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Police warn of smaller counterfeit bills

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

While the tide of counterfeit \$50 and \$100 bills reported in late January may have subsided, local law enforcement officials say the funny money artists are now circulating smaller, harder to spot bills. According to Sgt. Tony Everett, public information offi-

cer with the Big Spring Police Department, investigators are now seeing a slew of \$20 bills and smaller. "The criminals are getting smarter," said Everett. "With everyone on the lookout for counterfeit \$100 and \$50 bills, they've shifted their focus to smaller bills, which people don't pay nearly as much attention to."

Everett said investigators are unsure if the new influx of counterfeit bills is tied to those discovered earlier this year, and with high quality printers readily available, there's no telling how many counterfeiters there may be. "As the printer technology continues to get better and better, and the price of printers keeps dropping, we're seeing

more and more of these," said Everett. "The smaller bills we're seeing now aren't necessarily any better quality than the \$100 and \$50 bills we saw earlier in the year, but they're going to be a lot harder to spot because people don't pay much attention to smaller bills. "We're warning area businesses to be on the lookout for these counterfeits," he added.

"If they don't already have a testing pen, they need to get one now. You can buy them at any office supply store and they are very simple to use." Everett said he's hoping area business owners with a sharp eye will be able to provide investigators with a description of the suspect passing the coun-

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Hungarian Bertok top glider

Great Britian crew takes team crown

By **STEVE REAGAN**
Staff Writer

It's official: Europe has conquered the world — of hang gliding, that is. Europeans swept the top spots in individual and team competition at the 16th FAI Hang Gliding World Championships, which concluded in Big Spring Saturday night. Hungarian Atilla Bertok overcame the "pre-worlds curse" to take top individual honors, while Great Britain confounded the so-called "experts" by taking the team title. Bertok will have nothing but fond memories of Big Spring, having taken top individual honors at this year's world championships and last year's "pre-worlds" event. It marked the first time anyone has performed that double feat. "This is like winning a stage of the Tour de France, or even winning the Indianapolis 500," a beaming Bertok said.

Meet Director David Glover said there were some simple reasons why Bertok edged Austrians Robert Reisinger and Gerolf Heinrichs for the title. "He's been doing it a long time (21 years), but he's also flying a glider perfectly suited to him," Glover said. "He's the most accomplished hang glider in the world and he's been doing it a long time. No one can come in and have his kind of success immediately." In team competition, Great Britain didn't have any dominant individual competitors, but it had a lot of very good ones — four placed in the top 20 — which was more than good enough to give that country the gold medal. France finished second in team competition, while Austria was third. "I thought the keys were us having good consistency and good teamwork,"

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Atilla Bertok of Hungary, center, won the individual title at the 16th FAI Hang Gliding World Championships, which concluded Saturday in Big Spring. Bertok is flanked by Gerolf Heinrichs, left, and Robert Reisinger, both of Austria, who finished third and second, respectively.

HERALD photo/Steve Reagan

City slates large item pickup Friday in District 5

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

The city of Big Spring will be asking residents in District 5 to think "clean and green" next week, as city crews prepare for the fifth in a six

month cycle of large item pickup days. Targeting the city district represented by Councilman Troy Tompkins, pick ups are expected to begin during the morning hours of Friday, according Todd

Darden, director of public works for the city. "There's no charge to use the program," said Darden. "Some of the more typical items we pick up are tree branches, appliances that don't work anymore, couches

and mattresses. Those are the kind of things that we can take to our landfill and we're allowed to pick up. We can't pick up any household hazardous waste. That means any kind of chemicals including lawn chemicals, car

batteries and tires and things of that nature. We also won't be picking up any tree limbs. "We're seeing more participation from the citizens this year," he added," which is very encouraging for the city.

We want to do everything we can to make Big Spring a city to be proud of, and it takes help from the people to make that happen." And while the program

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Women held in assault of police officer

By **THOMAS JENKINS**
Staff Writer

Two women were charged with of aggravated assault against a public servant and escape from custody Sunday after police officials say they managed to steal a Big Spring Police Department patrol car during their arrest. Heather Atkinson, 27, of Hobbs, N.M., was arrested on charges of escape - causing bodily injury, aggravated assault against a public servant, evading arrest, theft, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle and driving while license invalid. Maria C. Hernandez, 21, of 410 Davis

Road, was also arrested on charges of public intoxication, escape - causing bodily injury, aggravated assault against a public servant, evading arrest and theft. According to Sgt. Tony Everett, public information officer with the BSPD, the pair had been taken into custody when they decided to make a break for it. "They had been cuffed and put in the back of the police vehicle," said Everett. "However, since it was a lieutenant's vehicle, it didn't have the normal cage in the back. One of the suspects managed to get her hands from behind her

back and climbed up into the driver's seat and took off. "Lt. Lance Telchik was searching their vehicle at that time and was struck by the police vehicle while the two women made their escape. He suffered only minor cuts and bruises," Everett added. After the women fled in his vehicle, Everett said, Lt. Telchik was able to get up and used the suspects' car to chase them down. Contact Staff Writer Thomas Jenkins at 263-7331 ext. 232 or by e-mail at citydesk@bigspringherald.com.



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IN BRIEF

Big Spring Jr. High equipment pick-up

Incoming Big Spring Junior High students wishing to participate in football for the upcoming season will need to pick up their equipment from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday.

Call Kay Cook at 264-3662 with any questions.

Big Spring Tennis Boosters meeting

The Big Spring Tennis Boosters will meet at 6 p.m. today in the Athletic Training Center.

All parents of junior high and high school tennis players are invited to attend.

Contact Jeri Farmer at 267-6093 for more information.

Meet the Steers on Saturday

The Big Spring Quarterback Club will be hosting a Meet the Steers event at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 25 at Memorial Stadium.

The public is invited to get a first glimpse at this year's Steer football teams.

All players from junior high to varsity will be introduced.

Crossroads Youth Football sign-ups

The Crossroads Youth Football Association have begun their sign-ups for the 2007 season.

Registration will take place from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the old Athletic Supply building in the Big Spring Mall on every Saturday during August.

Cost is \$40 for flag football and \$100 for tackle. Any cheerleaders who will not need a uniform can sign-up for \$35. The cost is \$100 is a new uniform is needed.

All children going into kindergarten through sixth grade can register.

For more information, contact Daphne Coates at 714-4688.

QB Club meeting set for today

The Big Spring Quarterback Club will hold its weekly meeting at 7 p.m. Monday at the Athletic Training Center.

They will be looking to put the finishing touches on this season's football program, which celebrates the 100th anniversary of Big Spring football.

Contact Denise Carillo at 816-1685 or Frank Stiles at 270-3041 for more details.

YMCA hosting skateboard contest

The fourth annual Summer Skateboard Contest will be held Thursday at the YMCA Skate Park.

The contest begins at 6:30 p.m. with participants able to register until 6 p.m.

The registration fee is \$8. Divisions of competition will be set up based on the number of entries.

Prizes will be awarded to first and second place winners.

For more information, call the YMCA at 267-8234.

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Weekend rains cancel scrimmages

By **JONATHAN HULL**

Sports Editor

Rain, rain, go away, at least until we're done with our football games.

The rain didn't listen over the past two days, forcing local high school football teams to cancel their first scrimmages of the season.

Coaches were looking forward to the opportunity to witness their players in action against an opponent other than themselves. Now they'll be forced to wait another week.

"We like what we've seen in practice so far, but we want to

see who can step up against someone wearing another jersey," said Lee McCown, head football coach of the Stanton Buffaloes whose scrimmage against Sonora's Broncos was one of the casualties to the downpours. "A different opponent brings out a little better in the players."

The Buffs were forced to cancel their practice game with the Broncos after Sonora received over eight inches of rain Friday and Saturday.

The Sands Mustangs were also forced to cancel a scrimmage Saturday against the Hermleigh Cardinals.

"We were supposed to go to Hermleigh, but had to move the game to Snyder because of problems they had with their field," said Mustangs head football coach Wayne Henderson. "Their coach went to Snyder to look at their field and called to tell us that the field there was under about a foot of water. So I went out to check on our field and we had the same problem."

Henderson he wasn't sure, but didn't think that the scrimmage could be made up due to UIL rules.

"We're having to check on that, but we think there's a rule that says you can't have more than

one scrimmage in a week," he explained. "If that's the case then we obviously won't get to make up that game."

Both teams will be in action Thursday as what was supposed to be their second scrimmage of the preseason now becomes their first.

Stanton will host Kermit's Yellow Jackets at 5 p.m. Thursday, while Sands travels to take on the Trent Gorillas at 6 p.m.

Contact Sports Editor Jonathan Hull by calling him at 263-7331, ext. 237, or by e-mailing him at sports@bigspringherald.com.



Big Spring Steers running back Monte Anderson (3) tries to avoid defenders from Wichita Falls' Hirschi as Sidney Parker Jr. (4) tries to throw a block for him during a scrimmage Saturday at Shotwell Stadium in Abilene.

HERALD photo/Ken Hollandsworth

Steers find highs, lows in first scrimmage

By **JONATHAN HULL**

Sports Editor

ABILENE — It was a night of highs and lows for the Big Spring Steers, but that's to be expected in the season's first scrimmage.

