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How's that? Postmark

Q. If I put my income tax form in the mail at the post office after 5:30 p.m. (when the box states the last pick-up is), what date was it postmarked?

If it was mailed before midnight Monday, the income tax returns were postmarked April 16, the deadline, according to postal employees.

Calendar: Hotline

- TUESDAY**
- A crisis hotline training session will be held at 7 p.m. in the Canterbury Retirement Center.
 - The Red Cross Board will meet at 7 p.m. in the Veteran's Administration Medical Center.
- WEDNESDAY**
- The Spring City Dance Club will meet at 8 p.m. at the Eagles Lodge. The Jim King Band will play.
 - A crisis hotline training session will be held at 7 p.m. in the Canterbury Retirement Center.
 - A stickhorse rodeo is scheduled in the Coahoma Elementary school gym at 9:30 a.m.
 - CLEAN, a local clean-up campaign, will host a meeting at Big Spring High School during the last 30 minutes of school.
 - The Downtown Evening Lions Club Auxiliary will meet at noon at the Big Spring Country Club for a luncheon. Call 267-7017 for more information.
- SATURDAY**
- The drill team from the Southwest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf will participate in a kick-a-thon for the Muscular Dystrophy Association from noon to 3 p.m. in the Big Spring Mall.
 - Big Spring VAMC employees Activities Association will hold an Easter bake sale in the Big Spring Mall at 10 a.m.

Tops on TV: Salute

The American Film Institute salutes Lillian Gish in a special at 8 p.m. on channel 7. The mini-series, "Jesus of Nazareth" concludes at 8 p.m. on channel 13.

At the movies: Thriller

"Friday the 13th, The Final Chapter" comes to the Cinema with "Police Academy." The Ritz is showing "Up the Creek" and "Where the Boys Are."

Outside: Mild

Sunny skies and highs in the upper 70s are forecast today. Winds this afternoon will be southerly, 10 to 20 miles per hour. By tonight, look for fair skies and temperatures in the lower 50s. Winds will be southeasterly, 10 to 20 miles per hour. Wednesday's forecast is calling for highs in the upper 70s. A chance of rain is in the forecast this week.

Soil temperatures

Four inch: High-75, Low-59
Eight inch: High-68, Low-62

Co-Exx lays expansion plans

By CAROL BALDWIN Staff Writer

Co-Exx Pipe Company, an oilfield pipe manufacturing company, is doubling production and expanding into a \$10 million a year business, president Granville Hahn said Monday.

Hahn founded the company at 714 Anna three years ago. It employs 27 people with plans to add another seven employees. Much of the work at the plant is automated.

Co-Exx Pipe Company manufactures high density polyethylene pipe. The pipe is unique in that it doesn't attract paraffin, Hahn said.

"It's use in conveying petroleum products without wax build-up is gaining acceptance in the oil patch," Hahn said. "We're pleased with the way the pipe has performed in the Permian Basin."

Because the pipe doesn't attract wax the life of the pipe is estimated at about 50 years. Steel pipe has a much shorter life span and can crack from wax buildup within a year.

The pipe is also "cheaper than fiberglass," Hahn said.

Because of the pipe's advantages, Hahn said the company was faced with "more sales than we can produce." The expansion will

allow for faster production and shipping.

Although no contract has been finalized, Hahn said Co-Exx has been negotiating with an oil company from Argentina that may "buy \$15 million worth of pipe" in the future.

Another division within the Co-Exx Pipe Company plant is planning an expansion, Hahn said.

The Pneumatic Concepts of Texas division, which developed and markets a machine which cools injection molded "preforms" for plastic two liter beverage bottles, is planning to step up production. Carl Blanchard is ex-

ecutive vice president of the division.

Hahn said, "This concept has increased production in the manufacture of preforms by 20 percent to 30 percent in bottle making plants across the nation and Europe."

Pneumatic Concepts has been in operation less than a year and has delivered 50 cooling machines. Monday the company was preparing a truckload of units for the East Coast.

"We've sold to eight U.S. plants, two plants in England and one in Scotland," Hahn said.

"Initial installations were made at Western Container Corp. in Big Spring where 25 percent production increases were seen."

Pulitzer winner



ANGUISH — Stan Grossfeld of the Boston Globe won the 1984 Pulitzer Prize for spot news photography. Monday, Grossfeld won for his coverage in Lebanon,

such as this view of frightened Palestinian children being herded aboard an evacuation bus in Tripoli. For Pulitzer story, see page 2A.

President Reagan wants strike force to battle terrorism

WASHINGTON (AP) — Legislation designed to put the United States on the offensive against worldwide terrorism, including rewards for information about potential activities, will be submitted to Congress, says White House spokesman Larry Speakes.

"The legislation is basically ways to improve our cooperation with other nations in an effort to counteract terrorism," Speakes said Monday as it was revealed that President Reagan has approved a broader package of anti-terrorist measures.

One item being sought in the package is congressional approval to offer large rewards, perhaps \$500,000, to people with information on potential terrorist activities.

Preventive raids and reprisals also are part of the policy, although it is not known what form such activities would take or what limits might be placed on such actions. However, a White House official who requested anonymity said the president left in place a prohibition against assassination attempts by U.S. government agents.

The president signed National Security Decision Directive 138, which contained an outline of the new, government-wide terrorism policy, on April 3. It culminated

months of study by an inter-agency group that included the president's national security adviser, Robert C. McFarlane.

Commenting on the directive, the Soviet news agency Tass said in part:

"It has been invented as a coverup for the amassed attack of the extreme right-wing forces that came to power in Washington on the generally recognized norms of international law, the erosion of the very foundations of peaceful coexistence of states, the attempts to revive the cult of force as a means of establishing world hegemony of the U.S.A."

Impetus for the new policy came from the truck-bombing of a Marine headquarters building in Beirut, Lebanon, Oct. 23 in which 241 U.S. servicemen were killed.

A key element of the new policy is an effort to switch from defensive to offensive action, partly by increasing the ability of U.S. operatives to gather intelligence in order to stop terrorist activities before they occur.

Some congressional critics of the CIA-supervised mining of Nicaraguan harbors and U.S. refusal to recognize World Court jurisdiction in the matter contend this country is engaging in terrorism.

Shultz said the West may need to take "preventive or pre-emptive action" against state-sponsored terrorism.

Lamb tops list in cash report

By KEELY COGHLAN Staff Writer

Campaigning for Howard County offices can be expensive, costing candidates hundreds and even thousands of dollars for personalized items, advertising and just stamps.

Ask Doyle Lamb, a challenger in the Democratic primary for justice of the peace, whose contributions and expenditures have outstripped all others among candidates who filed disclosure records with the county clerk's office.

Between Jan. 10 and March 26, Lamb spent \$3,036 on his campaign, according to the records which are complete as of 30 days before the election.

Besides the \$200 filing fee, Lamb has spent money on pictures, billboards, handbills, bumper stickers, and drug abuse books. He also has purchased a variety of other specialty items printed with his name and office, including mirrors, screwdrivers, emery boards and posters, according to disclosure forms.

Lamb also has received the most

campaign contributions, \$3,340, including a \$1,000 donation from millionaire D.L. Dorland of Midland.

Peace Justice Lewis Heflin, who is not up for re-election this year, donated \$100 to Lamb. Lamb has collected more than \$2,000 in donations of \$50 or less.

Retired policeman Robert Stapp, who also is running for peace justice, has spent slightly more than \$2,500 in his bid for office, including a variety of specialty advertising and buttons.

Stapp, who says he refuses to accept donations of more than \$50, has raised \$350.

The other peace justice candidates have spent less than \$1,000 on their campaigns, according to records:

• Former KBST news director China Long has collected \$400 and spent \$548.

• Bail bondsman and former sheriff's deputy Paul Silva has collected \$533 and spent \$449.

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1040 dash

Extra day doesn't help procrastinators

By the Associated Press

Armed with explanations ranging from annoyance at the government to the sheer thrill of procrastination, throngs of Americans drove, pedaled and jogged to post offices to get that all-important date stamped on their income tax returns.

With April 15 falling on Sunday this year, the Internal Revenue Service gave filers until midnight April 16 to get their returns in. But for thousands, the extra day was just another 24 hours to put off the inevitable.

