be in full gear.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Those reliable little hunches you've learned to depend on will be on target today. Intuition, blended with logic, will serve as your guide.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) To effectively please a group today, single out the key people and function close to them. Don't try to cater to the unenthusiastic.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Material aspects are extremely favorable for you today. There could be a surprise in store when you're given something you didn't expect.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) In your dealings with loved ones today, keep the broader picture before you. All of the small factors will fall into place once you perceive the general outline.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Valuable confidential information will be disclosed to you today. You'll eventually benefit from it, but for the present, secrecy is essential.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Your

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- 8 College cheer (abbr.)
- 12 Sidereal hour angle (abbr.)
- 13 Cotton fabric
- 14 Opening
- 15 Eriah
- 16 Strahm
- 17 Att's neighbor
- 17 Indian unit of weight
- 18 Small person
- 20 Research
- 22 1850, Roman
- 24 Royal Scottish Assembly (abbr.)
- 25 Wool
- 26 Native metal
- 30 Conduit
- 34 Garden tools
- 35 Mortar mixer
- 36 Denoer Bolger
- 37 Gene from home
- 38 Genetic material (abbr.)
- 39 Piece of merchandise
- 40 Lawyer (abbr.)
- 42 Carcass
- 44 Resistor
- 46 Building wing
- 48 Whirligig
- 51 Ancient Roman magistrate
- 55 Fied
- 56 Fish-eating mammal
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- 62 Large sea duck
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- 66 Mrs. in Madrid (abbr.)

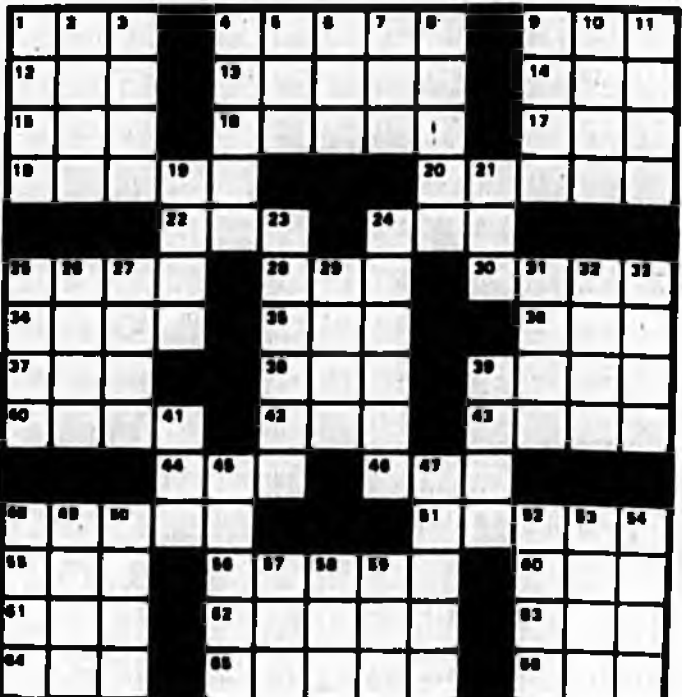
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fair and generous nature will be pronounced today. Lucky are those who will be involved with you on a one-to-one basis.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Opportunities to advance or enhance your material position in life will be bigger than usual today. One in particular will be especially significant.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) There is something much grander and advantageous behind what will appear to be

sure that you don't spend more hours playing than you do producing.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Even if you feel someone undeserving is getting the breaks you should be getting, don't behave in a petty or envious fashion today. The wheel will turn.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) A big idea you've been toying with won't get off the ground unless you stop fantasizing and start taking some positive actions. Begin now.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your sharpness as a shopper might not be in full force today. Examine all merchandise carefully so you don't end up buying illusion instead of quality.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) It's important to be candid with someone close to you today. Incomplete disclosures could cause complications down the line.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) No one wants to deprive you of having a good time. But just be

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Analyze your motives today if there is someone you intend to help. Don't do it just because you think you'll get praise from others.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Budget your time wisely today regarding your less important interests and activities. Poor scheduling could greatly reduce your productivity.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Your standing in the eyes of your peers is a trifle fragile today. Friends will be carefully watching to see if you honor your promises.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Vagueness or poor judgment could cause your plans to go awry today. Take time to map out your every move before swinging into action.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Try to be more watchful and cautious than usual in your commercial involvements today. If you get careless, you might lose money.

WIN AT BRIDGE

By James Jacoby
 In Frank Stewart's fictional "A Christmas Stocking," his opponent on opening lead is the dreaded Millard Pringle. On a routine auction, Frank arrives at four hearts. After fumbling with his cards awhile, Pringle finally produces the opening lead of the club king. At first that looks like a Christmas present, but declarer cannot escape a sense of foreboding when East follows with the club jack. He wins the club ace and plays a trump. West takes the ace and continues with the club 10. Declarer goes up with dummy's queen, but East ruffs that trick. A diamond is now led back to the queen and ace, and West happily

takes the setting trick with the club nine.

Was Pringle's strange opening lead his own peculiar way of sending his opponents a Christmas greeting? If so, it was really a Greek gift. Note that a low club lead poses no problem for declarer, who would win with the club queen and then force out the heart ace. Now a club might be ruffed by East, but declarer would play low on that trick, still retaining his club ace for a winner after trumps have been drawn.

The Christmas greeting did not really come from fictional Pringle but rather from ingenious bridge author Frank Stewart.

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♦ 6 5	
♣ Q J 2	

WEST	EAST
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♥ A	♥ 8 7
♦ A 8 4 2	♦ J 10 9 7 3
♣ K 10 9 7 5 4	♣ J

SOUTH	
♠ K J	
♥ J 10 6 5 3 2	
♦ K Q	
♣ A 6	

Vulnerable: Neither
 Dealer: South

West	North	East	South
2♦	3♥	Pass	1♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	4♥

Opening lead: ♠ K

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by Leonard Starr

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There's No Frankincense Under The Tree These Days

By Joseph Gambardello

MUSCAT, Oman (UPI) — One of the gifts brought by the Magi who followed the Star of Bethlehem on the first Christmas was frankincense. Nobody would do that now.

Frankincense is the sap of the Boswellia sacra tree. It gives off a pungent scent when burned, and in ancient times was considered worth its weight in gold, a gift fit for kings.