The ultimate high for the Steers to carry away from their preseason game with the Wichita Falls Hirschi Huskies Saturday was that they found the end zone more times than their opponent.

Despite no official score

being kept the Steers scored two touchdowns to Hirschi's one. The Steers scored a third touchdown on a long pass play from Tyler Tannehill to Sidney Parker Jr., but the big play would have been called back on an offensive pass interference call.

The team's effort stood out the most for first-year Head Coach Mike Ritchey.

"I liked our effort. We expected a lot of busts, especially on offense," said Ritchey. "It's a new

offense that we've only been practicing for two weeks now. We made our mistakes, but the kids hung in there and kept playing hard."

Big Spring will get to further its efforts Friday in a scrimmage with Pampa's Harvesters in Lubbock. No official time for the game had been released at press time.

The Steers offense found most of its success in the passing game with Parker leading the way. He had three receptions that would have totaled more

than 20 yards each.

Despite the lack of having much success in the run game, Ritchey said he felt the Steers' ground attack is right on par with the passing attack.

"We stayed very basic with what we were doing in both the running and passing games," he explained. "We kept the play calling to just a few simple plays, so it's hard to say that one phase of the offense is ahead of the other. We want to keep it

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Buff's stifled by McCamey

By **JEFF LANE**

Special to the Herald

FORSAN — With two-days behind them, the Forsan Buffaloes hit the field for the first of two preseason games as they participated in a controlled scrimmage with the McCamey Badgers. Although score wasn't kept, the Badgers were able to put the ball in the endzone four times and kept the Buffs from finding paydirt at all.

The Buffs revealed some different schemes on offense and defense, but may have chosen an inopportune time to do so against the runner-ups to the 1A state championship last season.

Buff's Head Coach Tommy Thompson plans on broadening his base wing-T offense this year by implementing some of the spread offense, or what some call the run and shoot.

"We want to diversify our offensive approach this year and give opposing defenses some different looks," said Thompson. "Using the spread offense will give us some options to score that we haven't previously looked at."

Saturday's scrimmage showed Thompson that his squad still needs a little work on perfecting the new offensive set. Forsan will get that opportunity at 6 p.m. Friday when they visit Reagan County's Owls for a scrimmage.

"We have all the pieces to be successful with this scheme" Thompson said, "We just need more reps to get stronger. We missed some assignments

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Bulldogs show off potent running game against O'Donnell

By **JONATHAN HULL**

Sports Editor

COAHOMA — If a scrimmage can actually serve as any true indication of what a team might be able to do once the regular season starts, then the Coahoma Bulldogs should find a lot of success running the football.

The Bulldogs running game found enough consistency to gash the middle of the O'Donnell Screamin' Eagles defense to find the end zone five times. Had an official score been kept, Coahoma would have outscored O'Donnell by two touchdowns, 5-3.

Senior running back P.J. Daylong was the heart of the Bulldogs' rushing attack, scoring three touchdowns on three runs of 30-plus yards.

Coahoma's first-year Head Coach Jay Kennedy says he was impressed with the Bulldogs' ability to run.

"It's not bad," said Kennedy of the running game. "A lot of the plays in scrimmages are scripted

and some of the plays look worse than others because what we had scripted doesn't match up with what our opponent had scripted. We went to more of a game plan towards the end of the scrimmage. We saw what they were giving us and called plays based on that. We had a little more success when we went with that."

"P.J. is a very good shifty runner," he continued. "He's not going to bruise anybody, but he's not afraid of going up the middle and taking a hit. He's good at making defenders miss though."

Daylong is also a vocal leader, who could be heard encouraging his teammates along his sideline and in the huddle. Kennedy says he's just one of many experienced vocal leaders for the Bulldogs this season.

"There's a few kids on this team that started as sophomores and P.J.'s one of them," he said. "All of those guys are very good leaders that lead by example. P.J.'s a great leader. He got on

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Coahoma Bulldogs quarterback Donnie Garcia looks to pitch the ball during an option play in the Bulldogs scrimmage with O'Donnell Saturday in Coahoma.

HERALD photo/Jonathan Hull

Obituaries

Zelma Roberta Hulse



Zelma Roberta Hulse, 89, of Big Spring, formerly of Sweetwater, died Friday, Aug. 17, 2007. Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 21, 2007, at Myers & Smith Chapel with the Rev. Randy Cotton, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park. The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. until 6 p.m. Monday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

She was born on Feb. 18, 1918, in Wood County to Carl and James Furgason. She lived in Sweetwater 40 years before moving to Big Spring to be near family. She was a member of the First Christian Church of Sweetwater. She worked tirelessly at the church library, which was dedicated and named after her, and taught Sunday School classes and sang in the church choir. She had a bachelor of arts degree from North Texas State University and a masters of education degree from Midwestern University. She had retired from the Sweetwater Independent School District where she acted as the librarian at the high school for many years. She also taught at Crowell and Hamlin. She was a member of Delta Kappa Gamma, B&PW and the Retired Teachers Association just to name a few.

She was preceded in death by her only child, James R. Hulse; her parents; and six siblings.

She is survived by her granddaughter, Carla Gross and her husband, Mitchell, of Big Spring; a daughter-in-law, Kay Hulse of Big Spring; and her great-grandchildren, Cameron and Kasandra Gross of Big Spring.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com.

Lorene Massey

Lorene Massey, 86, of New Braunfels, formerly of Big Spring, died Sunday, Aug. 19, 2007, in New Braunfels. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Milton Fortson

Milton Fortson, 78, of Temple, formerly of Big Spring, died on Sunday, Aug. 19, 2007, in Temple. Services are pending with Scanio-Harper Funeral Home in Temple.

Weather

Today — Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 90s. South winds 10 to 20 mph.

Tonight — Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 70s. Southeast winds 10 to 20 mph.

Tuesday — Partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 90s. Southeast winds 10 to 15 mph.

Tuesday night — Partly cloudy. Lows around 70. South winds 10 to 15 mph.

Wednesday — Mostly cloudy. Highs around 90. South winds 10 to 15 mph.

Wednesday night — Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 70s.

Thursday — Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 80s.

Thursday night — Mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 70s.

Friday — Mostly cloudy. Highs in the upper 80s.

Friday night — Mostly cloudy. Lows in the lower 70s.

Saturday — Mostly cloudy. Highs around 90.

Saturday night — Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 70s.

Sunday — Mostly cloudy. Highs around 90.

Lottery

Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Saturday night: Winning numbers drawn: 1-12-27-40-50-52. Number matching six of six: 0. Estimated jackpot for Wednesday night drawing: \$15 million.

Results of the Cash 5 drawing Saturday night: Winning numbers drawn: 8-12-21-27-33. Number matching five of five: 1. Prize per winner: \$29,013. Winning tickets sold in: Friendswood. Next Cash 5 drawing: Tonight.

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Saturday night, in order: 6-3-9

The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Saturday afternoon, in order: 3-5-2

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Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 9 a.m. Saturday and 7 a.m. today:

- **BILLY ALVARADO**, 28, of 813 W. Eighth Street, was arrested Saturday on two local capias warrants.
- **DOYLE RAY MIEARS**, 33, of 104 Lockhart, was arrested Saturday on a charge of theft.
- **DENISE DEANDA**, 35, of 604 Abrams, was arrested Saturday on charges of criminal trespass and theft.
- **ANNETTE G. TORRES**, 26, of 1408 Oriole, was arrested Saturday on two local warrants and three local capias warrants.
- **MARIA C. HERNANDEZ**, 21, of 410 Davis Road, was arrested Sunday on charges of public intoxication, escape - causing bodily injury, aggravated assault against a public servant, evading arrest and theft.
- **HEATHER ATKINSON**, 27, of Hobbs, N.M., was arrested Sunday on charges of escape - causing bodily injury, aggravated assault against a public servant, evading arrest, theft, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle and driving while license invalid.
- **DARREN L. HEFFINGTON**, 38, of 2600 Crestline, was arrested Sunday on a Bexar County warrant.
- **ANDREA D. ALENDER**, 35, of 700 W. Interstate Highway 20, was arrested Sunday on charges of driving while intoxicated and driving while license suspended.
- **THEFT** was reported:
 - in the 1200 block of Sycamore.
 - in the 200 block of Marcy.
 - in the 100 block of Marcy.
 - in the 1200 block of 11th Place.
 - in the 200 block of FM 700.
 - in the 400 block of Birdwell Lane.
 - in the 1800 block of Gregg Street.
- **EVADING ARREST OR DETENTION** was reported in the 1300 block of Madison.
- **CRIMINAL TRESPASS** was reported in the 200 block of FM 700.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 2600 block of Fairchild.
- **ASSAULT CLASS C/FAMILY VIOLENCE** was reported in the 1300 block of Madison.
- **UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE** was reported in the 200 block of Benton.