"Look at this. It's just like sheep

'I like to think I have important things to do, and I don't think giving my money to the government is on top of the list.'

— Taxpayer

getting sheared," said a disgruntled anti-tax demonstrator in Seattle, where postal workers were swamped by 23,300 returns in just three hours late Monday.

Dallas police had to block a side street trying to control traffic outside the city's old Main Post Office, where postal worker Jack Fletcher Jr. said it was "getting really wild" at 10 p.m.

In Los Angeles, the line of cars approaching the Terminal Annex postal station backed up onto the San Bernardino Freeway. Some

drivers abandoned their vehicles and hiked ahead, in the wake of taxpayers in jogging suits.

Postal workers in dozens of cities offered curbside service, trotting among the cars to pick returns out of hands thrust through windows.

"You won't believe it," said mail handler Andrew Price in Cincinnati as he and other workers quickly filled 21 mail bags holding about 1,000 envelopes each. "People drive up and want to argue with you. Some ask me questions about their forms. Some ask for forms. A couple want stamps."

"I don't answer any tax questions, but I do let them borrow my pen," Price added.

In South Hackensack, N.J., postal worker John Bayley recognized a few regulars among the late filers at the special outdoor window.

"A lot of the same people every year," Bayley, a four-year veteran of deadline night, said as he sorted envelopes into compartments for federal, New Jersey and other state returns.

Werner Hietsch, an IRS spokesman in Newark, N.J., pondered the reasons for the late filings and concluded it was tough to understand — especially, he said, since about 80 percent of last-minute filers will be getting refunds.

"Why do people wait until Christmas Eve to do their Christmas shopping? Human nature, I guess."

Jamie Silverman of New York

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Big Springers no exception

More than 500 last minute tax returns made the midnight deadline Monday thanks to a little overtime by employees at the Big Spring Post Office.

Postmaster Frank Hardesty said the post office normally sends its last dispatch of mail to the Midland Post Office at 5:30 p.m., where it is cancelled, or postmarked.

"We had a lot of returns coming in throughout the day," Hardesty said today. But the postal employees made allowances for people who didn't make the 5:30 p.m. deadline.

Between 5:30 p.m. and midnight, the local Post Office saw 500 returns brought in by procrastinating taxpayers.

"We had to intercept all mail after 5:30 p.m.," Hardesty said. On a usual day, any mail coming in after 5:30 p.m. would not be postmarked until the following day.

Because Monday wasn't a usual day, arrangements were made for a late-night special pickup. All returns brought to the Post Office before midnight "were given last night's cancellation," Hardesty said.

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People

Jackson to undergo surgery

CULVER CITY, Calif. — Security guards will be laying down the law this week at Brotman Memorial Hospital when superstar Michael Jackson is admitted for reconstructive scalp surgery.



MICHAEL JACKSON

Liberace rocks Radio City

NEW YORK — He's got the fuzziest furs, the ritziest rings and the glitziest Rolls-Royce in show business. And Liberace showed them off in style to the thousands of fans who watched him realize a "dream come true" — his first concert at Radio City Music Hall.



LIBERACE

The news in brief

Sniper kills 1, wounds 11

LONDON — A gunman fired a sub machine gun from a window of the Libyan Embassy today at Libyan students demonstrating against Libyan leader Moammar Khadafy. A policewoman was killed and 11 students were injured, Scotland Yard said.

Massacre information sought

NEW YORK — Police have offered a \$10,000 reward and opened a special phone line to help find whoever pumped bullets through the heads of two women and eight children, a massacre authorities believe may have stemmed from "bad blood" in drug dealings.

reprisal because of some bad blood," Murphy said at a news conference. "We're speculating because of the fact that there were young children involved and they were murdered in the fashion they were."

Enrique Bermudez, 34, who was father of two of the slain children and who discovered the bodies at his apartment, was being interviewed and his background was "being explored," Murphy said. Murphy said Bermudez was not a suspect "at this point."

The Daily News, quoting investigative sources, reported today that Bermudez was arrested in 1974 for selling heroin in Brooklyn, served nearly five years on a sentence of 5 to 15 years and is now on parole.

The victims were shot in the head at close range about 2 p.m. Sunday, and Murphy said two weapons had been used, a .22- and a .38-caliber pistol, leading police to believe there were two killers. No weapons were recovered.

Troops accused of torture

HARARE, Zimbabwe — Government troops raped, tortured, killed and starved villagers during a two-month hunt for dissidents in Matabeleland province, according to a report by Roman Catholic officials.

Prime Minister Robert Mugabe, while promising to examine the allegations, suggested the report's chief author was using the charges to curry favor with Mugabe's chief rival, Joshua Nkomo, whose main tribal stronghold is Matabeleland.

On Monday, Mugabe threatened to clamp tight, although unspecified, restrictions on foreign journalists because of overseas reports of alleged atrocities by his army.

Speaking to local editors at his official residence, Mugabe accused foreign correspondents of seeking to discredit him and called their reporting "mischievous," according to the semi-official Zimbabwe Inter-African News Agency.

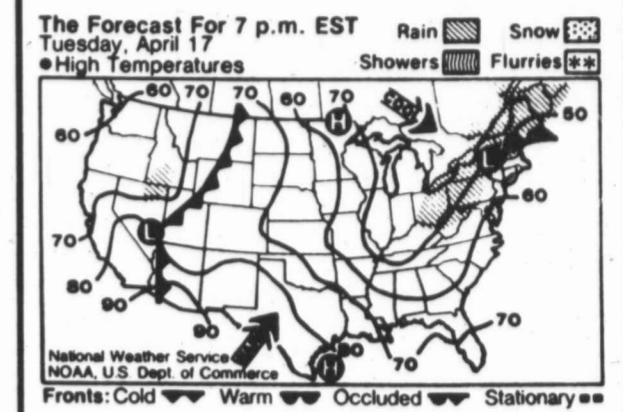
On Sunday, London's Observer and Sunday Times newspapers published accounts of torture and mass murder in the province. The reports were from correspondents who visited Matabeleland and heard villagers' accounts of brutality by security forces.

Nkomo, in London to promote his autobiography, said the newspaper reports were "not far off the mark."

The Mugabe administration has steadfastly denied its forces have committed atrocities, blaming them instead on "dissidents" — the official label for insurgents who deserted the army two years ago when Nkomo was ejected from a coalition government for allegedly plotting a coup.

In their report, the Roman Catholic officials expressed "grave concern" about "the suffering of people in southwest Matabeleland arising from the continuing conditions of starvation, beatings of people, torture and killings."

Weather



West Texas — Fair and mild tonight, except increasing cloudiness far west. Partly cloudy and warm Wednesday with widely scattered showers and thunderstorms mainly north and southwest.

Clear and cool over state

Clear skies and cool temperatures dominated the Texas weather picture before dawn today. A ridge of high pressure was keeping clouds out of the state. However, forecasters expected increasing cloudiness tonight over West Texas and a chance of widely scattered showers and thunderstorms over the region Wednesday.

Table with weather data for various Texas cities including Amarillo, Austin, Dallas-Ft Worth, El Paso, Houston, and Lubbock.

3 teen-agers killed trying

SAN MARCOS, Texas (AP) — Three teen-agers were killed Monday night when the driver of the car tried to outrun a train at an intersection, authorities said today.

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Editorial

Purity as it suits president's view

The president, chafing under the restrictions of the War Powers Act, says he wants to return to the original mandate of the Constitution in the conduct of foreign affairs. He's right, of course, that Congress, a "committee of 535 people," as he puts it, can't effectively formulate policy. But if the president wants to be a constitutional purist here, he'll have to be one also on the subject of measures that can trigger major commitments of U.S. troops and resources in foreign combat. And on that point, the intent of the framers of the Constitution is equally clear. It was Congress that was given the power to declare war, and that power, given the conditions and language of the 18th century, plainly meant the power to start a war.

The reason the War Powers Act exists, and the reason that Congress has been imposing those restrictions the president doesn't like, is that his predecessors managed to get this country into a military quagmire which not only violated the constitutional mandate about who can get the country into a war, but which rested on a foundation of false information that misled Congress and the country into acquiescence in those policies.