It is said to be the gift the Queen of Sheeba offered to King Solomon. Centuries before the discovery of oil, the people of the southern Arabian peninsula in what is now Oman made their fortunes with it.

To get the resin to its markets in Egypt, Babylon and Rome, trade routes were established throughout the Middle East and the wealth it

generated built cities such as Sumhuram, which was a key port for the ancient commodity.

Frankincense was primarily burned in religious rituals and at special occasions. Ancient records say priests burned 2 1/4 tons of frankincense each year at the Babylonian Temple of Baal.

Frankincense pellets also were found in King Tutankhamen's tomb, and the Roman writer Pliny recorded that Emperor Nero burned a year's production at the funeral of his wife Poppaea.

The burning of frankincense was incorporated in Christian rituals and the scent is still used today, although churches now rely on an artificial substitute developed in the late 1940s.

The artificial product virtually killed off the trade, although some hardy individuals kept collecting the resin for domestic consumption and

it is being exported again for use in perfumes.

But frankincense is no longer a gift fit for kings and it is not nearly as valuable as it once was.

During a recent visit to the souk in Muscat, 1.1 pounds of the resin could be bought for about \$3. If it was still worth its weight in gold, it would have cost more than \$5,700.

The best frankincense comes from short, gnarled trees on the desert plateau near Salalah in Oman's southern Dhofar region, where members of the Bait Kathir and al-Mahra tribes still collect it in the traditional fashion.

The collection season begins in winter and runs through the spring until the monsoons begin.

To collect the resin, workers use a small sharp knife called a mingaf to cut the bark. The resin, known as huban, oozes out and hardens into

crystals, which are scraped off the tree into palm baskets.

A higher quality of frankincense, which is lighter in color, is obtained by waiting for the resin to dry naturally on the tree before falling to the ground.

The best way to burn frankincense is to place it on hot charcoal.

At the souk in Muscat, frankincense is sold by merchants alongside sacks of spices, dried flowers and charcoal. Bargaining is the name of the game and one never accepts the first price quoted.

Incense burners also can be found, ranging in price from about \$2 for a simple clay one to several hundreds of dollars for ornate silver models.

Norman Rockwell Remembered

By Ink Mendelsohn

Smithsonian News Service
"One day Norm said to me, 'I try to paint like Pablo Picasso, but it always comes out looking like Norman Rockwell.'" David Wood, director of the Norman Rockwell Museum at Stockbridge, Mass., enjoys sharing this bit of modest humor from a man who became an American institution in his lifetime.

Wood and millions of other Americans have been content with the Norman Rockwell "look" for three-quarters of a century. America's best-known artist began pleasing his public in 1910 when, at 16, he turned professional and sold his first Christmas cards. This season, as in so many past, Rockwell holiday cards will greet American families. Rockwell calendars will mark the days of the past year.

Happy and hectic is the sort of new year that Wood and curator Laurie Norton Moffatt are anticipating at the museum at Stockbridge — the small-but-celebrated western Massachusetts town that was once home to Hawthorne, Longfellow, Melville and, for 25 years, until his death in 1978, Norman Perceval Rockwell.

The Rockwell museum, an 18th-century, Federal-style house that the artist and fellow Stockbridge citizens saved from demolition, is a crowded home to his personal collection of more than 400 original paintings, drawings and sketches. Plans are currently underway for a new museum facility to be built on a 40-acre estate outside of town. Come spring, Rockwell's studio building, all of its contents intact and as he left it, will be moved to the new site and eventually opened to the public.

In the summer, the museum's long-awaited "14-pound baby," as Wood calls it, will arrive: "Norman Rockwell: A Definitive Catalogue," 10 years in the making, is the 1,200-page, two-volume record of all the artist's known work — some 4,000 entries. "The story of my life is, really, the story of my pictures...." Rockwell once said. "Because in one way or another, everything I have ever seen or done has gone into my pictures."

No unkind word, it seems, was ever said about Rockwell — only about his pictures. Critics have attacked his work as sugary, overly sentimental, depicting an America that never really existed. Defenders have responded that people understand and are warmed by his art, that Rockwell did indeed paint a true portrait of the way Americans were.

Arguments continue over whether Rockwell was an artist or an illustrator. "I have always considered myself to be an illustrator," Rockwell wrote the year before he died. "The illustrator has, unlike the painter, a primary interest in telling a story. If he does not do that, he fails." An admirer of Picasso and modern art, Rockwell felt that the greatest painters, Michelangelo, Raphael, Rubens and Rembrandt, were also great storytellers. As for himself, he said, "I'm a very commonplace sort of guy."

This "commonplace sort of guy" was born on Feb. 3, 1914, in the back bedroom of a shabby New York City brownstone. As a boy, he lived in a neighborhood with religious, racial and class prejudice in the streets, saloons on the corners and debris-filled vacant lots for playgrounds. Rockwell described the area as "pitifully genteel." Growing up, he was, by his own description, a long-necked, pigeon-toed choir boy who could draw — a skill that did not overly impress the other kids.

Never close to the self-centered mother and a distant father, young Rockwell set out early on the road to independence. To earn money for art school, he had a succession of jobs that involved carrying things. He was Ethel Barrymore's paint-box caddy, a mailman, a waiter and a spear carrier for Caruso in "Aida." At 18, Rockwell was a full-time professional illustrator and, at 22, his painting of a reluctant boy pushing a baby buggy made the cover of the Saturday Evening Post.

The year was 1916, and the Post was, as Rockwell later described it, "the greatest show window in America for an illustrator." In the mid-19th and early 20th century, before the

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"Family Homecoming" is a true reunion on canvas of Norman Rockwell's family. Flanking Grandma Moses at left of painting are Rockwell's sons — Peter, with glasses, and Tom, smiling. Artist's wife Mary embraces oldest son Jarvis, as Rockwell, pipe in mouth, looks on. The "twin" girls are really one lively model named Sharon O'Neil.



A detail of "Main Street, Stockbridge, at Christmas," shown here, is part of mural that appeared in McCall's magazine in December of 1967. Painting is Rockwell's homage to small, but celebrated Massachusetts town that was his home for quarter of a century.

Photos courtesy Smithsonian Institution

Posing Poultry And Additional Painterly Ploys

Should you ever want to paint a chicken, here's some advice from Norman Rockwell for posing your model: "You pick up the chicken and rock him back and forth a few times. When you set him down, he will stand just as you've placed him for four or five minutes. Of course, you have to run behind the easel pretty quickly to do much painting before the chicken moves... It's very strenuous painting a chicken."

