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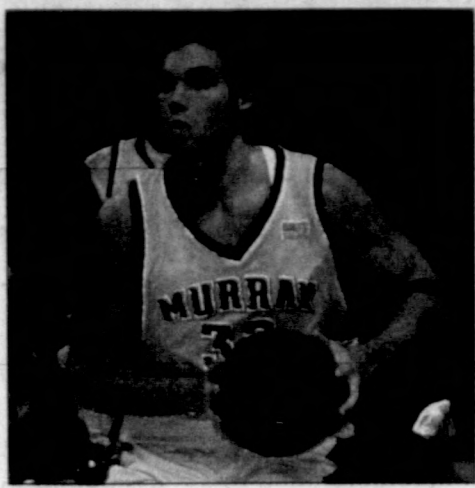
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Deer out in full force

By EDWARD SHERIDAN
Staff Writer

Not even law enforcement officers seem to be safe from deer on the local highways this year.

While deer crossing roads and highways are a common sight this time of year, Calloway County Sheriff Stan Scott believes this year's population may be even more active than last year's. In fact, he even has the busted vehicle to prove it.

"We've had three cars totaled by deer in the last three or four months," he said. "I totaled one myself out by the fairgrounds. I couldn't hit the brakes or anything."

While the sheriff's office can turn to other used vehicles to replace their cars, deer are often responsible for leaving many motorists without transportation this time of year, and, unfortunately, there is no tried and true way to avoid them once they decide to venture into traffic.

"If you're driving down the road and a deer runs out in front of you, just hold on, because there's nothing you can do," Scott said. "About the only thing a driver can do is be alert."

Hunting season is often listed as a major factor as to why deer attempt to cross roadways. But according to Kentucky Fish and Wildlife biologist Pat Hahs, mating season can often drive both male and female deer into areas they normally would not travel.

"The males are kind of harassing the females," he said. "A deer can run across the road just about anywhere. That's when you see more roadkill."

While Scott believes this year's deer population may actually be larger than last year's, Hahs said that no definitive population totals exist for local deer. He did estimate, though, that there is roughly one deer per every 100 acres in Calloway County.

"(The population) is definitely not declining," he said. "We don't really have any hard numbers on that kind of thing."

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I LOVE A PARADE ... Parade entry results from Saturday's Murray Rotary Club Christmas Parade, below photo, have been announced. Winning first place in the civic division entries was Playhouse in the Park. Coming in second in that division was Relay for Life, and the U.S. Independent Bikers Organization and the West Ky. Model "A" Restorers Club tied for third. Coles Campground United Methodist Church took home first place in the church division entries, while West Fork Baptist Church came in second and South Pleasant Grove United Methodist Church finished third. First place in the commercial division entries went to Miss Kim's Daycare. Nana's Place finished second in the division, while third place went to H.S.R. Automotive. In the special judge's mention for youth entries, Brownie Troop 1235 took first place honors, with Girl Scout Troop 579 and Girl Scout Troop 1105 tying for second place. At right, Santa visits with some youngsters following the parade.



United files for Chapter 11 today

By DAVE CARPENTER
AP Business Writer

CHICAGO (AP) — United Airlines made the largest bankruptcy filing in aviation history today, saying it was the only way to keep the world's No. 2 airline flying after two years of heavy losses.

The Chapter 11 filing also was one of the top 10 ever as measured by assets. The suburban Chicago-based company has lost \$4 billion in the last two years due to a slumping economy, flawed business strategies and the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. It faced debt payments of \$875 million later this week.

"Reorganization under Chapter 11 is the only way at this point to build on what we've accomplished, to secure United's long-term future and to ensure that United can continue to meet the needs of our customers while remaining a major player in the global airline industry," United CEO Glenn Tilton told employees on a company hotline.

"Our flight operations will continue as usual in the United States and around the world," he said.

Tilton said he expects the bankruptcy process to be completed within 18 months.

At a bankruptcy hearing at 7 a.m., Chief Judge Eugene R. Wedoff issued orders allowing United to keep operating until another hearing Monday when he is to issue further orders allowing the airline to continue its operations.

United said it obtained \$1.5 billion in financing from several banks to continue operating. The airline said it has \$800 million in cash on hand.

The airline has promised to keep flying while it sheds costs under the auspices of a bankruptcy judge and overhauls its business plan to try to become profitable again.

United operates about 1,700 flights a day, or about 20 percent of all U.S. flights. It has the most extensive worldwide route structure of any airline.

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Unclaimed lottery prizes used to buy homes for the poor

By ROGER ALFORD
Associated Press Writer

HAZARD, Ky. (AP) — Rachel Miller is a lottery winner, sort of.

The eastern Kentucky woman has never won the jackpot, but yet prize money helped her to buy a home on a hillside in Hazard.

The Kentucky Lottery has given \$17.5 million in unclaimed lottery prizes for the construction and renovation of some 3,000 homes and apartments for the working poor and elderly across the state. That includes the \$45,000 two-bedroom ranch that Miller bought a year ago.

"I stayed in shock for a long

time," she said. "I just couldn't believe it, that I actually owned a house."

Miller, 69, sat at her dining room table on Friday, smiling broadly as she looked around her neatly kept home. She said she never would have been able to save enough from her monthly Social Security checks to buy the home without the housing initiative.

Kim Lyon, spokeswoman for the Kentucky Housing Corp., said the unclaimed lottery prizes go into a

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SING OUT LOUD ... Choirs from both Memorial Baptist, above, and First Baptist, right, performed Saturday morning on Main Street and the Courthouse Square.



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Inspectors return to nuclear site

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — U.N. arms inspectors paid a return visit today to Iraq's huge al-Tuwaitha nuclear complex, where scientists in the 1980s worked to produce the fissionable material for nuclear bombs.

On Sunday, a top science adviser to President Saddam Hussein said Iraq's arms report to the United Nations documents Baghdad's drive to develop a nuclear bomb until 1991. Lt. Gen. Amer al-Saadi said Iraq no longer has such ambitions.

"It's for the IAEA (International Atomic Energy Agency) to judge how close we were" to a nuclear bomb, al-Saadi said.

In Vienna, Austria, U.N. nuclear experts said Iraq's report on its nuclear program appears to echo that claim.

"At first glance, it appears the declaration is consistent with Iraq's statement that it has no nuclear weapons and that it has no nuclear weapons material or associated programs," Melissa Fleming, a spokeswoman for the International Atomic Energy Agency, told The Associated Press.

Inspectors will seek to verify Iraq's claims by on-the-ground inspections.

The U.N. teams want to ensure that Iraqi specialists, in the four years since U.N. monitors were last in Iraq, have not returned to research in areas that would contribute to nuclear weapons-building. Recent satellite photos show new construction at al-Tuwaitha, buildings whose purposes the U.N. investigators would want to check.

Last Wednesday, in their first visit to al-Tuwaitha in the two-week-old new round of U.N. inspections, specialists of the International Atomic Energy Agency spent five hours going "room to room," team leader Jacques Baute reported afterward. But they needed more time to complete their inspection of the complex of more than 100 buildings, he said.

Many buildings at al-Tuwaitha, 15 miles southeast of Baghdad, were destroyed in heavy U.S. bombing in the 1991 Gulf War. Through the 1990s, it was scrutinized by U.N. nuclear agency inspectors

under a postwar U.N. monitoring regime to ensure Iraq did not develop weapons of mass destruction.

Those inspections stopped in 1998 amid U.N.-Iraqi disputes. The current round began Nov. 27 under a new, tougher U.N. Security Council resolution.

From Baghdad Monday, a second U.N. team went to an undisclosed destination. They headed west, in the direction of an area of chemical plants and other facilities with past connections to Iraq's old chemical and biological weapons programs.

The U.N. operation received reinforcements on Sunday, 25 new inspectors who doubled the staff, allowing a rapid expansion of field missions. Over the weekend, the U.N. teams also got the first of an expected eight helicopters that will enable them to range farther afield on their unannounced inspections.

The daily inspections continue as the monitors' headquarters offices in New York and Vienna begin their review of the massive arms declaration, more than 12,000 pages, sub-

mitted by Iraq to the United Nations on Saturday.

Analysis of the declaration, whose submission was required by last month's U.N. resolution, is expected to suggest new sites for inspections, especially facilities that can alternate between civilian and military use.

If Iraq is eventually found to have cooperated fully with the inspectors, U.N. resolutions call for the Security Council to consider lifting economic sanctions imposed on Iraq after it invaded Kuwait in 1990. If Iraq is found in noncompliance, on the other hand, the council may consider military action to forcibly the Baghdad government.

In Baghdad, peace activists from the Chicago-based Iraq Advocacy group Voices in the Wilderness gathered before U.N. offices in for a demonstration urging the United States and Iraq not to interfere in the U.N. weapons inspectors' work. The inspections process "is the main source of help right now to avoid war," said Kathy Kelly, leader of the 17-member delegation.

Lottery ...

From Front

trust fund that provides no-interest home loans to people who generally can't make down payments and likely would not qualify for bank credit. The trust fund divvies up the funds with local housing agencies like the non-profit Hazard-Perry County Housing Development Alliance.

People with incomes as low as \$6,000 a year can qualify for the loans, and have average monthly mortgage payments of about \$250, said Chris Doll, a housing specialist for the Hazard organization. The mortgage payments generally are far less than monthly rent.

"The majority of our clients are the working poor, who simply don't make enough money to afford a house," Doll said. "They think purchasing a home is an impossibility."

In four years, the Hazard group has built or renovated 24 homes and 20 apartments using the unclaimed lottery prizes from the trust fund.

"We've been able to use the unclaimed lottery money to leverage an additional \$150 million for the creation or rehabilitation of affordable housing," Lyon said. "That means we're able to help far more people."

Stacey Epperson, executive director of Frontier Housing, a non-

profit group in Morehead, said fewer strings are attached to the unclaimed lottery prizes, which allows organizations like hers to award loans to families with even the most meager incomes.

Epperson said she worries that state leaders may divert the unclaimed lottery prizes into other state programs because of the budget crunch.

"It's critical in today's budget climate that this is protected by the legislators," she said. "A lot of families would really lose if these monies are swallowed up through the budget crisis. A lot of us are fearful of what could happen."

Rick Redmon, spokesman for the Kentucky Lottery, said the prizes used in the housing program go unclaimed for a variety of reasons. Sometimes, people don't realize there are secondary prizes for matching some of the numbers on tickets for the big jackpots.

Some, Redmon said, can't be explained, like a \$1 million jackpot that once went unclaimed, or the several \$100,000 prizes that have been unclaimed. "We're able to generate a lot of different winners in a lot of different ways," Redmon said. Miller agreed. She said the most she ever won from the lottery was \$15 in a scratch-off game.

United ...

From Front

The bankruptcy filing will come at a steep price for the 83,000 employees who own 55 percent of the company. A bankruptcy court judge is almost certain to order wage and job cuts and could dissolve the employee stock ownership plan.

The carrier's stock, which reached \$100 a share in 1997, closed at 93 cents Friday on the New York Stock Exchange.

The bankruptcy restructuring also is likely to result in fewer flights. Experts say frequent-flyer miles and basic fare levels are likely to be retained for the short term, although fare hikes are likely over the longer haul.

A spokesman for United's pilots union urged passengers Sunday not to abandon the airline during a bankruptcy filing.

"This is going to be painful for the stockholders and the employees, but the airline's going to keep flying and we're going to come out of this stronger," pilot Herb Hunter said. "The passengers shouldn't notice any difference."

Airline consultant Robert Mann said the company will have to keep the morale of United's workers from falling too low.

"It's certainly demoralizing to employees, and the risk is that it will somehow translate into less friendly service — in effect getting customers in the middle of an emotional problem," said Mann, of R.W. Mann & Co. in Port Washington, N.Y.

On pace to lose an industry-record \$2.5 billion this year, United

had pinned its last hopes of avoiding bankruptcy on getting federal backing for \$1.8 billion of a \$2 billion loan that banks wouldn't otherwise provide. But the Air Transportation Stabilization Board, created last year to help the airline industry recover after Sept. 11, rejected United's request on Wednesday.

The linchpin to United's proposal was \$5.2 billion in labor cutbacks by 2008, but the three-member federal panel said the airline's business plan was financially unsound and a loan guarantee would have risked U.S. taxpayers picking up the tab.

United has struggled even more than other airlines during the industry's worst-ever slump. The carrier already had lost about \$1 billion since mid-2000 by the time of the attacks because of labor turmoil, the industry's highest costs and several failed strategies, including a costly and time-consuming bid to acquire US Airways — itself now in Chapter 11 bankruptcy.

United cut service and laid off nearly 20,000 workers after the terrorist attacks, but it hasn't come close to making up for revenue lost from the drop-off in business travel. United's filing dwarfs all other airline bankruptcies. The previous largest was by Continental Airlines in 1990. United listed almost \$25.4 billion in assets as of Sept. 30 — more than twice Continental's when it filed.

It also is one of the 10 largest bankruptcies in U.S. history — a list topped by the recent failures WorldCom and Enron. It is the 11th time a major U.S. airline has filed for bankruptcy since deregulation in 1978, including TWA three times.

Deer ...

From Front

What Scott and Hahs do agree on is that the deer whistles that people commonly place on the front of their vehicles do not work in deterring deer to not wander in front of their cars and trucks. Plus, once deer reach the roadway, they are often startled by engine noise and blinded by headlights.