As a matter of fact, the Reagan administration has prevailed on almost all the vexing foreign policy questions of the past three years; it has had its way well beyond what prudence calls for. For the president, thus, to suggest that Congress, for example, somehow undermined the country's resolve to stick it out with the Marines in Lebanon is doubly disingenuous. To the extent Congress had any influence in expediting the withdrawal of the Marines, it saves the administration and the country far worse damage further down the road.

The important point with respect to war powers is that as the line between war and diplomacy has become more blurred for this country, so, with the advent of nuclear weapons, war itself has become far more terrible to contemplate.

The War Powers Act, while hardly ideal, is at least a clumsy, extraconstitutional accommodation in the effort to interpose some congressional checks in the increasingly narrow space between a diplomatic or political blunder and nuclear catastrophe.



Jack Anderson

CIA's 'Upin' reflects on Indochina

WASHINGTON — His CIA code name was "Upin." He used the pseudonym "Pat Gibbs." A huge, congenial Hungarian refugee who joined the U.S. Marines during World War II, he was first bloodied in the battle of Iwo Jima.

But it was his exploits when he ran a secret "spook troop" for the CIA in the jungle hills of Indochina that made him a legend.

To American diplomats he was an uncontrollable maverick. To his enemies — and some of his colleagues — he was as fearsome a figure as the Marlon Brando character in "Apocalypse Now," with a similar penchant for collecting the ears and heads of the communist guerrillas he was fighting in the 1960s and 1970s. The Laotian tribesmen he led revered him.

Perhaps because a newsman more than a decade ago blew Upin's CIA cover as a Continental Air Service official, he has a passionate distrust of the press. But Upin agreed to an interview when my associate Dale Van Atta tracked him down in Udorn, Thailand, where he is leading the unlikely life of a gentleman farmer.

After some coaxing, he regaled my associate with war stories of his days among the Hmong tribesmen, and told of the dozen or more times he was wounded in the anti-communist cause.

When Upin talks, it's not the

richly embroidered boasting of many old soldiers. His exploits are confirmed by sources who either applauded or wrung their hands at the time. Missing fingers from a booby trap that also killed a friend are mute evidence that Upin was no armchair agent.

A 1953 classmate at the CIA's secret training camp near Williamsburg, Va., recalls:

"He had all the attributes that were desirable in a paramilitary case officer. He knew how to survive, and he was fierce. He could move undetected across hostile territory. He demanded an outdoor life and could never endure the more prosaic existence of an embassy-based intelligence case officer."

Southeast Asia was a natural habitat for Upin's unorthodox style. He had recruited Tibetan Khamba tribesmen and ventured into the Himalayas with them. He fought in South Vietnam and Cambodia, and slipped into Red China on several occasions.

But Upin's heyday was as the leader of thousands of Hmong and Yau hill tribesmen in the CIA's secret war against the Pathet Lao and Vietnamese in Laos. The operation, based at a huge CIA station and airfield at Long Tieng, was intended as a diversionary action to siphon Viet Cong away from the main battle area in South Vietnam. He learned the tribesmen's

language, walked them into the ground on far-ranging forays, and married one of their princesses. Following one firefight, he carried one injured Laotian on his back more than 30 miles — even though he was seriously wounded himself.

About those ears. It seems headquarters in Vientiane questioned some of Upin's "body counts." So he told his men to cut off ears of dead enemy soldiers and put them in a plastic bag he kept on his porch. Sometimes they were given \$1 an ear as encouragement.

When the bags had enough ears in them, Upin would send them back to Vientiane. "I used to staple them to the reports," he recalled. Soon there were "bushels of ears" at headquarters. His CIA bosses were not amused.

As for the severed heads, Upin would acknowledge possessing and distributing at least two, but he declined to say exactly how many. Nor would he address the rumor that he kept pickled heads in jars of formaldehyde in his bedroom.

One Viet Cong head was sent to a CIA station, where a secretary opened the package, vomited, and took the next plane home. Another was dropped from a plane by Upin as a warning to a Laotian tribal leader whose people had shot up Upin's aircraft. The Laotian got the plane's tail number, and an American ambassador reportedly

wound up apologizing for the head-dropping incident.

"If you do everything according to the orders, you'd be in a strait-jacket," Upin said without regret. "You have to break the monotony sometimes."

These days, Upin appears to be pretty well domesticated, moderating his boozing and once-uninhibited wenching. According to a friend, it was his no-nonsense Laotian wife who is responsible for this. She caught him fooling around once, pulled a gun on him and threatened to kill him if he did it again. It was a message and a style of delivery that Upin understood.

REAGAN'S BRIEFING PAPERS: While congressional investigators try to determine who pilfered Jimmy Carter's briefing papers four years ago, I have obtained one of Ronald Reagan's briefing papers for 1984. Here are some of the points it suggests should be made in the presidential campaign:

• "America is back" because Reagan delivered the new beginning that he promised the country.

• Reagan's critics said the nation's problems were permanent, but he has proved them wrong.

Jack Anderson's investigative report from Washington is distributed by United Feature Syndicate.



Around The Rim

By CAROL HART BALDWIN

Let's gripe about gripers

It really made me mad to learn that I had missed National Griper's Day Sunday. Its founder, Jack Gilbert of Columbus, Ohio, said last Sunday was to be the first annual National Griper's Day. Maybe it will become a yearly event.

Have you noticed that everyone has a gripe lately. I'm no exception. We need a National Griper's Week or better yet National Griper's Month.

Maybe if we had a whole month to do nothing but gripe then we'd be so sick of it we'd welcome an 11-month break. But Gilbert said he founded the day to give people a chance to talk about what is bothering them.

Gilbert has the right idea. Too often we're so busy complaining about our own problems that we don't take the time to listen to anyone else's bad luck. In fact if someone has a problem most of us gripe about having to listen.

Lately I've found plenty of things to gripe about. The weather heads the list. We've all been griping about the weather. I'd like to get through just one day without hearing someone tell me how disgusting the weather is because that interrupts my own complaining.

I'd like to hear someone say, "I really love sandstorms" or "I really love dry, hot, sunny days with no rain." But then we'd all be griping

about what kind of a lunatic would be talking that way.

Another popular gripe is the Big Spring streets. It is a real inconvenience to have to criss-cross the city looking for a pathway to get to where you are going. Never mind the fact that the city is trying to improve the appearance and safety of the streets. I'll keep on griping until they've finished, then I'll have to find something new to complain about.

Now, let me think about gripes outside the realm of West Texas. One thing that really makes me mad are punk musicians. What is the world coming to? People are listening to singers like Billy Idol and buying his records. I'd like to break his records over the top of his head.

Billy Idol recently pleaded guilty for beating up a woman in his motel room. He dresses like a jerk and looks stupid. He had to tape an apology to a radio station for using vulgar language to describe women. Why do we let this guy loose on the streets?

Ah, I feel much better now. Maybe Gilbert has something with National Griper's Day.

Opinions expressed in this column are those of the staff writer and do not necessarily reflect the views of the newspaper's management.

that our schedule did not allow us to stay more than one day and night. After refueling and stocking our shelves with groceries, we had to be on our way.

Again, thank you for the free overnight in your very beautiful Comanche Trail Park.

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Art Buchwald

The making of a mole, '84

"I'd like to work in the presidential campaign, sir."

"We're sorry, son, we have all the paid workers we need."

"I think I would be of tremendous value to the candidate."

"Why do you think that?"

"I'm working in the Mondale camp now, and I want to be a political mole for you people."

"That's why you need me. I'm not even a registered Republican. If I'm caught passing on confidential information, the trail will never lead to the party. Don't even put me on the payroll. Just have one of your people leave the money for me in a phone booth."

"You realize what you're suggesting is not only unethical, but illegal."

"Yes, sir. That is why I thought you might hire me."

"We are not interested in doing anything illegal or unethical."

"You did in 1980. Someone gave you Jimmy Carter's debate briefing book. I'll bet you that guy is really high in the government today."

"Let's get this straight. No one in the Reagan administration ever saw Jimmy Carter's briefing book. Jim Baker didn't see it, Bill Casey didn't see it, Ed Meese didn't see it, and the president was never aware anyone on our side ever had it."

"Don't worry, your secret's safe with me. In any case the fact that no one saw the briefing book did help

Reagan in the debates, didn't it?"

