

People By the Associated Press

Soap duo to leave series

LOS ANGELES — Bill and Susan Seafoth Hayes, the husband and wife acting team who call themselves "The King and Queen of TV Soaps," are leaving NBC's "Days of Our Lives."

Walters doesn't hear music

NEW YORK — Barbara Walters asked Christie Brinkley to play the piano in her apartment for an ABC special on April 9, but the model said she couldn't.



BARBARA WALTERS

Perhaps, Miss Walters suggested, her boyfriend, rock superstar Billy Joel, could play instead. Sorry, Miss Brinkley said, he can't play either.

'St. Elsewhere' fans unite

LOS ANGELES — Fans of the medical series, "St. Elsewhere," encouraged by what happened to "Cagney & Lacey," are rallying behind the low-rated NBC show.

The news in brief

By the Associated Press

Crucifix truce announced

GARWOLIN, Poland — The Communist government and the Roman Catholic Church announced a truce Friday in the "war of the crosses," and Parliament acted to allow a church-sponsored foundation to channel Western aid to Polish farmers.

Mondale opens fire on Hart

Walter F. Mondale ended a short-lived truce and opened fire on Sen. Gary Hart again Friday as the three candidates for the Democratic presidential nomination campaigned briefly in Wisconsin for delegates to be allocated by caucus Saturday.



WALTER MONDALE

Mortar fire batters Beirut

BEIRUT — Mortar barrages battered Christian and Moslem neighborhoods in Beirut on Friday while army forces exchanged tank and artillery fire with Druse militiamen in the mountains to the east.

Legislator says state agencies wasting money

AUSTIN (AP) — A House Appropriations Committee member, convinced state agency officials lied in budget requests and then cheated on spending, called Friday for a special investigation of state spending.



STEVE WOLENS

Murder suspect arrested in Odessa

MIDLAND (AP) — A man suspected of several murders of elderly campers in California, Arizona and Oregon has been arrested in nearby Odessa at a carnival, police said.

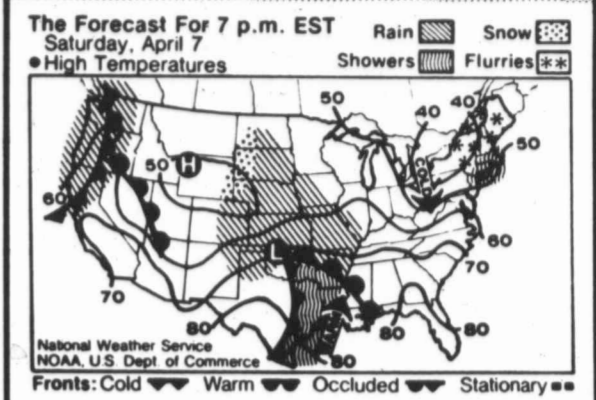
of state spending. Pointing at the lectern where agency heads make their budget requests to the appropriations committee, he declared, "There's been perjury committed at that rostrum there."

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Weather



The Forecast For 7 p.m. EST Saturday, April 7. High Temperatures. Fronts: Cold, Warm, Occluded, Stationary. By the Associated Press. West Texas - Partly cloudy and cooler Sunday, fair and cool Monday, mostly fair and warmer again Tuesday.

Showers dampen Northeast

Scattered showers dampened the rain-weary Northeast on Friday and flood warnings remained in effect in New England, while fair skies prevailed from the Plains to the Southeast. A slow-moving rainstorm that started Wednesday left more than 4,700 people homeless in northern New Jersey. Swollen rivers there and in Connecticut, Rhode Island, western Massachusetts, southern New Hampshire and western Maine were expected to crest Saturday.

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Business

Private Property Week Women buy more homes

In recognition of Private Property Week, April 8-14, Dorothy Derr Jones, chairman of the special week, has compiled a list of tips for homeowners and people who own property.

The Big Spring Board of REALTORS is sponsoring Private Property Week in Big Spring. Among events planned in conjunction with the week was the paint-up, fix-up project for several senior citizens and an essay contest.

According to Mrs. Jones, single women are now a major factor in the real estate market. Beginning in the 1970s, the number of single women buying homes increased noticeably.