Rockwell had "a passion for detail," the youngest of his three sons, Peter, a sculptor, has noted. For one Saturday Evening Post cover painting of a young lady after a fight at school, Rockwell advertised that he would pay five dollars for a genuine black eye. His plea went out over the wire, and he received hundreds of responses from football teams and prisons.

The artist created a picture in his mind before he ever lifted brush to canvas. Rockwell, who died in 1978, always felt his hardest task was thinking up an idea universal enough to tell a story that would be understood and appreciated by many readers.

Once Rockwell had his idea, he became casting director, set and costume designer, prop man, actor and producer. He would set models, scenery and props in place and act out the parts. His son Jarvis, also an artist, recalled that his father "might bring a horse into the studio... It was like the circus had come to town."

The cast of characters was the most important aspect for this "people painter." Mostly, his models were his family, friends and neighbors — and occasionally himself. "We kids took posing more or less for granted," Tom Rockwell, an author of children's books, remembers. "After all, most of our friends were father's models, too."

"In spite of occasional vagaries, I couldn't ask for better models than my neighbors," Rockwell said of his model citizens in Arlington, Vt., and Stockbridge, Mass. But he wouldn't have dreamed of asking any woman in Stockbridge to pose for his mermaid cover.

When Rockwell, in 1916, began painting covers for the Post, he haunted playgrounds



Norman Rockwell

for kids and chased dogs through backyards to get these ever-popular cover subjects down on canvas: He bribed kids with piles of coins that kept growing as long as the models were stationary. In a mutt named Lambert, he found a faithful model — until a cat came along.

Problems with restless and peripatetic models were alleviated, when, in the late 1930s, Rockwell began using photography. The artist gathered his production together, and a professional photographer took hundreds of pictures, providing a bank of visual information for the final painting, which became much more detailed.

Rockwell turned for his models to bank presidents, clerks, farmers, umpires, society matrons, sheriffs — and always children and animals. Sometimes they would pose in their real-life roles. Often, like the local mailman, who was transformed into a big city political boss, they acted.

For a 1956 Post cover, Anne Braman, the flower arranger for Stockbridge's Red Lion Inn, posed as a schoolteacher. "Norman said I reminded him of his favorite teacher," Braman recalls.

A "kind and gentle" Rockwell adjusted the collars, braids and hair ribbons of the children who were posing as her students. "And then he went to work on me. He didn't think my shoes were right, so he asked me to trade shoes with his wife. And there I stood, propped up against the blackboard in shoes three inches too long."

—Ink Mendelsohn

Contemporary Tackiness: Some New Highs And Lows

By Mark Schwed
UPI Feature Writer

Christmas used to be so sacred — the holiest day of the year for Christians — but that was before marketing madmen created tackiness.

This year, we go from high-tack — a computerized Christmas card — to the epitome of low-tack — a Santa Design Johnny Lid Cover toilet seat.

Somewhere in between is an unusual doll for children: a baby Jesus with day-glow halo.

According to Webster's New World Dictionary, a person with "tact" is one who has a quick and delicate sense of what is fitting in a particular situation and thus avoids giving offense.

Now come the offenders. God did not create Rambo. Sylvester Stallone did. What better gift to warp an innocent, peace-loving child than a Rambo submachine gun with serrated hacksaw knife. Certainly, there

is none.

There was this merry advertisement in the New York Times Sunday magazine, showing a cartoon cat, its eyes two small crosses, its tongue hanging out and its tail rakishly askew.

"EARL THE DEAD CAT lets you say 'farewell to smelly cat food, litter boxes, and live cats that shed and go into heat,'" reads the ad. "Earl is a cuddly, understuffed and very dead toy cat complete with his own death certificate."

"Earl The Dead Cat, the last cat you'll ever need."

Buy it from Mad Dog Productions in Richmond, Va., for \$14.95.

And how about adults? One of the most difficult tasks of Christmas is sticking to the traditional, the true meaning and spirit of one of the holiest of holidays. Nothing suits the season like an animated holiday greeting on a floppy disk. The

Jingle Disk features holiday scenes accompanied by beeping Christmas carols at \$9.95 each, minimum order of 200. Making the halls with Noppies, if you will. It's a long way from Christ in the manger.

For the devil in you, how about the Complete Revenge Kit, a game that rips apart the notion that it is better to give than to receive. The \$5.40 game is being marketed for people who have been abused, used and deceived. It is sweet revenge.

The kit is a package of 40 hoax letters, phony brochures and business correspondence that can be sent to the target of the buyer's revenge. For instance, the Meaty Tom cat food company writes to say that the recipient has just won a free supermarket spree. "All you have to do to join in the fun is dress up like a cat, go to any participating supermarket with the voucher and ask for the

manager."

In Oakkosh, Wis., the Miles Kimball catalog breaks all bounds for its 50th anniversary. First, there is the Holy Family Silk-ees set. "Adds a reverent touch to holy-day decorating," the catalog says. Basically, you stick the holy family — Mother Mary and Baby Jesus included — on windows, mirrors, patio doors, even the kid's bike. Cost is only \$4.49, but buy two and see how holy you can get.

Then there is this: the Santa Design Johnny Lid Cover. "Add a bit of holiday dash (and chuckles from guests as well) to that ho-hum bath," reads the catalog. "Our sizzling red toilet seat cover boasts a jolly Santa design in bright colors. When the lid is down the merry face wears a happy grin. When it's up, the jolly old elf politely covers his eyes with his mittens. Made in the USA." At \$5.98, it's a real cheap shot.

For the tactless, Horchow's Christmas catalog has Diet Tools, the "perfect gift" for fat people. The forks, knives and spoons are "just about half the size of regular flatware to encourage smaller bites." Stamped right on the fork it says "Diet Tool Fork." Just \$15 for this jewel.

Then there's the "No Smoking Ashtray." The U.S. surgeon general's warning regarding cigarette smoking is hand-decorated on a brass backed ashtray for \$15. It reminds dad everytime he lights up how he'll die of cancer. Nothing like a little guilt on Christmas Day.

Heavenly Dolls Inc., of Littleton, Colo., is selling Baby Jesus Dolls with glow-in-the-dark halos for \$31.50.