Sheriff's report

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activity:

- Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 55 inmates at the time of this report.
- **RENEA ANTOINETTE GORDON**, 20, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a Tarrant County warrant for assault causing bodily injury.
 - **ROSENDO CRUZ RODRIQUEZ**, 37, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence for violation of a protective order.
 - **DOMINICA THACKER**, 26, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a Ochiltree County warrant for motion to revoke probation for possession of marijuana.
 - **FRANCES BLOOMFIELD**, 40, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a motion to revoke probation for driving while intoxicated - third or more offense.
 - **PEDRO CHRISTOPHER CARRILLO**, 22, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence for possession of a controlled substance.
 - **RICHARD JAMES WHITE**, 30, was transferred to the county jail Friday by the BSPD on a charge of driving while license suspended/invalid - enhanced.
 - **JASON M. THREATS**, 29, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a local bench warrant.
 - **TRAVIS ALLEN MELTON II**, 48, was arrested Friday by the HCSO on a judgment/sentence for violation of a protective order.
 - **MARCUS EMORY STURGILL**, 18, was arrested Saturday by DPS on charges of possession of marijuana - two ounces or less, resisting arrest, search or transportation and public intoxication.
 - **DAVID LOUIS FLORES**, 24, was arrested Saturday by DPS on charges of driving while intoxicated, possession of marijuana - two ounces or less and failure to obey warning sign - barricade over road.
 - **SUSAN SALAZAR**, 25, was arrested Saturday by the HCSO on a warrant from the attorney general's office for contempt of court.
 - **STACY LYNN PENDLETON**, 31, was arrested Saturday by the HCSO on a warrant from the attorney general's office for contempt of court.
 - **MARTIN KING NORWOOD**, 24, was arrested Saturday by the HCSO on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.
 - **JEREMY ALLEN BRUNSON**, 26, was arrested Sunday by the HCSO on a charge of public intoxication.
 - **SUMMER DAWN TEETERS**, 24, was arrested Sunday by the HCSO on charges of bail jumping - failure to appear, forgery of a financial instrument (two counts), theft by check (three counts), a motion to adjudicate - credit card abuse, a capias pro-fine for theft of services and violation of parole - theft by check.

Bulletin Board

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MONDAY

- The Big Spring-Howard County Retired Teacher's Association meets in the Cactus Room at Howard College, 1001 Birdwell Lane. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m.
- Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. 21 meets at 5 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 W. Third, for weigh-in. The meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. Call 1-800-392-8677 or 263-0391 or 263-1758.
- Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) No. TX 1756 meets in the First Christian Church of Big Spring, 911 Goliad. A different program is offered every week. Enter through the south side door off 10th Street. Call 213-1342 for more information. Weigh-in starts at 5 p.m.; meetings begin at 5:30 p.m.
- Evening Lions Club meets at 6:45 p.m. at Dragon China Buffett.
- DAV and Auxiliary Chapter 47 meets at 6:30 p.m. at 610 Abrams St.
- Christian Singles Fellowship meets from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church Youth Hall. All singles in the community are invited for an evening of fellowship, food and table games.
- Prospector's Club work night begins at 7 p.m. at 606 E. Third.

TUESDAY

- Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room, 1001 Birdwell Lane.
- Big Spring Band Boosters meets at 5:30 p.m. in the high school band hall. All band parents are invited to attend.
- Big Spring Art Association meets at 7 p.m. in the Howard County Library. All working artists and those interested in art are invited to attend.
- Order of the Eastern Star No. 67 meets at 7:30 p.m. at 221 Main.

WEDNESDAY

- Optimist Club meets at 7 a.m. in the Howard College Cactus Room.

Fire/EMS

The Big Spring Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 3300 block of Wasson. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1900 block of Simler. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported near the intersection of FM 846 and FM 2230. Two people were transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1800 block of E. 15th Street. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1200 block of E. 11th Place. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1500 block of Sycamore. One person was transported to the VAMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1800 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to the VAMC.
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported near the intersection of Eight Street and Gregg. Service refused.
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported near the intersection of 18th Street and Main. Service refused.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1900 block of N. Highway 87. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported near the SMMC emergency room exit and FM 700. Two people were transported.
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported near the intersection of 25th Street and Birdwell. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 2600 block of Chanute. Service refused.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1700 block of Morrison. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 8700 block of Gillmer Road. Service refused.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 2300 block of Wasson. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **ELECTRICAL FIRE** was reported in the 3200 block of Auburn.
- **TRAUMA** was reported in the 2900 block of Old. Highway 80. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 2800 block of Wasson. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 3200 block of Oasis. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 1000 block of Stadium. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL** was reported in the 900 block of Father Delaney. One person was transported to SMMC.

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Cowboys building on preseason success

By JAIME ARON

AP Sports Writer

IRVING — The more Wade Phillips sees from the Dallas Cowboys, the more he has to like.

The Cowboys' starters have soundly outplayed their foes' first-teamers in both preseason games. While that's not really a big deal this time of year, the way they've improved from week to week is worth noting.

In a 31-20 victory over the Denver Broncos on Saturday night, the Cowboys showed progress in two key areas: upping the pressure by the defensive front and completing passes thrown downfield. As a result, Dallas scored touchdowns instead of field goals when breaking the 20-yard line on offense, and gave up field goals instead of touchdowns when opponents got inside the Cowboys' 20.

Neither of which guarantees success in the regular season. But it sure beats the alternative, especially with all the things that could go

wrong with a new coaching staff taking over a playoff team and reshaping things on both sides of the ball.

"Here is the bottom line," quarterback Tony Romo said, "if you can't do it in the preseason, it's probably hard to do it in the regular season. If you can do it in the preseason, you give yourself a better chance."

Romo was 10-of-11 in the opener against Indianapolis, but the majority of completions were short routes, a byproduct of playing without both starting tackles. With the big guys back, offensive coordinator Jason Garrett let plays develop longer and Romo made the most of it, completing passes of 30, 28 and 20 yards.

More encouraging for Dallas is that those catches were by Patrick Crayton and Sam Hurd, not Terrell Owens, Terry Glenn or Jason Witten — the guys who will get plenty of chances to make plays once the games start to count. Owens and Witten played only two

series and Glenn has been out all preseason with a knee problem.

Although Romo was 11-of-18 against Denver, he made few bad passes and hardly any bad decisions. Receiver Miles Austin was partly to blame on Romo's only interception and the only sack Romo took came because he tripped over the foot of guard Kyle Kosier.

The Cowboys converted six of their first seven third-downs and got points on four of seven first-half drives. Better yet, three of the scores were touchdowns. The exception was a 52-yard field goal by rookie Nick Folk. Martin Gramatica went wide right on a 51-yarder that had plenty of distance.

Marion Barber III was back to the bulldozing style that worked so well last year, scoring on runs of 1 and 5 yards, and Julius Jones had the other, a 4-yarder. Another bonus from the running game was seeing T.O. take an end around for 9 yards. That should keep him happy and should

make defenses wary knowing the play is back in Dallas' arsenal.

"I think it's definitely obvious the talent we have on this team," Owens said. "We're moving the ball very well. The depth and the talent on this team is endless."

The defense was ordinary but effective enough against the Colts. Against the Broncos, they came out snarling, perhaps fired up by having banged against Denver in four practices earlier in the week.

Using some blitzes and packages Denver hadn't seen, the Cowboys had no trouble getting to quarterback Jay Cutler. They also kept Travis Henry from finding room to run.

The Broncos only managed two field goals. Both came on drives that started in Dallas territory following turnovers. The Cowboys' starters also came away with a fumble, that set up a touchdown, and a sack.

"Once it gets going for real, we're going to crank it up another level," safety Ken Hamlin said.

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the line early in the scrimmage, but he made sure to congratulate each of them following his first touchdown.

However, it wasn't the team's running game that stood out most to Kennedy.

"I liked our intensity and we show to be in really good condition," he said. "We're not in great condition yet, but we're a lot better off than what we were at this point last year. We fought hard from the start to the end."

The offense did run into some inconsistency as O'Donnell's defenders were able to frequent the Bulldogs backfield. Kennedy notes that they're playing with a very inexperienced offensive line.

"Nobody on our line started last year. In fact, two or three of them didn't even play on the line last season," he explained. "We have a lot of youth on the line right now and we're going to have to work hard to get better."

The line's improvement will need to be propelled quickly as the Bulldogs are throwing in some new wrinkles to their offense.

"Last year we ran mostly a mid-line option, but this year we're looking to go with more of a spread type offense," said

Kennedy. "O'Donnell was ready for a lot of that stuff and we didn't block that real well. They did a good job of blowing up a lot of our timing stuff."

"Defense is way ahead of the offense, but next week will give us the challenge of containing Rotan's quarterback," Kennedy continued.

"That really hurt us in the first three games of last season. We run a 3-3-5, so that puts a lot of pressure on our ends and outside linebackers to contain and get into position. Our secondary is very young and we're having to be real patient with them."

Injuries have already taken their toll on a Bulldogs team optimistic about its playoff chances within the district.

"Our district is always a very competitive district. First we've got to stay healthy," said Kennedy. "I emphasize that because we just lost our starting guard with a broken wrist this week and that hurt us today up front. We were also without our 6-7 receiver Colter Morgtan. He had to visit the burn unit in Lubbock after an accident. However, we think we can be very competitive if we can get everyone back healthy and stay healthy."

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basic right now. We want to set a good foundation and then build on it."

Defensively, the Steers suffocated the Huskies for most of the scrimmage. Hirschi was able to find the end zone when receiver Darius Thornton got open deep in the middle of the field. Huskies quarterback Caymon Edmonds found him behind Big Spring's secondary for a 75-yard touchdown.

However, other than the one big play, Hirschi found its yards few and far between.

The Steers' defense appeared to be well ahead of the offense, but Ritchey says that is to be expect-

ed.

