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How's that?

H.O.T.

Q. Recently I asked what H.O.T. means in the slogan "Howard College is Red H.O.T." Did you ever find out?
A. Yes. The slogan stands for Howard On Top, according to college officials.

Calendar

Volleyball

TODAY
• The Colorado City Playhouse will present "Snoopy" through Monday at the Opera House. Curtain time is 8 p.m. A 2 p.m. matinee is set Jan. 27. Call 915-728-3491 between 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. for tickets.

• The United Way and Big Spring Firefighters Association are sponsoring a volleyball tournament through Sunday at the Big Spring Federal Camp. Admission is a 50 cent donation to the United Way.

• The Goliad Middle School gym is the site of a Medieval Fair, sponsored by the Signal classes, from 1 to 3 p.m. The public is invited. Admission is free.

• The Miss Howard County/Miss SWCID pageant is scheduled for 7 p.m. in the Howard College Auditorium.

• A benefit dance for the Mitchell County Day Care will be Jan. 26 at 8 p.m. at the Colorado City Civic Center. The music will be by the Hub City Band from Lubbock. For ticket information call Juan Salazar at 728-5824.

SUNDAY
• Sands School in Ackerly will have open house from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

• The Potton House will be open from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

• The Western Sportsman Gun Club will sponsor a 22LR pistol and rifle match at 1:30 p.m. nine miles west on the Andrews Highway.

TUESDAY
• The Mothers March for the March of Dimes will be from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Tops on TV

Letterman

David Letterman celebrates his third anniversary with a special at 10:30 p.m. on channel 13.

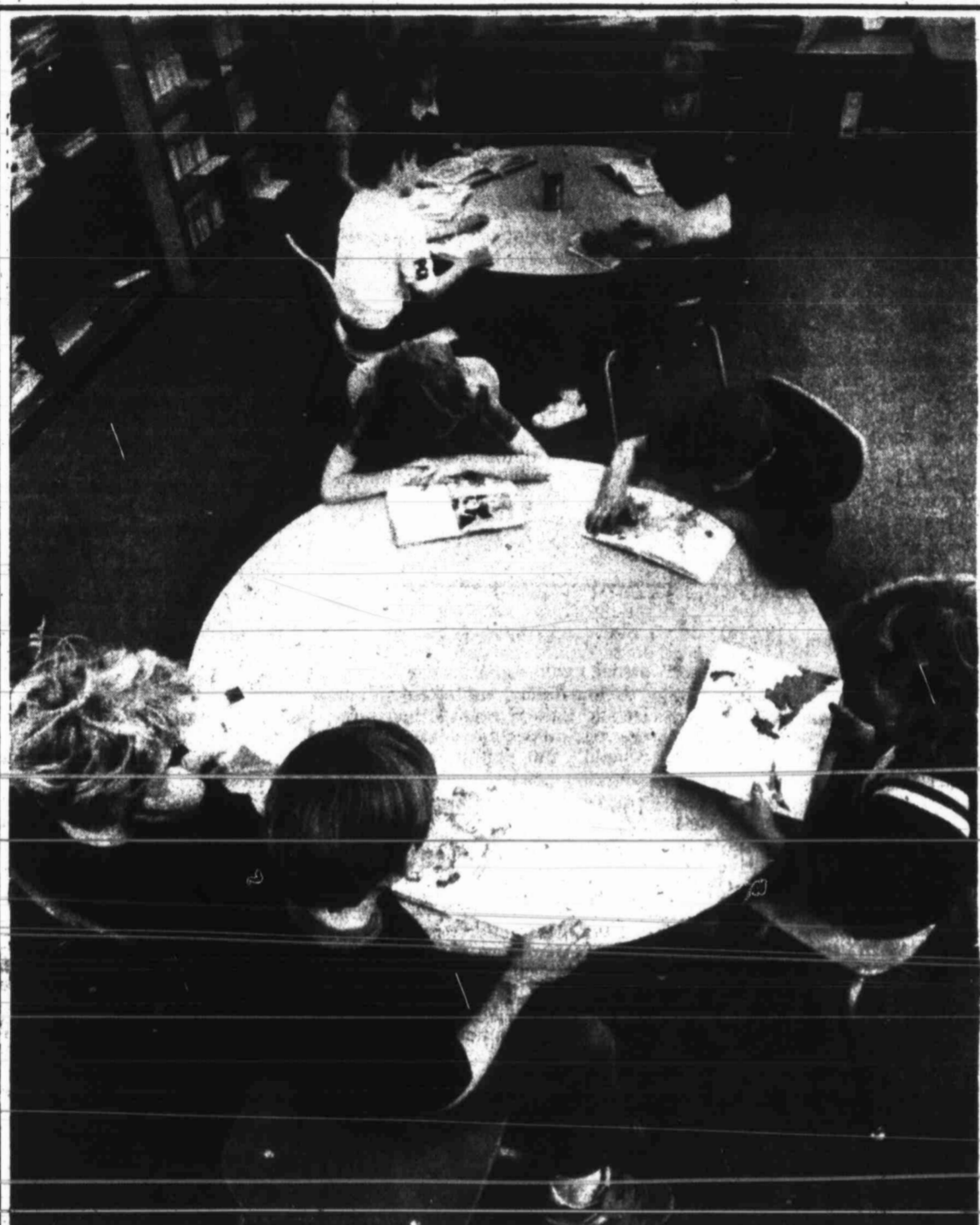
Outside

Cool

Today will be cloudy and cooler with highs in the mid 50s. Southerly winds will be blowing 10 to 20 miles per hour.