Much of the upturn was attributable to the Equal Credit Opportunity Act of 1974, which prohibits creditors from discriminating on the basis of sex or marital status in any aspect of a credit transaction.

An amendment to the Fair Housing

Act, passed in 1974, prohibits sex discrimination in housing and home financing.

These measures insure that women cannot be denied credit on the basis of marital status, sex, race, age, intentions of child-bearing, alimony or child support.

Some women may not be aware of all of their credit and housing rights and could become the victims of discrimination. If you believe you have been the victim of discrimination, the Big Spring Board recommends that you contact an attorney.

According to research compiled by Mrs. Jones, today's female homebuyers are mature, career minded, have a strong sense of individuality and are financially savvy. Many are young professionals who want to establish roots and acquire something on their own. Others are single parents as a result of divorce.

Look before you buy home

Buying an existing home in an established neighborhood can save thousands of dollars, Dorothy Derr Jones of the Big Spring Board of REALTORS said.

Most people are proud of their home and keep them in good condition. However, before buying, a homeowner should thoroughly inspect the house. Turning on light switches and faucets, flushing toilets and looking over the general appearance of the house does not give a clear picture of its condition.

Here are some things to watch for when choosing a home.

Stains or corrosion around water pipes may be a sign of leaky plumbing. Mildew, water stains on walls, floors or beams could signify flooding or structural problems.

A leaky roof can also damage insulation. Rust around appliances, cracks in masonry or plaster, and bulges or loose mortar in brick walls may be signs of serious damage. Sagging beams or crumbling wood are other characteristics of water leaks.

Look for signs of termites or other pests. Operate the heating and cooling systems and thermostats to see if they are working properly. Pilot lights, vents and registers should have easy access. Noticeable fumes near the furnace and crumbling chimney brick may indicate problems in the ventilation or heating system.

Electrical systems should not be overloaded, and there should not be grounding connections to plumbing fixtures near the outlets. If exposed wiring is frayed or there is insufficient number of electrical outlets, the system may be outdated.

Does the house use fuses or circuit breakers? If you have any doubts about the safety or load capacity of the electrical system, contact an electrician for a reliable inspection.

On the home's exterior, look for sagging downspouts or gutters and faded or chipped paint which show a lack of maintenance. Land should be graded away from the house for proper drainage.

Tips on selling a home

There are a number of steps one can take to sell a home quickly, according to the Big Spring Board of REALTORS.

Realtors, real estate agents who belong to the National Association of REALTORS, have hints to make your home easier to sell, according to Dorothy Derr Jones of the Big Spring Board of REALTORS.

First, remember first impressions are lasting ones, Mrs. Jones said. The front door should be fresh and clean and the yard neat and cleared of toys and debris.

Make sure that your home is clean and appealing. If the walls look dingy, paint or repaper them.

Fix dripping faucets. Not only do they discolor sinks, but they suggest that

plumbing repairs may be needed, whether they are or not.

Fix loose knobs, sticking doors, windows and drawers. Failure to do so may be interpreted as a sign of neglect.

Remember that bathrooms are a selling point. Make sure fixtures are clean. Clean and repair the bathtub and basin caulking. Clothing and toilet articles should be put away.

Cluttered rooms look smaller than they are. Remove excess furniture. Closets and storage areas can look larger by disposing of items you don't need and storing the rest neatly.

If paint on the exterior trim is peeling, redo the trim on your home.

Gold, silver futures prices higher

Recovering somewhat from the raising of the prime lending rate the day before, gold and silver futures prices settled higher in quiet trading Friday on the Commodity Exchange in New York.

Futures prices for both precious metals dropped Thursday after major U.S. banks announced they were increasing their prime lending rate to 12 percent.

Investors generally put their money into investments such as precious metals when interest rates are low. But when interest rates climb, they frequently liquidate their investments in metals for the higher yields available from instruments such as certificates of deposit.

Gold settled \$1.10 to \$1.90 higher with the contract for

delivery in April at \$381.20 a troy ounce; silver settled 7 cents to 7.3 cents higher with April at \$9.183 a troy ounce.