"The defense is usually ahead of the offense because defense is not nearly as fancy as offense is," he said. "There's not as much to execute on defense. We just play our technique and get to the football. Offense takes 11 guys going out and executing their jobs."

"We had our troubles on offense, but we had some real positives as well," Ritchey continued. "We had some nice runs and we had some big passing plays. We just need to do a better job of protecting the ball and our quarterbacks."

The Steers' best run of the evening ended in near disaster. Quarterback Clayton Bates took the ball off of the left side for close to 20 yards, but was bent-up awkwardly on the

tackle. He had to be helped off the field.

Bates wasn't the only Big Spring quarterback to leave the game early. Tannehill also left after taking a big hit just after he got rid of the ball for a completion to Parker.

"Tyler took a shot to the ribs, but he should be fine. He's probably a little bruised up, but we'll get him packed in ice," said Ritchey. "Clayton rolled his ankle, but it's nothing that he can't overcome. Really we got out of this game without suffering a substantial injury. That's just another positive for us."

Of all the mistakes by the Steers Saturday, it was the several botched snaps that caught the eye most from coaches and fans alike.

"We've got to look at the

video, but I'm sure we'll see some assignments that we missed," said Ritchey. "We've got some things to work on this week. Some of them are very simple things like a snap. I don't know how many snaps we botched in the game, but it's something we've obviously got to fix. That's just something that's going to come together through hard work and practice. Hopefully, we can minimize the number of bad snaps next week against Pampa. Then carry that on into the first game of the season against Odessa."

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against McCamey and will need to execute better in order for this to really work."

Defensively, Thompson and Defensive Coordinator Dave Park are using a 4-4-3 set this season, hoping to utilize the Buffs team speed and to confuse opposing offenses with shifting formations.

"We are using a more complex defense this year that we hope will disrupt our opponents' flow on offense," said Thompson. "We will be using more stunts and showing the quarterback different setups on the defensive side.

Our intensity level will have to pick up as we head into the season and adjust to the speed of a live game."

The Buffs return several starters from last season's playoff team, including junior Alex Huckabee who will take over at quarterback with the departure of graduating senior Seth Johnson.

Huckabee played wide receiver and defensive back for the Buffs last year, but Thompson has great confidence that he can make the transition to quarterback.

"Alex has a great arm and good speed" Thompson said, "He is an asset to have with Seth graduating and Jeremy Robbins rehabbing a bad

hamstring. Huck will do a fantastic job for us this year."

Thompson says he will be relying, as always, on his seniors to step up and be leaders on and off the field.

"I always count a great deal on my seniors. They have been there and know what to expect," he said. "The younger guys will look to players like Adam Bailey, James Marlow, Aaron Hughes, Blake Grantham and others."

Forsan has always had great fan support. Buffs supporters will travel and

fill up the visiting stands just as if they were at home. Coach Thompson knows the value of fans like these.

"We have some of the most loyal fans anywhere," he said. "They travel far and wide to support these young men and we expect to field a quality product, not only for ourselves but for them. Our fans will see some new and exciting things this year as we strive to get better each week and build on the success we had last season."



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By Steve Becker

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♥ K Q 7 4 3
♦ A Q 9 2
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♥ A 10 6 2
♦ J 8 7 6 4
♣ 7 5 3

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♠ K Q 9 6 2
♥ J 9 8 5
♦ K 10
♣ 9 6

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South West North East
Pass 1♥ 2♣ 2♥
2♠ 3♦ 4♠ 5♦
Pass Pass 5♠ Pass
Pass Dble
Opening lead — king of hearts.

dummy. Declarer then conceded a club to the ace, after which Becker could do no better than cash the ace of diamonds to hold South to 11 tricks.

Losing 850 points was no doubt a bitter pill for Becker to swallow, but what happened at the other table was no doubt even worse than he might have expected. With his teammates now holding the North-South cards, the bidding went:

South	West	North	East
Pass	1♥	2♣	2♠(!)
Pass	3♣	4♠	4♥
Pass	4♠	Pass	5♥

Dble

Here Smith, East, decided to muddy the waters by throwing in a psychic two-spade bid, and it worked like a charm. Becker's befuddled teammates never got themselves straightened out, and they wound up doubling five hearts. West then proceeded to wrap up that contract for another 850 points, losing only a spade and a trump.

Thus the Smith team made five spades doubled at one table and five hearts doubled at the other table for a combined gain of 1,700 points. Fortunately for Becker's squad, it was able to recover from this disastrous loss, proving that one hand does not a bridge match make.

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BY HOLIDAY MATHIS
Scorpio has the emotional power to cut through the surface of things and effortlessly use what she finds to her advantage.



HOLIDAY MATHIS

But when she hides her emotions, that gift is blocked. Today, emotional honesty changes everything. With the cleansing power of honesty we can bend spoons or move mountains.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You do right — not because there will be consequences if you don't, but because you love the confidence that comes from having nothing to hide, nothing to defend.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). There is some planetary interference

with the usual clarity you enjoy in your decision-making process. This leads you to look at your problem differently and make an even better choice.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). To be truly successful you have to be able to ignore that fearful little voice inside that says, "You can't do it." With enough practice you can shut it off entirely.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). The teambuilding efforts you make now are not only fun, but are also preventive of future difficulties. A basis of solid morale is the oil in the engine that keeps friction from damaging the parts.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Your planets illuminate the possibilities you didn't believe before. For instance, maybe you actually can work your regular job and become wealthy in your spare time.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Sure, you still feel

that your quest is unfinished by a long shot. But remember where you started out? Create your own private and sacred celebration to commemorate how far you've come.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You may be feeling somewhat depleted. You know you're supposed to pay yourself first, but are you actually doing it? A Pisces will remind you that you are deserving of this and so much more.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The bad news: Someone is in the way of you and what you want. The good news: Ditto. Being forced to collaborate brings about a highly creative solution.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You can be overly analytical, going over what you said and what "they" said again and again in your mind until you don't really remember it exactly. Relax. You can always do better next time.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-

Jan. 19). The story you're telling includes the highlights and none of the bad stuff. It's part of your conscious decision to remain positive. Life morphs to fit your optimism.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Sometimes teams wear a uniform, speak a common language and move like a machine. Your team does none of the above. The only thing team members seem to have in common is the goal — and that's enough.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You're perched on the high dive of life, ready to plunge into the depths. You can be sure that all the fun is in the water. Just ask fellow water signs, Cancer and Scorpio.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "I'm a Virgo, born September 17, 1970. I'm having some difficulties with real estate. I've been renting a condo owned by a member of my family for

way too much money. It was decided without my knowledge to put it on the market. I'm going to move into an apartment for the time being. Do you see me buying a house in the future — one that I'll be happy in?"

You (and all Virgos) will find December's meeting of Pluto and Jupiter helpful in facilitating nesting desires, especially for those Virgins who claim "home is where I hang my hat" — you know who you are. Yours sounds like a case of family behaving badly. Your family has a tendency to give you things — shelter, money, loans — with strings attached. Their good intentions end up costing you more in the end. With the moon and Saturn joined in security-loving Taurus in your chart, no place will be suitable unless it's yours exclusively. So yes, you will find your dream castle. The apartment you're moving into is

temporary. Keep your eyes peeled for new beginnings in December, and by March 2008, you'll find yourself in new digs you really dig.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: "Sex and the City" siren Kim Cattrall is as fiercely feminine as the hot-blooded character she plays. Pluto joins her Leo sun, giving Kim incredibly magnetic willpower. When she wants what she wants, this woman is resilient and unstoppable. Even the strong ones need to bend for others, though — a real life lesson for Kim.

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Dear Annie: I am an almost-13-year-old boy who lives in an average-sized suburban home. My mom is a kindergarten teacher. There is only one problem — my dad. He quit his job in search of another about six years ago. He found more work, but then shattered his leg in a car accident. He got a lot of insurance money, which he has been using to pay off bills. He has almost run out of money and is too depressed to get a new job. (Depression runs in his family.)



KATHY MITCHELL
MARCY SUGAR

I am scared of what might happen to this family if he doesn't get work soon. I am on anti-depressants, but they don't help much. I have spent the past couple of years knowing this would happen, and it finally has. — Scared

Dear Scared: We understand why you are afraid, but your family situation should not be on your shoulders. Talk to your parents and explain how stressed you are. Also, since you are on anti-depressants, ask Mom or Dad to make an appointment for you to speak to your therapist. You also should talk to a grandparent, aunt, uncle or family friend who understands your situation and can help reassure you.

Dear Annie: We live on a very socially active street. Some of our neighbors have frequent get-togethers that my wife, children and I always attend. The problem is that a few neighbors, us included, never reciprocate. I would like to host some parties at our house, but my wife refuses. She says she doesn't want to deal with the mess, although she has no problem having family members over for parties.

I feel like a mooch. How can I convince my wife to host a party? She says she'll abide by whatever you say. — Social Dilemma in Kentucky
Dear Kentucky: Possibly your wife fears her entertaining skills are inadequate, but in reality, most people are happy just to enjoy the

company. Ask your wife if she would be willing to host an outdoor barbecue — you do the grilling, and she provides the accoutrements (homemade or store-bought). It's very casual, no one expects too much, and most of the mess goes straight into a garbage bag. We suspect if she pushes herself to do it once, the next time will be a piece of cake.