Scott said deer also have very poor traction on paved surfaces, so they are not able to reverse their course of travel very easily once they have entered the roadway.

Once a deer has been hit, Scott said motorists have the option of calling the sheriff's office to fill out an accident report. They can also opt to come by the sheriff's office on Maple Street and fill out their own self-accident report. If motorists choose the first option,

they have to stay at the scene of the accident.

"They don't necessarily have to have us come and make a report," Scott said. "Once a car has left the scene, though, we can't work the accident because we don't know what happened."

While Scott said the fish and wildlife department is notified of accidents involving deer for statistical purposes, state law gives motorists the option of taking the deer with them if they so choose.

As for city law enforcement officials, Murray Police Chief John Knight said his officers, for obvious reasons, do not handle many calls involving motorists hitting deer.

"We might have three or four a year hit," Knight said. "People drive a little slower in town, and, of course, there are fewer deer in town."

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Palestinians urge Arafat to go to Bethlehem for holiday

RAMALLAH, West Bank (AP) — Palestinians warned today of a

"dangerous escalation" of tensions if Israel stops Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat from celebrating Christmas in Bethlehem for a second straight year.

The warnings came after an adviser to Prime Minister Ariel Sharon, Raanan Gissin, said Arafat should not try to attend the Midnight Mass. But Gissin stopped short of saying Israel would bar him from the city.

In continuing violence, a Palestinian woman was killed and three of her children — ages 4, 7 and 14 — and another woman were badly wounded by Israeli gunfire in the Gaza Strip late Sunday, witnesses and doctors said.

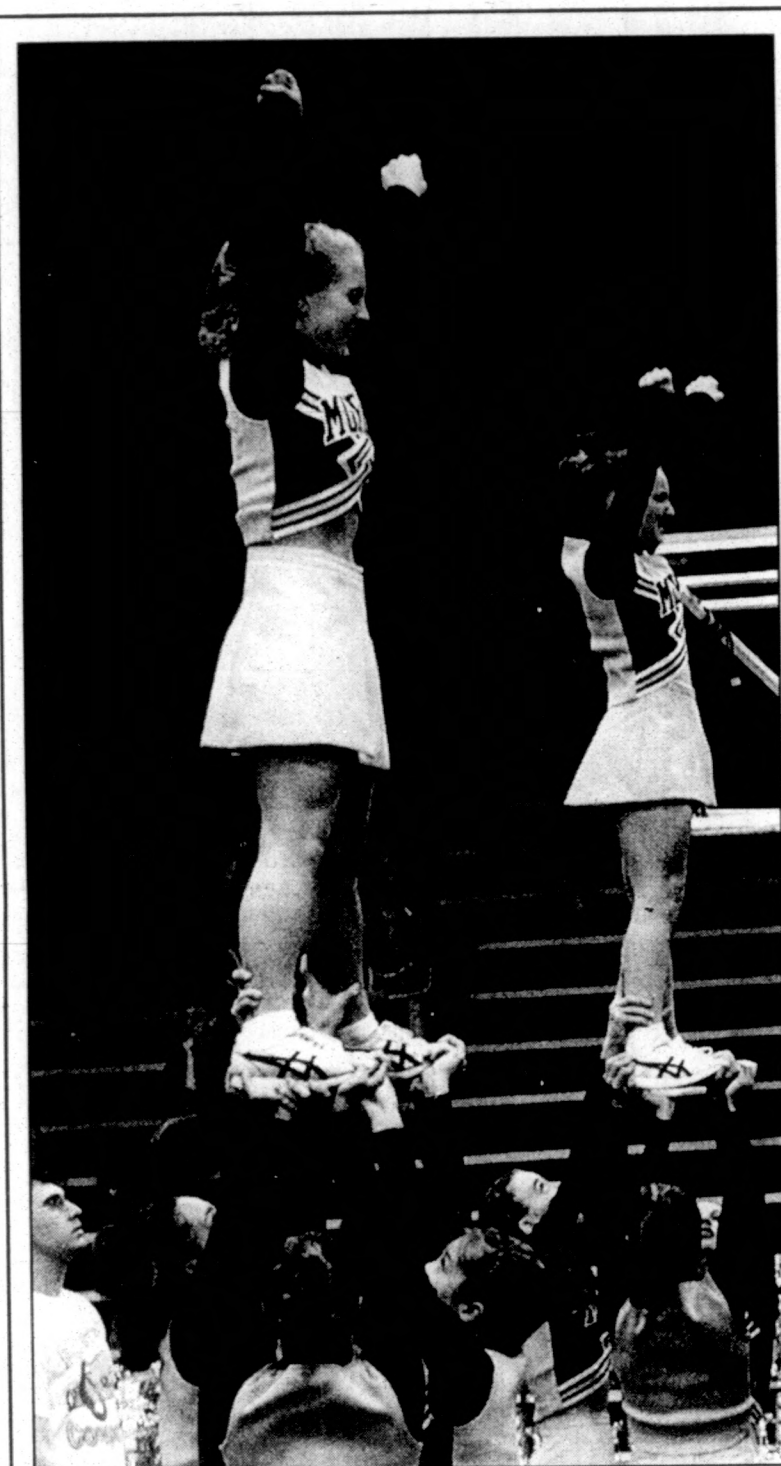
The military said soldiers saw a group of Palestinians, some of them armed, approaching the Jewish settlement of Rafiah Yam and the soldiers opened fire. Soldiers saw Palestinians take four wounded away, and two others escaped.

But a Palestinian witness, Samir Abu Shahin, 45, said Israeli soldiers opened fire at the Tel Sultan refugee camp near the settlement. "The woman and her family were walking in the middle of the street, and I saw her fall, and blood covering her body, and not far from her, the two children also fell."

A third child was also wounded, doctors said.

Meanwhile, Israel's Supreme court temporarily put on hold plans by the government to demolish 15 Palestinian homes in the West Bank city of Hebron to make way for a wider road connecting a Jewish settlement. The government decided on the demolition after a Palestinian ambush in Hebron that killed 12 Israelis. The court will hear an appeal of the demolition orders.

And adding to a growing chorus of Palestinian leaders questioning the 2-year-old uprising, Cabinet minister Nabil Shaath said Palestinians should only use violence against Jewish settlers in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.



CHEER UP ... Murray High was certainly high in the air after Saturday's Kentucky Cheerleading and Dance Quad State Regional Championship at Racer Arena. Murray won the small school varsity division over Livingston Central and Hopkinsville, while Murray Middle took second in its division behind Martin, Tenn., and ahead of Heath.

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Deaths

Thomas Owen Walker

Thomas Owen Walker, 79, Brentwood, Tenn., died Friday, Dec. 7, 2002, at his home.



Walker

He graduated from high school in Brownsville, Tenn., and received a bachelor of science degree in agriculture from Murray State University. He also did graduate work at the University of Kentucky.

Mr. Walker's professional career included the Agricultural Extension Service as assistant extension agent in Huntingdon, Selmer, Bolivar and Memphis, Tenn., from 1948 until 1957. He joined the Portland Cement Association in 1957 as housing and farm engineer.

In 1967, Mr. Walker moved to Brentwood, where he accepted the position of Director of Public Relations for the Tennessee Electric Cooperative Association and worked in that capacity until 1973, at which time he became executive director for the Tennessee Municipal Electric Power Association in Brentwood. He retired in 1988.

Mr. Walker served in the U. S. Navy during World War II. He was a very civic- and community-minded individual who served on many boards and committees. He was the first chairman for the Brentwood Park Board in 1968 and past president of the Brentwood Chamber of Commerce. He also was a member of the National Association of County Agricultural Agents, the Memphis Agricultural Club, The Tennessee Farm Bureau Federation, and the American Society of Agricultural Engineers, serving as state chairman in 1958.

He also was a long-time member of Brentwood United Methodist Church,

where he served as head usher for many years, and a member of the Brentwood Country Club. Mr. Walker was a member of the Kiwanis Club for more than 50 years.

An avid football fan for both the University of Tennessee and his alma mater, Murray State, he had never missed an MSU Homecoming since his graduation 60 years ago. He played football while at Murray State in the 1940's and was recently featured in the October 28, 2002 edition of the Racer Insider. Murray State honored him with the Golden Horseshoe Award in 1992, the highest award given to Alumni. He had served as president of the Murray Alumni Association.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Minnie Lee Churchill Walker, formerly of Murray, whom he married 54 years ago on April 9, 1948; two sons, Tommy Lee Walker and wife, Marilyn, Murray, and Ronnie C. Walker and wife, Carol, Nashville; one daughter, Mrs. Martha Anne Page, Franklin, Tenn.; four granddaughters, Traci Corbin and husband, Michael, Germany, Leigh Rains and husband, Johnny, Murray, Jennifer Lynne Jennings, Nashville, and Courtney Page, Franklin; three grandsons, Jamie Walker and Zachary Walker, Nashville, and Clint Page, Franklin; four great-grandsons, Colton and Jesse Trace Rains, Murray, and Brandon and Aaron Corbin, Germany; two brothers, Bullock Walker, Memphis, and Jimmy Walker and wife, Jo, Minneapolis, Minn.; three sisters, Mrs. Mamie Kinney, Brownsville, Mrs. Lula Bingham and husband, Nowell, Jackson, Tenn., and Mrs. Virginia Worthy, Knoxville, Tenn.

The funeral will be Tuesday at noon at the Brentwood United Methodist Church, Brentwood, Tenn. Bishop Robert H. Spain, the Rev. J. Howard Olds, and the Rev. Carol Cavin-Dillon will officiate. Burial will follow in the Middle Tennessee Veterans Cemetery on McCrory Lane, Nashville.

Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. today (Monday) at the Brentwood Funeral Home, 9010 Church Street, Brentwood, and from 11 a.m. to noon Tuesday at the Brentwood United Methodist Church.

Brentwood Chapel of Roesch-Patton Funeral Home is in charge of services.

The family requests that expressions of

sympathy be in the form of donations to the Lynne Walker Jennings/Carl Walker Scholarship at Murray State University.

Mrs. Hontas Kelly Houston

Mrs. Hontas Kelly Houston, 95, Crestwood Place, Murray, died Friday, Dec. 6, 2002, at 11:15 p.m. at her home.

She was married Nov. 14, 1931, to Dr. Hugh L. Houston, who practiced medicine in Calloway County for over 50 years. He died April 23, 1986. Born Aug. 11, 1907, in South Graves County, she was the youngest of three children of the late Sid Kelly and Lula Dulaney Kelly.

A graduate of Sedalia High School, she became one of the early graduates of Murray State Teachers College, graduating in the class of 1929. She later taught English and home economics in the Graves County Schools and also served as a dietitian at the Houston-McDevitt Clinic, Murray. She was an active member of First United Methodist Church, Murray, and Murray Woman's Club. She was a dedicated Murray State University alumna.

Survivors include a nephew, Dr. Hal E. Houston, Murray, and two nieces, Gail E. Pappas of Denver, Colo., and Greer Houston, Nashville, Tenn., all of whom she and Dr. Houston raised after the death of their parents, Dr. and Mrs. Hal E. Houston Sr., in 1951.

Also surviving are great nephews and nieces, Rebecca Oline, Chicago, Ill.; Greer Monin, Atlanta, Ga.; Hugh Houston, Nashville, George Pappas, Kodiak, Alaska, Adelaide Naughton and Sarah Cott, both of Denver, Kelly Perdew, Los Angeles, Hal Perdew, Atlanta, and Brent Osborn, Colorado Springs.

Other survivors include a niece, Lou Anne McCuan, Farmington, and two nephews, Sid Easley, Murray, and Dan Easley, Spartanburg, S.C.

Graveside services will be Wednesday at 1 p.m. at the Murray City Cemetery. The Rev. Larry Daniel will officiate.

J.H. Churchill Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements, but no visitation will be scheduled.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to the Houston Memorial Library at Murray-

Calloway County Hospital; Houston Medical Scholarship at Murray State University; or First United Methodist Church, Murray.

Mrs. Paula Harris

Mrs. Paula Harris, 88, Murray, died Saturday, Dec. 7, 2002, at 9:20 p.m. at Murray-Calloway County Hospital.

A homemaker, she was a member of St. Leo Catholic Church.

Her husband, Charles Eugene Harris, preceded her in death. Born Oct. 18, 1914, in Yzendals, Holland, she was the daughter of the late Paul Goethals and Cecile Van Kerckvoorte Goethals.

Survivors include two stepdaughters, Mrs. Vivian Mason Harris, Las Vegas, Nev., and Mrs. June Harris, Diamond Bar, Calif.; three stepsons, Donald Harris Sr., Lake Luzerne, N.Y., John Harris, Kittery, Maine, and Charles Harris, Skranton, S.C.; one brother, John Goethals, Austria; friend, Shelby Lorson, Murray.

J.H. Churchill Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Dr. N.H. Talley Jr.

The funeral for Dr. N.H. Talley Jr. was Sunday at 2 p.m. in the chapel of Morgan's Funeral Home, Princeton. Officiating were the Rev. J. Bill Jones, Dr. Bill Tichenor and the Rev. Tom Hughes. Burial was in the Fredonia Cemetery.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to First Baptist Church of Princeton, 300 W. Main St., Princeton, KY 42445 or a charity of your choice.