Soybeans futures prices were mostly higher, oats were higher, corn was mostly lower and wheat was lower in fairly light trading on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Wheat settled 2 cents to 4 cents lower with the contract for delivery in May at \$3.66 1/2 a bushel; corn settled 2 1/4 cents lower to 1/2 cent higher with May at \$3.58 3/4 a bushel; oats settled 3/4 cent to 3 1/4 cents higher with May at \$1.88 a bushel; and soybeans were unchanged to 7 1/4 cents higher with May at \$8.07 a bushel.

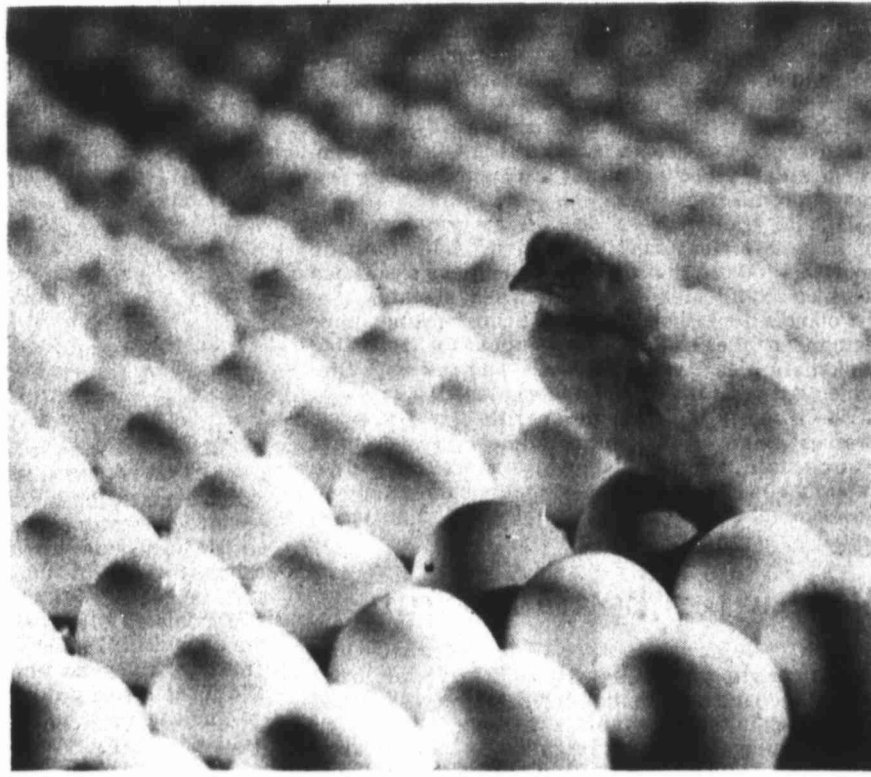
Live cattle and hogs futures prices were mixed, and feeder cattle and

frozen pork bellies were mostly lower in light trading on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange.

Live cattle settled .35 cent lower to .10 cent higher with the contract for delivery in April at 71.60 cents a pound; feeder cattle settled .40 cent lower to .08 cent higher with April at 68.40 cents a pound; live hogs settled .27 cent lower to .30 cent higher with April at 49.27 cents a pound; and frozen pork bellies settled .50 cent lower to .10 cent higher with May at 72.10 cents a pound.

Frozen concentrate orange juice futures were mostly higher on the Cotton Exchange in New York.

Orange juice settled unchanged to 2 cents higher with the contract for delivery in May at 181.60 cents a pound.



Associated Press photo

FUN ACTIVITY — Ralston Purina suggests that raising chicks in a backyard setting is a fun and easy springtime activity in which the whole family can par-

ticipate. If your zoning laws allow you to raise chickens, the activity might also be a way to make a profit.

Business briefs

G&M Garage is now open at its new location at 900 East Third. The garage is owned and operated by George and Mary Leatham.

Mrs. Leatham said the garage relocated in an attempt "to better serve our customers."

G&M Garage handles general automotive work such as adjusting brakes, tune-ups and work on carburetors, plus other automotive jobs.