"I have no intention of discussing the briefing book with you. We intend to run a clean campaign this time, and we're not going to resort to espionage to reelect the president."

"Right, sir. I always say everything should look on the up and up when it comes to an election. That's why you need me. I'm not even a registered Republican. If I'm caught passing on confidential information, the trail will never lead to the party. Don't even put me on the payroll. Just have one of your people leave the money for me in a phone booth."

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"We don't break into Democratic offices any more."

"Oh yeah. I forgot. Well, maybe I can get into the safe by myself and photograph the stuff for you. Could you pick me up one of those infrared cameras from the CIA?"

"You're an eager little beaver, aren't you?"

"I just want to serve my country. I believe a political mole is the most important job in a presidential campaign. Ever since I read about Watergate I dreamed of being one."

"What makes you so sure Mondale is going to win the nomination?"

"I'm not sure. But if he doesn't, I can become your political mole in the Hart camp. Hart would never suspect someone who came over from the Mondale campaign of being a mole for Reagan."

"Now get this straight. We have no intention this time of resorting to any dirty tricks in the '84 campaign. Everything we do is going to be above reproach. The president insists on it."

"Yes, sir."

"All right, leave your resume with my secretary and if you check out, a guy named Joe will call you at home Monday night."

Art Buchwald's column of humor and satire is distributed by Los Angeles Times Syndicate.

Mailbag

Free park stay merits thanks

To the editor:
We would like to thank the people of Big Spring for allowing us the use of their lovely park. It was a shame

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Billy Graham

Talk to your ex, even if he's a rat

DEAR DR. GRAHAM: My biggest problem is the way my ex-husband treats our two children whenever they visit him. (I have custody of them because he abandoned us to marry a much younger woman.) When they are with him, he spends a lot of time talking against me, and besides that, he lavishes money and expensive gifts on them trying to win their favor and make me look cheap. What can I do? — Mrs. V.B.N.

DEAR MRS. V.B.N.: This is not an easy problem, and in fact, it points out one of the difficulties that often comes with divorce. One of the greatest tragedies of our time is the way many marriages are thoughtlessly dissolved, bringing enormous heartache especially to children.

It would be easy for you to become angry and bitter at your ex-husband for his actions and angrily denounce him to your children. But that would be wrong for several reasons. First, it would force your children into a difficult position, almost compelling them to take sides between you and their father. But bitterness and anger hurt you more than anyone — and that is the reason why the Bible commands us to forgive others (hard as it might seem sometimes), "just as in Christ God forgave you" (Ephesians 4:32).

Instead, there are two things you should do if at all possible. First, you need to talk with your ex-husband (or communicate in some way with him), telling him as calmly and reasonably as you can of your concern. You should stress that your concern is not to win points against him, or to turn the children against him but it is for the children. If they find themselves torn between two parents who are vying for their love and allegiance, it makes life very difficult for them. Second, if possible, try to explain (again, as calmly and reasonably as you possibly can) to your children that you realize what is happening, but that while you cannot give them lavish presents, you love them very deeply.

Most of all, help your children spiritually so that they realize the most important things in life are not material possessions, but loving God and serving him. Pray for them — and if you have never committed your own life to Christ, do not delay in making your own personal decision to seek God's forgiveness and turning your life over to him.

Billy Graham's religious column is distributed by the Tribune Company Syndicate.



Dear Abby

Irritated mom upset at people's comments to child

DEAR ABBY: You are going to be my sounding board today. I've got to get this off my chest before I explode.

My husband and I have been separated since November. We have three children, the eldest a son of 14½. Now for the problem that's eating me up. It's the expression of "Take care of your mother." When my husband walked out the door, he turned to our son and said, "Take care of your mother."

When my parents were told of our separation, before they left, they, too, told my son, "Take care of your mother." Again, the same stupid remark was made by my in-laws. And every time we meet relatives, the parting words to my son are, "Take care of your mother."

Doesn't anyone realize the responsibility that is being placed on a child's shoulders by such an irresponsible remark?

My son has just started his first year of high school and is doing well. He is experiencing all the problems of adolescence, and the burden of "taking care of his mother" should not be thrust upon him. Even though it is just an expression of concern, I think it is highly tasteless and very carelessly used. It's one thing to be told by a dying father to take care of one's aging mother, but quite another thing to be said to a teen-age

boy!

I'd like to hear your feelings on this.

FUMING IN FULLERTON, CALIF.

DEAR FUMING: I think you are overreacting to a comment that was not meant to be taken literally. People don't expect your 14½-year-old son to "take care of you," but in an effort to make him feel like "the man of the house," they are also reminding you that you are now without a husband, which is both tasteless and thoughtless.

DEAR ABBY: In the case of the mother-in-law whose son is dead, his widow should be introduced as "my former daughter-in-law." That will tell the whole story.

In other words, the person to whom the introduction is being made will understand that the woman's son is dead — not divorced.

And "ex" is divorced, a "former" is due to death.

You're welcome.

A FAN IN MONTANA

DEAR FAN: According to my dictionary, "ex" is a synonym for "former." Although "ex" is usually used to mean divorced, "former" can also mean divorced. "Late" always means deceased, but better late than

never.

(If you put off writing letters because you don't know what to say, get Abby's booklet, "How to Write Letters

for All Occasions." Send your name and address clearly printed with check or money order for \$2.50 (includes postage) to: Abby, Letter Booklet, P.O. Box 38923, Hollywood, Calif. 90038.)



Dr. Donohue

A good word for bacteria

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: My problem is the same as J.D.'s — bloated stomach. You told her the problem was due to bacteria in the intestines and that avoiding certain foods would reduce the problem. As always, you doctors treat the symptoms and do absolutely nothing about the problems.

Why can't you cure the problem? Isn't there a way to rid the intestines of the bacteria? Another example: Those who take potassium pills usually learn about it and about eating bananas from someone other than their doctors. Do you dare answer these questions in the paper? — A.C.

I accept the challenge. Re: intestinal bacteria. Because a few sometimes cause illness, all bacteria are tarred with the same brush. It's unfair. You don't want to get rid of all your bacteria. You'd be in trouble.

The intestines are teeming with bacteria. They help us by making vitamins, digesting our food, etc. It's mutually-beneficial and rewarding relationship.

Don't dispossess all your bacteria. True, some people may not tolerate all the digestive activity that goes on. If they metabolize into

products your body can't tolerate well. That's what I was telling J.D. earlier. It goes for you, too.

Now, about potassium and heart patients. Not every heart patient needs potassium. Some who take water pills may have a lowering of their blood potassium as a price to pay for getting rid of the sodium. A blood test tells when that is happening. If so, other medicine can be added to interrupt this undesired action.

Or some may need potassium supplements. That's more rational approach than insisting that every heart patient or diuretic user fill himself with potassium tablets and/or bananas and other potassium-rich food. Don't you agree?

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: What have you found best for treating shingles blisters? — F.

When blisters are present, drying lotions, like calamine, may help. As they scab, a thin coat of zinc oxide ointment prevents them from sticking to your garments. Remove the ointment gently with cotton balls saturated with mineral oil. Neither of these will ease pain or shorten the illness, just make things a bit more comfortable.

I cannot go into treatments, since I have covered the subject recently, but there are many tried today for the lingering pain of shingles — after the skin has been cleared. For further discussion, see the booklet "The Facts About Shingles," which other readers may obtain by writing me care of this newspaper, enclosing a stamped, self-addressed envelope and 50 cents for printing and handling.

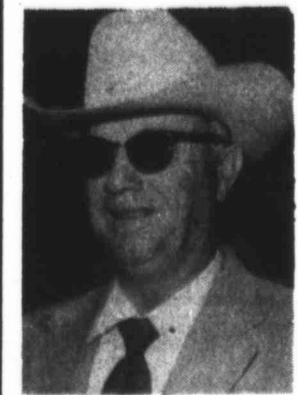
Club tacks quilt at meeting

The Sew and Chatter Club "tacked" a quilt for the Northside Community Center during a business meeting in the home of Adele Tibbs, April 11.

Members brought sack lunches and completed the quilt that afternoon. The group also celebrated the birthday of Lona Crocker.

