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Spring Board

How's that?
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Q. Who won the NCAA basketball championship title last year?

A. The University of North Carolina won the 1983 title, but won't repeat its performance this year. The Tar Heels lost Thursday to the Indiana Hoosiers, 62-78.

Calendar: Floyd Cramer

TODAY

- Floyd Cramer will present at concert at 8 p.m. at Big Spring High School in the auditorium.
- The Senior Citizens Dance will be tonight at 7:30 p.m. at Air Park Building No. 487.
- The Big Spring District T&P Federal Credit Union will have an annual meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the Big Spring High School cafeteria. The meal will be stew or chili.

SATURDAY

- The Howard County Library will show four films from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. They are "Rodeo Clown," "Football Follies," "Kontiki Kids" and "Poison Prevention for Primary."
- A garage sale will be held in Building 487, Industrial Park, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., sponsored by the Senior Citizens Center.
- The 22nd annual Rattlesnake Roundup and arts and crafts fair is slated at the Fairgrounds from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- Free U.S. income tax assistance will be offered by trained volunteers from 9 a.m. to noon in the Fellowship Hall, First Presbyterian Church, at the corner of 7th and Runnels.

Tops on TV: Dallas

Jenna tells Bobby she won't wait forever for him, Pam attempts to hide Mark from the truth about his health and J.R. is up to his usual tricks, this time trying to frame Peter during "Dallas" at 8 p.m. on channel 7. John Anderson and Lisa Gilkyson are featured at 11 p.m. on channel 5 on "Austin City Limits."

At the movies Right Stuff

The Cinema is featuring "The Right Stuff" and "Reckless." The Ritz will feature "Harry and Son" with Paul Newman and "Star 80." At the R/70, look for "Silkwood." Check moving listings for times.

Outside: Windy

A 30 percent chance of rain remains in the forecast today. Highs should reach near 60 with northerly winds, 10 to 15 miles per hour. By late this afternoon look for gusty winds of up to 30 miles per hour and blowing dust. Tonight, lows should fall into the mid 30s. On Saturday, highs should reach the middle 60s with northwesterly winds, 10 to 20 miles per hour.

Off the wall: Wax figures

MIAMI (AP) — Need a sure-fire conversation piece in your living room? How about President Reagan? Or Thomas Edison in your study, for scholarly inspiration? Both will be available, along with 173 other wax figures, when the now-defunct Miami Wax Museum auctions off its entire store of luminaries April 6.

State to test Knott wells again

By JIM BROWN
 Staff Writer

KNOTT — State Department of Agriculture officials said they will take more samples here Saturday to measure the extent of arsenic contamination of well water.

Bill Rodgers of the agriculture department's Odessa office said samples will be taken in the Klondike, Flower Grove and Knott areas.

High levels of arsenic were discovered last December in well water and lake water in this small farming community 20 miles northwest of Big Spring.

"We're trying to determine the outside

perimeter of the contamination area, trying to get one big map that shows the area where we have found contaminated samples," Rodgers said. "And since we haven't found a source yet, we're attempting to find a hot spot with a real high content."

Rodgers said, "Everything is running about the same level of concentration over tolerance, but nothing real big."

David White, a geologist with the Texas Department of Water Resources in Austin who is coordinating the state effort to trace the arsenic source, said, "This is a long range project; we're going to assemble all the current data, continue taking samples and in-

itiate core drilling in the near future.

"I'm not sure how many test holes we'll drill or how deep we'll drill at this point," he said.

"I believe from what people have told us that defoliant and burned gin trash are the culprits," White said. "Over a period of years fields have been sprayed many times. Some farmers buy the gin trash and spread (it) back on the field. When it rains, run-off water picks up the arsenic particles and carries them down local wells."

"But we won't really know until more data becomes available and more testing is completed how extensive the problem is or how to

deal with it," he said.

State Rep. Larry Don Shaw, D-Big Spring, attended a planning session Wednesday afternoon at the state Department of Water Resources to discuss the Knott contamination with representatives of the Department of Water Resources, the Soil and Water Conservation Board, the Department of Agriculture and the Department of Health.

"They told me what they had been doing, and then I told them the direction that I would like for this study to take," Shaw said. "I think what we accomplished...in the meeting was to bring everybody together and set up areas of responsibilities, mapping out a joint battle plan."



VISITORS FROM THE NETHERLANDS — Henk J. Oldenziel, left, and A.J.M. "Bart" de Jong stand inside a building at the U.S. Field Station with de Jong's wife, Ali, and son, Frans. The two men are in the United States researching wind erosion.

Herald photo by Carol Baldwin

Funnel touches down in Dallas

Rain, hail pummel state

By The Associated Press
 A small funnel cloud touched down Friday in suburban Dallas, uprooting fences and taking part of the roof off a fast-food restaurant, while high winds knocked down a building, blew apart sheds and ripped away some roofs in the Falls County community of Rosebud, about 35 miles southeast of Waco.

No injuries were reported. Tornado warnings were issued for Rockwall and Hunt counties — northeast of Dallas — after the twister left the Dallas suburb of Mesquite late Friday afternoon. A twister was spotted northeast of Rockwall in open country a short while later, but no damage was reported.