George Leatham has been a mechanic in Big Spring for 12 years. The facility is open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Wallace. This figure compares with December production of 2,178,983 barrels daily and January 1983 production of 2,403,972 barrels daily.

Texas oil production in January totalled 70,956,796 barrels, up from 67,548,468 barrels in December and down from 72,476,050 barrels in January 1983.

The January production allowable totalled 92,495,472 barrels. Texas oil production was 23.29 percent under the allowable for the month.

George Grundt division manager for the California division office. Grundt will provide technical assistance for customers and IMCO field personnel in the West Coast area.

IMCO Services headquarters in Houston and is an international supplier of drilling and workover/completion fluids and related equipment and services to the petroleum drilling industry.

C. Bob Cline has joined Perry Gas Companies Inc. as vice president and general manager of business development.

His industry experience includes 12 years with Conoco, Inc., where his most recent position was manager of operations for Continental Pipeline Company.

The Downtown Lions are preparing for their annual lightbulb sale May 7-9. Most of the revenue for supplying eye glasses for needy children and adults, as well as other sight conservation and blind work, comes from this project, Archie Adkins, sales chairman, said.

Heading teams for the city-wide canvass are Skeet Salisbury, Jimmy Ray Smith, Les Hershey, Joe Horton, Larson Lloyd Jr., Jim Holmes and Tom Arcand.

A total of 1,863 permits to drill wells for oil or gas were issued in the United States during the week ended March 30, the Petroleum Information Corporation reported recently.

That number is below the 1,944 permits issued the previous week, a decrease of 4.2 percent. The total is above the 1,056 permits issued during the same week a year ago. The year-ago week was cut to four business days for many regulatory agencies by the observance of Good Friday.

Among state totals issued were Texas, 697; Oklahoma, 220; Kentucky, 130; Kansas, 120; California, 100; and Louisiana, 82.

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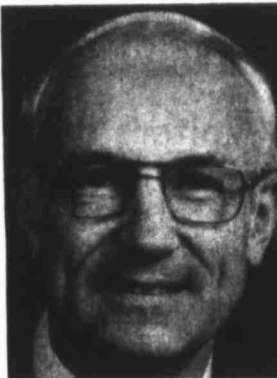
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Grand opening to feature co-op president

Spring City Do-It Center will have its open house festivities April 14 and on hand for the event will be Don A. Wolf, president of Hardware Wholesalers, Inc.

The Spring City Do-It Center is a member of Hardware Wholesalers Inc., which is a buying co-op with more than 3,000 members.

Wolf has been with Hardware Wholesalers Inc. since 1947 and has held various positions with the company in purchasing, marketing and sales.



DON A. WOLF
...co-op president

He is active nationally in the distribution field and has spoken to many business groups and conventions throughout the country.

He is president of the National Wholesale Hardware Association, director of the Indiana State Chamber of Commerce and the Fort Wayne National Bank.

He has also served as a member of the Russ Mueller Retail Research

Foundation Board. In 1973, he was chosen Hardware Merchandiser of the Year.

For three years he was national president of the Big Brothers/Big Sisters of America and now serves on the executive committee of the national board.

The Spring City Do-It Center is owned by Stan Partee. General manager is Tom Brettell. Assistant managers are Mark Sheedy and Colton Wright.

Benefit claims edge up second week in row

WASHINGTON (AP) — First-time claims for unemployment benefits edged up for two straight weeks in mid-March, hitting the highest level since January, the Labor Department reports.

New claims — 366,000 in the week ended March 24, up 8,000 from the previous week — are still far below the levels of a year earlier.