Dear Annie: This is in response to "The Cash Giver," who asked ministers why they need to know the amount of a person's giving. Here are some possible reasons:

- 1. With a declining congregation, one might need to look at the giving of regular attendees in order to set or readjust a budget. The church is unique in that it has to follow a budget that is constantly changing and based on random and regular giving.
- 2. Giving can determine what must be taught from the pulpit or elsewhere. If those who are regular parishioners are not giving, then it needs to be addressed. If they are regularly giving, but overall giving is just low (since a tithe is based on one's income), then other issues must be looked at.
- 3. For purposes of leadership, one might need to hold accountable their giving to the biblical standard. Leadership must lead by example.

Finally, the real issue here is trust. This minister has been given the task of leading your church, and you need to trust that he is doing his best. If you have questions, go to him and ask. Don't make decisions regarding your church attendance based on the replies of others in a newspaper. I hope you and your church continue to grow through this time. — Pastor John

Dear Pastor John: Most of our readers are not in favor of their minister knowing what they are giving, but you have made some interesting points for the other side. Thanks for writing. Annie's Mailbox is written by Kathy Mitchell and Marcy Sugar, longtime editors of the Ann Landers column. Please e-mail your questions to anniesmailbox@comcast.net, or write to: Annie's Mailbox, P.O. Box 118190, Chicago, IL 60611. To find out more about Annie's Mailbox, visit the Creators Syndicate Web page at www.creators.com.

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GLIDERS

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British team member Robin Hamilton said. "We only got together for the first time shortly before this competition. We've known each other for years, but we've only been a team for a little while now."

Glover said team chemistry was the key to Britain's success.

"Each team member played his role to perfection," Glover said. "Almost every other team had better individual pilots, but Great Britain had the best overall team. They just didn't do one or two things well, they did four or five things well."

The United States finished eighth in team competition, with Glen Volk placing 20th in individual competition.

Despite having one day of competition rained out, Glover was quick to tip his hat to Big Spring and call this year's event the most successful world championships ever.

"This was the best-ever world championships. The pilots said it, the team leaders said it and

the manufacturers said it," Glover said. "The people here were great and the conditions were the best we've ever seen."

Individual results (points in parenthesis)

1. Attila Bertok, Hungary (6,403).
2. Robert Reisinger, Austria (6,387).
3. Gerolf Heinrichs, Austria (6,124).
4. Mario Alonzi, France (6,096).
5. Alessandro Ploner, Italy (6,036).
6. Gary Wirdnam, Great Britain (6,011).
7. Kraig Coomber, Austria (5,965).
8. Carl Wallbank, Great Britain (5,827).
9. Lucas Bader, Germany (5,823).
10. Dan Vyhnalik, Czech Republic (5,749).

Team results (points in parenthesis)

1. Great Britain (18,426).
2. France (18,164).
3. Austria (17,947).
4. Italy (17,703).
5. Germany (17,559).
6. Australia (17,412).
7. Japan (16,166).
8. United States (15,952).
9. Brazil (15,331).
10. Czech Republic (15,101).

Contact Staff Writer Steve Reagan at 263-7331, ext. 234 or by e-mail at reporter@bigspringherald.com.



Members of the Great Britain hang gliding team celebrate after winning the team competition at the 16th FAI Hang Gliding World Championships, which concluded Saturday in Big Spring.

HERALD photo/Steve Reagan

PICKUP

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is free to city residents, Darden said residents must call and sign up if they want city crews to collect their items.

"It's a widely used program," said Darden. "We're trying to target people who are elderly, handicapped or otherwise don't have the means to get these large items to our landfill. This is a service the city is going to

provide as a courtesy to those people and give them the opportunity to get things off of their property they might not be able to otherwise.

"To be placed on the pick up list, all residents have to do is call 264-2504 or 264-2501, and we'll get them set up. If they don't call and get on the list, we can't pick up their items."

All items must be by the curb in the city's right-of-way no sooner than 24 hours before the scheduled pick up.

Items need to be sepa-

rated as much as possible for its trip to the municipal landfill.

Darden said customers need to be aware of gas, water and electricity meters and lines when they put their large items out to be picked up in an effort to protect their services and the city employees helping with the program.

"The reason we need people to be cognizant of where those meters are is because a lot of time we have to bring in equipment to pick those large

items up," he said. "If you cover the meters up, it's hard for us to know where they are. Using the equipment makes the pick up go quicker and we want to make sure our employees are safe while they are picking these things up."

For more information on the Large Item Pick Up program and maps of the six city districts, visit the city of Big Spring Website at www.ci.big-spring.tx.us, or contact the city at 264-2504.

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Leola Miller, 90, died Friday. Funeral Services will be at 2:00 pm Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Zelma Roberta Hulse, 89, died Friday. Funeral Services will be at 10:00 AM Tuesday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park. The family will receive friends from 5:00 until 6:00 PM Monday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Lorene Massey, 86, of Big Spring died Sunday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

BILLS

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terfeit bills.

"If they can get a physical description of the suspect or a license number from a vehicle without putting themselves or

anyone else in danger, it would certainly help our investigation," said Everett.

Anyone with information regarding the counterfeit bills is urged to contact the BSPD at 264-

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OUR VIEWS

Art association's taking entries for its fall art show

All right, Howard County, it's time to show off your artistic talents, as the Big Spring Art Association prepares for its annual Fall Art Show, which just ahead of the organizations 53rd anniversary celebration on Sept. 23.

Founded in 1954, members of the Big Spring Art Association have been involved in promoting local art events and presenting educational workshops for the residents of our community and are already hard at work making preparations for this year's show set for Sept. 1-8.

Throughout the year, the group hosts workshops in oil painting, watercolor, pastel and on occasion will have a live model sessions for those wishing to expand their life drawing or photography skills.

The meetings and membership are open to the public regardless of age or artistic capability.

It is the Art Association's goal to assist in the development of art appreciation within the community and help the individual artist expand their creative talents in their selected art medium.

Entries for this year's show will be accepted at the Heritage Museum from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 28 and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 29.

Categories are oil/acrylic, mixed media, watercolor, pastel, photography and 3-dimensional. Entry fees are \$6 per entry for association members and \$8 for non-members. Cash prizes and ribbons will be awarded in each category.

All paintings must be original, dry and wired for hanging. A maximum of three entries per person will be accepted. The overall size of the entries must not exceed 30 inches by 40 inches. Each entry must have an identity form on the back with the artist's name, address, phone number, title of entry and price. All sales will be subject to a 20 percent commission.

There will be a limit of three items per category per artist, although you may enter as many categories as you wish. Categories are: oil/acrylic, watercolor, photography, mixed media, pastels/graphics (pen and ink, pencil, etc.) and three-dimensional (pottery, sculpture, wood carvings, etc.).

Awards are first place, \$50; second place, \$30; and third place, \$20. Cash awards will be given for categories with 15 or more entries. Also there will be an award of \$100 for best of show, and a people's choice plaque and ribbon.

Winners will be announced in a special artist's reception at 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 1.

For more information, call Doris Vieregge at 816-6468 or at flolite1@yahoo.com or Bruce Schooler at 264-7728.

The public is invited to attend that event and take the opportunity to meet the artists and we encourage our readers to make the most of that opportunity.

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A SMALL PRAYER

by K. Rae Anderson

May we kick back and do some heavy thinking about You, Lord.

Amen

The man behind the haircut

Elizabeth Edwards complained to the Progressive magazine that antiwar critics such as Sen. Barack Obama are "behaving in a holier-than-thou" manner in Iraq. Too bad for Edwards that Obama opposed the war in Iraq in 2002, while her husband John Edwards — as well as Sens. Joe Biden, Hillary Clinton and Christopher Dodd — voted for the Iraq war resolution.

Holier-than-thou antiwar Democrats. Isn't that phrase redundant? Elizabeth Edwards now is more than John Edwards' wife. She has become his Spiro Agnew. Remember Agnew, President Richard M. Nixon's first vice president and designated verbal hatchet man, known famously for dismissing critics as "nattering nabobs of negativism"?

Mrs. E isn't quite as lyrical as Agnew. Recently, she told Salon.com that Hillary Clinton seemed to feel the need "to behave as a man and not talk about women's issues." Not much alliteration in that slam.

Worse, last month, Elizabeth Edwards complained: "We can't make John black, we can't make him a woman. Those things get you a lot of press, worth a certain amount of fund-raising dollars."



DEBRA SAUNDERS

That's right: All Edwards has is a wife with cancer. And as fiercely as the couple tries to play that victim card, Edwards remains in third place. His RealClearPolitics poll average of 12 percent lags far behind Clinton's 40 percent and Obama's 21 percent.

Elizabeth Edwards also accused Obama of "lifting her husband's best lines" from 2004, "which is maybe not surprising since one of his speechwriters was one of our speechwriters, his media guy was our media guy." She complained that Obama is using John Edwards' rhetoric — turning "hope is on the way" to "the audacity of hope" — which I guess is wrong because Edwards apparently now owns the word "hope."

Every time an Edwards opens his or her trap, you can feel the desperation. And no matter how nasty they get, it can't help, because John Edwards' biggest problem is that he comes across as the biggest phony in the race.