"I believe anyone who is a Christian would want one," says creator Rita Edler. The 13-inch-long vinyl doll — in Anglo, Hispanic and black

models — comes with a wooden manger, a non-toxic glow-in-the-dark detachable halo, and a card with the words: "My name is Jesus. Jesus loves you. I am your friend. Please love me."

The doll comes dressed in a cream-colored gown with a gold cross on its chest, and wrapped in a blue blanket. Edler said the halo snaps into the back of the doll's head and is safe for children. The artificial hay in the manger is also non-toxic and non-flammable. The package is assembled by mentally handicapped workers in Denver. "It's very angelic," Edler says.

Finally, for a mere \$25, one can purchase an Ebenezer's Sweat Shirt from Joan Cook's winter 1985 catalog. The sweatshirt features two fleecy white sheep. One says "baa!" The other says "humbbug!" Now that's the Christmas spirit.

Christmas Dinner Still Highlighted In Quebec

By Warren Parley
MONTREAL (UPI) — The Quebec tradition of Christmas dinner right after family attendance at midnight mass may be on the wane, but Canada's best-known cook says there is still a big emphasis on a splendid holiday meal.

Jehane Benoit, now 80 and the author of 29 cookbooks, endeared herself to Canadians over 20 years on a weekly television cooking show on the English- and French networks of the Canadian Broadcasting Corp.

As a child in the French-speaking province of Quebec, she traveled from Montreal many times to her grandparents' country home for the special late-night dinner that followed the midnight Christmas service.

"There is less and less of that because there are fewer people going to midnight mass," she recalls from the 95-year-old wood-and-stone farmhouse 60 miles southeast of Montreal, which has been home for her and her husband, Bernard, for 29 years.

Now, she says, only about a third of Quebecers follow the old tradition. Almost all city dwellers now celebrate with their big dinner on Christmas Day.

"Ways of life have changed, but what has not changed is the dinner itself," notes the cook who helped several generations master their kitchens.

The Benoit's each yule host a traditional dinner for a flock of relatives, "usually between 10 and 15 people," which includes their married daughter, her husband and two grandchildren.

"Some big families in the country still have 22 to 30 people, but between 12 and 15 is a good average for Christmas dinner," says Benoit.

The Benoit's celebration starts at mid-morning on Christmas Day when gifts are exchanged,

and the adults enjoy an English hot wine punch.

By noon, everyone is seated at table to start with the most traditional of French-Canadian dishes — oyster soup.

"I've never seen this recipe outside Quebec," says Benoit. "Everybody loves oyster soup and this is a very unusual one to make." The dish uses finely chopped herbs, butter, cream, seasoning, wine or sherry and fresh oysters.

Then comes an entree of peeled and grated apples, sprinkled with maple syrup or maple sugar and topped with a full cup of either rum or Dutch gin.

The apple dish, Benoit says, is "also a tradition with French-Canadians, way back to my great-grandparents. These are traditions that some people still follow but nobody ever talks about."

The main course is turkey, with a potato dressing soaked in rum or gin. Mashed potatoes, cranberries and relish accompany it. There is often a salad or an "elegant" vegetable, such as fine green peas from France.

A French-Canadian meal wouldn't pass muster if it didn't include lots of sweets. "French-Canadians love desserts," says Benoit. "They eat a lot of them. We always have three or four."

Dessert begins with "bagatelle," known to English-speakers as trifle. With that comes Christmas fruit cake, chocolate cake and plum pudding, "which has an English background but has stayed all over French-Canadian tables."

After the meal, which normally lasts about four hours, the family usually indulges in a hearty rendition of Christmas carols.



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Space Food: No Picnic Up There

By Rita Cipolla

Smithsonian News Service
It was a home-cooked Christmas dinner with all the trimmings — turkey, gravy and cranberry sauce. The travelers, far from home and family, welcomed the unexpected feast.

The scene is often repeated around the holiday season, but this turkey dinner was not in any way typical, served as it was to the Apollo 8 crew circling the moon some 230,000 miles from Earth.

The Apollo 8 Christmas dinner in 1968 was a breakthrough in the U.S. space program, for it marked the first time that solid foods were scheduled to be eaten in space. "In the early days of the space program, everything was packed in toothpaste tubes," says Derek Elliott, assistant curator at the Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum in Washington, D.C., and the curator of a new exhibit on space food. "That's the image most people still have. Today, however, space food resembles earthy fare. Many items, such as granola bars, nuts and candy, are bought right off the shelf."

Space Age food was not always so heavenly. In the 1950s, researchers experimented with ways to provide nutritious food aboard space flights without adding unnecessary bulk and weight. Some strange ideas were proposed.

"Space men may get slug and snail diet," read a New York Times headline on Nov. 29, 1958. "Chickens, rabbits to ride spaceship," proclaimed a 1959 headline to a Christian Science Monitor article suggesting that the creatures could provide fresh meat on a long space voyage.

That these unappetizing predictions did not come true is due in part to scientific ingenuity. Of course, when man first ventured into space in 1961, scientists did not have to worry about meals because the flights were so short. The astronaut would eat a hearty pre-launch breakfast and an equally hearty meal on the recovery ship after the splashdown. As the flights grew longer, there were new dietary concerns to face.

On Earth, a person consumes about 7 pounds of food per day. For a typical 12-day mission this would mean 84 pounds of food per person, a lot of excess baggage. In addition, space food

had to be both nutritious and stable enough to avoid spoilage during long voyages. For psychological reasons, it had to resemble the color, flavor, taste and texture of freshly prepared food, making meal time in space a pleasurable act reminiscent of meals on Earth. The food had to be convenient to eat in a weightless environment, and that turned out to be a difficult requirement.

Food does funny things in zero gravity. A slowly lifted glass of water was apt to splash onto an unsuspecting face. A forkful of peas raised to the mouth would continue right on moving. But the result was no laughing matter. In a spacecraft's enclosed environment, bits of food, crumbs, even water droplets could short out electrical circuits, clog oxygen lines and saturate an astronaut's clothing.

Scientists went to work. The guinea pig was Friendship 7 astronaut John Glenn, who on Feb. 20, 1962, became the first American to orbit the Earth and to "dine" in space. During his five-hour flight, he pulled an object resembling a toothpaste tube from a storage compartment, placed it in his mouth and squeezed out pureed applesauce.