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USFL Roundup

Outlaws seek to challenge Michigan

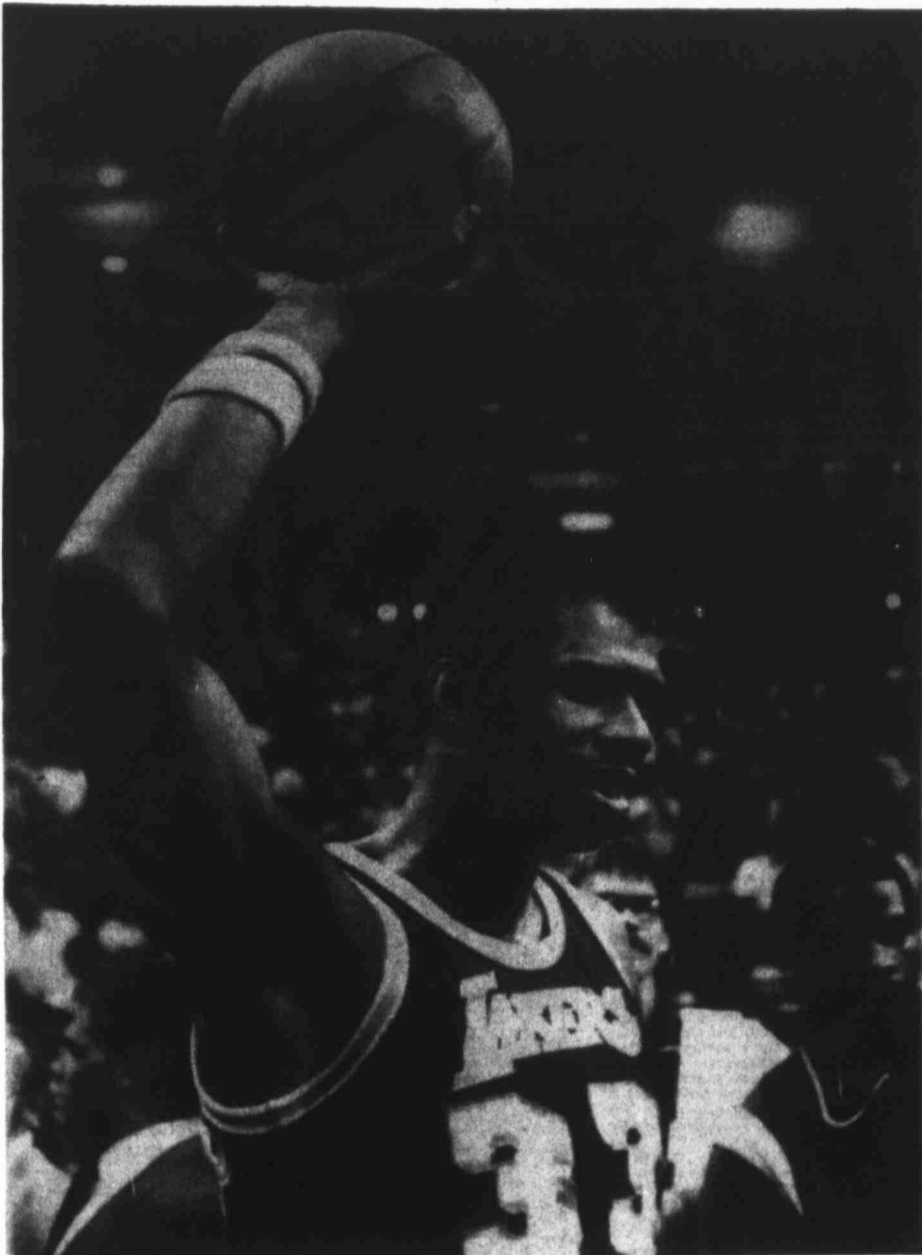
By The Associated Press
Yes, fans, those are the expansion Oklahoma Outlaws out there looking to challenge the unbeaten, defending champion Michigan Panthers in the United States Football League's Central Division.

will be without star wide receiver Anthony Carter, who broke his left arm in last week's 26-10 victory over San Antonio, and will be out 6-to-8 weeks.

and Washington at Houston. Oklahoma's main weapon will be its Williams (Doug) to Williams (Alphonso) passing combination, which connected on a 48-yard desperation pass on the last play of regulation that combined with a two-point conversion to tie last week's game.

"That's important for a young team. I know it gets tougher as the season goes along, but we have to keep on doing the things that win football games."

"I haven't played that much," he said. "So when I get the chance, I've got to make the big plays."



NBA scoring leader

Los Angeles Lakers' center Kareem Abdul-Jabbar holds up the game ball he used to break Wilt Chamberlin's NBA scoring record as he scored 22 points

against the Utah Jazz. Abdul-Jabbar now holds the record with 31,421 points in regular season play.