He's the swell who charged UC Davis \$55,000 — for a 2006 speech on poverty; the self-styled populist who not only treated himself to two \$400 haircuts, but also passed the tab along to his campaign; the global warming scold who built a 28,000-square-foot mansion.

Edwards is so full of himself that he doesn't do his homework. He demanded that fellow Democrats forswear contributions from Rupert Murdoch, the man behind Fox News — oblivious to the fact

that Murdoch's HarperCollins had paid him a \$500,000 advance, and \$300,000 in expenses, for Edward's 2006 book, "Home: The Blueprints of Our Lives."

Elizabeth Edwards disingenuously told the Progressive that when her husband voted for the war resolution, "Mostly the antiwar cry was from people who weren't hearing what he was hearing. And the resolution wasn't really to go to war. The resolution, if you recall, was forcing (President) Bush to go to the U.N. first."

That's simply not true. The resolution title was clear: "to authorize the use of United States Armed Forces against Iraq." There was no language requiring Bush to win U.N. approval.

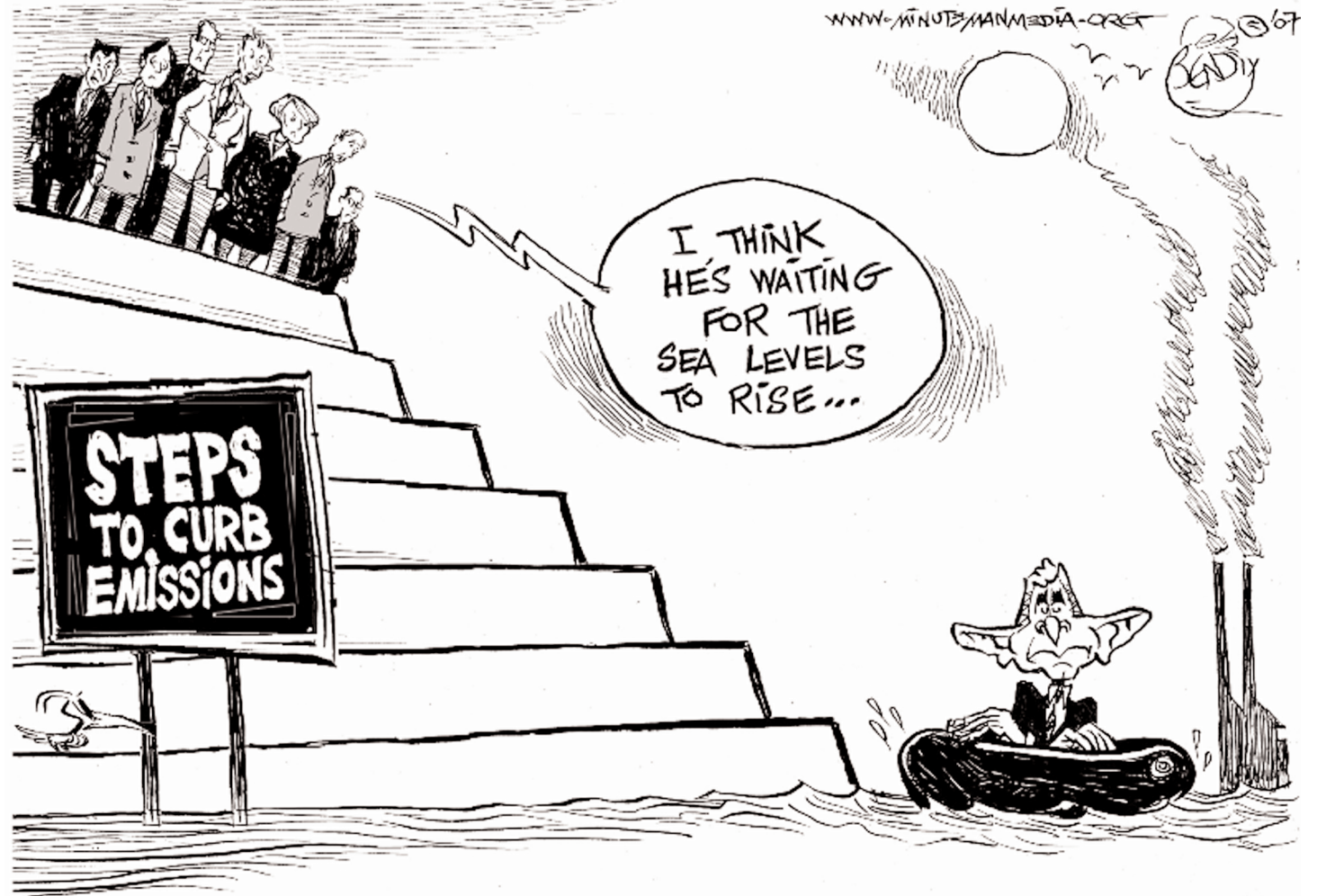
And how does Edwards deal with a vote he now calls a mistake?

At a February Democratic forum, John Edwards crowed, "I think I was the first, at least close to being the first, to say very publicly that I was wrong."

Elizabeth Edwards is trashing the front-running Democrats because her husband is trailing in the presidential primary — and rather than take each of them on directly, he is hiding behind his wife's skirt.

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A little history on mailing codes

Have you ever wondered how ZIP Codes came about? How about when automated distribution of mail started? Or what the difference between automation and mechanization is? Well, read on for a little postal history.

In 1943, the Post Office Department implemented a zoning system in 124 of the country's largest post offices. The need for the "zoning" system arose when thousands of experienced postal employees left to fight in Europe and the South Pacific during World War II.

The system used numbers to designate "zones" in large cities to allow clerks to distribute mail without having to learn a scheme. The zoning system used one or two digits between the city and state to allow clerks to distribute mail, for example Birmingham 7, Alabama.

This system worked for approximately 20 years, but as the population increased the need for a better system arose.

The Post Office Department developed a Zoning Improvement Plan (ZIP) which utilized five numbers or digits to represent individual delivery areas.

The first digit represents a part of the country, the next two digits represent a smaller breakdown or region and the last two digits represent a delivery area within that region. For example in the ZIP Code 78201, the "7" represents the

area of Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana. The "82" represents the city "San Antonio" and the "01" represents a delivery area in the city of San Antonio.

So on July 1, 1963, the ZIP Code was implemented. Again the five-digit ZIP Code worked well for about 20 years, allowing clerks to sort mail to specific delivery units without having to know a scheme.

However as, automation became a reality and machines were able to sort mail based on ZIP Codes, the need arose for an even more specific ZIP Code, one that would identify streets and blocks within the delivery area. So, in 1983, a ZIP+4 Code was introduced. This ZIP Code added an additional four digits to the five-digit ZIP Code. The extra four digits represented a specific block range within the five-digit ZIP Code area.

By now you probably have guessed that as time goes by, the need for more "in-depth" information about addresses increases as well.

As automation technology improved, it became theoretically possible to use machines to sort mail in delivery sequence.

All that was needed was, you guessed it, more ZIP Code information.

So, in 1991 the delivery point barcode was developed to add an additional two digits to the ZIP+4 information to allow mail to be sorted in delivery sequence.

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So from 1943 to 1963 to 1983 to 1991, the codes used to sort mail have developed and improved to

the point that automated equipment can now read and sort mail in delivery sequence without clerk knowledge.

Now for the difference between automation and mechanization...

If a mail sorting process is automated, it does not require human input. The automated process only requires clerks to feed it (load) and clean it out (sweep).

The machines and computers do the reading, interpretation and sorting of the mail.

In a mechanized process, machines assist clerks in the task of sorting. For example, on a flat sorting machine or parcel sorting machine, the machine may "present" the item to the clerk but the clerk has to read and interpret the information, then tell the machine where to sort the piece of mail or parcel.

In a non-mechanized operation, clerk reads, interprets and distributes the piece of mail. An example of a non-mechanized operation would be a manual distribution case.

Normally, automated processing requires fewer people, is faster and is more accurate. Remember that the effectiveness of automation hinges on the accuracy of the information in the databases that support it.

So, by updating and submitting edit books, the database supporting automated mail sortation is kept current and the process works smoothly.

Gary Crittenden is postmaster of Big Spring. His column centers on the history of and services provided by the United States Postal Service.

Indulge yourself in the joys of tomato season

One of summer's truly great gifts is abundant



The tomato is one of summer's greatest gifts. Beautiful, healthy, low-calorie and versatile, tomatoes are delicious served in any number of ways. If you have a kitchen garden with enough sun and water, why not serve fresh, sliced tomatoes with basil for breakfast, lunch, dinner or all three? If you rely on a farmers' market, chances are you'll be able to buy an assortment of different varieties of ripe tomatoes, good for serving raw, baked or as the base for sauces. Even supermarkets tend to have tasty vine-ripened tomatoes at this time of year, and, if you buy them slightly under ripe, you can leave them on a windowsill to ripen in the sun.

Dozens of tomato varieties are available today, ranging widely in size, shape and color. Among the most common is the beefsteak tomato, which tends to be large, bright red and slightly elliptical in shape. Beefsteak is not the best choice for this recipe. It tends to split and become runny when cooked. Try instead the globe tomato, which is medium-sized, firm and juicy and is delicious raw or cooked. Another good option is the plum tomato or Italian plum, a flavorful egg-shaped tomato that comes in both red and yellow. If you're bak-

ing several tomatoes, you might alternate colors for an elegant presentation.

