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## Dry winter air harmful to skin

**United Press International**  
NEW YORK — It isn't the cold so much as the dry air that threatens the skin and hair in winter months. The hazards of low humidity lie indoors and out, the experts say. Sometimes the indoors is worse than the outside.

"I read once that in many cases the humidity indoors gets below that of a desert," said Dr. Gary Dugan, director of research and development of Avon Products Inc.

"I'm not much on quoting figures, but I would say indoors, keep tem-

peratures around 68," said Dr. John Corbett, vice president of technical development at Clairol. "If you get a humidifier, keep the indoors moist enough so you don't get a shock when you reach out and touch something, and low enough not to frost up the windows."

Experts recommends consistent, use of skin moisturizers and hair conditioners. Moisture is what keeps the skin young looking.

From talks with researchers at cosmetics and hair care product houses, here is a program for "winterizing."

### Police beat

The following incidents were reported to the University Police Department through Monday.

**MISDEMEANOR THEFT:**

- A maroon Sears 10-speed bicycle was stolen from the bicycle racks at the Bizzell Street bus stop.
- Four wire wheelcovers were stolen from a 1979 Oldsmobile parked on Polo Field Road.
- \$294 in cash was stolen from a woman's purse in 612 Soil and Crop Sciences.

**CRIMINAL MISCHIEF:**

- A dumpster on North Bizzell Street was overturned and the contents were scattered in the area of Parking Annex 57.
- A 1981 Jeep CJ-7 in Parking Annex 24 was damaged. The left rear tire was deflated, the left outside rear view mirror was shattered, the right rear view mirror was stolen and the radio antenna was bent.
- The hood of a 1980 Fiat in Parking Annex 30 was deeply scratched.

## Blood tests show alcohol involved in bus-truck wreck

**United Press International**  
LAREDO — A blood test shows the driver of a pickup that swerved across the center line and struck a bus head-on had more than twice the legal limit of alcohol in his system, a justice of the peace reported Monday.

their way to Mexico on a shopping trip.

The Texas Department of Public Safety reported the pickup swerved into the westbound lane of U.S. Highway 59 about 40 miles east of Laredo, striking the bus head-on.

Justice of the Peace Raul Vasquez said the same tests showed that bus driver Roy Lee Nowlin, 42, of Houston, had no alcohol in his blood.

Pickup driver William Timothy Sinclair, 31, of Corpus Christi, and his passenger, Mario Adrian Garcia, 27, of Freer, were killed in the Saturday crash that injured 46 members of the greater New Hope Baptist Church of Houston who were on

Sinclair's blood showed a 22 percent alcohol content, while 10 percent is considered the legal limit. Vasquez said Garcia's blood registered .12 percent above the justice of the peace said.

Meanwhile, a National Transportation Safety Board investigation Monday continued an investigation of the crash.

## Millions get colds despite treatment

**United Press International**  
NEW YORK — From garlic buds to chicken noodle soup and Linus Pauling's fabled vitamin C, remedies and preventives of all kinds do battle with the common cold — especially during fall and winter.

probably wouldn't get a cold," Douglas, an infectious disease expert, said there is no evidence, by way, that a person can get a cold from being out in the cold or wearing a coat.

Prevention and cure, the goals, remain elusive. The evidence: despite the ferocity of efforts of people trying to avoid colds, millions get them anyway.

Symptoms of the common cold go away in six or seven days at the most — two or three at the least, says Dr. R. Gordon Davis, who talked about both the common cold and flu during an interview.

"You get colds from people," said Douglas, chairman of the Department of Medicine, Cornell Medical Center and physician in chief, New York Hospital. "If you stay away from people who have colds, you

If you have a remedy that you ought to use, it says Douglas. That goes for chicken soup, vitamin C or even a little warm bourbon.

He said steam and warm baths seem to loosen up stopped up sinuses that cause stuffiness when you have a common cold. That might explain why some people claim they are helped by chicken noodle soup — though there is no absolute scientific proof for that or other trumps.

"There is no specific cure for a common cold and nothing guaranteed to slow down its course," Douglas said.



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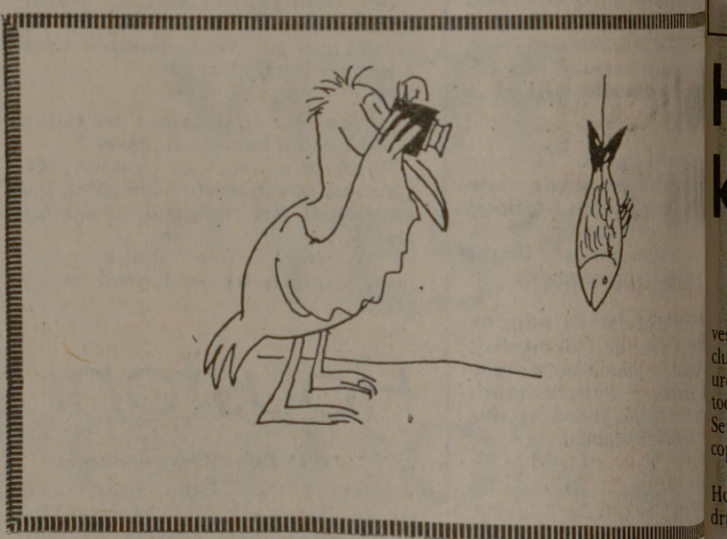
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