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CHILDREN IN Bo Fryar's class read for the Statue of Liberty. The children have raised more than \$260 for the fund designed for restoration of the historic statue.

Giving the lady a hand

Elbow students raise money for Liberty fund

By CAROL BALDWIN
Staff Writer

ELBOW — Children in Bo Fryar's second grade class here have only seen pictures of the Statue of Liberty, but they all pitched in recently to help restore the American landmark.

Mrs. Fryar said the students raised \$263 by reading hundreds of books and collecting pledges from families and friends. The read-a-thon began before Christmas, and Mrs. Fryar was still collecting money Friday.

Mrs. Fryar read an article in "Our World," a publication by National Geographic, which discussed children in other schools raising money for the Statue of Liberty.

"We do reading Olympics anyway," Mrs. Fryar said. "We already had a management system."

Based on that, the kids turned their efforts toward helping raise funds for the Statue of Liberty — Ellis Island Centennial Commission. The commission will use the funds to make numerous repairs on the deteriorating statue, located on Ellis Island in New York City's harbor.

"I visited the statue three years ago," Mrs. Fryar said. "I could not believe all the cracks and plaster falling off. It was sad to see."

The statue is closed to the public now. Mrs. Fryar viewed the opportunity to raise money for the statue as "our chance to have a part in the restoration."

Mrs. Fryar said, "These kids may never have the chance to see the Statue of Liberty, but now they understand its significance."

Bryan Alexander, 7, son of Jim and Susan Alexander, said his mother found an article on the statue's restoration and encouraged her son to participate in the drive.

Bryan admitted, "I don't know too much" (about the statue.)

Classmate Misty Carter, 7, daughter of Kenneth and Donna Franklin, raised \$54 for the statue drive by reading 62 books. But Misty, too, has never seen the statue.

Bryan said the statue is located "on a little thing Liberty page 2-A

Healthy economy may require aid from outsiders

MIDLAND (AP) — West Texans will have to ask for help from people who have probably never seen an oil rig if the region is to maintain a healthy economy, according to an energy industry spokesman.

Ed Thompson, executive vice president of the Permian Basin Petroleum, said outside help was needed to defeat a proposal that would eliminate oil tax subsidies and modify the oil depletion allowance.

"This is going to affect more than this little oil patch," said Thompson during a Thursday news conference.

He echoed the views of U.S. Rep. Tom Loeffler, R-Hunt, who was critical of a U.S. Treasury Department tax plan, saying it would destroy incentives for exploration and another "wildcatters and independents."

Loeffler's 21st Congressional District includes Crane, Pecos, Midland, Presidio, Terrell, Upton and Brewster counties.

Thompson, whose organization played host for Loeffler during

their two-day trip to the area, agreed.

"The large independents and companies are not affected by this bill," Thompson said. "All they do is drill up the fields already discovered."

The new tax modification plan would limit the number of years a producer could take the depletion allowance, even though the well might continue to produce, Thompson said.

Under the current percentage oil depletion allowance, a producer can reduce taxes by a set amount until an oil well's reserves are gone.

Any new moves to quash drilling incentives would be "setting the stage for America to confront the same catastrophic scene in the 1990s" as was experienced in the 1970s, Loeffler said.

In the early 1970s, Arab oil producing nations curtailed exports to the United States, causing long gas lines and shortages, Loeffler said.

Those same nations now are Oil aid page 2-A

'Quiet loner' held by Fort Worth police

String of slayings puzzles authorities

FORT WORTH (AP) — A freelance photographer described by neighbors as a quiet loner was questioned Friday about a string of disappearances, rapes and murders of young women in Fort Worth, authorities said.

The 44-year-old Harvard graduate — who was arrested Thursday night in the lobby of a dinner theater after being pulled from the auditorium with the use of a phone call — was charged with aggravated sexual assault in the 1984 rape of a Fort Worth woman.

But authorities said Remsen Wolf was also being questioned in as many as seven rapes where the victim was photographed by her attacker, and in the murders of at least two young women.

The two slayings are part of a string of disappearances and murders that have haunted Fort Worth since September. A 40-member special police task force was formed to investigate the crime spree, and retail stores reported booming sales of mace and handguns.

Five women have disappeared from the same section of the city, and four have been found murdered. The task force also has broadened its probe to include five other unsolved slayings, and in-

link the slayings as the work of a single killer.

On Friday, task force detectives closeted themselves at the police station, refusing to take phone calls. Other officers searched an area in far southeast Fort Worth Friday afternoon, police said.