"Before Glenn's flight, no one really knew how well an astronaut could chew, swallow and digest in space," the Smithsonian's Elliott says. "Glenn proved that the body could negate the effects of weightlessness. His muscles took over and forced the food through the digestive tract."

In the beginning, space food was based, with little or no modification, on methods used by the Air Force for feeding pilots wearing protective clothing and pressurized head gear. Although the pureed food Glenn ate was easy to use, it was not suitable for long space flights. These foods contained about 80 percent water, providing relatively few calories for their weight.

Two approaches were pursued: freeze-dried food (made by a process in which moisture is removed without appreciably changing the shape, color or texture) and bite-sized cubes of sandwich sections, brownies, cinnamon toast and the like, coated with an edible gelatin to control crumbling.

During Project Gemini in the



Scientist-astronaut Owen K. Garriott fixes meal on Skylab in 1973.

Smithsonian News Service Photos courtesy of National Aeronautics and Space Administration



The breakfast portion of one day's diet for an Apollo mission is shown with the containers open to reveal the unconstituted foods: cereal, grape juice, scrambled eggs, bread roll, jelly, crackers and coffee.

mid-1960s, the meals were vacuum-packed in plastic containers: the astronauts chose each item. But the astronauts were not impressed. The appearance of most items was not very appetizing. Only lukewarm water could be added to rehydrate meals and stews, and the result was often a thick, tepid soup.

Determined to get a decent meal, some astronauts took things into their own hands. "On Gemini 3 in 1965," Elliott says, "John Young surprised fellow astronaut Virgil Grissom with a corned beef on rye sandwich that Young purchased at a Coca-Cola store."

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New Year In Vienna: Ultimate Gala For The Elite

By Ruth E. Gruber
VIENNA (UPI) — Traditional

New Year's Eve festivities in Vienna are among the most

elegant, exquisite — and exclusive — affairs in the world. Harried hoteliers at some posh establishments are now trying to woo guests for Christmas instead.

"For New Year's Eve you have to book two years in advance, at least," said Christine Kuderna of the firm that runs two of Vienna's most famous hotels, the Imperial and the Bristol.

"But in general even that is not possible. Regular clients, who come year after year, book it out," she said.

The attractions of New Year's Eve in Vienna include balls and gala dinners at luxury hotels and restaurants, the famous New Year's concert by the Vienna Philharmonic and presentation of the operetta "Die Fledermaus" at the Vienna State Opera.

You can, of course, sit home and watch the New Year's Eve concert, which is televised internationally. And last year thousands of revelers jammed downtown Stefansplatz to watch closed circuit live transmission of "Die Fledermaus" on huge television screens set up outside.

But for those who go in person to the gala banquets and balls, it's white tie, tails and evening gowns, champagne, glittering jewels and the international jet set — a tourist's dream of what European elegance is all about.

"You would do us a good service to the city and to tourists to say that it's impossible to get a ticket for the New Year's Eve concert," said Imperial operations manager Otto Heinke.

"For New Year's Eve we have at least 50 percent more requests for rooms than our capacity," he said. "The situation is the same in all top Vienna hotels."

To present a more accessible alternative, Heinke said the

Bristol and the Imperial have begun to program gala Christmas festivities that management hopes will fulfill some of the tourist demand.

Until recently, most hotels — even the deluxe ones — closed their restaurants Christmas Eve. Now, instead, gala dinners and special programs can be attended.

"You can really say Christmas is off season," said Kuderna. "Christmas is also lovely in Vienna. There is no problem at all to book rooms for Christmas a month or two in advance, and tickets for the opera and other concerts are much easier to obtain around Christmas than at New Year's."

This year, dinner at the Imperial will be an evening dress affair, beginning with cocktails and going on to menus such as cream of carp soup, braised leg of venison with Brussels sprouts and duchesse potatoes, chestnut rice with whipped cream, coffee and Christmas cookies.

Another gala seasonal menu planned is smoked Christmas carp, oven roasted goose with red cabbage and almond potatoes, gingerbread-ice cream parfait.

Managers at the Hotel im Palaisarzenberg — an 80-bed luxury hotel in a wing of jewel-like Schwarzenberg Palace — say there should be ample room, at least for dining, at both New Year's and Christmas this year. The hotel has just opened a new restaurant and will turn over its banquet facilities for the holidays.

Reagan's Memorable Christmas

By President Ronald Reagan
Written for United Press International

WASHINGTON — I find it difficult to pick out a single Christmas I could call the most memorable. Christmas has always been a very special day for as long back as I can remember. Maybe this was due to my mother and her joyous spirit about the day.

There were very few decorated trees in the years of my growing up. We couldn't afford them. But never defeated, my mother would, with ribbon and crepe paper, decorate a table or create a cardboard fireplace out of a packing box. And she always remembered whose birthday it was and made sure we knew the meaning of Christmas.

Since those times, there are memories of Christmas and our own children. I've always felt we should create a tradition that would set a pattern for them so that Christmas would be special and not just a holiday.

One Christmas is remembered of a particular gift, a gift truly in keeping with the spirit of the day. I must have presented something of a problem to my brother after we were grown up and in our middle years. A problem with regard to what might be a suitable gift.

He solved the problem with a letter. In the letter he told me he found a truly needy family with small children who wouldn't go to bed with dreams of Santa Claus in their heads. He changed that and became Santa himself, providing a Christmas from tree to turkey plus toys and gifts and all. My present was his letter describing in detail the joy of the children and the grateful happiness of their mother. That was a memorable Christmas and a gift that will never grow old.

I'll add a more recent one: Christmas last year. This job doesn't make it easy to have family gatherings when your children are all married and out on their own. But last year we had them here at the White House and I was able to be more of a grandfather than just a name on a letter or a voice on the phone. Grandson Cameron (the six-year-old son of Michael Reagan) and I made a snowman in the Rose Garden. I could see it from the Oval Office for weeks until a thaw did it in.