Tornado warnings also were issued for Walker and Montgomery counties, and severe thunderstorms were reported throughout the Houston area.

About 5 p.m., strong winds and marble-size hail was reported at Cut and Shoot, in Montgomery County, while golf ball-size hail and 1.65 inches of rain was reported at nearby Conroe.

Hail covered the ground Friday afternoon in Grimes county, west of Walker and Montgomery counties. College Station was hit with small hail and nearly two inches of rain in an hour, and 3 inches of rain or more was reported near Brenham.

The storms dumped up to four inches of rain in Comanche County and two inches on other parts of Texas and pelted some parts of North and Central Texas with golf ball-size hail. Blowing snow created hazardous driving conditions in the the far northern

Panhandle, where forecasters said accumulations of three inches were expected Friday.

The National Weather Service issued a flash flood watch for most of Northeast Texas Friday as the storms moved east.

The storms were spawned by a low pressure that was centered over East Texas.

Falls County Sheriff Larry Pamplin said a line of violent thunderstorms swept through the town about 8:30 a.m., leaving behind major property damage but no injuries. He said there was no confirmed sighting of a tornado.

The strong winds knocked over a cotton compress building, several sheds and numerous signs and billboards, Pamplin said. The winds also caused widespread roof damage, the sheriff said.

Pamplin said it was "a miracle" that no one was injured. No dollar estimate of the damage was immediately available.

Snow posed a late-season problem for the northern Panhandle with accumulations of up to six inches expected by early Saturday, the National Weather Service said.

Dalhart and Spearman had three inches of snow on the ground, while another two inches was reported at Perryton. Although major highways were open, authorities posted a travel advisory and warned of hazardous driving conditions through at least early Saturday.

A flash flood warning was posted for Dallas and Denton counties following the heavy rains.

Two for tulips

Dutchmen study wind erosion in Big Spring

By CAROL BALDWIN
 Staff Writer

A.J.M. "Bart" de Jong and Henk J. Oldenziel had one word for last Sunday's raging duststorm, "unbelievable."

In their homeland in the Netherlands the men see blowing dust only occasionally and a severe duststorm like Sunday's once every seven or eight years.

Oldenziel said a duststorm in the Netherlands will last for "about 20 minutes, then they are gone."

De Jong, his wife, Ali, and son, Frans, 16 months old, and Oldenziel are in Big Spring visiting from the Netherlands' Agricultural University of Wageningen. The men are studying wind erosion at the Big Spring U.S. Field Station.

Oldenziel is originally from Nieuw-Buinen in the north part of Holland. De Jong hails from Roosendaal, and his wife is from Huis Ter Heide. The two met while De Jong was attending the university.

In their homeland, De Jong said, "We see only one or two big blows a year, and its not too bad. But even a little dust blowing will dissipate the soil fertility."

Oldenziel said the research conducted at the local field station is the same work he did to obtain his

master's degree from Wageningen. In his home country, tulips have been damaged by wind erosion and scientists are studying ways to curtail the damage to the land.

Oldenziel said "in areas where you grow tulips, you must stabilize the soil." Anyone in the Netherlands who grows tulips commercially for profit must pay for soil stabilization programs.

A professor at the Agricultural University toured the United States last year and stopped at the field station in Big Spring to view projects in wind erosion, said Bill Fryrear, director of the Field Station.

The professor advised de Jong and Oldenziel to come to Big Spring for further wind erosion studies.

"We surely picked the right spot," de Jong said.

Oldenziel plans to be in Big Spring about three months. After he completes his research he plans to tour the United States.

While here, he will be working on "dust samplers," equipment now in the developing stages which one day will be used to measure erosion.

"We'll give him three months to do what we've been working on 20 years," Fryrear said with a smile.

De Jong plans to stay in Big Spring six months to set

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French filmmaker records snake hunt

By JIM BROWN
 Staff Writer

Jean Mazel and Franz Vander Brought flew from Paris to Big Spring yesterday to complete filming of France's Connaissance DuMonde Network documentary on Texas.

What began three years ago as a documentary film of Texas and its people will culminate this weekend at the Big Spring Rattlesnake Roundup.

Mazel will be joined by his daughter and son-in-law, Beatrix and Phillip Blavier, and Eric Della Torre, a member of his film team. The Blavier's now live in Houston.

The multi-national crew speaks five languages, but all have learned the English phrase "watch out" while working with the snake