Dr. Talley Jr., 75, S. Jefferson St., Princeton, died Thursday, Dec. 5, 2002, at 5:44 p.m. at Caldwell County Hospital, Princeton.

He completed his medical degree at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn. His surgical residency was at Emory University Grady Memorial, Atlanta, Ga., and at Thayer V.A. Hospital, Nashville. He completed training at St. Thomas Hospital, Nashville, and was chief of surgery upon completion of time there. He was also chief of surgery at Fort Campbell Army Base.

Dr. Talley Jr. practiced medicine and surgery in Princeton for 41 years. He was a

member of American Southern Medical Association, Kentucky Medical Association, charter member of Pennyrile Medical Association and Society of Abdominal Surgeons. He was a member of First Baptist Church, Princeton, Clinton Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons and the Shriners. He served in the South Pacific during the Korean Conflict.

Born June 10, 1927, in Caldwell County, he was the son of the late Nathaniel Henry Talley Sr. and Carrie Elizabeth Ross Talley. One son, Robert Nathan Talley, and one grandson, Brian Talley, both preceded him in death.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Shirley Young Talley, to whom he was married for 52 years; two daughters, Mrs. Linda Riley, Princeton, and Mrs. Carol Robinson, Caldwell County; two sons, Bill Talley, Princeton, and Ross Talley, Almo; 11 grandchildren; one great-grandchild.

Henry I. Davis

Henry I. Davis, 88, Scott Road, Dresden, Tenn., died Saturday, Dec. 7, 2002, at his home.

A retired Baptist minister, he was a member of New Salem Missionary Baptist Church. He was a World War II Combat Army Veteran of the European Theater.

Preceding him in death were his first wife, Annie Helen Newton Davis, his second wife, Lavada Irene Johnson McClure Davis, one daughter, Ruthene Davis, one son, Henry Davis Jr., one sister, Frances Rushing, and one brother, Cecil Davis. Born May 3, 1914, in Weakley County, Tenn., he was the son of the late Bert Lee Davis and Ruby Lee McClure Davis.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Shelby Atkins, Murray, and Mrs. Diana Sykes, Dresden, Tenn.; two sisters, Mrs. Mildred Wiggins and Mrs. Frances Rushing, both of Lynnville; four grandchildren; three great-grandchildren.

The funeral will be today (Monday) at 1 p.m. in the chapel of Jackson Funeral Home, Dukedom, Tenn. The Rev. Ricky Walker will officiate. Burial will follow in Acree Cemetery in Weakley County.

Visitation is now at the funeral home.

National Guard helping N.C. cope with cold

DURHAM, N.C. (AP) — On a sunny afternoon before another cold night without heat, Sharon Fogel ambled down her driveway to a camouflage Humvee stuffed with four uniformed soldiers.

The National Guard had arrived. "I guess we're really in an emergency," Fogel said.

Four days after an ice storm began blanketing the state and shutting down the electricity grid, Fogel and her neighbors face the prospect of several more days without heat, lights or appliances.

About 573,000 customers in North Carolina still lacked power early Monday, according to utilities.

Duke Power, which supplies electricity for most of the state between Durham and the Tennessee border, said it will take it until mid-

night Wednesday before it can restore power to most of its 444,000 customers still without electricity.

Carolina Power & Light, which serves most of the state east of Durham, was trying to return power to about 116,000 customers. The state's electric cooperatives reported about 13,000 customers without power Sunday.

Gov. Mike Easley called out National Guard volunteers Sunday. Troops in 21 counties were going door-to-door to protect state residents from exposure to the cold and to inform them how to safely heat their homes and prevent accidental carbon monoxide poisoning.

Poor ventilation of high-carbon fuels designed for outdoor burning like charcoal can result in an indoor buildup of carbon monoxide, an extremely poisonous gas. When it's inhaled, it can starve

a person of oxygen.

That's apparently what happened in two fatal poisoning cases on Saturday.

Epifanio Arody Navarro, 32, of Durham died in his bed after residents brought a charcoal grill inside the house, police said.

In Shelby, a man died and his wife was hospitalized after they ran a generator on an enclosed sun porch, police said.

Members of a guard aviation unit also sought to fulfill requests for help from the day before.

Robert Nolan spent the previous night with two adult family members in their car, which was heated by the running engine. The car ran out of gas, and he asked the citizen-soldiers if they could bring him more since the nearby gas stations were unable to pump fuel for lack of power.

The troops came back Sunday with the gas.

Screws spilled on interstate flatten scores of tires

LEBANON JUNCTION, Ky. (AP) — A dropped load of sheet metal screws on Interstate 65 flatten the tires of scores of vehicles Monday, but led to no accidents or injuries, authorities said.

There were no witnesses to identify the source of the one-inch long screws, said Kentucky State Police spokesman Steve Pavey of the Elizabethtown post. They were first noticed at 5:45 a.m. EST and tires were still going flat by 8 a.m., he said.

"They have a very sharp end," said Pavey of the one-inch long self-tapping screws. "A box may have burst on a truck and they rolled out the back, but we don't know for sure. There was no box or anything."

Vehicles were pulled over for a 15-mile stretch in the Lebanon Junction area, from about 5 miles south of the area to 10 miles north, Pavey said. A dispatcher for the post said no fewer than 80 calls were received from motorists.

Alaska quake provides lessons for other regions

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The major earthquake that struck Alaska's remote interior in November is allowing seismologists to better model how densely populated areas might fare in a similar-sized temblor.

The Nov. 3 Denali earthquake, among the largest known to strike the United States, opened a 186-mile scar across Alaska, splitting even the glaciers in its path.

But the magnitude-7.9 quake didn't harm people or buildings, since the region is so sparsely populated. Only one minor injury — a woman

who broke her arm running to safety — was reported.

No buildings collapsed, nor was the trans-Alaska pipeline breached. Had the quake occurred anywhere else in the United States, its impact would have been far more serious.

That makes the Denali quake an important proxy for understanding what could occur along California's San Andreas fault, seismologists said Sunday at the fall meeting of the American Geophysical Union.

Certain characteristics of the Denali earthquake surprised scientists, Alaska state seismologist

Roger Hansen said. Among them was that the quake produced longer, sustained shaking, rather than the sharper type of jolt sometimes typical of smaller quakes.

Major earthquakes "are kind of their own unique beasts," said Peter Haeussler of the Anchorage, Alaska, office of the U.S. Geological Survey.

During the Alaska quake, the ground near the fault shook for as long as two minutes, according to the U.S. Geological Survey.

A similar quake in Southern California would rip through an area inhabited by 13 million people, and the longer shaking would affect buildings in a much different way than a more jolting quake.

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CapitolIdeas

Candidates for Ky. Governor avoiding revenue issue

By CHARLES WOLFE
Associated Press Writer

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) — It was 1955, and Court of Appeals Judge Bert T. Combs, an up-and-comer in the Kentucky Democratic Party, was kicking off a campaign for governor.

Among the faces in the crowd was Joseph Leary, a Frankfort lawyer and close adviser to Combs' very formidable opponent for the party's nomination — Albert B. "Happy" Chandler.

In his speech, Combs asserted that the state was in a sorry financial condition and would need more money — about \$25 million more — on which to operate.

Leary sensed a gaffe, and he gave Chandler a succinct report on Combs: "He has opened and closed in the same night."

The wily and seasoned Chandler, who had won the governorship 20 years earlier and then had become a U.S. senator, declared that an experienced governor wouldn't need to raise taxes. He defeated Combs in the primary, then won the general election to complete a comeback.

Combs also won the governorship, succeeding Chandler four years later. He even got the General Assembly to enact a 3 percent sales tax. But he did not repeat his mistake of telegraphing his intention during the campaign.

Nor have his successors down through the years, though several eventually resorted to tax hikes, once in office.

Louie B. Nunn, the last Republican governor, got the sales tax raised to 5 percent, for which he paid a dear price politically.

As a candidate, the late Gov. Wallace Wilkinson astutely proposed the lottery as an alternative to taxes. He later presided over a \$1 billion tax hike for schools — and for a load of projects that were needed to secure the votes in the General Assembly.

Forty-seven years after Combs' losing campaign, lame duck Gov. Paul Patton stood before a room of reporters, cabinet secretaries and other interested onlookers and

asserted that the state is in a sorry financial condition and will need more money — about \$500 million more — on which to operate.

The problem, Patton said, is that the recurring expenses of state government now exceed the recurring sources of revenue to state government. Without a change in revenue sources, Patton said, the only alternative is a cutting — perhaps a painful cutting — of public services. He said that could include education, heretofore an untouchable.

Now, again, the candidates for governor are lining up. Maybe it hasn't been a conscious consideration, but all seem determined to avoid emulating the Bert Thomas Combs of 1955.

Last week, Republican U.S. Rep. Ernie Fletcher launched his campaign for governor. Appropriately, he offered a lofty vision: "Jobs, economic prosperity, education, health care and preserving our family farms and quality of life." Nothing was said about revenue.

Attorney General Ben Chandler, Happy's grandson, kicked off his own campaign for governor a day later. He, too, talked about creating opportunities, good jobs and the chance for "a great education." His speech included this applause line: "I will not rely on higher taxes to address Kentucky's needs."

Two days after Chandler, Speaker of the House Jody Richards became the third to officially launch a campaign for governor. Richards ticked off a list of goals that included a "world class" education system, prescription drugs for the elderly, affordable health care for others and improved roads for everyone. He offered no details on how he would pay for those goals but said he would oppose any tax increase.

Time will tell how or whether Fletcher, Chandler or Richards — or any of the other candidates who have yet to go to the starting gate — delivered on their promises. But they won't close on opening night.

Charles Wolfe is a statehouse reporter for The Associated Press.



'Tis the seasonKentucky!

For wounded pride, dogs

KentuckyBackroads

By BERRY CRAIG

For The Associated Press

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP) — More than a few Bluegrass blue bloods fought fatal duels over wounded pride.

Jacob Holeman slew Francis Waring over a dead dog. "Probably more people have been killed in Kentucky over dogs than anything else except land," Frankfort historian Ron Bryant said.

Holeman and Waring dueled near Frankfort in 1819. The gunfight sparked by the spilling of "innocent canine blood" made national news. One paper called the combatants "dunces." Bad blood brewed between Holeman and Waring at the 1819 Fourth of July celebration in Frankfort. Festivities included fancy drill by the local militia.

Holeman, a newspaper man, and Waring, a Virginia-born lawyer, were officers in an infantry company. The duo proudly marched

ahead of their troops, "showing off before their admiring audience and friends," wrote J. Winston Coleman Jr. in his book, Famous Kentucky Duels.

All was well until Holeman's dog trotted onto the drill field. The pet faithfully fell in behind his master and disrupted "the strict military decorum of the occasion," Coleman added. Enraged, Waring drew his sword and skewered the canine. Determined to avenge his dead dog, Holeman broke ranks to slug Waring.

"The offended Virginian, himself a practiced duelist and veteran of several affairs of honor back in the Old Dominion, could not bear the humiliation and insulting language he had publicly received on the drill grounds, especially when he came off second best in the battle of fists," Coleman wrote.

His honor apparently bruised, too, Waring challenged Holeman to a duel. They agreed to pistols at dawn on July 16, 1819. The field of

honor would be outside the capital city.

Holeman and Waring squared off at 30 feet and fired almost simultaneously. Waring's bullet hit Holeman in the hip, crippling him for life. Holeman fatally shot Waring through the heart. Word of the fatal fight spread far beyond Kentucky. "A pair of dunces agreed to shoot at each other a few days ago near Frankfort, Ky.," reported the Niles Weekly Register, published in Baltimore.

Meanwhile, Holeman and his second, Wilson P. Greenup, were indicted for murder. The case was "the first of its kind in Kentucky, where the victor and his second in a duel were to be formally tried for the crime of murder," Coleman wrote.

Holeman and Greenup, son of ex-Gov. Christopher Greenup, faced a death sentence. But a Frankfort jury judged the duel a fair fight and found the pair innocent.

Bryant, Kentucky history specialist at the state historical society, wonders if jurors also considered Waring's death a case of justifiable homicide. "We are fond of our dogs," he said. "You don't mess with our animals."

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Gore, Lieberman fault Bush's economic policies

Washington Today

By JIM ABRAMS

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democrats Al Gore and Joe Lieberman, critical of the White House's economic policy, expressed support Sunday for tax cuts aimed at the middle class and a stimulus package to revive the economy.

Gore and Lieberman, possible presidential contenders in 2004, said the shake-up in the Bush administration's economic team last week would mean little without changes in economic policy. Failing to offer new initiatives would make President Bush's replacements for Treasury Secretary Paul O'Neill and White House economic adviser Lawrence Lindsey "fall guys for failed policies," Gore said.

Bush will announce successors to Lindsey and O'Neill as early as Monday, a senior administration official said. The president returned to the White House from Camp David Sunday with another key economic adviser — Commerce Secretary Don Evans.

Gore, the Democratic presidential nominee in 2000, said on ABC's "This Week" that he would focus on more tax cuts for middle-income families and balance an economic stimulus package with the need to

restore long-term confidence in the economy.

He said he would propose a detailed economic plan after the first of the year that would combine a middle-income tax cut with a freeze on the income tax rates paid by the wealthiest Americans.

The \$1.3 trillion, 10-year tax cut enacted last year includes a gradual lowering of income tax rates. Democrats say it most benefits the wealthy and has contributed to the return of federal budget deficits.