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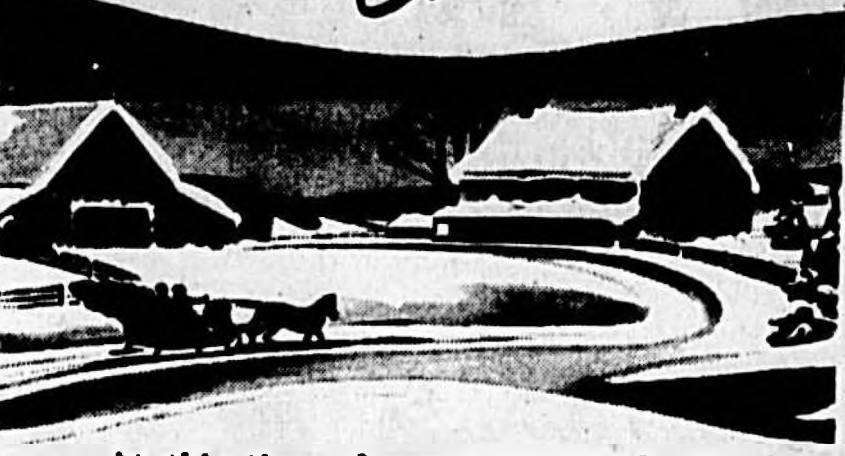
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...Space Food: No Picnic Up There

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Beach dell and smuggled aboard. Grissom never finished his sandwich, though, because it started to crumble." This was the first time — although unofficial — that solid food was consumed in space.

During the Apollo program, a more sophisticated system made hot and cold water available for the preparation of food. The astronauts, using a water "gun," added liquid to food encased in a plastic pouch, kneading it with their fingers to bring it to the appropriate consistency. Sandwich spread were also introduced — tuna and ham sandwiches became popular meal items. But most food was still dished up in pouches and squeezed directly into the mouth.

Skylab (1973) improved celestial cuisine further. The spacecraft had a refrigerator and freezer, and ice cream soon became a favorite food. The orbiting space station had a full galley in which the astronauts could cook and eat — and use

forks and spoons.

Eating in space took on an international flavor in 1975 when American astronauts sampled Soviet treats during the Apollo-Soyuz Test Project. Astronauts dined on such Russian delicacies as caviar, riga bread and borscht in the now-familiar tubes.

The space shuttle ushered in a new era of space food. "On the shuttle, we use commercially available foods as much as possible," says Rita Rapp, shuttle food systems manager who joined the National Aeronautics and Space Administration in 1961 and worked on meals for the Apollo program. "One advantage is that the manufacturer does the consumer research, so it is less costly for NASA. In addition, a company can produce food in volume and still maintain high quality."

Shuttle meals are based on individual astronaut preferences. Crew members select their menus, and the support staff calculates the nutrient content and number of calories. Each food item is taste-tested before it

goes into space.

"There are no surprises," Rapp says. "When the astronauts train in simulators, they eat flight food during the lunch period, so they know what the food tastes like. But since we can't expose them to all the foods in that short a time, we also conduct a taste panel review. Each astronaut eats a few spoonfuls of a lot of items and decides whether he or she likes it or not."

"The astronauts wanted food they were used to on Earth," she continues. Lunch 160 miles up may include cream of mushroom soup, ham and cheese sandwiches, stewed tomatoes, bananas, cookies and tea; for dinner, shrimp cocktail with sauce, beefsteak, broccolli au gratin, strawberries, pudding and cocoa. Daily caloric intake for a shuttle astronaut averages about 3,000 calories.

One unexplained phenomenon of weightlessness is that it deadens taste buds. Food in space needs more spices, and astronauts liberally add salt, pepper, ketchup and tabasco

sauce. (Salt and pepper are liquified and injected into the food.) But there are few breaks for coffee. "Astronauts say they have trouble tasting it," Elliott says.

In preparation for a shuttle flight, Rapp and her assistants go shopping at the local grocery store. "We go right to the freezer counter," she says, "and buy frozen vegetables and other items off the shelf." The items are then cooked and freeze-dried. According to Rapp, feeding one astronaut costs about \$50 per day.

Twelve hours before each flight, the shuttle is loaded with fresh bananas, oranges, peaches, carrots, celery, bread and the like for the first few days. Unlike Skylab, the orbiter has no refrigerator, because of power constraints, so the astronauts must rely on packaged foods later in the flight.

"Like any restaurant, we want to have satisfied customers," Rapp says. "So far, they've been pretty happy."



Applesauce tube floats by astronaut John Glenn after a snack in 1962.

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On the Soviet Soyuz spacecraft in 1978, astronauts Thomas P. Stafford, left; and Donald K. Slayton held Soviet containers of beet soup; vodka labels had been pasted over the real labels for toasting purposes.

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December In Salzburg: Pageant Of Christmas Festivities

By Toddle Weyr

SALZBURG, Austria (UPI) — A visit to Salzburg during the month of December recalls all the awe and joy of playing in a Christmas pageant, without having to set the stage or learn the lines.

The old city itself, with its imposing fortressed mountain banking up one side, becomes the backdrop for music, theatrics and a Christmas market.

The Christmas season is officially ushered in on the eve of the first Sunday in Advent. Horn players stationed on the balcony around the bell tower or "Glockenspiele" and on rooftops around the Residenzplatz in the city's center blow deep and reverent tones to each other across the square.

Locals and tourists alike slow their pre-Christmas pace for a moment, linger on the square and listen. Each Sunday in Advent is hailed in the same way.

The "Salzburg Advent Singing," Salzburg's most important Christmas event, has developed from a cozy folk music evening among friends, into a Christmas "gesamtkunstwerk" attended by 40,000 each year. Tickets are sold out a year in advance.

The Advent Singing was the brain-child of Tobl

Reiser who organized the first evening in 1948. The legacy he left his son Tobias upon his death in 1974, is a major production involving 18 performances with some 180 singers in the large Festival House.

Reiser Sr., who played several instruments, including a variation of the dulcimer he invented himself, collected folk songs from the towns around Salzburg. He used these along with his own music.

The Advent Singing combines Christmas folk music and songs with scenes from the Bible story of Christ's birth. A large chorus of local choir groups from the Salzburg area and some from Bavaria in West Germany, sing the carols. Young boys play the parts of shepherds who first see the star of Bethlehem.

The scenes have been expanded over the years to include Mary and Joseph on their search for shelter, and also incorporate Christmas legends peculiar to the Salzburg area. The singers, musicians and actors all wear the traditional country dress or "Trachten."

Readings of Christmas-related anecdotes and experiences were incorporated into the program in 1960 by Kurt Heinrich Waggerl, a native writer and author.

Reiser Jr. explains the program's popularity by its honesty.