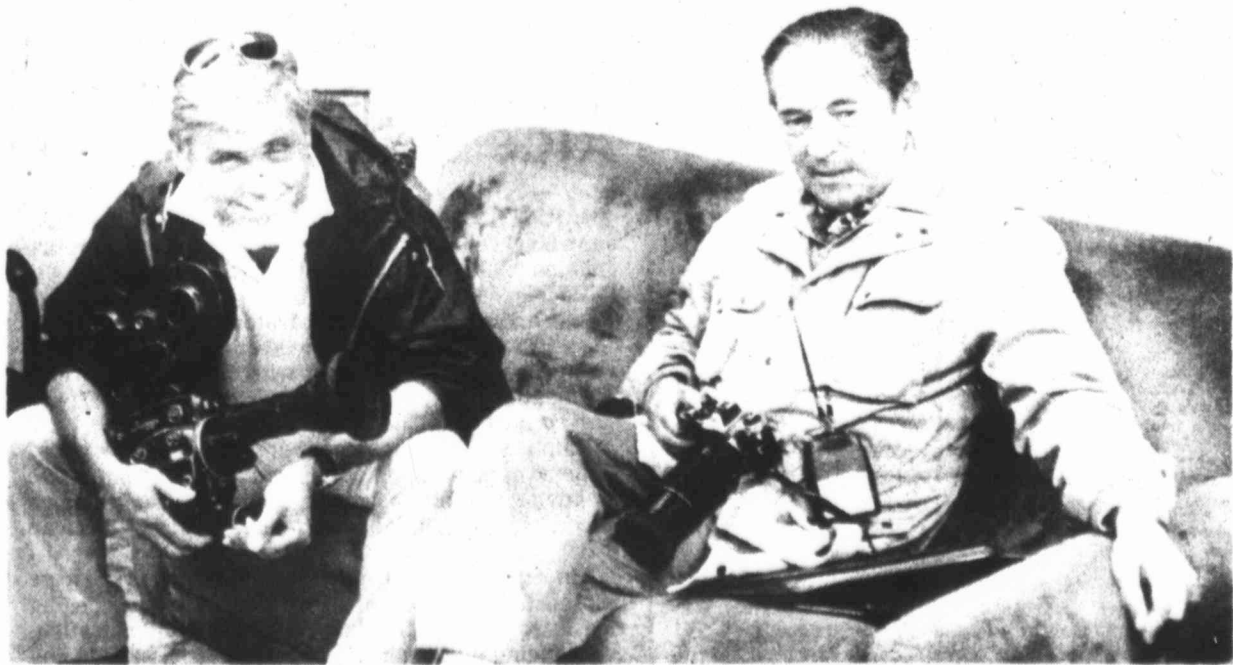
hunters.

The 100-minute film titled, "Texas — Land of the Giants," will feature a 10-minute segment on Big Spring and the local roundup. Mazel, with over 40 films to his credit, will publish a book with French publisher Robert Laffont under the same title later this year.

"The French film will show the main geographical, historical and human points of interest in the Lone Star state, underlining it's many ethnic and cultural influences," Mazel said. The Space Center and Houston Medical Complex will be covered as well as West Texas cattle and oil," said Mazel.

Mazel just finished a film on Louisiana and said that this will be

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SNAKED — French filmmaker Jean Mazel, right, and his cinematographer Franz Vander Brought arrived from Paris yesterday to record the Big Spring Rattlesnake Roundup for a documentary on Texas.

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Business



COMPUTERIZED — Joe Wallis, standing, manager of the local Texas Employment Commission, and John Eckley, also of the TEC, look over a file in a computer terminal installed in the local office. TEC employees will have less paperwork once the computer system becomes fully operational April 1.

TEC computer links Big Spring with state

By CAROL BALDWIN
Staff Writer

Employees at the local Texas Employment Commission office are studying manuals and learning to work with a new computer system which gives them a link-up with job openings and applicants from around the state. Joe Wallis, manager of the local TEC office, said the system may be fully operational by April 1.

Wallis said the computers store "job bank" information about available jobs, which can be matched with applicants with the necessary qualifications to fill the positions.

Computerizing TEC information began five years ago in El Paso. Several other major areas in the state are participating in the program now and Wallis said within six years the whole TEC system will be computerized.

To obtain information about jobs and applicants, TEC employees can use a process known as "key wording." Key words and codes are programmed into the computer. When an applicant in-

dicates on an application his aptitude for certain skills, these are programmed into the computer. When a key word is punched in, a list of applicants or jobs from all participating areas can be called up on the screen.

The local TEC office links up with the statewide network through the Austin office, Wallis said.

Wallis said the computerized system is "fantastic" for everyone concerned.

"If we've got a particular job we can't fill or an applicant who can't find a job, this gives them both another shot," he said.

For TEC employees, the new system will virtually eliminate the mountains of paper work required in past years.

"This will cut down on file maintenance," Wallis said. Applicants will come in and fill out an application and the information will be punched into the local computers. In 30 days the paper will be thrown away and the record maintained in the computer. Updates can be made directly into the computer.

Realtors sponsor painting of senior citizens' homes

The Big Spring Board of Realtors will sponsor the exterior painting of homes for Senior Citizens in Observance of Private Property Week, April 8-14, according to Janelle Davis, president.

Senior Citizens interested in the program must register at the Industrial Park R.S.V.P. building not later than 10:30 a.m. March 30. Four winning homes will be announced at 11:45 a.m. at an R.S.V.P. luncheon that day. For more details contact Mrs. Carolyn McCarty at 267-1628, or Joy Decker at 267-2589.

Those who enter must be 60 or older, a home owner and located in Howard County. Register at the Big Spring Industrial Park.

John Allman, superintendent of the Big Spring Federal Camp, has volunteered skilled labor of carpenters and painters to do the work on the exterior painting. Local participating merchants are donating materials.

The national theme of Private Property Week is "The Strength of a Nation Lies in the Homes of its People," a quotation attributed to Abraham Lincoln.