For the record

In an article "Stokes-Parker session slated" that ran in Thursday's edition of the *Big Spring Herald* Lynn Reed's name was given as Lynn Green. Reed, a Big Spring High School coach, demonstrated self-defense for women at the Stokes-Parker meeting at the Homestead Inn, Saturday.



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Drink rebates over \$5,000

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AUSTIN — State Comptroller Bob Bullock on Monday sent checks to 221 counties and 419 cities as their share of the state's mixed drink tax for the first three months of 1984.
 Howard County received \$5,680 as its 15 percent share of \$37,868 in taxes collected by the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission within its boundaries. Big Spring received \$3,828 based on \$25,522.
 The state collected \$39.2 million in mixed drink taxes during the year's first quarter, up 8.3 percent over the same period last year, Bullock announced in a news release. The state taxes mixed drink sales at 10 percent of gross sales.

Each city and county that permits the sale of mixed drinks receives 15 percent of the taxes collected within its boundaries. For the first quarter, checks to participating cities and counties totaled \$11 million.

Crime watch group forms

COLORADO CITY — Residents concerned about a series of recent burglaries and vandalism at Colorado City Lake will meet for the second time May 5 at 7:30 p.m. at the Lake View Store.
 Residents will divide the lake area into neighborhood districts and select someone to contact others in those areas.
 For more information call 728-3530.

Reception honors governor

MIDLAND — Gov. Mark White will attend a reception ere Wednesday saluting his efforts in obtaining drought relief aid for West Texas farmers and ranchers.

The reception, sponsored by the Midland County Democratic Party, will be held at downtown Midland's Hilton Hotel in the second floor ballroom from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

OK asked on '84 tax report

The board of directors for the Howard County Consolidated Tax Appraisal District will meet at 1 p.m. Wednesday in the county courtroom to decide whether to transfer \$5,000 from the contingency fund to make a payment on a loan for a computer.
 Directors also will consider approval of the appraisal district report and the financial report.

Sands hosts Mess America

ACKERLY — Members of the senior class at Sands High School are planning a "Mess America" pageant and talent show at 7 p.m. April 24 in the Sands High School auditorium.
 Participants in the "Mess America" contest will be men. Any man can enter the event by contacting a Sands senior.
 The event is open to the public. Proceeds will be used for the senior trip.

30 CLEAN jobs available

City Litter Eliminators Are Near, or CLEAN, a project designed to clean up Big Spring, will employ about 30 high school students this summer, according to Lisa Brooks of the CLEAN committee.
 The 30 CLEAN'ers will be split into five crews and will be available for gardening and general clean-up of business exteriors, private residences and city-owned lots and right-of-ways.
 CLEAN organizers Johnny Rutherford and Joe Wallace of the Texas Employment Commission will be on the Big Spring High School campus Wednesday to explain the program. The meeting will be held the last 20 minutes of school.
 Applicants will be paid by the hour and will be hired on the basis of a personal interview. Students must be 16 or older. Both male and female students are eligible to apply.

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Wilder linked to Lamar student's death

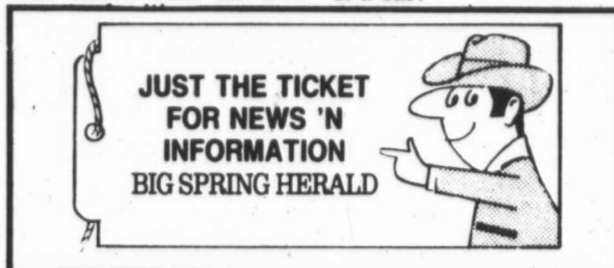
BEAUMONT, Texas (AP) — Beaumont authorities say it could be up to three weeks before their investigation into the slaying of 24-year-old Terry Walden is complete, but they are 99 percent certain that Christopher Wilder was the Lamar University nursing student's killer.
 Wilder, shot to death Friday in New Hampshire in a struggle with a state trooper, probably forced Mrs. Walden into his car, then stabbed her to death in the car and dumped the

body in a canal west of Beaumont, Detective Jim Singletary said Monday.
 She is believed to be among 11 young women allegedly slain by Wilder in an 8,000-mile cross-country spree during the past six weeks.
 Beaumont authorities are awaiting the results of FBI tests on hair, blood and soil samples taken from Wilder's car, which was found in Beaumont, and similar samples from Mrs. Walden's car, which was recovered in Victor, N.Y., Singletary said.

The detective speculated that once Mrs. Walden was dead, Wilder took his blood-stained car and exchanged it for his victim's auto. The Wilder vehicle was found backed into a parking lot with the license plates removed. A tire was flat but Singletary said police believe Wilder intentionally deflated the tire to make it appear the car was disabled.
 Mrs. Walden, 24, was reported missing March 23 after failing to retrieve her daughter from a day-care center. Her body was found

three days later.
 Wilder, whose spree earned him a spot on the FBI's most wanted list, was killed with his own

gun. Authorities are uncertain if he was trying to shoot himself or the trooper with whom he was struggling in the front seat of a car.



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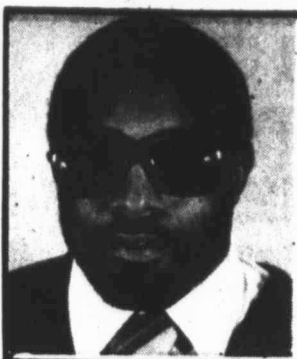
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Steve Belvin

So long Butch

The Dallas Cowboys organization have finally followed through with their promise of trading wide receiver Butch Johnson.

I must admit I was downcast by the move, but it had to be. Butch was the party forcing the issue on the situation. He was disheartened with playing a backup role even for the Cowboys and desired to take his passing catching abilities and California Quake to a place where his services would be used full time.

You really can't blame the man. He's one of the best wide receivers in pro football, seeing spot duty. But then you can't blame Tom Landry and the Cowboys organization either. You have big play man Tony "Thrill" Hill and reliable veteran Drew Pearson for starters.

It's really a nice problem to have, three superb receivers to choose from. Being the competitor that he is, however Johnson is not used to riding the pine and believes that he should have been the Cowboys' starting wide receiver the last couple of years. Situations like this go to prove that coaching is no bed of roses, even if it's for America's Team.

With Johnson demanding to be traded, it forces a dilemma for Dallas. You want to trade the player if he's not happy with the surroundings, but you just can't give up a player of his caliber for just anybody or anything.

This is one of the main reasons Dallas didn't get rid of Johnson last year. It takes some pretty good deals to get an even trade for Butch.

This is when the Cowboys show their class. They promised Johnson they would try to trade him. The right opportunity arose with the Houston Oilers and wide receiver Mike Renfro, but the timing is very bad. Pearson is recovering from his recent accident. There is no way that the 33-year-old former All-Pro will be healthy for the season opener. Add that to the fact Renfro is thinking of giving up football — but don't worry Cowboy fans, that's all it is; just thinking.

That leaves Dallas with Hill and semi-seasoned fourth-year veteran Doug Donley, who shows lots of promise. But the Cowboys definitely need Johnson's eight-year experience. But in a very classy move Dallas gives Johnson his wish.

The trade for Renfro is a decent one. Dallas acquires a six-year veteran, the 12th pick instead of the 26th in the second round of the NFL draft and an undisclosed draft choice.

In Johnson the Cowboys will lose a big play receiver and a player that gives the game an extra dimension with his exciting style.

Johnson plays with emotion. He is a fiery competitor that has a way of getting his teammates and the crowd into the game.

The California Quake was one of the most entertaining post touchdown celebrations in football and Butch came up with the big plays when you needed them.

Who can forget his diving touchdown grab against Denver in Super Bowl XII, or his 47-yard catch that set up the final TD in the divisional title clinching win over Philadelphia in '81?

Not only is Dallas losing a good football player, but also a fine citizen. Johnson donates his spare time to the Ronald McDonald House, West Dallas Community Center, Dallas Society For Crippled Children, the Association for Retarded Children and the Dallas SCAN Center for abused and neglected children.

One bright spot about the trade is that we'll still get to see Butch play for the Oilers, which should add zest to the Oilers' offense like in the days when another Johnson named "Whiteshoes" thrilled the crowd.