"We bring something across at every performance. It isn't just routine," Reiser said. "It presents an honesty that the audience feels."

Salzburg, a city of music all year round, offers special Christmas concerts with music by the masters, and churches present complete masses, by Mozart, Haydn and Anton Bruckner.

On the 24th, 25th and 26th, the Dom cathedral in the city center also incorporates the world-renowned Christmas hymn "Silent Night, Holy Night" into its mass.

The famous hymn was born not 10 miles from Salzburg in a town called Oberndorf where in 1818, hungry church mice had chewed through the bellows of the parish pump organ.

Assistant parish priest Josef Mohr and his friend Franz Xavier Gruber sought a way to save the music program of the following day's midnight mass. Together they composed the hymn, which has become a tradition worldwide.

The main squares of the city are home to another tradition that has been raised to a theatrical spectacle. On Dec. 5th and 6th, St. Nicholas's opposite, the "Krampus," goes through the city looking for "bad" children.

While "good" children get sweets from St. Nicholas, the naughty get a whipping from the devil-like Krampus who carries a bundle of bound twigs for this purpose, rattling his chains as he walks.

A Krampus with an elaborate papier-mache mask and long red robes, makes his way across the main squares peering into anxious faces. Shrieks of fear and amusement greet him at every step.

Local children, who make their own masks and switches and roam the streets looking for a victim, can be more menacing. Two American students once cornered by two of these half-pint devils were chased across half the city before escaping — with burning backsides.

Christmas shoppers also will find everything they could require for the season on the city's main squares, where the Christmas market has its home from Nov. 30 to Dec. 24th.

Tree decorations, dried flowers, mittens, ceramics, glass, jewelry, fur and leather articles are only some of the things one can find at the market.

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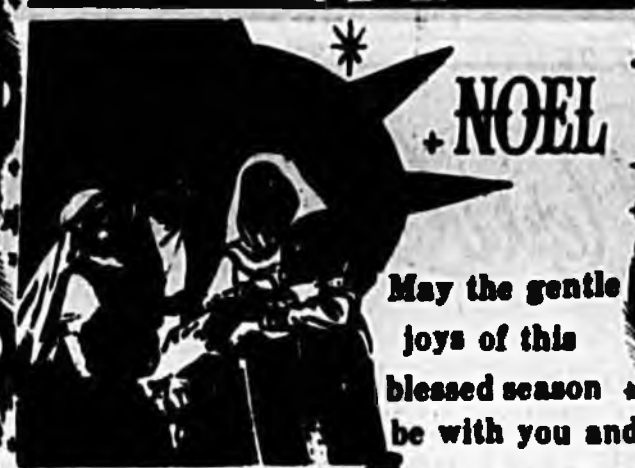
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...Rockwell

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use of photography became widespread. Illustrators like Winslow Homer, Frederic Remington, Howard Pyle, James Montgomery Flagg, Howard Chandler Christy, N.C. Wyeth and Charles Dana Gibson were heroic figures well-known to the public through mass circulation periodicals. In this era before radio and television, magazines

like the Post were a major form of communication. It was in the fading light of illustration's golden age that Rockwell became a permanent part of the American scene.

And thanks to Rockwell, part of the American scene became permanent. Over almost half a century, 320 Rockwell Post covers would join the first one in telling a uniquely American story. At first, there were lots of kids and dogs, and the Christmas covers became a holiday tradition. By the 1920s,

Rockwell was the Post's top cover artist.

That Charleston-dancing decade saw Rockwell kicking up his heels with much of the rest of the country. He and his wife Irene had their own bootlegger and led the social-club life. His covers came to embrace the activities of adults as well as the doings of children and dogs. But regardless of the topicality of his subject matter, Rockwell visualized his values in his art. Basic themes would continue to underlie his work throughout his life: the joy and pain of growing

up, young love, youth seeking guidance from age, love of country, life's simple pleasures and small discomforts.

On Post covers of the '20s, an elderly couple enjoyed their crystal set, a family went joyriding in its Model T and Lindy arrived triumphant after his 33½-hour flight across the Atlantic. It took Rockwell 26 coffee-soaked non-stop hours to make his Lindbergh cover deadline. In 1929, the Rockwell marriage crashed with the market.

On the first cover of the new decade, an anxious group of people and one dog checked the stock exchange quotations. In 1930, as he would periodically when he felt stale, Rockwell decided he needed a change of scene. He took the proverbial advice and went West. In Hollywood, he painted cowboy hero Gary Cooper — having lipstick applied by a make-up man — for a cover. He married a Californian named Mary Barstow, and the decade of the Great Depression gave them happiness and three sons. More sophisticated subjects found their way to his Post covers: movie stars, sports, travel and progressive education.

World War II brought a change in Rockwell's work. His Saturday Evening Post cover world became, not bitter, but less sweet — and more complex. Even Santa changed. The jolly old elf in December of 1940 turned into a slumped and exhausted department store

Santa, beard in his pocket, riding home on the subway.

The country went to war and the Saturday Evening Post and its premier cover artist went with it. Rockwell painted this momentous time in the nation's life not with the broad, sweeping brushstrokes of historical events but with the fine lines of recognizable human moments. Instead of battles, he painted the leave-takings, the homecomings and the links between the men overseas and the loved ones left behind. His fictional character, Willie Gillis, "an ordinary little guy thrown into the chaos of war," was serialized over a number of covers. On New Year's Eve of 1943, Willie's girl was depicted, snug in her bed at midnight, dreaming of Willie. Another kind of woman, not waiting but working, was Rosie the Riveter, eating a ham sandwich and posed in front of Old Glory with a heavy riveting machine.

Soldiers, sailors, airmen and marines came home to loving arms, hammocks, outgrown civvies and homefolks eager to hear how it really was. Rockwell's 1940s on the Post's covers ended with the arrival of a funny thing called an antenna on a Victorian rooftop.

The '50s brought a new kind of Rockwell picture to the Post — the political portrait. He began the series in 1952 with a smiling Ike and ended it in December 1963 with a black-bordered reprise of a portrait painted in a happier day — John F. Kennedy in 1960. It was the last cover

Rockwell painted for the Saturday Evening Post.

But there were new challenges. As an illustrator for Look magazine, in 1968, Rockwell was commissioned to paint President-Elect Richard Nixon. "President Nixon is the hardest man I ever had to paint because he is almost good-looking," he later remarked.