Innovative approach results in sales of 50 vacant homes

An innovative approach to home marketing has resulted in the sale of 50 vacant homes in three months, many of them to first-time buyers, the managing broker of the property said this week.

Greenbelt Manor offers homes geared to lower-income purchasers on the premise that ownership under its financing plan is cheaper than existing rent on an immediate basis and additionally offers the income tax savings of home ownership, S.Z. "Gabby" Moran said. Moran is executive vice president of Performance Properties Corp. of Dallas and managing broker of the local properties.

Greenbelt offers an initial interest rate of 7.5 percent, which is 6 percent below prevailing market rate for fixed-term, 30-year mortgages. After five years, the interest rate escalates to 11.5 percent and holds that level for the remaining 25 years of the note.

Moran estimates monthly payments — including principal, interest, taxes and insurance — of \$289 for a three-bedroom home with a sales price of \$33,000. Greenbelt Manor also offers two-bedroom homes at \$25,000. The 262 properties in the program are in what once was base housing for Webb Air Force Base.

The financing differs from other graduated payment plans in that it holds steady at 7.5 percent for five years and then escalates to a new fixed rate. It provides for reduction of the principal each year, Moran said.

Greenbelt essentially is offering its own mortgage money rather than financing new loans through a separate financing institution, he said. The marketing plan is enhanced by zero closing costs to buyers, a \$500 down payment, amenities and an appliance giveaway.

Business briefs

Marcie Kerby has been named manager of Gordon's Jewelers in the Big Spring Mall, according to Alan Stringfellow, general manager of the area Gordon's stores. Stringfellow is based in Midland.

Mrs. Kerby was selected for her experience and knowledge of the jewelry business, Stringfellow said.

Before moving to Big Spring Mrs. Kerby was employed by Robert's Jewelers in Sulphur Springs for four years.

She was self-employed for two years after relocating to West Texas and then worked with Zale's Jewelers in Big Spring until joining the Gordon's store.

She is married to Johnny Kerby, who is self-employed.

Mrs. Kerby invited customers "to come view Gordon's selections of jewelry and gifts."



MARCIE KERBY will be managing Gordon's Jewelers in the Big Spring Mall. She was self-employed for two years after relocating to West Texas and then worked with Zale's Jewelers in Big Spring until joining the Gordon's store.

Wally Slate, owner of Castle Real Estate, has been awarded the Senior Residential Appraiser professional designation by the board of governors of the international Society of Real Estate Appraisers.

Slate earned the SRA designation through completion of educational courses and examination, demonstration skills, experience in valuation of residential property and compliance with the Society's standards of professional practice and conduct.

The SRA designation must be recertified every five years and members of the Society must fulfill extensive continuing education requirements to qualify for recertification at the end of the five-year period.

Slate has been an appraiser for more than 10 years and is a member of the Society's Permian Basin Chapter No. 142.

Senior Citizens have until March 30 to register to be eligible to win free exterior painting of their homes during Private Property Week, April 8-14.

Senior Citizens must register at the Industrial Park R.S.V.P. not later than 10:30 a.m. For further details call Mrs. McCarty at 267-1628, or Joy Decker at 267-2589.

COLORADO CITY — Dr. Don R. Bennett and staff of the Chiropractic Clinic of Colorado City recently attended a four-day postgraduate seminar in Dallas.

Dr. Bennett and his staff joined more than 2,000 other Doctors of Chiropractic, spouses and assistants from the United States, Canada and several other countries to participate in the seminar. This was the 270th seminar sponsored by the Parker Chiropractic Research Foundation in Fort Worth, during the past 33 years.

AUSTIN — The Texas 1986 Sesquicentennial Commission is soliciting complete proposals from manufacturers interested in producing and distributing commemorative products for the celebration of Texas' 150th anniversary of independence in 1986.

Based upon product quality, adherence to the theme and the manufacturers' track record for marketing and production, a single manufacturer will be chosen for each of some 25 categories.

The categories include a medallion, flag, "patriot kit" for schoolchildren, spur, belt buckle, boots, hat, ring, map, metal object, fine art print, ceramic object, pistol, rifle, knife, art poster, reproductions or early Texas currency and other artifacts, and Texana, an open category for uniquely Texan objects not fitting into another category, to be suggested by applicants.

The items will be distributed through officially-sanctioned Texas Independence Communities and Texas Independence Associations, who are allowed to sell the products to help finance their Sesquicentennial projects.



NEW OWNERS — Hal and Joy Boyd stand in front of their new card shop, the Highland Hallmark Card Shop, in the Highland Mall. The Boyds purchased the shop from the Ralph Henderson's, who are retiring.

Joy, Hal Boyd new owners of Highland Hallmark shop

Joy and Hal Boyd are the new owners of the Highland Hallmark Card Shop, located in the Highland Mall.

Mrs. Boyd said the shop was purchased from Ralph and Jeanette Henderson who sold the store and have retired. The shop is opened now, but the Boyds plan a formal grand opening and open house Saturday, March 31.

Mrs. Boyd said longtime store employees Helen Gregory and Goldie Hogue will remain at the Highland Hallmark Card Shop. Both women have

several years experience in the card and gift shop business.