Johnson's eight-year employment with the Cowboys has come to an end. It's time for a new era for Butch Johnson, and I'll be the first to admit, Butch I'm sure going to miss you.



REGIONAL QUALIFIER — Greenwood's Kay Wallace, shown here at the 6-A meet is one Big Spring Area participant at the Region I-A girl's meet being held tomorrow and Thursday in Levelland.

Buffalo herd leads way at 2A, 1A region meets

The Stanton Lady Buffalos are looking at a possible Region I-AA track and field championship when the regional meet gets underway Wednesday at McMurray College in Abilene.

Class A schools Greenwood, Garden City, Klondike, Sands, Forsan and Grady will be taking their acts to Levelland for Region I-A action. Greenwood is packing the most firepower as coach Cliff Stephens takes six individuals and one relay.

Dawna West leads Stanton as the senior qualified in the long jump, triple jump, 110 meter hurdles, 400 dash and is a member of the 1600 relay team composed of Sylvia Hernandez, Sabrina Finch and Lorrie Jansen.

Weight person Sandra Henry qualified in both the shot put and discus while distance runner Mary Beth Tollison qualified in the 1600 and 3200 meter races.

Other Stanton qualifiers include Jansen in the 800 and the 800 relay team of Sylvia Hernandez, Lisa Hernandez, Julie Todd

and Finch.

Greenwood is paced by junior sprinter Teri Busic in the 100 and 200 meters and the 1600 relay team of Busic, Krissy Wallace, Maria Morgette and Kendra Turbo.

Other Greenwood qualifiers are Kay Wallace in the discus, Krissy Wallace in the 400 and Morgette in the 1600 meters. Sophomore Shana Hale is the lone qualifier for Grady in the 1600 and 3200 runs. Michelle Bays will represent Sands in the discus and Patti Harris of Klondike will compete in the high jump.

Garden City will send two individuals and two relays to Levelland. Freshman Jacque Jost will compete in the 400 while sophomore Gena Schafer will go in the 800. The foursome of Schafer, Jost, Michelle Pechacek and Carol Hoelscher will compete in both the 800 and 1600 relays.

Representing Forsan will be high jumper Debra Smith, half-miler Lori Roman and mile Christy Fuqua.

Highlanders to invade Hawks' nest for contest

To say that Howard College's three game Region V baseball series with McClennan Community College set to start Wednesday at 3 p.m. at Hawk Field is crucial to HC's playoff aspirations would be an understatement.

The Hawks enter Wednesday's fracas in second place in Region V with a 9-6 record. MCC, the defending conference and national juco champ, is 16-2 and ranked second in the nation.

Added to that is the fact HC is only one game ahead of Northwood Institute. The top two teams in the conference advance to the state junior college tournament, set for May 10-13 at Hardin-Simmons University.

Pressure aside, Howard coach Bill Griffin said he just hopes his team, "plays well." In the season's first meeting between the two, HC held leads in all three games before losing every contest.

The sweep by the Highlanders is probably the most disappointing happening to date in HC's second season of baseball.

"McClennan lost so much talent from last year's team and admittedly they're not as good as last year while everyone else is (better)," said Griffin. "Evidently McClennan's winning tradition goes a long way," he added.

In a weekend series with last year's other playoff team, Ranger, MCC squeaked out 6-5, 11-10 and 11-7 wins to strengthen that point.

Griffin said he will send Chuck Ashcraft (7-1) to the mound in Wednesday's game and will counter with Steve Carrasco (5-1) in one of Thursday's games. He is undecided on a starter for the other half of Thursday's doubleheader that gets started at 1 p.m.

Going in, the Hawks are led by the bats of Stephon Hodge and Bobby Behnsch. Hodge leads the Hawks with a .491 Region V mark and .471 overall average. Behnsch provides the power with 17 season homers, five of which have come in conference play. Hodge is second in rbi's with 47 and Behnsch has 53 to his credit.

Lady Steers at regional gunning for state berth

By **STEVE BELVIN**
Staff Writer

Before the season began, Big Spring Lady Steers track coach Anna Ezzell said that one of her top priorities was to get a relay team to the state meet.

Wednesday, Apr. 18 at the Region I-5A regional meet at Texas Tech's Jones Stadium the Lady Steers will start the wheels turning on the dash for a berth in Austin.

Over the last two years Ezzell has taken couple of sprinters by the name of Carla Jackson and Shell Rutledge. This time she has high hopes for her youthful but talented 400 and 800 meter relay teams.

Ezzell's relay teams show only one senior in Tina Smith. Sophomore twins Aretha and Latresa Cork and

freshman Pam Palmer round out the relays and Palmer also has a good chance at state in the 200.

Big Spring's best chance could be in the 800 relay where the Lady Steers' time of 1:44.58 ranks as one of the top times. Their time of 48.97 in the 400 ranks in the top five times. But Ezzell feels that her troops have ample chances in both. "We have a good chance," she said. "Providing we can get the baton around the track."

Palmer ran a career-best 25.79 for a second place finish at the District 4-5A meet behind Odessa's Kerry Evans. The finals could be another battle between Palmer and the OHS junior.

Field events in the two day meet begin at 10 a.m. Wednesday.

Teaff speaks

Stanton fete honors athletes

By **BILLY NABOURS**
Sports Editor

STANTON — Girls and boys in varsity and junior varsity sports were honored at the annual Stan-

ton High School All Sports Banquet held here Monday night at the Caprock Auditorium.

Given special recognition were Dawna West and

Rocky Barnes as Stanton's best all-around female and male athlete. Most improved female athlete honors went to Sylvia Hernandez while Jerry Anderson and

David Matthews shared the award for most improved male athlete.

The 110 percent award went to Robby Barnes and the coaches' Fighting Heart award was given to Daryl Snell.

Stanton athletic director Dale Ruth also presented a special award to Buffalo Booster Club president Steve Stallings in appreciation of support for SHS athletics.

Guest speaker was Baylor head football coach Grant Teaff who detailed some of his philosophies about football and life in general to the capacity crowd.

Teaff emphasized that everyone is born with the chance for success, but that individuals also must learn to utilize their talents to the best of their ability.

The dean of SWC coaches and a five time conference coach of the year said learning to utilize the intangibles of human nature — desire, attitude and loyalty — and setting goals goes a long way in determining one's success.

"You can't get someone unless you know where you're going. You've got to go for it," said Teaff.



GUEST SPEAKER — Grant Teaff, head football coach at Baylor University, was the guest speaker at the Stanton High School All-Sports Banquet Monday night. He shared some laughs with a full house and also delved into some serious aspects about football and life.

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ODESSA — After the opening day at the girls Region-I 3-A track meet here at Ratliff Stadium, Coahoma's Tobie Henry and Colorado City's Sandra Williams have advanced to the finals in the individual running events.

Henry recorded the fastest prelim time of 59.65 in the 400 meters.

In was a rough day in the field events for Henry and Williams. Henry failed to place in the high jump, where she had a previous best of 5-3. Williams finished fifth in the triple jump (35-3) and sixth in the long jump (16-10).

Williams qualified in both the 100 and 200 with times of 12.43 and 26.44.

Sports Briefs

Comanche partnership slated

Comanche Trail Golf Course will be the site of a partnership tournament May 5-6 with \$10,000 in prizes and gift certificates awaiting the top three finishers plus each flight.
The field is limited to 224 players. Entry fee is \$90 per team.
For further information contact Cochhae Trail club pro Al Patter at 263-7271.

Coahoma schedules softball

COAHOMA — A softball tournament is scheduled for the Coahoma ballpark, Apr. 27-29.
For more information call Paul Cano at 392-4412; Bill Bailey at 263-2798; or Ronnie Thomas at 394-4218.

HC sets Camp of Champs

Howard College's 12th annual Basketball Camp of Champs will hold court June 11-15 and July 9-13.
The first dates are marked for the girls camp under the direction HC women's coach Don Stevens. Men's coach Mike Mitchell will direct the boy's camp during July.
Both sessions are for youngsters from grades five through junior varsity level.
A limit is set on the number of campers enrolled for each session. A \$30 deposit will guarantee a reservation.
Interested parties wishing to obtain a free camp brochure should write Howard College, Camp of Champs, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, Texas, 79720 or contact Stevens or Mitchell at 267-6311.