His assignment hangs today in the Hall of Presidents of the Smithsonian's National Portrait Gallery in Washington, D.C. To Rockwell's revelation that he cut the subject's cheeks down, made his nose slimmer and "gave him more hair," Portrait Gallery historian Marc Pachter responds, "Rockwell had an earlier time's attitude that it was legitimate to enhance a public face."

Other horizons pictured by Rockwell for Look's readers were school integration, the Peace Corps, the United Nations and the exploration of outer space. "Grissom and Young Sulting-up," which hangs in the Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum, is a Rockwell contribution to the documentation of America's space program by prominent artists. "Instead of painting a launch," Mary Valdivia, NASM art curator, points out, "Rockwell chose the moments before the historic event, focusing on the people and their emotions."

In 1976, for American Artist, Rockwell painted what would be his last magazine cover. The artist portrayed himself draping the Liberty Bell with a "HAPPY BIRTHDAY" ribbon — a true Norman Rockwell scene.

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WASHINGTON (UPI) — All McGraw threw the first bunch of daisies Steve McQueen gave her into the trash can. So McQueen sent her an even larger bunch in a galvanized trash can.

Richard Burton once sent Elizabeth Taylor a diamond bracelet — not in any old velvet case but draped in a display of 10 dozen Sterling roses, which matched her lavender eyes.

Such inspired gift giving can be found in "Only the Best," by Stuart E. Jacobson (Abrams, 208 pp., \$35), text by Jill Sopalding, photo-

graphy by Jesse Gerstein. Jacobson has collected some examples of the presents the rich and famous have bestowed on each other.

Publisher Malcolm Forbes bought his wife, Roberta, a Faberge Imperial Presentation cigarette case for Christmas in 1960.

A very touching offering was that of Nelson Rockefeller to his wife, Happy, after the birth of one of their sons. It was a Henry Moore sculpture, Rocking Chair No. 1, which shows a mother holding her child.

One of the most lavish gifts

of all time has to be the residence William K. Vanderbilt had built for his wife, Alva. The \$10 million mansion, Marble House in Newport, R.I., was completed in 1892. Unfortunately, Alva divorced her husband two years later.

Not quite as extravagant was the chapel that Marylou Whitney had built for her husband, Cornelius. The Whitneys had a chapel on their Kentucky home and Marylou wanted a chapel for her husband on their Saratoga Springs home too. She found and had copied an 1810 Dutch house that would serve, furnished it and gave it to him Christmas Day 1982.

Not all treasured and meaningful gifts are expensive, of course. Composer and songwriter Stephen Sondheim was a boy when he met Oscar Hammerstein II. He taught Hammerstein how to play chess and Dorothy Hammerstein gave him Oscar's chess set.

A young Roddy McDowall was a fan of comedians Laurel and Hardy. "One of the biggest thrills of my young life was when Stan took off his hat one day and inscribed the sweatband to me and put it on my head."

And then there is the gift from Katherine Hepburn to Henry Fonda. The pair met for the first time when filming "On Golden Pond," which turned out to be Fonda's last film. Hepburn gave her co-star Spencer Tracy's favorite hat, one that director John Ford had worn and considered his good luck hat.

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Well, Virginia, Is There A Santa Claus?

By Karen Timmons
WASHINGTON (UPI) — Christmas is the season of peace on Earth and good will toward men, a time for sharing and bringing out the best in the worst of us. It is also a time of year parents all across the country are lying to their children — the Santa Claus lie.

The Santa Claus lie goes something like this: A jolly fat man in a red suit is going to land a herd of reindeer on the roof without making a sound, squeeze his sizable belly down a 12-inch square chimney and leave a bunch of wonderful goodies, no strings attached. Not only that, but he's going to do all this without leaving any soot marks on the carpet.

While it may sound incredible that a loving parent would try to pull a fast one like this on a kid, the facts are that every 4-year-old who hears it buys the whole story — hook, line and sinker.

Relax, Mom and Dad. Even in an age when you're supposed to tell the kids the absolute truth about everything from sex to divorce to that speeding ticket you got last week, the experts say it's perfectly OK to lay out the Santa lie in all its glory.

That's because, as everyone really knows, Santa Claus is not a lie.

"I simply don't consider it a lie," says Dr. Barbara Korsch, head of the division of pediatrics at Children's Hospital of Los Angeles. "It's one of those beautiful myths we have in our culture."

"Young children have a lot of fantasies," Korsch adds. "If it's told in a format where it's beautiful and magical ... then this is an enhancement to children's lives."

Dr. Morris Green, chairman of the department of pediatrics at the Indiana University Medical Center, agrees.

The Santa Claus myth, he says, "meets a need of children and also parents. Santa Claus is one of those nice, playful, wish-it-were-true illusions. I

think it's a mistake to raise children without any illusions, because then it would be a very barren, spartan existence."

Dr. Joseph Noshpitz, senior attending child psychiatrist at Children's Hospital in Washington, D.C., says children are most receptive to the Santa Claus myth at about age 3, "when magical things seem very possible, so very real."

Most children, Noshpitz says, should believe in Santa until about age 5 to 7, though many will pretend to believe beyond that age to perpetuate the fun of the myth or please parents who get a great deal of joy from living out the story.

While the experts are all for telling children about Santa, they also add some caution about how it should be done in order to keep it fun and protect the integrity of parents in the eyes of their children.

"It's possible to lie to a child, but there are so many ways to explain things to children that both maintain the value of the story, but avoid the verity that a myth should not have," Noshpitz said.

Noshpitz's suggestion for a parent's Christmas Eve explanation of Santa: "Tomorrow is the time when the great story that we have is that Santa Claus comes and brings presents, and Santa looks like so and so ... and you might show the child a picture. And if the child says, 'Is it true?' mommy says, 'It's one of our most important stories.'"

"You don't lie," he continued, "but you preserve it as a story."

"I don't think the cultural things should be devalued or belittled," agrees Noshpitz. "They should be treasured. Play the game. It's a great game, for both parents and children."

Green seems to get even closer to the real truth about Santa Claus: "We never really abandon the idea as adults that there is a Santa Claus."

But then every parent knows that Santa Claus is much more than even a myth. Why else

would they fight their way through screaming throngs for Gobots and Cabbage Patch dolls or stuff down all those cookies?

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