Although the tomato is considered one of America's favorite vegetables, it is actually a fruit. Marketers worked hard through the late 19th century to raise its visibility in the U.S., and in 1893 it was officially classified as a "vegetable" for trade purposes because it was used as one. Europeans had discovered the joys of this marvelous fruit well before we did.

Tomatoes supply vitamin C and potassium. They are very rich in antioxidants that help decrease cancer risk. At least one of these phytochemicals, lycopene, is more available after the tomato is cooked. This recipe is a natural for anyone trying to increase the number of interesting vegetables dishes on the plate. Baked tomatoes are also a good accompaniment to a small portion of fish or meat with a green salad. One baked tomato served on a bed of raw or cooked spinach makes an appealing first course, too.



••• Broiled Tomatoes

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- Olive oil
- 4 medium firm, ripe tomatoes
- 1/2 cup bread crumbs, preferably whole wheat
- 2 Tbsp. grated Parmesan
- 2 Tbsp. chopped flat-leaf parsley
- 2 Tbsp. chopped fresh

- basil
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 tsp. extra-virgin olive oil
- Salt and black pepper to taste

Preheat the oven to 350. Lightly oil a 7x11-inch baking dish and set aside. If necessary, cut a thin slice from the bottom of each tomato so that it will

stand upright.

Combine the bread crumbs, Parmesan, parsley, basil, garlic, olive oil, salt and pepper. Cut the tomatoes in half crosswise; then gently squeeze out their seeds.

Arrange cut side up in the baking dish. Spoon the breadcrumb mixture evenly over the tomatoes,

gently patting down on top of each tomato half. Bake until the bread crumbs are golden and the tomatoes are softened, about 50 minutes.

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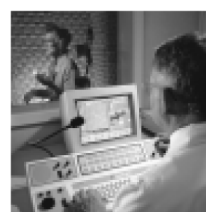
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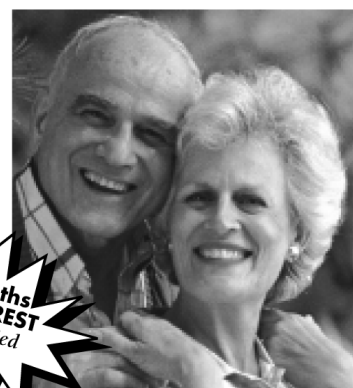
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HOUSTON (AP) — Officials opened emergency operations centers, moved inmates to prisons farther inland and passed out sandbags along portions of the Texas coast as Hurricane Dean barreled toward the warm waters of the Gulf of Mexico.

Dean was several days away and its path was still uncertain, but officials weren't taking any chances. Even if the hurricane continues a steady westward course toward Mexico, parts of the already saturated state could be flooded by the storm's outer bands.

One woman died in flooding in Taylor County in West Texas on Saturday and about 1,000 people evacuated their homes in Abilene on Sunday as Elm Creek spilled from its banks following heavy rains from the remnants of Tropical Storm Erin.

Officials across Texas were concerned that any additional rainfall from Hurricane Dean could have similar effects.

South Texans advised to prepare to evacuate

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government has contracts it can quickly take "off the shelf" for buses, ambulances and relocation camps and has improved communications should Hurricane Dean strike Texas, the head of the Federal Emergency Management Agency said Sunday.

As he urged Texas residents to prepare for a possible evacuation, FEMA head R. David Paulison told reporters that there would be no repeat of the problems that occurred after Hurricane Katrina in 2005. "From my perspective, it's not going to happen," he said.

"Katrina was a wake-up call for all of us in emergency management and also for the federal government. We know we have to play together as a team, we know we have to respond as the federal government, not as individual agencies," Paulison said.

The storm is on course for northern Mexico, but could shift and hit the region around Brownsville, Texas, Paulison said.

Police stepping up DWI enforcement

FORT WORTH (AP) — Authorities are strengthening their efforts to curb drunken driving around the Labor Day holiday with an advertising campaign and an early start to increased enforcement.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, along with state and local authorities, began its traditional holiday battle against drunken driving a week early this year. The "Drunk Driving: Over the Limit, Under Arrest" campaign started last week and runs through Sept. 3.

Tom Vinger, spokesman for the Texas Department of Public Safety, said summer is always a high point for

drinking and driving. State troopers make a third of the drunken-driving arrests in the state, he said.

"Labor Day is typically the last big summer blowout," Vinger said. "Combined with all the families traveling on vacation, drunk driving can cause serious problems. It should be a concern for everyone on the highway."

Dallas man accused of killing his mother

DALLAS (AP) — Police have arrested a man for the death of his 84-year-old mother after finding her decomposing body in a bedroom of the home the two shared. She had been dead for days.

Douglas George Cook, 50, has been charged with first-degree murder. He was being held Sunday at a Dallas County jail on \$250,000 bail.

Neighbors reported their concern to police on Saturday after smelling a stench coming from Nora Cook's house and noticing that mail and newspapers were piling up on her front porch.

Douglas Cook answered the front door when police arrived at the home Saturday. He was arrested after police and fire officials found his mother in her bed with apparent blunt force trauma to her head, face and neck, police said.

Douglas Cook has multiple drug convictions dating to 1974, according to public records. In 2005, he was sentenced to two years in prison on a felony conviction for injury to an elderly person, though it was not clear Sunday if that case involved his mother.

"Apparently he does have a past history of abusing his mother and his actions at the scene also gave suspicions to the officers," Dallas police homicide Sgt. Larry Lewis said.

Ignacio Gutierrez, a neighbor of Nora Cook for more than 30 years, said the woman told him last month about being beaten by her son. He said it was a story she had shared many times before.

"She wanted to sell the house," Gutierrez said. "She just couldn't take it anymore."

"She would say, 'I'm just fearing for my life. I live in danger. But it's the only shelter he has.'"

Rescuers trying to save beached whale

GALVESTON (AP) — A stranded infant whale named "Moby" has become the obsession of rescuers trying to save the calf.

The 50-pound, weeks-old dwarf sperm whale and its ailing mother were found on a beach this week as Tropical Storm Erin lashed the island. The mother refused the calf's persistent attempts to nurse and died Saturday, said Heidi Watts, operations coordinator for the Texas Marine Mammal Stranding Network.

Rescuers are now putting their attention toward Moby, which is about 3 1/2-feet long and was being fed through a tube pushed through his mouth.

"It has been obvious from the mother's behavior initially that she was not doing well, and we believe this

is the reason the stranding occurred," Watts said.

There are no wounds or outward clues to indicate why the mother died, Watts said. Whale strandings are considered rare on the Texas Gulf Coast, especially mother-calf strandings.

Watts said Moby can't be released into the wild because he would either starve or fall prey to predators. Watt's organization is now paying about \$400 for much of the calf's care, including formula.

Moby remains in a rehabilitation tank at a National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration facility. He is likely to be adopted by a zoo or aquarium that has been screened by the NOAA, Watts said.

Moby's mother was about 7 feet long and weighed about 450 pounds.

Soldier nominated days before killing

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A soldier charged with premeditated murder in the death of an Iraqi told family members in a recent e-mail that a glowing evaluation he received five days before the alleged killing "says it all" about his character.

Sgt. 1st Class Trey A. Corrales of San Antonio, who allegedly fired multiple rounds into a detainee June 23 and ordered a subordinate to do the same, has also told his wife he's felt isolated since being charged with one count of murder last month.

"He said he doesn't know anyone," Lily Corrales told the San Antonio Express-News in a story for its Sunday editions. "No one talks to him and that's not my husband."

The military removed Corrales from his unit and shipped him to Northern Iraq but hasn't put him in jail. Also charged with murder is Spc. Christopher P. Shore of Winder, Ga., who is the soldier Corrales ordered to shoot the detainee, according to a one-paragraph military document called a "charge sheet."

Less than a week before the alleged killing, Corrales was given near-perfect marks and received a Bronze Star nomination in an evaluation signed by the brigade commander on June 18.

"It says it all," Corrales, 34, wrote in a e-mail to his family last week. "What kind of leader I am and what kind of person I am."

"It also gives a glimpse of the dedication that I continue to give the Army and my country I love so much."

Albert Corrales Sr., Trey's father and a Korean War veteran, has said he was told his son was in a firefight with insurgents.

Corrales and Shore are assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Battalion, 35th Infantry Regiment, which is part of the 25th Infantry Division based in Hawaii. The unit is attached to Multinational Division - North.

The battalion commander, Lt. Col. Michael Browder, was fired for leadership failure but is not a suspect and has not been charged with any offense, the military said.