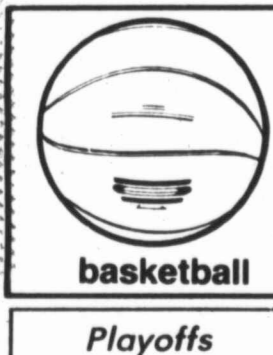
Races to be held in Alpine

ALPINE — The Second Annual Great Alpine Race to Benefit the Big Bend Youth for Christ Recreation Center project will be held Saturday, Apr. 28.
This year's event will focus on five different races — 440, 880, one and three miles and a 26 mile marathon from Marfa to Alpine.
There will be categories for both men and women. Olympic style gold medals will be awarded to all winners and each participant will receive a t-shirt.
Entry forms are available at the Big Bend for Christ in Alpine or by writing The Great Alpine Race Committee, Box 1322, Alpine, Tex 79831. For further information call 915-837-5466 or 915-837-7286.

NL late signups being taken

Late signups are continuing for all boys ages six to 12 interested in playing National Little League baseball this summer.
For more information concerning registration call NL president Bill Mims at 267-6669; Jackie Thompson at 263-8119; or Sandy Mayfield at 263-8020.

SCOREBOARD



First Round (Best of five)
Tuesday, April 17
Washington at Boston
New York at Detroit
Seattle at Dallas
Atlanta at Milwaukee
Denver at Utah
Wednesday, April 18
New Jersey at Philadelphia
Kansas City at Los Angeles
Phoenix at Portland
Thursday, April 19
Washington at Boston
New York at Detroit
Atlanta at Milwaukee
Seattle at Dallas
Denver at Utah
Friday, April 20
New Jersey at Philadelphia
Kansas City at Los Angeles
Phoenix at Portland
Saturday, April 21
Boston at Washington
Dallas at Seattle
Milwaukee at Atlanta
Sunday, April 22
Philadelphia at New Jersey
Los Angeles at Kansas City
Detroit at New York
Utah at Denver
Portland at Phoenix
Tuesday, April 24
(If necessary)
Boston at Washington
Philadelphia at New Jersey
Milwaukee at Atlanta
Utah at Denver, TBA
Portland at Phoenix, TBA
Dallas at Seattle
Los Angeles at Kansas City
Wednesday, April 25
(If necessary)
Detroit at New York
Thursday, April 26
(If necessary)
Washington at Boston
New Jersey at Philadelphia
Atlanta at Milwaukee
Denver at Utah, TBA
Phoenix at Portland
Seattle at Dallas
Kansas City at Los Angeles
Friday, April 27
(If necessary)
New York at Detroit
(Best of Seven)
Eastern Conference Semifinals
Boston-Washington winner vs Detroit-New York winner
Philadelphia-New Jersey winner vs Milwaukee-Atlanta winner
Western Conference Semifinals
Los Angeles-Kansas City winner vs Dallas-Seattle winner
Portland-Phoenix winner vs Utah-Denver winner

WEST DIVISION

San Diego	9	2	818	—
Los Angeles	6	5	545	3
San Francisco	4	6	400	4½
Cincinnati	4	7	364	5
Houston	4	7	364	5
Atlanta	3	8	273	6

Monday's Game
Los Angeles 5, Houston 4
Only game scheduled

Tuesday's Games
Philadelphia (Hudson 1-0) at Pittsburgh (Tudor 1-0)
Montreal (Smith 2-0) at New York (Darling 2-0)
St. Louis (Andujar 1-1) at Chicago (Sanderson 0-1)
Atlanta (Dayley 0-2) at Cincinnati (Berney 0-1), (n)
Los Angeles (Honeycutt 1-0) at Houston (Niekro 1-2), (n)
San Diego (Lollar 1-0) at San Francisco (Davis 0-2), (n)

AMERICAN LEAGUE EAST DIVISION

W	L	Pct.	GB	
Detroit	8	0	1.000	—
Toronto	6	4	.600	3
Cleveland	5	4	.556	3½
New York	4	6	.400	5
Boston	3	6	.333	5½
Milwaukee	3	7	.300	6
Baltimore	2	7	.222	7½

WEST DIVISION

Oakland	8	4	.667	—
Minnesota	7	4	.636	½
Seattle	7	4	.636	½
Kansas City	5	5	.500	2
Chicago	4	4	.500	2
California	5	8	.385	3½
Texas	3	7	.300	4

Monday's Games
Cleveland 4, Baltimore 3
Minnesota 9, California 2
Oakland 9, Seattle 6
Chicago at New York, p.p.d., rain
Detroit at Boston, 2, p.p.d., rain



Divisional Finals (Best-of-Seven)
Thursday, April 12
Quebec 4, Montreal 2
Washington 3, N.Y. Islanders 2
Minnesota 2, St. Louis 1
Edmonton 5, Calgary 2

Friday, April 13
Montreal 4, Quebec 1
N.Y. Islanders 5, Washington 4, OT
St. Louis 4, Minnesota 3, OT
Calgary 6, Edmonton 5, OT

Sunday, April 15
N.Y. Islanders 3, Washington 1
Montreal 2, Quebec 1
Edmonton 3, Calgary 2
St. Louis 3, Minnesota 1

Monday, April 16
Quebec 4, Montreal 3, OT, series tied 2-2
Minnesota 3, St. Louis 2, series tied 2-2
N.Y. Islanders 5, Washington 2, Islanders lead series 3-1
Edmonton 5, Calgary 3, Edmonton leads series 3-1

Wednesday, April 18
Montreal at Quebec
Washington at N.Y. Islanders
St. Louis at Minnesota
Calgary at Edmonton

Friday, April 20

Quebec at Montreal	—
Minnesota at St. Louis	—
Edmonton at Calgary	—
N.Y. Islanders at Washington	—

baseball

NATIONAL LEAGUE EAST DIVISION

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New York	6	3	.667	—
Philadelphia	6	3	.667	—
St. Louis	5	4	.600	½
Chicago	5	4	.556	1
Montreal	5	5	.500	1½
Pittsburgh	3	7	.300	3½

Pro-footballer denied chance at Olympic trials

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Willie Gault's bid to compete in the Olympics despite his professional status has received a setback, but the Chicago Bears' wide receiver says he's not giving up.

A federal court judge denied on Monday a request for a temporary restraining order sought by Gault.

U.S. District Court Judge Consuelo Marshall said in denying Gault's request that he should try to settle the issue with administrative hearings before the governing bodies of national and international sports.

Gault, who appeared in court Monday, said he was "somewhat surprised" by the rejection of the proposed temporary restraining order.

"It's unfair knowing there are other athletes making more money or just as much" who are competing as amateurs, he said.

He was referring to the IOC's rules that allow professional hockey players to compete in the Olympics as long as they have not signed a National Hockey League contract.

Gault conceded the setback temporarily hurt his chances of competing in the Summer Games, but he said, "It's not out of the picture yet, we're still going to pursue it."

Gault's next step is an administrative hearing before the U.S. Olympic Committee. Afterward, if necessary, Gault's attorney could apply for a preliminary injunction on antitrust grounds.

Gault, a world-class sprinter and hurdler who signed with the Bears last year, has filed an antitrust suit against

The Athletic Congress, the International Olympic Committee and the International Amateur Athletic Federation.

Should he win the case, it would redefine the concept of amateurism and open the doors for other professional athletes.

In the Amateur Sports Act of 1978, Congress established that a relationship exists between the national governing bodies of amateur sports, international sports federations and the International Olympic Committee.

Attorney Peter Alkali, representing TAC, argued that the Amateur Sports Act mandated that his group must adhere to international rules. In this case, the international rule is that professionals cannot compete in amateur sports.

He said a court victory for Gault "would stand the Olympic movement and Olympic protocol on its head." Alkali added that TAC, the governing body for amateur athletics in the United States "is in the business of preserving the eligibility of athletes."

It was the second time in a month that a former amateur track and field star had a court bid fail in efforts to participate in the Olympics.

Renaldo Nehemiah, the San Francisco 49ers wide receiver who still holds the world high hurdles record, is seeking to have his amateur status reinstated for races in the United States, but his case last week was referred to arbitration between the IAAF and TAC.