Before buying the store, Mrs. Boyd worked at the State National Bank for 10 years. She will be operations manager at the card shop and will join Mrs. Gregory and Mrs. Hogue in running the shop.

Highland Hallmark Card Shop is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., six days a week.

Mrs. Boyd said the shop will handle a wide variety of Hallmark products, including cards and gifts.

Business highlights

Recovery safe

WASHINGTON (AP) — Analysts say the 1.2 percent February decline in new factory orders for big-ticket durable goods doesn't mean that the economic recovery is about to fizzle out.

The Commerce Department reported Wednesday that new orders for products expected to last three or more years fell \$1.2 billion in February to a level of \$99.7 billion.

The decline was the first since a 2.9 percent drop last July and followed a strong 2.8 percent increase in January.

Some analysts called the decline an anomaly. They said that in recent months there had been sizable upward revisions in this report.

David Berson, an economist with Wharton Econometrics, a private forecasting firm, said with all the positive signs in the economy, a momentary downturn in orders for durable goods was not cause for concern.

"Consumers are buying like mad, inflation is still down and a lot of industries are starting to order additional equipment to boost production," he said. "Given all the underlying factors in the economy, we don't see this as the beginning of a downtrend in business investment."

Decline erased

NEW YORK (AP) — The \$4-billion climb in the nation's basic money supply in the week ended March 12 erased two weeks of decline, the Federal Reserve Board says.

But analysts said they did not expect another immediate surge in interest rates as a result of Thursday's report by the Federal Reserve. Rates have risen sharply in recent weeks, including the first rise since August in major banks' prime lending rate.

"All the signs point to the fact that the recent increase in rates is here to stay for a while. They won't go much further unless or until significant additional strength in the economy is detected," said Jeffrey Leeds, an economist at Chemical Bank in New York.

Applications steady

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government says the number of first-time applications for unemployment benefits held steady in the second week of March while the ranks of recipients thinned by 115,100.

Some 357,000 Americans applied for unemployment in the week ended March 10 — the same as in the preceding week.

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Early jump gives UT medley swim win

CLEVELAND (AP) — Stanford University's Pablo Morales set an American and National Collegiate Athletic Association record in the preliminary heat of the 100-yard butterfly at the NCAA Men's Swimming and Diving Championships Friday, but his 400-yard medley relay team had a record time disqualified when Morales jumped to a false start.

Morales swam the 100-yard butterfly in 47.02 seconds at Cleveland State University, breaking the previous standard of 47.22 set by Scott Spann of the University of Texas in 1981.

David Cowell of Ohio State, at 47.89, and defending champion Matt Gribble of the University of Miami, Fla., at 47.90, followed Morales.

In the 400-yard medley relay preliminary, the disqualified Stanford time of 3 minutes 12.59 seconds would have bettered the record of 3:12.63 set last year by Southern Methodist University.

But Morales' early jump on the butterfly leg—the third of four in the medley—cost Stanford the record and allowed Texas to finish first in 3:13.43.

SMU, at 3:16.32, and the University of California, at 3:16.90, followed.

In other preliminaries, Florida's Mike Heath led in the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 1:34.94, followed by Florida's Geoff Gaberino at 1:35.67 and John Smith of Texas at 1:35.89.

Stanford's John Moffet set the pace in 54.58 in the 100-yard breast stroke. Stuart Smith of Texas was



SPLASHING GOOD SHOW — University of Miami's Matt Gribble splashes through his preliminary heat of the 100 yard butterfly during Friday afternoon's races