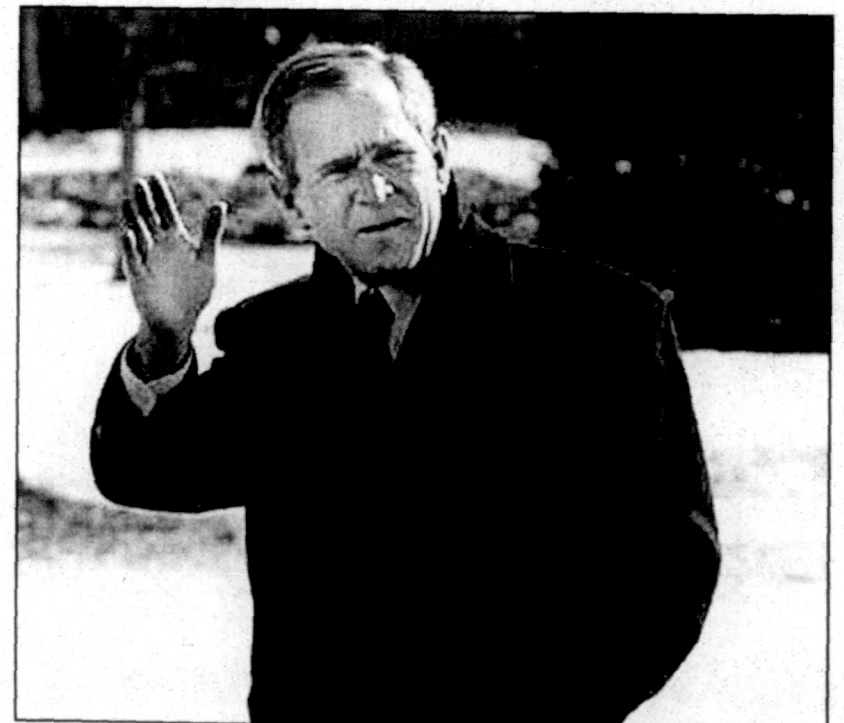
Lieberman, Gore's running mate two years ago, said his plan for reviving the economy included putting more money into the hands of middle-class families, giving businesses incentives to start investing again, and providing funds for public works, particularly to states for homeland security.

"Our economy is in trouble," Lieberman, D-Conn., said on "Fox News Sunday." He said that more than 1 million people have fallen into poverty and business investment during the administration has been at a 50-year low. "The economy needs something different from what President Bush has given it."

President Bush is expected to present Congress with his own stimulus package next month.

Among possible elements are accelerated income tax rate reductions, eliminating the taxation of investors' stock dividends and payroll tax exemptions, an idea endorsed by another Democratic presidential hopeful, Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass.

Lieberman repeated that he



AP File Photo

would probably run for president, but only if Gore decides against another White House bid.

Gore, meantime, also discussed his preference for "single-payer" national health coverage, which would require a massive change in the insurance system. Money to pay for health care — such as insurance premiums and tax dollars — would be collected by a single agency, which would then pay for comprehensive coverage for all citizens.

Gore, pressed to say what such a plan would mean higher taxes, said he did not think "new revenues necessarily are required."

In fact, he suggested "it may mean fewer taxes. ... I think it would mean less expense overall because

of all the money that's wasted now." "With the same revenue that we have now, we can do a much better job if we don't waste one out of every three dollars" on paperwork. More details of his idea will come early in 2003, Gore said.

Republicans quickly pounced on Gore's comments about taxes.

"With the 2004 Democratic presidential primary under way, Al Gore reminded voters today of two very important things," said Jack Oliver, deputy chairman of the Republican National Committee. "First, Democrats won't rule out raising taxes to spend more of people's hard-earned money and second that he is willing to say or do anything to get elected."

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Community

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Santa Project issues urgent need for sponsors, donations



Jo's Datebook
By Jo Burkeen
Community Editor

The Santa Project is in urgent need of sponsors for less fortunate children in the community.

The approximate cost to sponsor a young child is \$50, an older child \$75 depending on needs for coat, shoes, etc.

To be a sponsor, contact or stop by the Calloway Family Resource Center at East Elementary School, phone 762-7333, between 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; or the Murray Family Resource Center at 814 Poplar St., Murray, phone 759-9592 between 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Tax deductible contributions may be sent to the Angel Fund, c/o FRC, 1169 Pottertown Rd., Murray. For more information, phone 762-7333 or 759-9592.

Angels Shop lists opening days

In response to community requests, during December, the Angels Attic Thrift Shop at 1628 Main St., Murray, will be open for both sales and donations of clothing and household items from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Tuesdays through Saturdays. Volunteers are urgently needed to assist with this community-wide endeavor which benefits the Angels Community Clinic. For more information call Jean Smith, Angels Attic manager, at 761-0111.

Transit meeting Tuesday

Murray-Calloway Transit Authority Board of Directors will meet Tuesday, Dec. 10, at 7 p.m. in the Professional building, 415 South Fourth St., according to Bjarne A. Hansen, director.

Dorcas luncheon Tuesday

Dorcas Sunday School Class of First Baptist Church will have a luncheon on Tuesday, Dec. 10, at 11:15 a.m. at Murray State University Curris Center. Opal Giltner is teacher and Bess Kerlick is president for the class.

Eastern Star Chapter to meet

Murray Star Chapter No. 433 Order of the Eastern Star will meet Tuesday, Dec. 10, at 7:30 p.m. at the lodge hall, Highway 121 North, Murray.

CCHS committees to meet

Two committees of the Calloway County High School Site-based Decision Making Council will meet Tuesday, Dec. 10. The Assessment Committee will meet at 3:10 p.m. in room 402 and the School Technology Committee will meet at 3:15 p.m. in the Library Media Center.

East Council will meet

East Elementary School Site-based Decision Making Council will meet Tuesday, Dec. 10, at 5 p.m. in the teachers' workroom. Patsy Chafey, principal, invites the public.

Alzheimer's Group plans event

Alzheimer's Disease Support Group of Murray-Calloway County Hospital will have an old fashioned Christmas dessert potluck on Tuesday, Dec. 10, at 4:30 p.m. in the hospital board room. For information call 762-1108.

Parkinson's meeting Tuesday

Parkinson's Support Group will meet Tuesday, Dec. 10, at 1 p.m. in the Center for Health and Wellness classroom. For information call Dixie Hopkins at 753-6001.

Health Express lists stops

Health Express of Murray-Calloway County Hospital will offer blood pressure checks, pulse and two-hour blood sugar screenings (latter must be performed two hours after completing a meal) at Duncan's Grocery from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and at East Y Grocery from 12:30 to 3 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 10; from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 to 3 p.m. at Center for Health & Wellness on Wednesday, Dec. 11.

THEOS to meet Tuesday

THEOS (they help each other spiritually) will meet Tuesday, Dec. 10, at 2 p.m. in the annex of Calloway Public Library. "Happy Holidays?" will be the theme of the program by Lillian Steele. This group is for any person who has lost his or her spouse through death. Later the group will eat at Sirloin Stockade. For information call Steele at 753-2875, Opal Howard at 753-1998, or Karen Isaacs at 753-2411.

Murray S.O.S. to meet Tuesday

Murray S.O.S. (singles organizational society) will meet Tuesday, Dec. 10, at 7 p.m. at Shoney's Inn. The S.O.S. is for singles whether divorced, widowed or never married. For information call Shirley at 753-6224, Jackie at 1-270247-7754 or Barbara at 436-5032.

Kirksey Seniors plan event

Kirksey Senior Citizens will leave by van at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 10, from Kirksey United Methodist Church to visit the Adsmore House Museum at Princeton and lunch at a restaurant there. A small fee will be charged for transportation. Members are to note change in date. For information call 753-6146.

Republicans will meet

Calloway County Republican Party will meet tonight, Dec. 9, at 7 p.m. at Calloway County Public Library. This is open to all interested persons.

Southwest council to meet

Southwest Elementary School Site-based Decision Making Council will meet today, Dec. 9, at 5 p.m. at Boulders Cafe.

CCHS committee to meet

Curriculum Committee of Calloway County High School Site-based Decision Making Council will meet today, Dec. 9, at 3:30 p.m. at the Laker P.R.I.D.E. Center.

Sigma meeting Monday

Sigma Department of Murray Woman's Club will meet tonight, Dec. 9, at 6:30 p.m. at Artrageous, 305 North 12th St., Murray.

Wedding



Mr. and Mrs. Todd Graham

Jamie Alissa Saffer and Todd William Graham, both of Murray, were married Friday, Oct. 18, 2002, at Pigeon Forge, Tenn.

The bride is the daughter of Joe and Carolyn Saffer of Paducah.

The groom is the son of Imogene Barnhart of Greentop, Mo., and the late Dean Graham.

The Rev. Dan Tilley officiated at the ceremony said at Mountain Valley Chapel, Pigeon Forge.

Wendy Cain of Murray was the bride's attendant.

Best man for Mr. Saffer was his father, Joe Saffer of Paducah.

A reception was held on Saturday, Nov. 2, 2002 at the Murray Woman's Club House, Murray.

The bride is a 1993 graduate of Murray State University where she obtained a bachelor of science degree in business with an area in accounting.

The groom received an associate degree in electronics and telecommunications and an associate degree in computer systems networking from Indian Hills Community College, Ottumwa, Iowa.

The couple is residing in Murray.

Wesler speaker at Rotary meeting

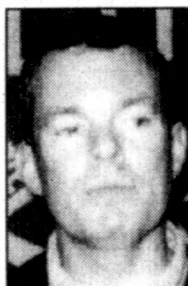
Dr. Kit Wesler, director of Murray State University's Wickliffe Mounds, spoke to the Murray Rotary Club about the history of the Mounds and what plans are for the future.

"The original owner of the site, Fain King, was not an archaeologist and much of the history of that era has not been found," Wesler said.

The University of Chicago sent many graduate students there in 1983 the site was donated to MSU by Western Baptist Hospital to save it.

In the 1950s and 1960s it was called Ancient Buried City, and a few pictures taken of a 1932 digging are the only early records.

Dr. Wesler asked for any photographs that members may have that will help update the Mounds history.



Wesler

Tourism director speaks to Kiwanis

Ryan Ray, director of Murray Tourism Commission, spoke at a meeting of the Murray Kiwanis Club held at Pam's Cake Hut on Thursday evening, Dec. 3.

"You might be surprised how important tourism is to Kentucky," Ray said. "Tourism is the third largest industry in Kentucky, creating 144,000 jobs. It is a 7.2 billion dollar industry!"

Ray explained that the Murray Tourism Commission is a nonprofit organization funded by a four percent hotel-motel room tax in the city of Murray. A current project is the development of welcoming signs

along the major approaches to the city.

Among the projects on the table are a new logo and a visitor's guide.

"We plan to launch an Internet web site in January or February of next year," Ray said.

"Something else that is needed is the planning and coordinating of events so that we do not exceed motel capacity at one particular time," she concluded.



Ray

Hospital menus

"Heart-Smart" is the program for the menus in the cafeteria of Murray-Calloway County Hospital.

Anne Newberry, dietitian, said the menus are designed following the guidelines of the American Heart Association and the American Dietetic Association.

Menus, subject to occasional change, for the week of Dec. 9 through Dec. 15 have been released as follows:

Monday - "Mexican Fiesta" - taco salad, "chicken enchauadas, country fried steak with gravy, nachos with cheese, "refried beans, "mexicali corn, whipped potatoes with gravy, broccoli cheese soup.

Tuesday - Domino's pizza, "salmon patty, sweet and sour meat balls, "fluffy rice, "seasoned green beans, broccoli cheese bites, "tender baby carrots, potato bacon soup.

Wednesday - beef tips in sauce, oven baked pork chop, "fish almondine, tender noodles, asparagus and pea casserole, fried potato pancakes, "brus-sel sprouts, steak and black bean soup.

Thursday - prime rib sandwich on homemade bun, "oven roasted chicken, meat loaf, French fries, fried squash, "mixed vegetables, "tender spinach, vegetable beef soup.

Friday - prime sea strips, chopped steak with gravy, "mesquite grilled chicken, spicy potato wedges, "Francois blend vegetables, "turnip greens, "black-eyed peas, taco soup.

Saturday - "stuffed peppers, beef stew, Caribbean jerk chicken, "whole kernel corn, "steamed zucchini, asparagus casserole, breaded cauliflower, "chicken gumbo.

Sunday - fried chicken, BBQ pork chop, "crumb topped fish filet, "new red potatoes, green bean casserole, onion rings, "baby carrots, "minestrone soup.

(*denotes heart-smart selection)



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BRUNCH EVENT... Pictured at the November brunch of Christian Women of Murray are, from left, standing, Jo Lovett and Skylar Lovett, seated, Betty Williams and Jean Shipley. The next brunch will be Friday, Dec. 13, at 10 a.m. at Boulders Cafe with a musical program to be given by members of "A First Family Christmas 2002" of First Baptist Church. All interested women are invited. Reservations are requested by Wednesday evening, Dec. 11, with Freda Lovett at 753-3999 or Jo Lovett at 753-4683.

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Booth Chairmen and volunteers are needed for the 2003 event. An organizational meeting is set for December 10th at the Extension Service Meeting Room at noon. All interested people are encouraged to attend.