The next arbitration panel is not scheduled to convene until two days after the Olympics open in Los Angeles.

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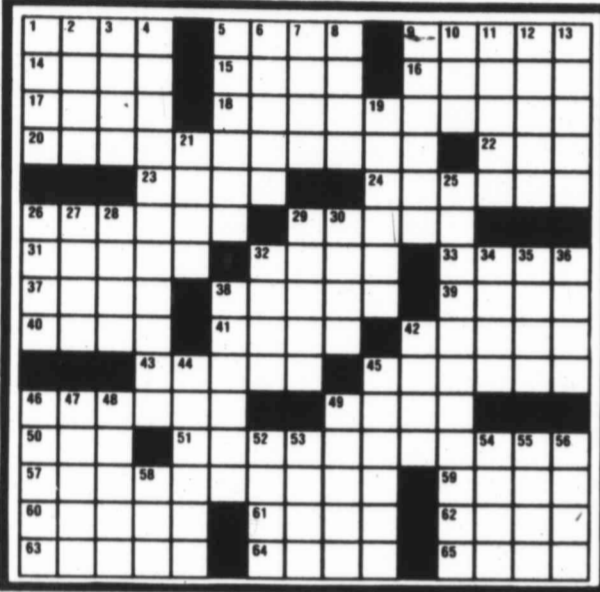
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GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Be more cooperative with partners and with worthwhile persons they may introduce to you. Make intelligent plans for the future.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to Jul. 21) Be more speedy in handling your regular work and forget all that procrastination. Be happy at home in the evening.

LEO (Jul. 22 to Aug. 21) Find out what kin expect of you and try to combine past benefits with a new course. Entertain those you feel can help you to make progress.

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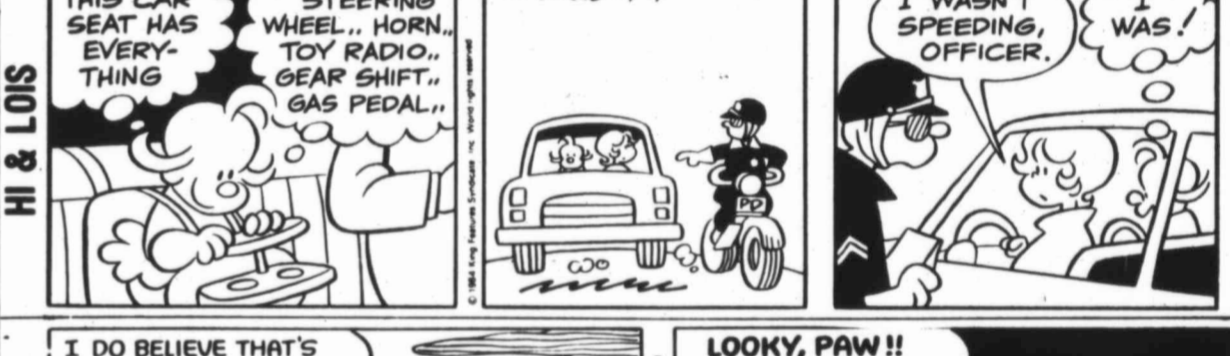
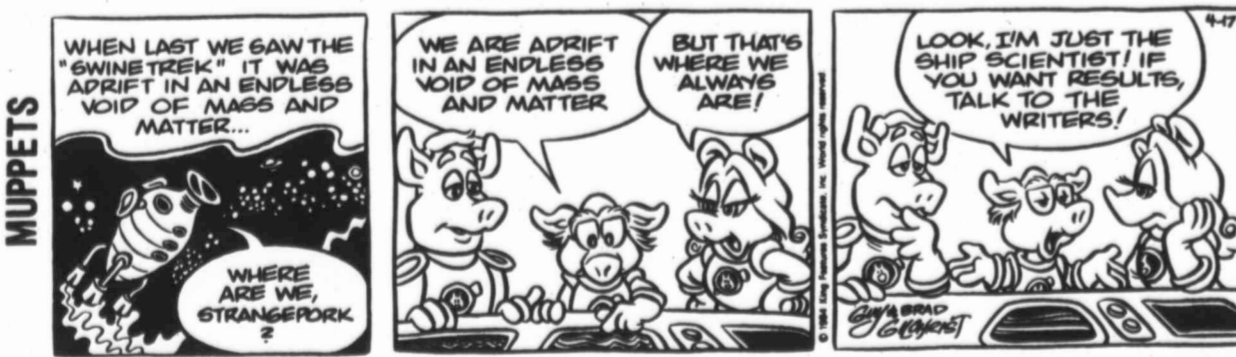
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2nd major fire strikes Nacogdoches

NACOGDOCHES (AP) — The second major fire in three days hit this East Texas town Monday as flames engulfed an International Paper Co. plywood plant and forced the evacuation of surrounding businesses.

Firefighters feared flames, fanned by 15 to 20 mph winds, would reach several propane gas tanks as the fire burned out of control.

Witnesses said flames were shooting 100 feet into the sky.

On Saturday night, five businesses in a downtown shopping mall were all damaged by fire.

Police said a panhandler

who was asked to leave the shopping mall shortly before the fire broke out was being held for questioning in that blaze.

"We are holding a dude in our jail that is a suspect," police Lt. Pete Winder said Sunday. He said police were awaiting the outcome of an investigation by the fire marshal's office.

"They might decide it wasn't even arson," Winder said.

Joe Adams, assistant fire marshal for Nacogdoches County, said two antique stores in the mall, Stripling's Drug Store, the Commercial National Bank and Boyett's Jewelry Store

were damaged by the fire. No serious injuries were reported, fire department officials said.

Adams said arson was suspected, but he declined to say whether it appeared an accelerant such as gasoline had been used to start the blaze.

The fire started about 6:30 p.m. in the Colony

Mall, a renovated, two-story building erected about the turn of the century which now houses small shops, fire department shift Capt. Jimmy Marshall said.

Marshall said the worst of the blaze was under control by 10:30 p.m. Saturday, but that firefighters continued to cool hot spots Sunday morning.

I would like to express my appreciation to my ex-students and friends for the cards, flowers, phone calls and visits I received on my 100th birthday. You made my day a very special one. I treasure your friendship. May God richly bless you!

Zora B. Sellers

Texas City explosion remembered

TEXAS CITY (AP) — W.H. Sandberg has good reason to remember the time and date of 9:12 a.m., April 16, 1947.

Five minutes after he left the French freighter SS Grandcamp, it exploded at this Southeast Texas port city, touching off two days of terror and death that left hundreds dead and thousands injured.

As has been the custom, at 9:12 a.m. Monday, those who died were remembered when city officials placed flowers at the base of the flagpole at the Texas City volunteer fire department.

The explosion was so powerful that three anchors, each weighing several tons, were hurled one and one-half miles from the ship as flaming debris rained down all over the city.

The bodies of 398 victims were identified but 63 bodies were never identified and 115 persons were listed as missing. Damage was estimated at \$67 million.

Sandberg, then vice president of Texas City Terminal Railway Co., which owned the docks and switching equipment, had gone to the ill-fated Grandcamp to check on a fire that had broken out on the ship.

As he left the ship, he noted that it was 9:07 a.m. He returned to his office to call for tugboats to move the ship away from the docks.

"I arrived at my office and at 9:12 the ship blew and all hell broke loose," Sandberg, 83, said. "The roof of the building fell in on our office. The employees were running around hollering and screaming."

Sandberg, who suffered cuts on his head and shoulders from flying glass, said he and another man helped carry victims to a hospital in a truck.

"I was leading the way on foot," Sandberg said. "I'd pull pieces of iron (from the road) so the truck could get up to the doctor's office."

Another freighter, the High Flyer, loaded with ammonium nitrate, ammonium sulfate and sulfur caught fire and at 1:15 a.m. April 17, it also blew up.

"About 1 a.m., it looked like Roman Candles being shot out of the hold where ammonium nitrate caught on fire... When I saw the Roman Candles I had a megahorn," Sandberg said. "I shouted, 'Get the hell out of here. don't wait.'"

Sandberg said the blast was so strong it threw a steel barge 10 feet out of the water and onto shore.

"I jumped," Sandberg recalled. "You could hear hot steel hitting a barge just like someone was shooting at you."

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