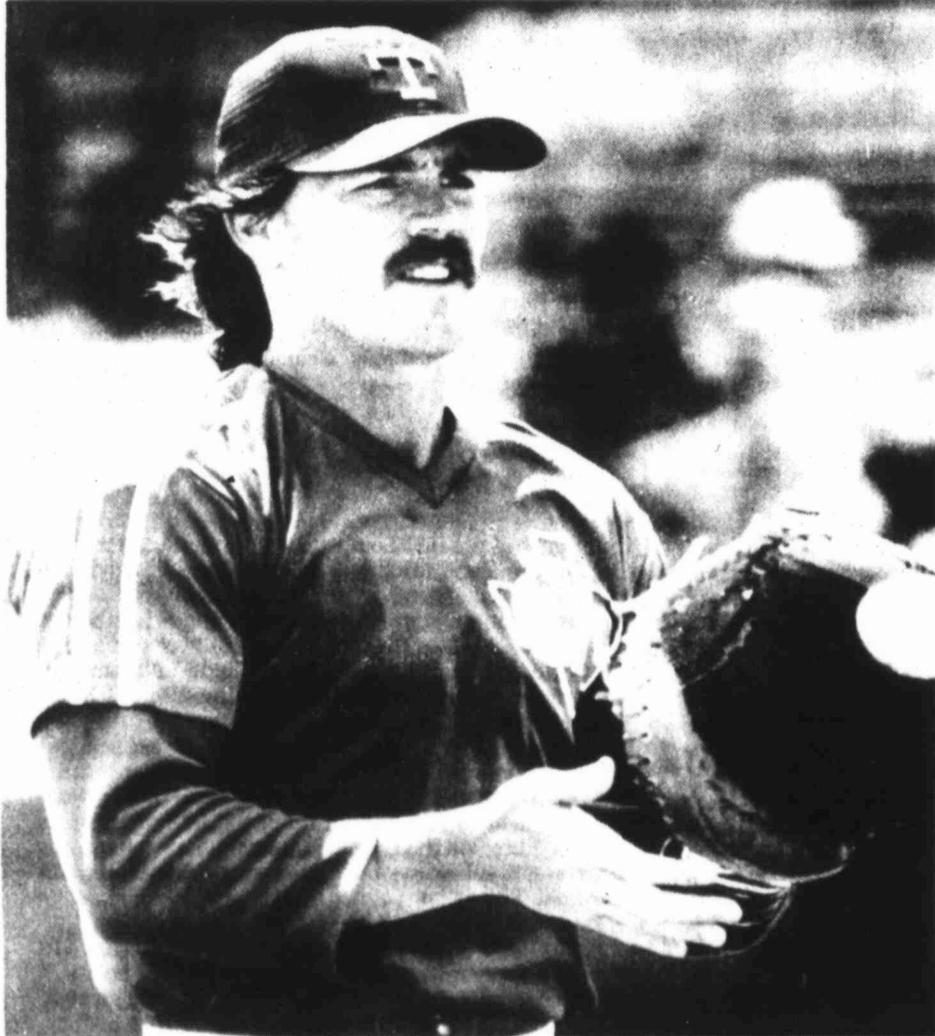
at the NCAA Swimming and Diving Championships at Cleveland State University. The senior clocked 47.90 seconds — good for third position going into the finals.

second in 54.68, SMU's Chris Weissman third at 54.86.

SMU's Mook Rhodenbaugh third in 49.43.

Defending champion Rick Carey of Texas was best in the 100-yard backstroke with a 48.83 mark. Stanford's Dave Bottom was second in 49.11 and

Florida's Patrick Kennedy at 3:49.52, followed by Ken Flaherty of Texas at 3:50.69.



SAYS HE FEELS NO PRESSURE — Texas Rangers catcher Ned Yost gloves a ball during spring training in Pompano Beach, Florida recently. He is beginning

Fusina is more welcome than Stoudt in Steel Town

By The Associated Press

The last visiting quarterback at Three Rivers Stadium in Pittsburgh was pelted with snowballs, beer cans, chicken bones and whiskey bottles.

But for Chuck Fusina, it'll be more like coming home when he leads the Philadelphia Stars against the Pittsburgh Maulers in a United States Football League game on Saturday.

"It should be a lot of fun," says Fusina, a native of nearby McKees Rocks and former Penn State quarterback.

Two weeks ago, Mauler fans threw assorted objects at Cliff Stoudt, the former quarterback of the National Football League's Pittsburgh Steelers. Undaunted, Stoudt led the Birmingham Stallions to a 38-18 thumping of the Maulers in Pittsburgh's home opener.

Fusina stands to receive better treatment than the fans gave Stoudt, who was booed for inconsistent play in the final weeks of the Steelers' 1983 season. Fusina led Penn State to 32 victories in 37 games despite lacking a powerful passing arm.

"I guess you don't see a strong arm or a strong body when you see me," Fusina said. "But as long as I'm winning..."

Since leaving Sto-Rox High School, his teams have won 47 of the 55 games they've played.

"All my friends are coming," said Fusina, who said he rounded up 200 tickets for the game.

Maulers Coach Joe Pendry and the team's management have pleaded for the

rowdy fans who pelted Stoudt to behave this week. Pendry also said the 1-3 Maulers will have to play "their best game of the season" to beat the 3-1 Stars, whose 18-4 record over the USFL's first two seasons is the league's best.

In other USFL action Saturday, Oakland plays at San Antonio and Oklahoma is at Arizona. On Sunday, it's Jacksonville at Los Angeles, Denver at Memphis, Chicago at New Orleans and Washington at New Jersey. Monday night, Michigan visits Houston and Birmingham plays at Tampa Bay.

Both Oakland and San Antonio are looking for their first victory of the season after four losses. Oklahoma, 3-1, is coming off a 17-14 victory over Chicago in a driving snowstorm while Arizona, 2-2, suffered a 31-26 loss to Michigan last week.

Jacksonville, 1-3, hopes to rebound after three straight losses while Los Angeles comes off two straight wins, including last week's 13-12 triumph over San Antonio.

Memphis, 1-3, returns to the Liberty Bowl against Denver, 3-1. Chicago, 0-4, will be looking for its first win when it plays New Orleans, 4-0. New Jersey, 3-1, hopes to rebound against Washington, 0-4, after suffering its first loss last week.

Michigan, 4-0, travels to Houston, 3-1, in a Monday night battle for the Central Division lead. Birmingham, 3-1, faces Tampa Bay, 3-1, in a Southern Division clash.

At World Skating Championships

Torvill and Dean garner more perfect marks

OTTAWA (AP) — Jayne Torvill and Christopher Dean earned more perfect marks for bringing the aura of the bullring to the ice rink and Judy Blumberg and Michael Seibert kept U.S. medal hopes alive in dance competition at the World Figure Skating Championships here Friday night.