This collaborative effort is sponsored by the Calloway County 4-H Council, Calloway County High

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MSU Basketball

Racers bounce back versus rivals

By SCOTT NANNEY
Sports Editor

If the days leading up to Saturday's Western Kentucky game were meant as a wake-up call for the Murray State Racers, consider the message received.

Responding to a series of 6 a.m. practices called by head coach Tevester Anderson, the Racers returned to the form that helped them capture the 2002 Ohio Valley Conference Tournament — using a balanced offense and timely defense for an inspiring 83-72 triumph over rival Western Kentucky in front of a lively crowd of 7,288 at the Regional Special Events Center.

"Our guys were down a couple of nights ago, but they showed a lot of resiliency in coming out and beating an outstanding team like Western Kentucky," Anderson noted. "Anytime you're able to get a victory over those guys, you've got to be proud."

Murray (2-1) — looking nothing like the bumbling, stumbling unit that suffered an embarrassing 85-56 loss at Southern Illinois last Tuesday — set the tone of the contest relatively early by exceeding the Hilltoppers' intensity.

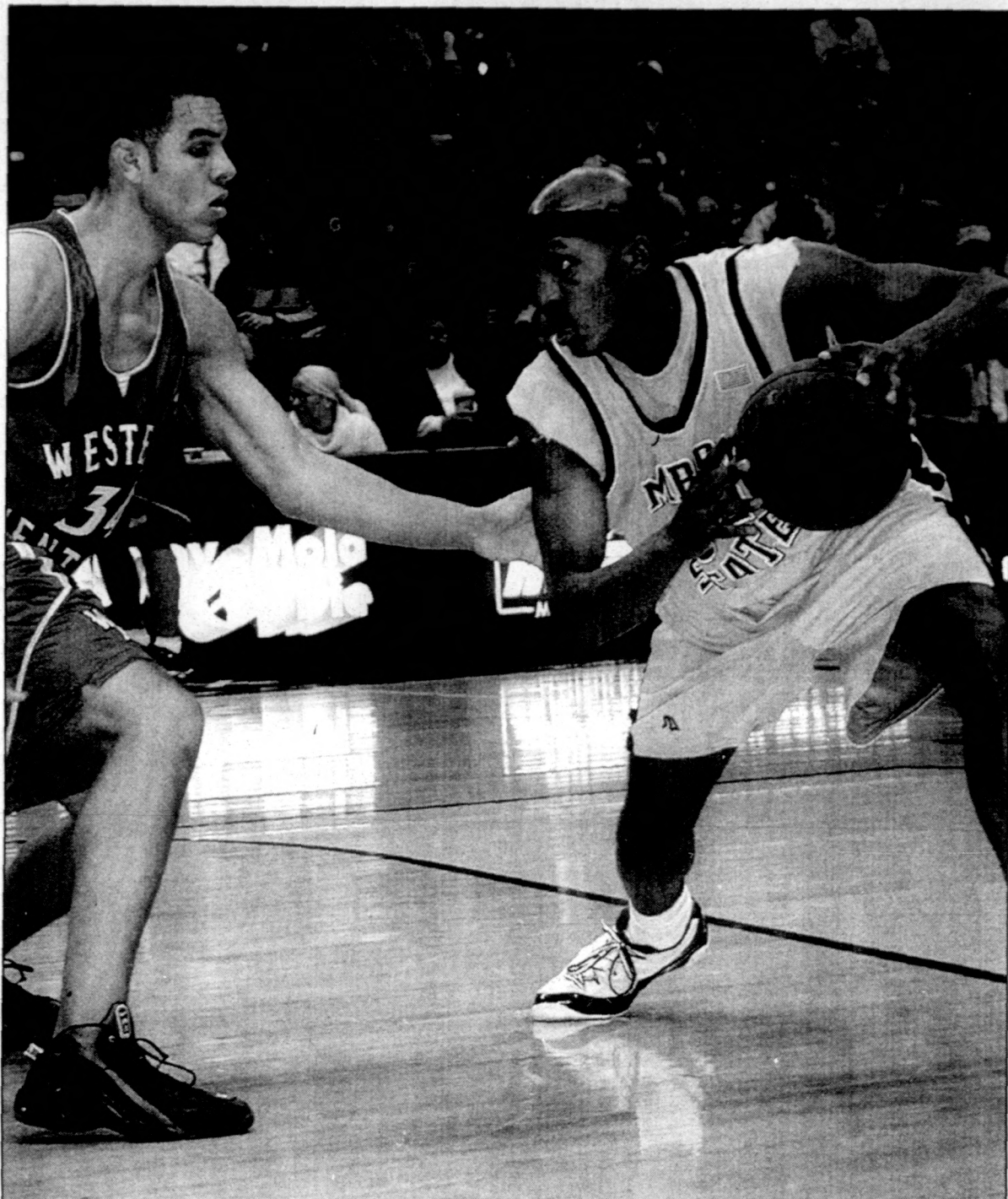
After a David Boyden layup pulled Western (2-3) to within 15-13 after just five minutes of play, the Racers ripped off a 9-0 run in jumping out to an 11-point lead (24-13) at the 11:28 mark.

The Toppers rebounded as a pair of Mike Wells 3-pointers book-ended an 11-1 run to shave the MSU edge to just 25-24 with 8:07 remaining in the half.

But, feeding off the home crowd, the Racers used a 13-4 spurt over the next five minutes to build a 38-28 advantage. The home team would carry a 44-34 lead into the halftime break.

The Racers held that lead despite a 57 percent (15-of-35) shooting effort by the Hilltoppers. However, MSU made up the difference by forcing 11 Western turnovers and scoring 14 points in transition.

Western head coach Dennis Felton conceded that his club — who has been without the services of injured All-American center Chris Marcus for the first five games and lost starting forward



SCOTT NANNEY/Ledger & Times photo

MAKING HIS MOVE ... Senior center James Singleton tries to get past Western Kentucky's David Boyden during a first-half play at the top of the key. Singleton recorded his third straight double-double with 10 points and 11 rebounds as the Racers shot 50 percent for the game.

Todor Pandov in a season-opening loss at No. 1 Arizona — never matched Murray's emotion.

"They played with more intensity than we did," Felton said. "I thought our energy was better than it has been, but Murray's was too. Their energy was outstanding ... They just played better than we did."

MSU picked up where it left off at halftime, increasing its lead to as much as 16 points (65-49) on a fastbreak layup by Antione Whelchel with 12:43 to go.

But the Toppers refused to go away, continuing to shoot the ball well as Anthony Winchester tallied half of his 16 points in a six-minute span to bring Western to within 70-

62 with only 6:51 showing on the scoreboard clock.

The Racers' edge — and the game — appeared to be slowly slipping away minutes later when a Boyden 3-pointer made the score just 75-68 at the 4:24 mark.

However, Murray ratcheted up the defensive pressure by holding Western scoreless for nearly four

RACERS 83, WKU 72

W. Kentucky (2-3)
Williams 3-4 2-4 8, Boyden 3-6 0-0 7, Videnov 6-10 0-0 13, Wells 5-12 2-2 15, Sparks 2-8 0-0 5, Halcomb 0-1 0-0 0, Winchester 6-11 1-1 16, Rumph 0-1 2-4 2, Brown 2-3 0-0 6, Massiah 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 27-56 7-11 72.

Murray St. (3-1)
Victor 8-12 2-2 18, Whelchel 6-11 1-3 15, Singleton 3-6 4-4 10, Paschel 3-8 2-2 8, Shumate 7-13 6-6 24, Borders 0-0 0-0 0, Henderson 1-4 4-4 7, Hornig 0-0 1-2 1, Jones 0-2 0-0 0, Bedeau 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 28-56 20-23 83.

Halftime — Murray St. 44, W. Kentucky 34.
3-point goals — WKU 11-20 (Boyden 1-2, Videnov 1-2, Wells 3-5, Sparks 1-3, Winchester 3-5, Rumph 0-1, Brown 2-2), MSU 7-19 (Whelchel 2-6, Singleton 0-1, Paschel 0-2, Shumate 4-6, Henderson 1-2, Jones 0-2). Fouled out — Wells. Rebounds — WKU 26 (Winchester 6), MSU 34 (Singleton 11). Assists — WKU 16 (Sparks 6), MSU 16 (Shumate 4). Total fouls — WKU 16, MSU 15. A — 7,288.

Whelchel provided the defensive highlight of the night during the Hilltoppers' scoreless stretch, going from goat to hero in a matter of seconds. A cross-court pass by the senior forward was intercepted by WKU's Patrick Sparks, but Whelchel recovered in time to swat away the guard's transition layup on the other end.

"We really tried to pick up our defensive intensity," claimed Whelchel, who was also a force on the offensive end with 15 points on 6-of-11 shooting. "We knew Western was a good comeback team, and we couldn't let them come back on us."

The Racers finished off the Hilltoppers in the last 1:34 as James Singleton swished a pair of free throws and Cuthbert Victor scored on a pair of dunks — the first of which came on an alley-oop pass from Whelchel with 51 seconds left to put the exclamation mark on the victory.

Murray shot 50 percent (28-of-56) for the contest, including a 7-of-19 effort from 3-point range. Guard Chris Shumate led all scorers with 24 points by hitting 7-of-13 field goal attempts.

"We pride ourselves on being a good offensive team," Anderson noted.

"We were able to execute well (Saturday), and that's what good teams do in games like this ... We've learned a lot from the SIU game, and we've turned our weaknesses into strengths."

Pack tops Vikings to keep pace

By The Associated Press

The Green Bay Packers are trying to leave Tampa Bay and Philadelphia out in the cold in the race for homefield advantage in the NFC playoffs.

Brett Favre and the Packers fought off Minnesota 26-22 on Sunday night at frigid Lambeau Field to improve to 7-0 at home and keep pace with the Buccaneers and Eagles at 10-3.

Favre is 34-0 in home games when the temperature at kickoff is 34 or lower. It was 11 degrees at the start Sunday and quickly dipped into single digits.

After Green Bay's comeback victory, the teams brawled in front of the Vikings' bench while Favre and Chris Hovan nearly got into it near the Packers' tunnel.

Hovan said he just wanted to shake Favre's hand, but Favre taunted the Minnesota player while surrounded by coaches.

"I think he wanted to see our locker room," Favre said.

Favre said he didn't say anything disparaging to Hovan, with whom he jawed three weeks ago in Minneapolis. Hovan disagreed.

"Yes, he did disrespect me," Hovan said. "What do you think I'll be thinking about all offseason?"

The Packers (10-3) took the lead for the first time on rookie Tony Fisher's 14-yard touchdown run with 1:06 left.

Then, Darren Sharper intercepted Daunte Culpepper's pass as time expired and instead of going down, ran 66 yards to the Minnesota 16. The Vikings (3-10) didn't appreciate that and tight end Jim Kleinsasser ignited the fracas with a two-handed shove of Marques Anderson, who blocked on Sharper's return.

Favre shook off two early turnovers and threw two touchdown passes to Robert Ferguson, who had career bests with six catches for 105 yards. Fisher, an undrafted free agent from Notre Dame, gained a career-best 96 yards.

Tampa Bay and Philadelphia are fighting to stay away from Green Bay in the playoffs.

The Bucs contained Atlanta star Michael Vick in a 34-10 home victory, while the Eagles got 100 yards rushing from Duce Staley and another consistent effort from third-string quarterback A.J. Feeley in a 27-20 win in Seattle.

San Francisco (9-4) clinched its first NFC title since 1997 with a 31-27 victory over Dallas, and Oakland took control of the AFC West race with a 27-7 victory over San Diego, the Raiders' fifth straight victory.

One team that won't be going to the playoffs is St. Louis (5-8). The defending NFC champions lost to Kansas City 49-10, and were eliminated from the playoff race.

Arizona and Detroit played the 21st overtime game of the season, tying the NFL record set in 1985. There has been at least one OT game in 11 of the 14 weeks, and there were four on Oct. 20.

Buccaneers 34, Falcons 10
At Tampa, Fla., Brad Johnson threw for 276 yards and four touchdowns, and the NFL's No. 1 defense shut down Vick for the second time this year to end Atlanta's eight-game unbeaten streak.

Vick was 12-of-25 for 125 yards and ran for 15 yards on five carries. The Falcons (8-4-1) lost for the first time since being dominated by the Bucs on Oct. 6.

Raiders 27, Chargers 7
At San Diego, Rich Gannon threw for 328 yards, setting an NFL record with his 10th 300-yard game for Oakland.

Jerry Rice caught seven passes for 113 yards for Oakland (9-4). San Diego (8-5) has lost four of six since its 6-1 start.

Titans 27, Colts 17
At Nashville, Tenn., Steve McNair threw for 237 yards and a TD despite missing practice for the second straight week because of sore ribs.

The Titans (8-5) won for the seventh time in eight games and swept the season series with Indianapolis (8-5) to take control of the AFC South.

Shooting woes negate Lady Racer defense in 58-46 loss

By MIKE OHSTROM
Staff Writer

Despite holding Jackson State 20 points under its season average and managing a 52-46 advantage on the boards against a taller Lady Tiger squad, the Murray State Lady Racers lost their home opener 58-46 Saturday at the Regional Special Events Center.

Murray (2-3) made just 27.1 percent (19-of-70) of its field goals, including 4-of-21 tries from 3-point range (19 percent) as head coach Eddie Fields remained tied with Bud Childers atop the Lady Racer coaching victory list with 82 career wins.