Baylor wins distance medley in Texas Relays preliminaries

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Baylor won the college distance medley relay at the 57th Texas Relays on Friday after Georgetown, which had the fastest time, was disqualified.

however, as Regan and Robinson, running side-by-side, struggled for the lead. Baylor was timed in 9:46.64, and was declared the winner after Georgetown was disqualified.

time of 3:05.93. Abilene Christian and Arizona had the fastest times of 39.6 in the 400-meter prelims.

Judge asked to rule in case

EARLY, Texas (AP) — The parents of three high school basketball players suspended from their team because they possessed non-prescription caffeine pills have asked a state district judge to overturn the school's decision.

drug is subject to dismissal from the school." But Bob Spence, the parents' attorney said NoDoz does not fall in that category.

punished, said he thinks the students took the tablets thinking it would act as a stimulant during a basketball game.

The three were among five girls and boys, all members of Early High School's varsity basketball team, who were punished for taking or having in their possession NoDoz, caffeine pills used to stay awake.

"NoDoz is not an illegal drug. The school board is saying it is an illegal drug," Spence told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Biehl said that if the school board had said it was OK to take NoDoz, it would have been the same as saying it's OK to take stimulants.

A hearing will be held Monday in 35th District Court in Brownwood on the parents' petition that the suspensions be overturned.

Jerry Biehl, president of the school board, agrees NoDoz is not an illegal drug, but he said that by taking the pills, the students violated the intent of the athletic code.

Mothers of two of the boys said their sons did not take the pills as a stimulant.

School officials say the students were in violation of the school's athletic code, which states in part that "any student found to be using or handling any kind of alcohol or illegal

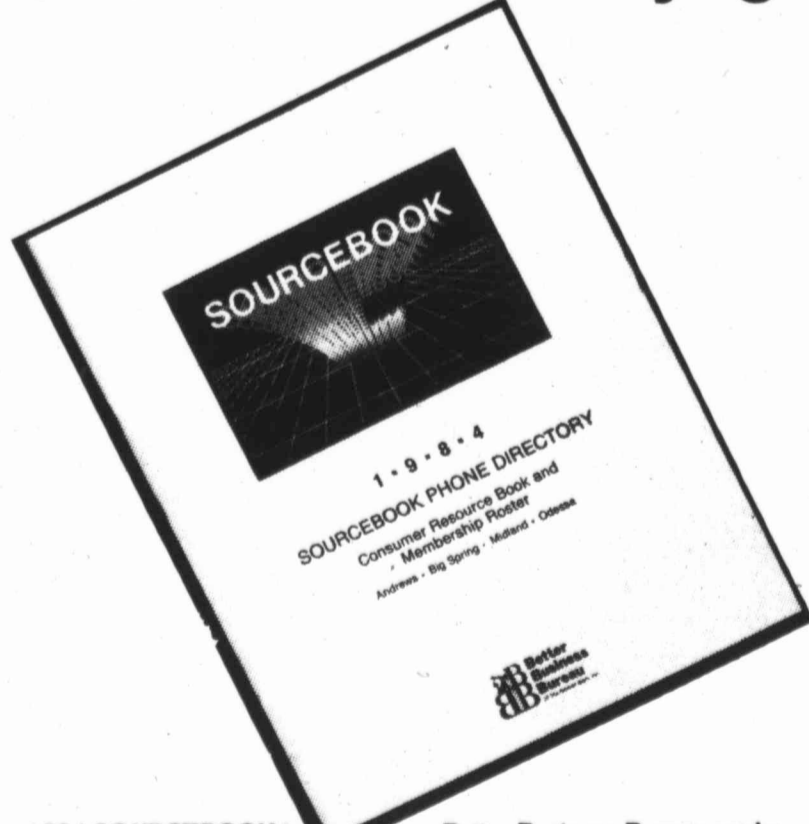
"If they were taking it to stay awake, it wouldn't have been a problem, but they weren't," Biehl said.

"These are all good boys. If any of them thought NoDoz was illegal, they wouldn't have taken it," said Jeanne Hardy, who is a candidate for the school

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