With one event left, Blumberg and Seibert were third behind Natalia Bestemianova and Andrei Bukin, the Soviet Olympic silver medalists.

The U.S. teams of Carol Jean Fox and Richard Dalley were eighth and Elisa Spitz and Scott Gregory were 10th.

The British Olympic gold medalists earned an unprecedented solid row of nine 6.0s for their dance to the Paso Doble — a Spanish rhythm — in the original set pattern event.

Their other set of marks — for composition — were all 5.9s.

By garnering the nine perfect scores, the magical couple broke their own record set at the 1983 World Championships when they earned seven 6.0s for their rock 'n' roll routine.

Men's competition, led by U.S. Olympic gold medalist Scott Hamilton, concludes Friday night with the freestyle program.

Dean credited the cheering, sellout crowd of 8,000 at the Civic Centre with helping the couple attain perfection.

"The audience here was fantastic. They were more appreciative and knowledgeable than they were in Sarajevo," said Betty Callaway, the couple's coach. "It was the best I have ever seen them skate. There was just that little extra something...not so much the skating, but the presentation. I never expected 6s across the board."

Torvill and Dean have collected 16 perfect marks here so far and now have 123 overall since 1978.

The three-time world champions earned seven of those 16 marks Thursday in compulsory dances.

Skating to Rimsky-Korsakov's "Cappriccio Espanol," Dean, 26, took the ice with his partner draped over his right shoulder like a matador's cape.

To enhance the cape effect, Torvill, 25, wore a specially designed costume in billowy black and white.

Playing the part of a dominating matador, Dean circled the rink with his partner, twirling and pulling her in a series of spectacular moves that included a difficult flip over.

They were required to make three full tours of the rink and each time Dean expertly flipped Torvill over like a pancake just inches off the ice.

In Sarajevo, she touched the ice once while doing it. Here she was flawless.

In a dramatic finale, Dean flings her to the ice, where she remains prone, face down, for several seconds.

Blumberg and Seibert skated immediately after Torvill and Dean and received a standing ovation for their Paso Doble.

They end their dance with Seibert carrying Blumberg off the ice over his shoulder. In Sarajevo, he caught his blade and wobbled a bit. It came off just fine here and earned mostly 5.7s and 5.8s. Two marks of 5.6 in composition came from the U.S. and British judges.

They finished second in the original set pattern and their No. 3 standing entering the finale could mean a medal.

Blumberg and Seibert just missed a bronze medal at the Olympics and finished fourth. Because of that, he said, they weren't getting their hopes up here.

"Why should we build ourselves up for something and then be disappointed?" Seibert asked.

Like Torvill and Dean, they are retiring from amateur competition after Worlds.

Blumberg and Seibert's finale is Rimsky-Korsakov's "Scheherazade."

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In Big Spring, tickets are available at the Chamber of Commerce, or St. Mary's Episcopal Church office.

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Sports Briefs

UGSA registration continues

Registration for the 1984 United Girls Softball Association will continue through Saturday, Mar. 24 at Big Spring Mall from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

There will be three divisions for girls ages eight through 19. Division I will be for girls eight to 10; Division II for girls 11-13 and Division III for girls 14-19.

A fourth division consisting of fast pitch softball will be offered if enough interest is warranted. It will be open to girls 16-19. The division will be open to girls in Big Spring and surrounding areas.

Girls who sign up for fast pitch will be placed equally on Division III teams, but will be placed on the same team when a game is scheduled against another Division IV team. Each Division IV team will be eligible to compete in the state fast pitch tournament.

Girls interested in fast pitch can contact Marvin Wise at 263-2767.

Sponsors, managers, coaches and scorekeepers are still needed for all divisions.

For information contact a registration worker or Gladys Custer at 263-8388 or Ronnie Cunningham at 263-0664.

Stanton benefit basketball

STANTON — A night of benefit basketball, with all proceeds going to the Martin County Cancer Society (MCCS), will be held here at the Stanton High School gymnasium Saturday, Mar. 24.

Action gets underway at 5 p.m. and will last until around 10 p.m. according to MCCS president Tom Angel. There are 12 teams, four women's and eight men's, entered. All teams will consist of full-fledged adults. None of Stanton High's local talent will dot the rosters.

Admission will be \$2 for adults and \$1 for students.

Little League clinic

A clinic for all Big Spring Little Leaguers will be held Saturday, Mar. 24 beginning at 10 a.m. at the National League park located just off South Highway 87 near the Big Spring American Legion post.

Several former professional and college All-Americans plus Big Spring High School coaches will be on hand to instruct youngsters in the fundamentals of throwing, hitting and fielding. The clinic is expected to last two hours.

Basketball coach wanted

ACKERLY — The Sands CISD is currently accepting applications for a girl's head basketball coach.

The salary pays \$4000 above base along with an added coaching bonus. Free housing is also provided.

For more information contact Sands CISD Supt. James Blake or high school principal Ricky Mantooth at 915-353-4888.

Volleyball registration

Deadline for entering a team in the Big Spring Church Volleyball League is Monday, Mar. 26.