"I'm very disappointed in the effort. We took a couple of steps backward," Fields said. "We're playing well, but we're not playing with any fire, and we (the coaches) have more confidence in our shooters than our shooters do."

"We got good looks, but we passed up some shots and we were shell-shocked after (6-foot-7 center Amie Williams) blocked some of our shots."

Missing last year's Ohio Valley Conference Freshman of the Year Rebecca Remington for the third straight game, MSU scored just two points over the first five min-

utes and did not reach double digits until with 7:04 mark of the first half.

Remington, a 5-foot-9 sophomore guard who averaged 10.5 points and 4.7 rebounds per contest and made 44.5 percent of her 3-pointers a year ago, will be out until Christmas at the earliest with shin splints and a possible fracture in her left leg.

Meanwhile, JSU (3-1) also had its troubles scoring in the first half as both teams came into intermission a combined 19-of-67 from the floor (28.4 percent).

Genina Johnson's 10 first-half points as well as six points, eight rebounds and three blocks from Williams powered the Lady Racers to a 17-10 lead with 5:02 to play before halftime.

However, 6-foot-3 center Lori Trumblee provided 10 points and eight boards off the bench as Murray settled for a 23-20 halftime deficit.

A 3-pointer and another basket by Beth Schnakenberg evened the score at 25-25:06 into the second half, but Shicola Ricks scored six of her 12 points off the JSU bench during an 11-0 run over the next 3:02.

Megan Fuqua's trey at 11:47 cut the margin to 38-33, but after Williams and



MIKE OHSTROM/Ledger & Times photo

THE DRIVE ... Murray State's Khadija Head takes the ball toward the hoop against the defense of Jackson State's Sonia Washington during Saturday's contest at the Regional Special Events Center.

Schnakenberg swapped buckets, the Lady Racers were unable to make any more headway into the five-point deficit.

Khadija Head's 3-pointer at the 9:13

mark cut the gap to six (44-38), but that was as close as MSU would get as the Lady Tigers eventually opened up a 14-point

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Orange matchup sounds Rose-y

By RICHARD ROSENBLATT
AP Football Writer

The Bowl Championship Series worked just fine this season, even if the Rose Bowl was a bit aggravated by the selection process.

A few minutes after the long-anticipated Fiesta Bowl pairing of No. 1 Miami (12-0) and No. 2 Ohio State (13-0) became official Sunday, the Orange Bowl came up with a matchup more suited for Pasadena than South Florida.

Iowa (11-1) and Southern California (10-2) will play in the Orange Bowl on Jan. 2. The game

was quickly dubbed Rose Bowl East because it matches the co-champions of the Big Ten and Pac-10 conferences, a tradition usually reserved for the Rose Bowl.

While Rose Bowl officials tried to talk a good game, it seemed clear executive director Mitch Dorger was not pleased with the results that left the Rose with Pac-10 co-champ Washington State (10-2) against Big 12 champ Oklahoma (11-2) on Jan. 1.

"We learned a lot about the BCS this year and the way that it operates," Dorger said, sounding testy

during a conference call. "We did not anticipate all the subtleties of the system."

"Everything this year was conducted in accordance with the rules. The Orange Bowl has arranged for themselves an outstanding matchup, we congratulate them for that."

Completing the BCS game matchups, it'll be SEC champion Georgia (12-1) vs. ACC champion Florida State (9-4) in the Sugar Bowl on Jan. 1. The Fiesta Bowl in Tempe, Ariz., is Jan. 3.

The Orange Bowl, with the second pick, chose Iowa.

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Nutt: Fatigue, injuries hinder Hogs in 30-3 loss to Georgia

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. (AP) — Fatigue and injuries after 11 straight weeks of football were factors in Arkansas' 30-3 loss Saturday to Georgia in the Southeastern Conference championship game, Arkansas coach Houston Nutt said Sunday.

Sophomore receiver DeCori Birmingham suffered a severely sprained ankle as he had his legs swept from under him on a carry, Nutt said. Junior middle linebacker Caleb Miller also reinjured his shoulder, but none of the injuries are serious enough to count the players out of any postseason play, Nutt said.

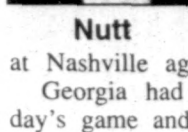
Arkansas (9-4) accepted a bid Sunday to play Dec. 30 in the Music City Bowl at Nashville against Minnesota (7-5). Georgia had a week off prior to Saturday's game and really only had to play two

quarters in the Bulldogs' 51-7 whipping of Georgia Tech the weekend before the championship game, Nutt said.

"They were so much fresher, and I thought they were a lot faster than we were," Nutt said. "I'm not saying they're faster, say if we ... both had the same time off, I'm just saying they were faster (Saturday) night."

Georgia has weapons in every area, Nutt said, but the Bulldogs haven't played as well all season until the championship game. He said the fact that the Razorbacks didn't play their best didn't help the situation.

A blocked punt by Georgia's Decory Bryant quickly turned into a touchdown for the Bulldogs early in the contest and changed the whole demeanor of the game, Nutt said.



Nutt

"We're a team that's really beat up and tired," Nutt said.

He's not making excuses for his team, Nutt said, but the Razorbacks — particularly the defense — suffered from many injuries, including a deep thigh bruise for junior free safety Ken Hamlin, Arkansas' leading tackler with 144.

Hamlin took a hard hit late in Saturday's game, Nutt said, but refused to be pulled out.

Lady Racers ...

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 cushion with 2:40 to play. "We felt good with the job we did on (Williams), but when we needed a shot and we needed a stop, we ended up trading baskets," Fields said. Williams finished with 16 points

on 8-of-17 shooting, 17 rebounds and six blocks while Johnson added 12 points and Latesha Lee provided seven points, six assists, five rebounds and five steals for Jackson State.

The visitors turned the ball over 15 times but made Murray pay

for its 21 turnovers, scoring 20 points off those mistakes while enjoying a 26-16 edge in the paint.

Schnakenberg (14 points, 11 rebounds) and Trumblee (12 and 12) each posted double-doubles, but both players finished a combined 12-of-35 from the field.

Brittany Park had seven assists and five rebounds for the Lady Racers but missed all nine of her shots, including five 3-point attempts.

Murray State will next play Western Kentucky Saturday at 7 p.m. in Bowling Green.

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PETS OF THE WEEK...Murray-Calloway County Animal Shelter, located on Shelter Lane, has listed this female Collie/Spaniel mix, five months old, left photo, and this Beagle mix female adult, right photo, among the many animals available for adoption. Shelter officials urge persons to call the shelter if they have lost or found an animal. Hours of the shelter are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday and closed on Sunday. For information call 759-4141.

Internet game teaches commodities markets

BILLINGS, Mont. (AP) — For years, Terry Anvik has sold grain the way most of his neighbors do — he hauls it to the local elevator and takes the price that's offered.

Often, he's lucky to get enough to cover his costs.

"All the cash prices I've seen for the past four years have been below the cost of production," said Anvik, who grows wheat, barley and other crops on his farm near Sidney in northeast Montana. "We've really been struggling to find a good price and have relied heavily on the government to make up the difference."

Now, a new Internet-based commodity game developed by a Montana agricultural economist is giving farmers like Anvik the chance to experiment with new ways of selling their grain, without risking real money.

The game, called Commodity Challenge, teaches farmers the basics of the cash, futures and options markets. It simulates trades, letting producers practice with phantom cattle and grain allotments, as producers compete to capture the highest prices. Commodity Challenge costs only the time invested to learn.

Popularity of the initial game, played by more than 400 Montana farmers this spring, led to development of an updated version that uses such real-time trading conditions as

up-to-date prices and offers an array of resources for following news and marketing trends.

And the game has expanded to farmers in Idaho, Minnesota, Texas and Wyoming.

The six-month-long game begins in September. As many as 6,000 producers are expected to take part, and the game could be offered nationally as early as next year.

The goal, said Kevin McNew, the agricultural economics professor who developed Commodity Challenge, is to teach farmers how to manage financial risks — not necessarily to turn grain farmers into commodities traders.

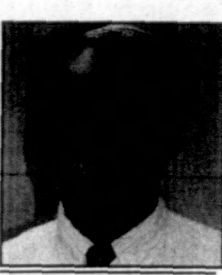
"The thing about agriculture is, you can't do things the way your dad did," McNew said. "Things are constantly changing, farmers have more risk and it's up to them to manage that."

It's estimated that fewer than 20 percent of American farmers and ranchers use futures and options markets — hedging and locking in prices for cattle or grain before actually hauling them to the grain elevator or sale yard. Such marketing is a gamble, but the payoff can be worth it, game organizers say.

Farmers who did best playing Commodity Challenge this spring averaged 15 cents per bushel more on their wheat and barley allotments than other players.

Grain, aquaculture meetings planned

On Tuesday, Dec. 17, the Calloway County Extension Service and Marshall County Extension Service will present a Grain Marketing Outlook Meeting. Dr. Steve Riggins, U.K. Grain Marketing Economist will be the guest speaker.



Agriculture Update
By Lloyd Weatherly
Calloway County Agriculture Extension Agent

The meeting will be held at the Country Crossroads Restaurant in Hardin, Ky., beginning at 7:30 a.m. A complimentary breakfast will be served as part of the meeting. In order to get a head count, please call the Calloway County Extension Office at 753-1452 or the Marshall County Extension Office at 527-3285 by noon on Monday, Dec. 16, if you plan to attend.

According to the 2001 National Agriculture Statistics Service, Kentucky ranked 14 nationally in soybean production and 13 in corn

production. In 2001, Calloway County producers planted about 40,500 acres of soybeans with yields of 36 bushels per acre totaling around 1,447,200 bushels of beans. Calloway County producers planted 39,000 acres of corn that yielded 139 bushels per acre totaling about 5,268,100 bushels.

Soybean and corn production has been down somewhat in 2002 because of moisture, excesses and deficiencies at crucial times but there's still a lot of grain to market.

Marketing and prices producers receive for crops and other commodities is one determining factor in acreage planted from year to year. In the past four years, excluding 2002, soybean prices have ranged from a high of over \$6.75 per bushel in 1998 to lows of around \$4.25 per bushel in 1999. Corn has sold for as much as \$2.75 per bushel in 1998 to as little as \$1.85 per bushel in 2000. Dr. Riggins will visit with producers concerning production estimates, grain stocks, marketing strategies and more. Anyone interested is invited to attend the meeting.

Because of excess rain this fall many producers were delayed in harvesting soybeans and planting wheat. Dr. Jim Herbek, U.K. Grains Specialist, notes that wheat harvest-

ed for grain in Kentucky dipped to 340,000 acres in 2001-2002, which was the lowest acreage since 1987. Because of better wheat prices, increased wheat acreage for 2002-2003 was expected but weather delays in planting will likely change that.

Normally wheat is planted by the end of October into the first of November. Some local producers were still planting wheat the first of December. Wheat planted after Dec. 1 has a lower yield potential, especially if temperatures are relatively cool.

Aquacultural meeting:

In the past three years, the aquaculture industry in Western Kentucky has expanded because of several factors. There is a large acreage of soils suitable for pond construction with a nucleus of producers growing catfish, freshwater shrimp, bass, baitfish and other species.

There is a modern processing facility in Tri City and manufacturers of equipment and feed and contractors experienced in pond construction. There are a number of organizations to promote and educate the industry including the University of Kentucky, Kentucky State University, the Agriculture

Development Board and the Purchase Area Aquaculture Cooperative.

The Kentucky Aquaculture Association (KAA) is considering the formation of local chapters to better serve the needs of aquaculturists in different areas in the state. The local chapters would be able to better identify critical needs for aquaculture specific to their region, obtain technical assistance for infrastructure development and provide a forum for networking among growers, researchers, extension personnel, industry and government.

On Tuesday, Dec. 17, a meeting will be held to gauge interest and inform participants of the advantages of a local KAA chapter. The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. at the Graves County Extension Office located at 251 Housman Street in Mayfield. For directions, give me a call at the Extension office.

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Site helps farmers plan retirement

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Three Purdue University researchers have set up a Web site to take some of the guesswork out of retiring from farming.

The researchers say many farmers nearing retirement age don't know when, or how, to stop farming. Farmers typically work longer than people in other professions, and step away only as age wears them down.

"They would probably say, 'I can't afford to retire,'" said Sharon DeVaney, a Purdue associate professor of consumer and family sciences. "The idea of the Web site is to get them thinking about how they can retire."

DeVaney and two colleagues developed the "Retirement Estimator for Farm Families," which focuses on the step-by-step way that many farmers wind down their working lives.

They can use the site to estimate the annual income their family will need for retirement by typing in their income from rented cropland, the sale of farm machinery and other farm-related income. The site can be found at <http://www.ces.purdue.edu/farmretirement>.



GROUND WORK ... Students in Jacob Falwell's landscaping class at Calloway County High School are working hard to landscape this yard at a Calloway County home. The students worked with Landon Barrow Landscaping on the project. The homeowner hired Landon Barrow to do the project, then let the landscaping class help to give them hands-on experience. Falwell says the students typically only get to work on projects during the class period. This experience allowed them to work the whole day to get a taste of the work a real landscaper does.

Photo provided

Cold may save Tennessee from fire ant invasion

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Only a long, cold winter might save Tennessee from the ever-growing bite of fire ants next summer.

But forecasts by the National Weather Service indicate a wetter winter because of the El Nino effect

with average temperatures January through March.