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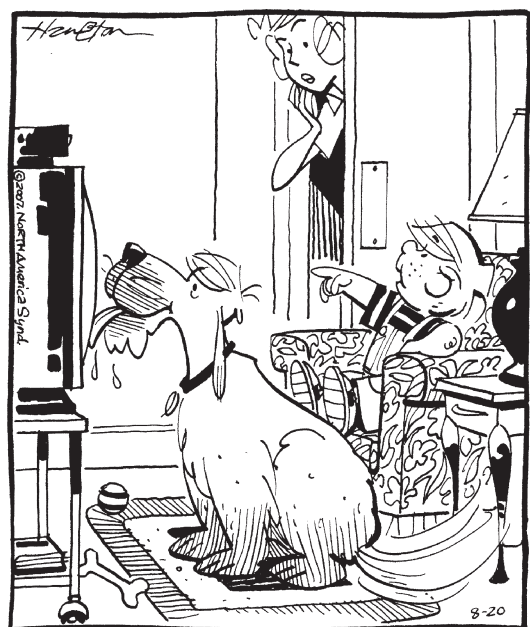
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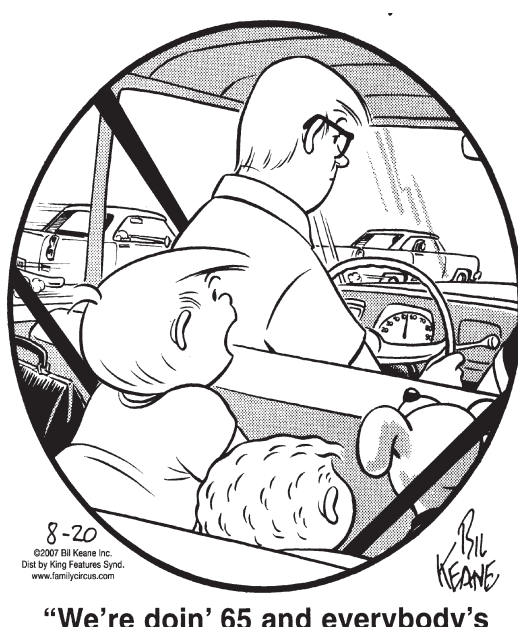
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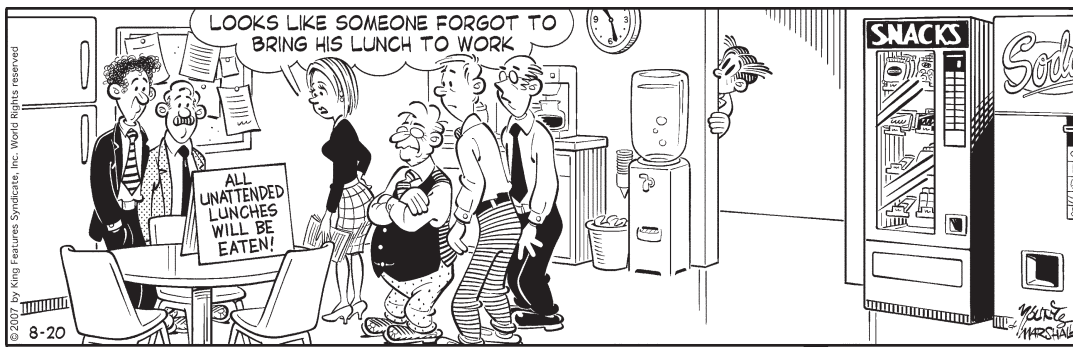


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This Date In History

Today is Monday, Aug. 20, the 232nd day of 2007. There are 133 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 20, 1968, the Soviet Union and other Warsaw Pact nations began invading Czechoslovakia to crush the "Prague Spring" liberalization drive of Alexander Dubcek's regime.

On this date:

In 1833, Benjamin Harrison, 23rd president of the United States, was born in North Bend, Ohio.

In 1866, President Andrew Johnson formally declared the Civil War over, months after fighting had stopped.

In 1914, German forces occupied Brussels, Belgium,

during World War I.

In 1920, pioneering American radio station 8MK in Detroit (later WWJ) began daily broadcasting.

In 1940, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill paid tribute to the Royal Air Force, saying, "Never in the field of human conflict was so much owed by so many to so few."

In 1953, the Soviet Union publicly acknowledged it had tested a hydrogen bomb.

In 1955, hundreds of people were killed in anti-French rioting in Morocco and Algeria.

In 1964, President Johnson signed the Economic Opportunity Act, a nearly \$1 billion anti-poverty measure.

In 1977, the U.S. launched Voyager 2, an unmanned spacecraft carrying a 12-inch copper phonograph record containing greetings in dozens of languages, sam-

ples of music and sounds of nature.

In 1986, postal employee Patrick Henry Sherrill went on a deadly rampage at a post office in Edmond, Okla., shooting 14 fellow workers to death before killing himself.

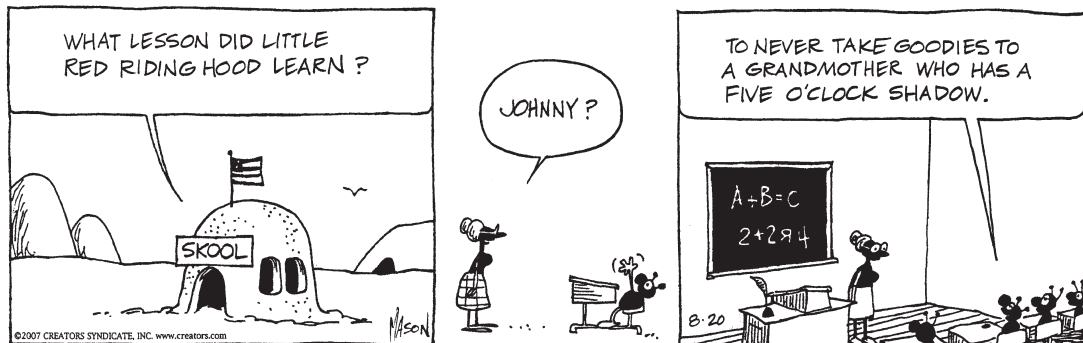
Today's Birthdays: Writer-producer-director Walter Bernstein is 88. Former Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell, D-Maine, is 74.

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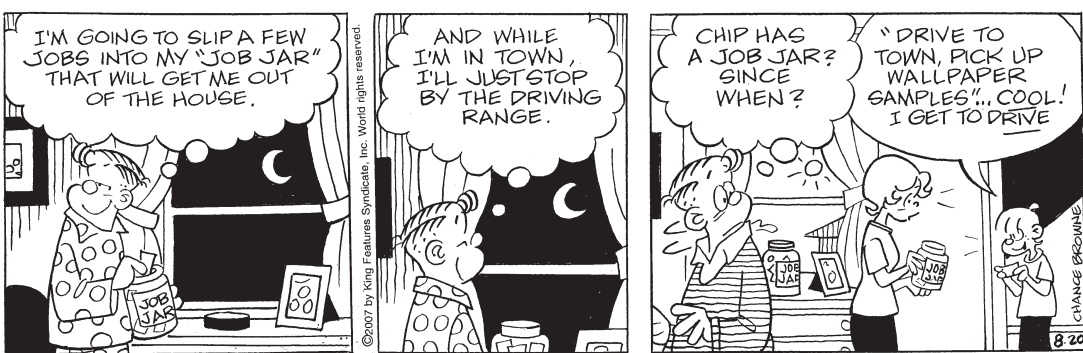
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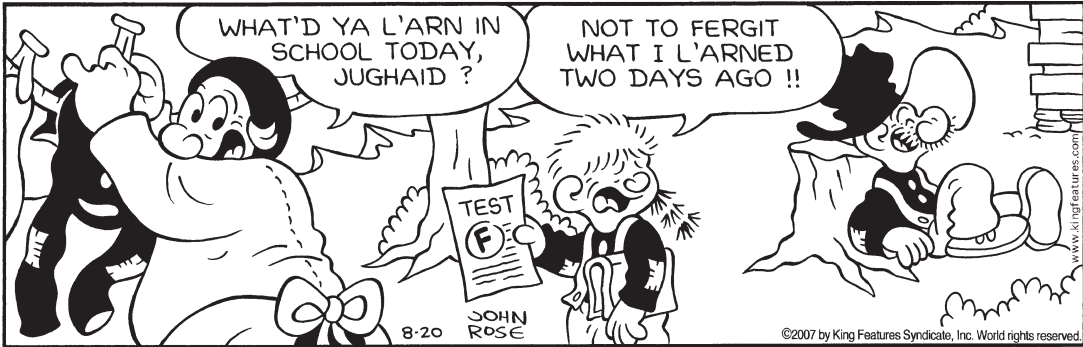
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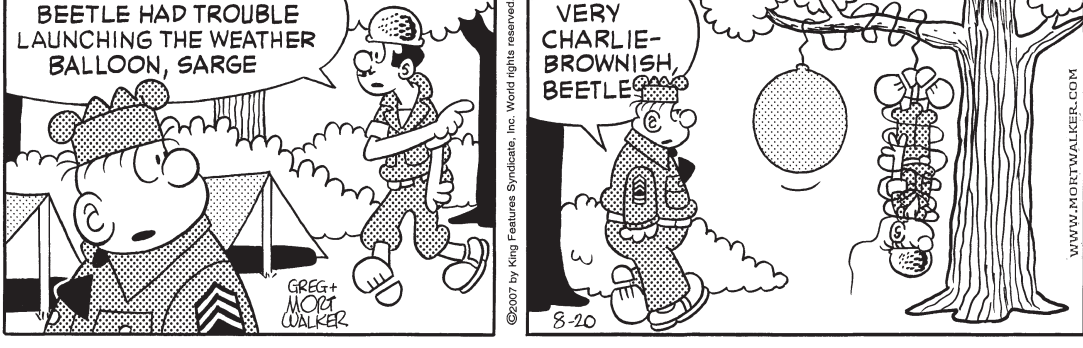
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