Registration can be done at the First Baptist Family Life Center for both men's and women's teams.

Softball registration

April 2 is the deadline for entering a team in the Big Spring Slow Pitch Softball Association's league.

Interested persons and teams should contact Jim Wilson at Big Spring Athletics, 267-1649.

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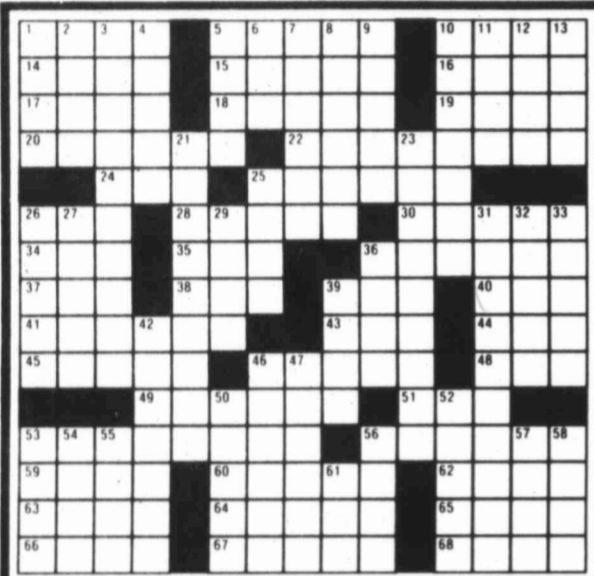
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SUNDAY, MARCH 25, 1984

GENERAL TENDENCIES: Although there are apt to be some necessary changes in the plans that you had made for today's activities, you are able to turn those conditions to your advantage.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19): Some situation in the outside world does not seem favorable, but use your head and it can be to your benefit.

Taurus (April 20 to May 20): Some new conditions fascinate you, so study them well, but expect delays. Show that you are firm and poised.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21): Make sure you use good mature judgment in whatever comes up at a practical nature today. Don't rely solely on your intuition.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21): Show that you are supportive of those who expect much from you in practical affairs. Tact is the key word now.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21): You have works to do that you thought you could put aside or delegate to another, so delve right into it. Wear a smile.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22): Some recreational activity can meet with disappointment, but don't let it floor you. Be more understanding.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22): The situation at home may not be to your liking, but make it better through understanding and patience.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21): You find it difficult to understand a philosophy which interests you, but more serious study makes it clear. Danger lurks everywhere.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21): Schedule your time wisely, and you can handle all these intimate matters well today and still have time left for other things.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20): Although you are troubled about something, don't let this deter you from seeing good friends. Your mate may have problems.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19): Your philosophical ideas and practical aims are hard to blend together, but more thought brings right results.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to March 20): You find it hard to do what you had planned for the morning, but after some delay, all works out well. Be happy.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY... he or she will want to have everything explained exactly so that he or she can follow rules and do everything done right. Give as fine an education as you can so that the future will be successful. Connections are important.

MONDAY, MARCH 26, 1984

GENERAL TENDENCIES: Forget those duties you have to others, and concentrate more upon being able to use your most unusual talents. Look to the future and study New Age interest you have.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19): Be sure to keep any promises you have made to others, and get your finest skills improved. Be careful in driving.

Taurus (April 20 to May 20): Be more concerned with your finest talents and gain greater benefits, but you have to turn down invitations from others to do so.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21): You can easily understand whatever is new, especially where philosophical thought is concerned. Plan a trip.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21): Handle those affairs which will please the one you love, such as sleeping, running errands, etc. Be helpful to others.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21): Read your newspaper well for ideas that are good and can meet with the approval of partners. Avoid one who is tricky.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22): Get your work scheduled well so that you can get more done. Tonight do something to make you feel more dynamic.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22): Get into all kinds of writings that will gain you knowledge, and look into novel ways of having entertainment.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21): Be alone for awhile at home, and figure out how to make your premises more charming and valuable. Keep busy.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21): You are happiest when busy at progressive outlets, and this is a fine day for that.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20): You are nearly busy deciding the right course of action to follow so that you gain your aims more easily. Follow your hunches.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19): Follow your intuition, and go after the things that most activate you. Be happy with your mate in the evening.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to March 20): Although usually conservative, now is a day for looking into some modern things of life. Be generous.

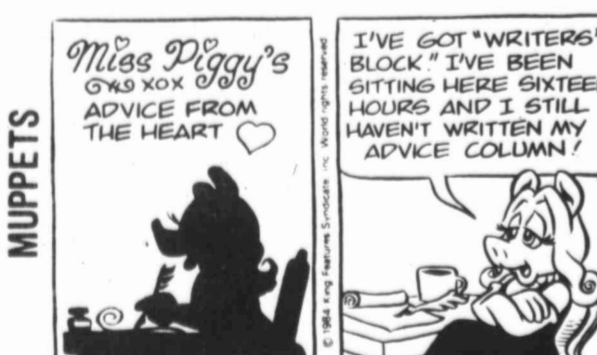
IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY... he or she will be a product of the Jet Age and will act accordingly, so be sure to send to modern schools where the most up-to-date systems and subjects are taught, and where your program can be well prepared for future success.

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