More than a third of the state's 95 counties have severe enough infestations to be in Tennessee's quarantine area, up from 29 last year. Recent surveys found hundreds of new fire ant mounds in Knox, Sevier and Blount counties.

"The mild winters of the past several years have been killing us. Fire ants have taken advantage and

expanded their territory," said Gray Haun, whose job as a state plant certification administrator is to protect Tennessee agriculture from pests. "... You can find mounds in just about every county."

Fire ants have been moving north for decades. Their mounds can grow large enough to interfere with lawn mowers and farm machinery.

Imported fire ants were accidentally introduced into the United

States from South America in about 1918. There are three kinds of fire ants: imported black, imported red and a hybrid of the two.

Without natural enemies, the ants have spread throughout the South, with Tennessee marking the northernmost extension of the invasion. There's little doubt from experts that the quarantine line, now about 70 miles south of Nashville, will continue to move north.

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Plans for this project are on file in the office of Planning and Engineering and may be reviewed between 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday before the hearing date. All interested persons are invited to attend and participate in this meeting.
If further information is needed, please contact the Murray Planning Department at 762-0330.
Richard Vanover, Chairman
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At a gala held at the Kennedy Center, they were celebrated along with actress-singer-dancer Chita Rivera and Metropolitan Opera conductor James Levine for their achievements in the performing arts.

Among the toasters: R&B singer Alicia Keys, who performed a jazz arrangement of Simon's hit "Bridge Over Troubled Water." Former New York mayor Rudolph Giuliani joined opera singers Placido Domingo and Frederica von Stade in singing a salute to Levine.

"There are people who come along in life and art who can captivate your attention and hold it — James Earl Jones is one of those people," said actor Sidney Poitier.

Earlier in the evening President Bush toasted the honorees for their contributions to the arts.

"This year we've brought together in one room a legend of

Broadway, the conductor of the Met, the composer of "Mrs. Robinson," the face of Cleopatra and the voice of Darth Vader," said Bush, addressing the honorees at a White House reception. "Each one of you is known to the American people in a way that runs deeper than fame."

Bush hailed Simon for writing "some of the most memorable songs of our times," Levine for his "understated style" and "precise interpretations," Rivera for setting standards on Broadway that "few have ever reached" and Taylor for being the "very definition of acting talent and movie stardom."

And he said that Jones' voice was as familiar as his own.

"People say that the voice of the president is the most easily recognized voice in America. Well, I'm not going to make that claim in the presence of James Earl Jones," Bush said.

Following the reception, Bush and the first lady were attending the 25th annual program where the careers of this year's honorees were being celebrated.

The honorees are:

- Taylor, 72, who became a child

star with "National Velvet" in 1944 and later won Oscars for "Butterfield 8" in 1960 and "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf" in 1966.

The Kennedy Center's chairman, James A. Johnson, called Taylor "a luminous film actress who for nearly 60 years has been a Hollywood icon treasured by millions throughout the world."

More recently, she has helped raise millions of dollars to fight AIDS.

- Simon, 51, was added to the lineup in August when, a few weeks after the official announcement, former Beatle Paul McCartney withdrew because of a personal obligation. The Kennedy Center said McCartney would be on the 2003 list and that Simon would have been honored in the future.
- Simon first became known as part of a duo with Art Garfunkel. "Sound of Silence" and "Bridge Over Troubled Water" were among their most popular numbers. The songwriter helped shape several generations of young Americans, Johnson said. "More recently, his work has encompassed an awareness of and concern for international

Horoscopes

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, Dec. 10, 2002:

You have the unusual ability this year to hit the bull's-eye. Lady Luck seems to work with you, especially when it comes to travel and higher-mind activities. Learn to kick back more often and to trust your intuition. Allow events to flow at their normal pace. Your family and personal life become an even higher priority. Your instincts take you to a new level. Your understanding does make a difference. If you are single, you will want to have a significant other. You could meet this person while pursuing one of your heartfelt desires. If you are attached, a trip could make all the difference in how you relate. New scenery provides a different perspective. Consider taking a course or pursuing a life interest. PISCES anchors you — sometimes too much!

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★ You might be asked to dip into your deep pockets for a holiday gift or two. Positive opportunities surround an emotional situation, if you handle a request well from someone close. Understand the thought behind an action or statement. Tonight: Your imagination works overtime. How fun!
TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Be sensitive to those in your immediate environment. An opportunity that could be classified as too good to be true comes forth. Gather associates and/or friends for a meeting. You'll like the end results. Tonight: Step on out.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ You're on top of the story, though you might not be sure what you want to do with present facts. Speak your mind but also plan on getting your share of others' opinions. Realize more of what you want by taking charge. Tonight: Work late.
CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Understand just how many possibilities surround your present life. Explore your options, though instinctively you might want to close the door. These openings could complicate your life. Get feedback from those in the know in your life. Tonight: Talk until the air is cleared.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Others' impressions do count, whether you like it or not. Know when to

pull back and explain your perspective. Your positive outlook sways many. You need to take a stronger hand if you're going to have more of what you want. Tonight: Togetherness works.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Expand your perspective beyond what you hear and learn from those in your immediate circle. Your intuition works overtime, helping you deal with a family or real estate matter. Realize more of what will make you happy. Tonight: Focus on a loved one.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Understand why associates might be pushing you in a certain direction. Consider the whole instead of the individual. Work as a team to get the job done. Use your lunch break to get extra shopping done. You discover that the holiday spirit is contagious. Tonight: Run errands.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ When asked to contribute, do so. Otherwise you might be best off playing with your different ideas on your own. Not everyone agrees, which will become quite clear. Schedule extra time with a loved one. Surprise this person with plans for tonight. Tonight: Put on your dancing shoes.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★ Deal with the basics. Others might not always be inclined to go along with some of your suggestions, yet your presentation might urge them to take action. If you can, bring an extra work home. Establish limits. Tonight: At home.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Consider options that surround a partner and someone else's funds. You might decide to finance some of your purchases or split the costs with others. A joint effort might be more fun anyway. Use your imagination when dealing with problems. Tonight: Meet a friend for eggnog.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★ Problem-solving quickly becomes your forte. Others seek you out for answers. How you deal with someone might be reflective of how you would like to be treated. Your popularity soars. Be thoughtful about a gift. Tonight: Treat yourself, too.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Be more aware of your professional image. How you see someone else could change because of his or her presentation. Consider more carefully options that surround a work-related celebration or gift. Open up. Tonight: Just be yourself.

Abiomed misses deadline for marketing artificial heart

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Three months after Abiomed resumed recruiting volunteers for its AbioCor artificial heart, no implants have taken place. The surgical drought, which began after several patients suffered strokes, has forced Abiomed to push back its timetable for marketing the experimental, battery-powered pump and has investors worried, leading to a yearlong slide in its stock price.

"It's been over a full year since there's been a

successful implant, which to me is kind of shocking and amazing, given how well they started out," said Gregory Simpson, senior medical device analyst with A.G. Edwards & Sons in St. Louis. "It leaves me scratching my head."

But Abiomed and the University of Louisville surgeons who have put the device in three patients say the clinical trial is not in trouble. The lack of implants, they say, reflects the difficulty of finding appropriate patients for the trial, an

experiment intended to show whether the heart is safe and prolongs lives with acceptable quality.

"Some people have a perception that the trial has slowed down or stopped, or that it's no longer on," said Sara Goldstein, a spokeswoman for Massachusetts-based Abiomed. "The best solution to that is an implant, and we would like nothing more than another implant."

Abiomed originally had said it would complete 15 implants by June 2002.

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DR. GOTT

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PETER GOTT, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a 74-year-old ex-smoker who had 40 percent of my right lung removed two years ago because of cancer. Now, without any warning or reason, I have been diagnosed with multiple myeloma. The doctor told me that the two cancers are unrelated. I've always lived life carefully. How, therefore, could I have developed myeloma?

DEAR READER: No one knows the cause of multiple myeloma, a form cancer that affects plasma cells, a type of blood corpuscle. Presumably, nothing you did (or didn't do) caused this malignancy, which alters blood proteins and leads to anemia and kidney failure, among other consequences.

The good news: Chemotherapy is ordinarily effective, enabling patients to live many years in remission.

The fact that you have had two apparently unrelated cancers suggests an underlying abnormality in your immune system. Some experts believe that cancer cells grow when the body fails to identify such abnormal tissue and, therefore, cannot destroy it.

You must closely follow your physician's instructions about how to monitor your myeloma (with blood tests) and what treatment is appropriate.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Viruses and Cancer." Other readers who would like a copy should send a self-addressed, stamped envelope and \$2 to Newsletter, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Please discuss proteinuria. What is the cause, the treatment and the prognosis? What type of diet should I follow?

DEAR READER: The kidneys are designed to filter out waste products from the blood and excrete them in the urine. In addition, the kidneys also conserve many substances and prevent them from being eliminated. Protein is one such substance that should not be present in the urine.

When protein is discovered, usually during a routine urinalysis, the term for it is proteinuria, and doctors worry about the possibility of serious medical conditions, such as infection, diabetes and primary kidney disorders. Actually, proteinuria may reflect a whole host of medical ailments, ranging from cancer to lupus nephritis.

A person with urinary protein should be thoroughly tested with blood analysis and imaging studies to determine the cause of the problem. Only then can appropriate therapy be brought to bear. Ordinarily, diet is not particularly important (except in the treatment of diabetes and kidney failure) because protein is leaking from the bloodstream into the kidneys, a situation unrelated to diet.

I advise you to discuss your renal problem with your doctor. Depending on the amount of protein you are excreting, you may need further examination and evaluation by a nephrologist, a specialist in kidney diseases.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Two years ago, I was diagnosed with atopic dermatitis and am a collection of itchy sores from head to toe. Various steroid creams and a host of other medications haven't helped. Do you have any suggestions?

DEAR READER: Regrettably, I don't. Atopic dermatitis is a chronic, severe, itchy inflammation of the skin. The cause is unknown, but the affliction usually affects people with a strong history of allergies. In my experience, topical (or, in advanced cases, oral) steroids are the most effective therapy. In my view, patients with this condition should be under the care of dermatologists.

DEAR ABBY

DEAR ABBY: I am a senior in high school. I dated this great guy for more than a year. He broke up with me a couple of weeks ago, and he's already seeing another girl. I know I will get over this — but it's just so hard.

I have a class with him, and it hurts me to see him every day. I want to get over him, but how? I want this hurt to go away. He was my everything. I gave him my all. And now I don't have him. I have no one to turn to. What am I supposed to do?

DEPRESSED ON THE DELTA

DEAR DEPRESSED: Recognize that seeing him every day in class makes getting over him more difficult. At the end of the quarter or semester, ask your teacher or school counselor to transfer you into a different class.

Keep busy. Don't give yourself time to brood. Join school clubs and activities. Get a part-time job. Expand your social circle. And remember above all that before you find Prince Charming, you'll kiss a few frogs. This, too, shall pass.

DEAR ABBY: The letter from Thelma King Thiel of the Hepatitis Foundation International caught my attention. Hepatitis C is, indeed, a dreadful disease. However, Mrs. Thiel failed to mention (as you did) that the great majority of hepatitis C sufferers contracted it from contaminated blood transfusions prior to 1990. Before then, there were no tests to isolate hepatitis C.

Stating that people contract this disease because of drug use or sexual contact stigmatizes a great number of people. Hepatitis C victims include doctors, lawyers — people from all walks of life — who have not used dirty needles. Please set the record straight.

CAROLYN IN ARLINGTON, VA.

DEAR CAROLYN: I have received a stack of angry letters and e-mails pointing out this omission. Mrs. Thiel reports that she, too, has received letters and phone calls because of her oversight. My apologies to my readers.

DEAR ABBY: I'm worried. I

think my niece is abusing her 19-month-old son. I went trick-or-treating with them, and saw my niece repeatedly pick him up by one arm and yank him up the front steps of houses. She also scolded him for not walking fast enough and kept him out until the very end of the evening. The child was completely exhausted and crying before his mother would call it a night.

My niece is stubborn and difficult to approach with suggestions. How can I approach her tactfully? I need to know exactly what words to use so she doesn't get mad and reject the idea. Please help.

FEARFUL AUNT IN CARNEGIE, PA.

DEAR FEARFUL AUNT: Schedule a quiet visit with her — perhaps a luncheon away from the house and baby. Tell her that you love her and are speaking not critically, but out of concern for her — and give her a book on child development. It appears she's expecting too much too soon from her little boy. It would be a kindness — and no one can fault you for being concerned.

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LOOKING BACK

10 years ago Published is a picture of members of Calloway County Fire-Rescue battling flames which engulfed a house trailer, belonging to Joseph Lusk, and located on Locust Drive near East Elementary School on Dec. 8.

Dwain McIntosh writes about the life of Dr. L.J. Hortin, retired head of the Journalism Department at Murray State University, who died Nov. 27 in his column, "On Second Thought."

In a high school basketball game, Murray Tigers won over St. Mary's Vikings. High team scorers were Chris Cheaney for Murray and Macha for St. Mary's.

20 years ago Published is a picture of Murray-Calloway County Park Employee Charlie Scott and CFTA Workers Hank Parker and Ricky Prescott assembling one of the 35 displays for this year's "Christmas In the Park."

In high school basketball games, Calloway Lakers won over Fulton City Bulldogs and Murray Tigers lost to Tilghman Tornados. High team scorers were Craig Darnell for Calloway, Mike Bransford for Fulton, David McCuiston and Jim West for Murray and Johnifer Cooper for Tilghman.

30 years ago Published is a picture of the area around "Rattlin' Bridge" in which rains of 3.05 inches were dumped on the area, according to John Ed Scott, local government weather observer. The road to the bridge from Murray was impassable with six inches of water on the road and over

two feet of water in ditches beside the road. The photo was by Staff Photographer David Hill.

Kerby Jennings spoke about "Early Life in Calloway County" at a meeting of the Captain Wendell Oury Chapter of the DAR at the home of Mrs. Price Doyle.

40 years ago High school students from five states have been invited to a special debate workshop at Murray State College Dec. 15. Prof. J. Albert Tracy of the MSC Speech Department will be the director.

Recent births reported at Murray Hospital include a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cunningham, a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Dugan, a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Thweatt and a boy to Mr. and Mrs. Romel Kirks.

Murray State College Racers won 50 to 45 over Oglethorpe University of Atlanta, Ga., in a basketball game. High scorer for Murray was Jim Jennings.

50 years ago William Everett Hopkins, Billy Wayne Summer, Edrick Miller Owen, Prentice Earl Tucker, Don Thomas White, Charles Henry Tidwell, Thomas Lewis Walton, Robert Brelsford and Billy Joe Garland left Dec. 4 for induction into the Armed Forces, according to Local Board No. 10 of Selective Service.

Harold Douglass, Porter Holland, Galen Thurman Jr., Wilson Styles and Charles Oakley are new officers of Camp 592 of Woodmen of the World.

Recent births reported at Murray Hospital include a girl to Mr. and Mrs. J.M. Venable.

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NORTH

▲ A J 10 7

♥ J 8 5 4

♦ Q 7 6 5

♣ 7

WEST

▲ K Q 8 6

♥ 9 7 2

♦ J 10 9 2

♣ K 9

EAST

▲ 5 4 3 2

♥ 3

♦ K 8 3

♣ Q J 8 6 3

SOUTH

▲ 9

♥ A K Q 10 6

♦ A 4

♣ A 10 5 4 2

The bidding:

South West North East

1 Pass 2 NT Pass

3 Pass 3 Pass

3 Pass 3 NT Pass

6

Opening lead — two of hearts.

In the opinion of most observers, this was the deal that determined the winner of the 2001 World Team Championship. It occurred with seven deals remaining in the 128-board final and the United States leading Norway by the slender margin of 12 IMPs.

When the deal was first played, Chip Martel and Lew Stansby of the United States reached only four hearts on the North-South cards, making six after West led the king of spades. Stansby was able to ruff all four of his losing clubs in dummy to finish with 12 tricks, losing only a diamond at the end.

At the other table, where Terje Aa

and Glenn Grotheim held the North-South hands for Norway, they reached six hearts on the bidding shown. South's opening club bid was artificial and forcing, and the subsequent bidding revealed that North held a 4-4-4-1 distribution with eight to 10 high-card points and specifically a singleton club.

If the slam made, Norway would gain 13 IMPs to take a 1-IMP lead with six boards to go; if the slam was defeated, the United States would gain 13 IMPs to lead by 25.

Peter Weichsel, on lead with the West hand, knew a great deal about the North hand, but all he knew about the South hand was that Grotheim thought he could make a slam opposite what Aa had promised.

Weichsel deliberated for a long time, allowing the other players to get up and stretch their legs as he pondered his opening shot. At long last, he emerged with the killer: the deuce of hearts.

The trump lead torpedoed the possibility of making 12 tricks on a crossruff, as Stansby had done. Ordinarily, three club ruffs in the dummy would enable declarer to establish his fifth club as a trick, but with the clubs divided 5-2, this was not possible, and he eventually finished down one.

Six deals later, the Americans had won the match by a margin of 21 IMPs. Had Weichsel led anything other than a trump on this deal, however, Norway would have won the world title by 5 IMPs.

CROSSWORDS

ACROSS

1 FedEx units

4 Web surfer's need

9 Near empty

12 Unduly

13 Coliseum

14 Lamb's mother

15 Stand-in

17 Creaks

19 Four qts.

20 Monk

21 Joke response (hyph.)

23 Suffice

24 "Lou Grant" lead

27 Music or dance

28 Food flavor

30 — of Capri

31 Exists

32 Talk about

34 Sleep — it

35 Ear part

37 Health-food buy

38 Tarzan companion

DOWN

1 Business suff.

2 Ghost's hello

3 Pursued

4 Shopping venue

5 Raw metal

6 Tour — force

7 Bridge bldr.

8 Educator — Montessori

9 Ferrets out

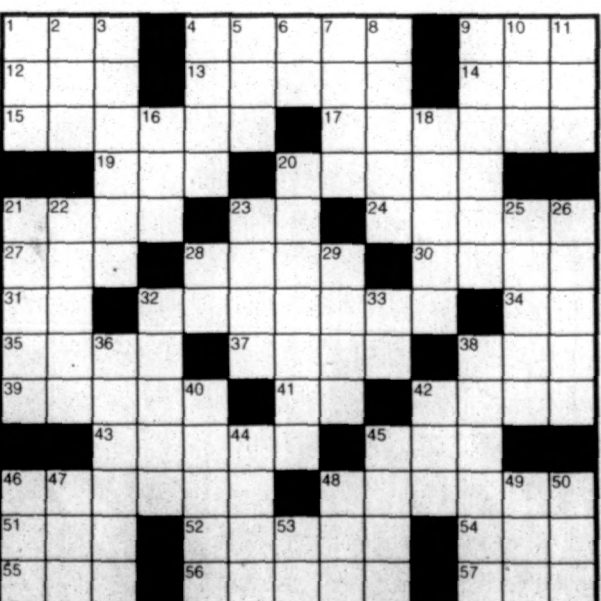
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16 Meadow sound

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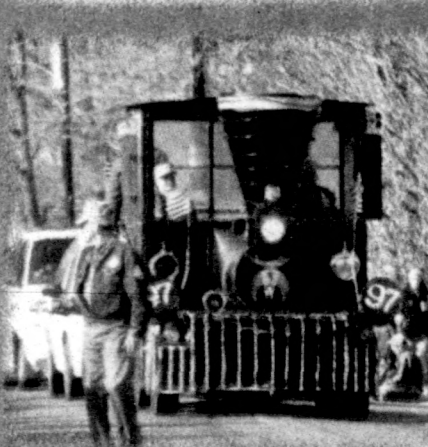
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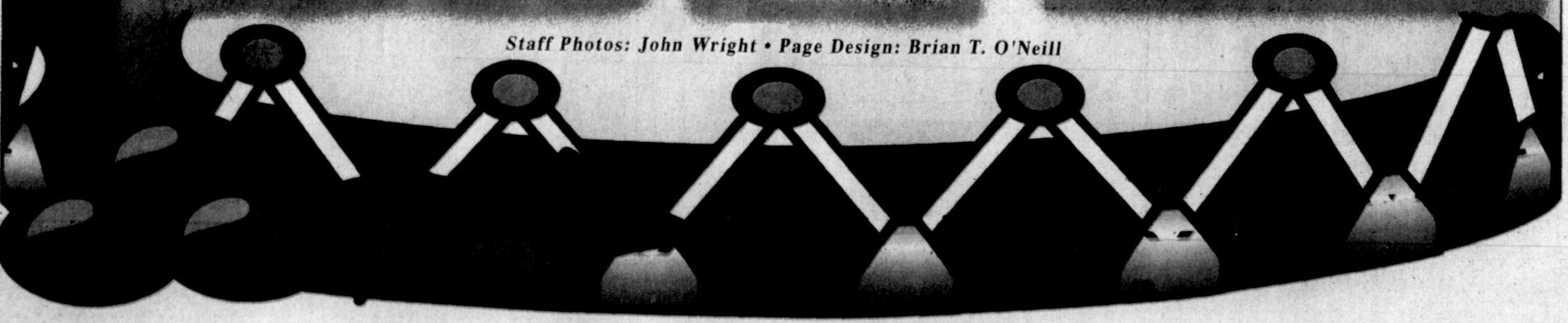
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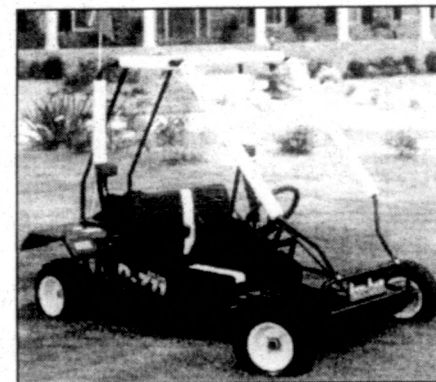
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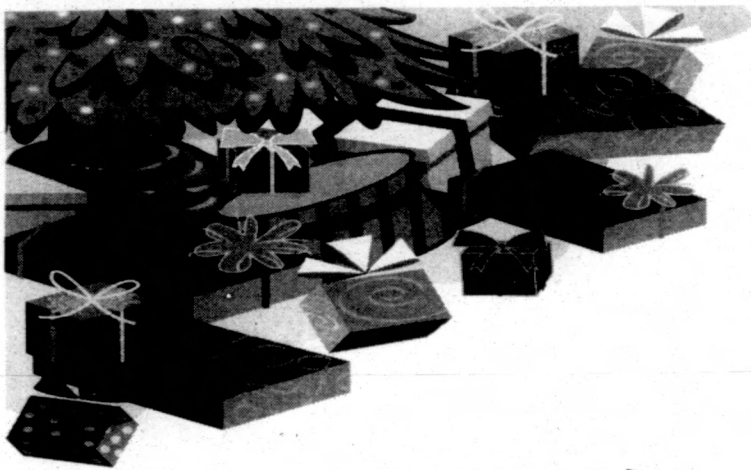
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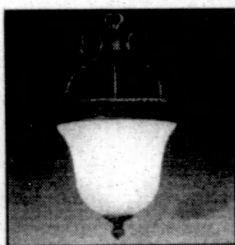
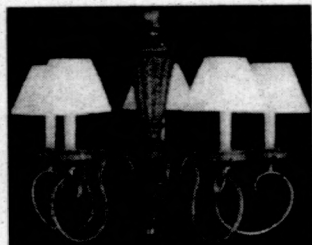
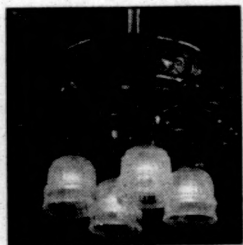
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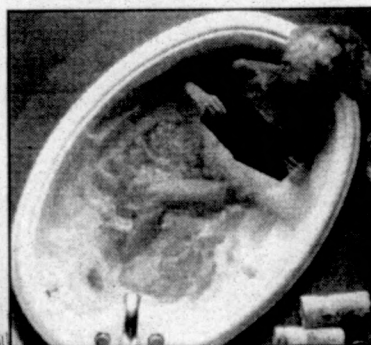
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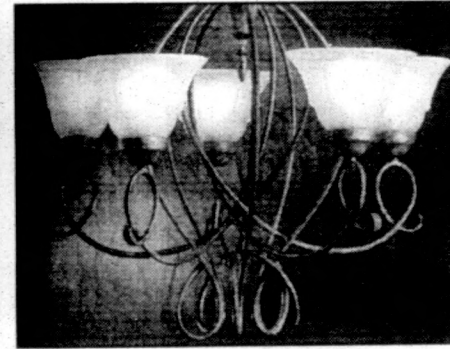
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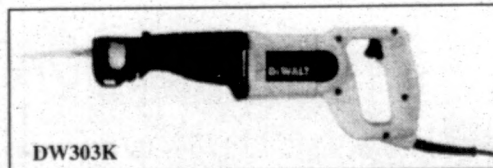


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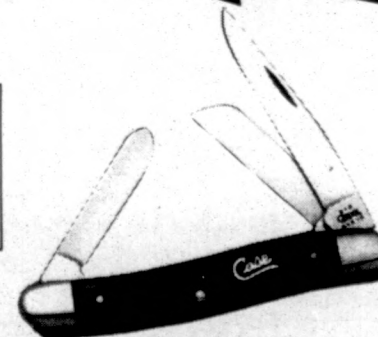
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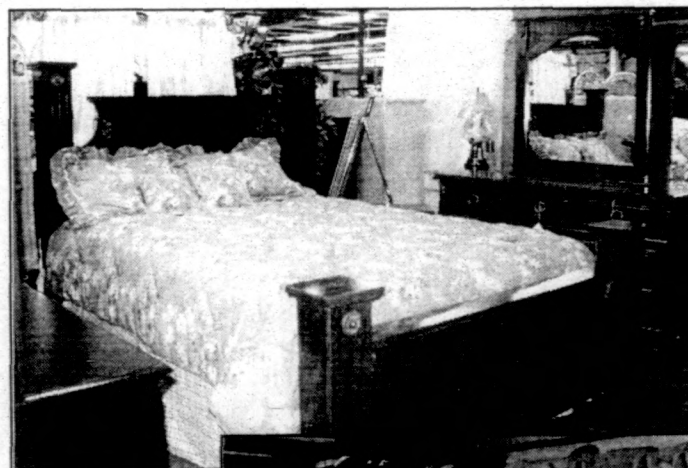
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