Police would only say the search was for evidence in the string of slayings. They would neither confirm or deny if they are looking for the fifth body.

Wolf, described by his theater date as a "nice" man, moved here from Massachusetts two years ago, police said. A Harvard University spokeswoman said he entered the ivy-league school in 1958 and received a bachelor of arts degree in 1964.

"I never said two words to him," said Ken Luckey, a resident at the same apartment complex. "He's a real loner."

Wolf was arrested about 6:45 p.m. Thursday at the theater. Police took him back to his apartment, and spent more than four hours searching the residence late Thursday and early Friday morning.

In a rare "house call," Municipal Judge Daniel Hollifield went to the

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Encounters of the weird kind

By SCOTT FITZGERALD
Staff Writer

SAND SPRINGS — Holy Capt. Kirk!

People here are still buzzing about their close encounter of the weird kind.

According to an 8:20 p.m. entry in the Howard County sheriff's log for Dec. 16, the sheriff's office received reports from residents in Sand Springs about a large light in the sky.

Deputy Jimmy Wallace answered the UFO alert, but said at his initial vanatage point west of Sand Springs, he couldn't see any lights in the sky.

When he arrived in Sand Springs to investigate, he talked with the people who had made the initial call.

"They were real nice to me and told me they had seen some bright lights about dusk, 6:30 p.m. or so. They had noticed the lights moving

east to west," Wallace said.

The report was dispatched to Department of Public Safety Trooper Mike Dawson, who in turn contacted the Midland Regional Air Terminal.

Wallace was soon joined in Sand Springs by sheriff's Deputy Barney Edens.

And then it appeared. Edens said the lofty luminate appeared as a "very bright light" about 5,000 to 6,000 feet in altitude heading due west.

The deputies contacted Martin County Sheriff Dan Saunders in Stanton, and asked him if he saw anything unusual in the sky.

"I never did see anything," Saunders said. The sheriff said the lights or whatever it was had "evidently dissipated."

"We get lots of calls about lights in the sky," Saunders said. Midland Regional Air Terminal reported that nothing appeared on

the flight pattern screen.

Neither Wallace nor Edens filed a report of the sighting. Edens said from evidence gathered about the sighting, the strange light had evidently been a weather balloon.

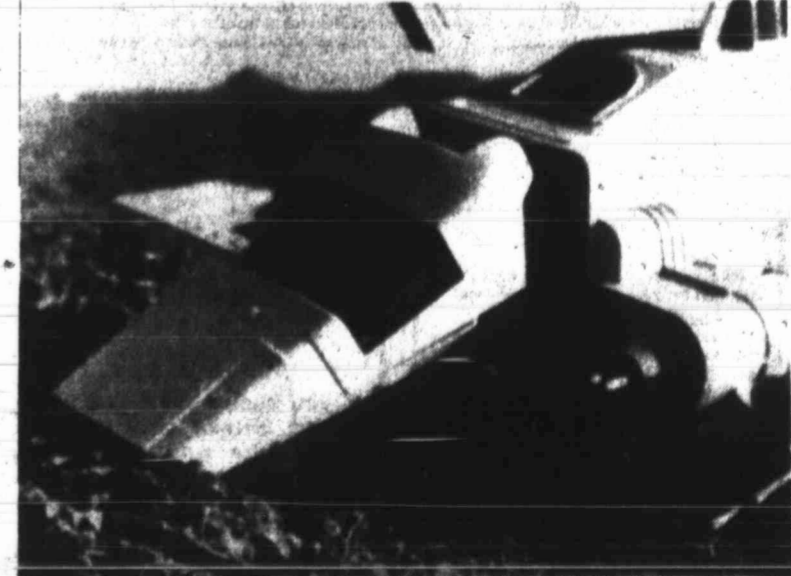
Edens said due to the object's position in the sky and its angle to the setting sun, the reflection "was three times as bright as colors in the sky." People looking west from Sand Springs would see the reflection, but others beneath the location or looking east would not see it, Edens said.

Weather specialist Ron Brown of Midland said the National Weather Service in Midland is responsible for weather balloons in this area.

Brown said he had no record of balloon releases on Dec. 16, but added that the agency usually releases about two a day. They do not appear on flight pattern screens, Brown said.

So what was it?

Star gear



ALTHOUGH THE SHIP in the photograph is only a toy, residents in the Sand Springs area are watching the skies a little more closely these days after having seen strange lights in the horizon.

The deal of a lifetime

Free Hawaiian vacation interests homebuyers

CHICAGO (AP) — Stanleigh Fox is going to great lengths to sell his suburban home — about 4,200 miles. He's offering an eight-day paid vacation in Hawaii to anyone who buys his \$143,000, three-bedroom house on a 1 1/2-acre lot.

The 38-year-old businessman says he will even consider adding meals to the deal, which covers air fare and lodging.

Visions of warm beaches and Hawaiian luau have kept his telephone answering machine busy, Fox said Friday.

"The recorder was full last night; there were over 30 messages on the recording when I got home last night," he said.

"I have five appointments this weekend. People are also just calling to find out what was going on."

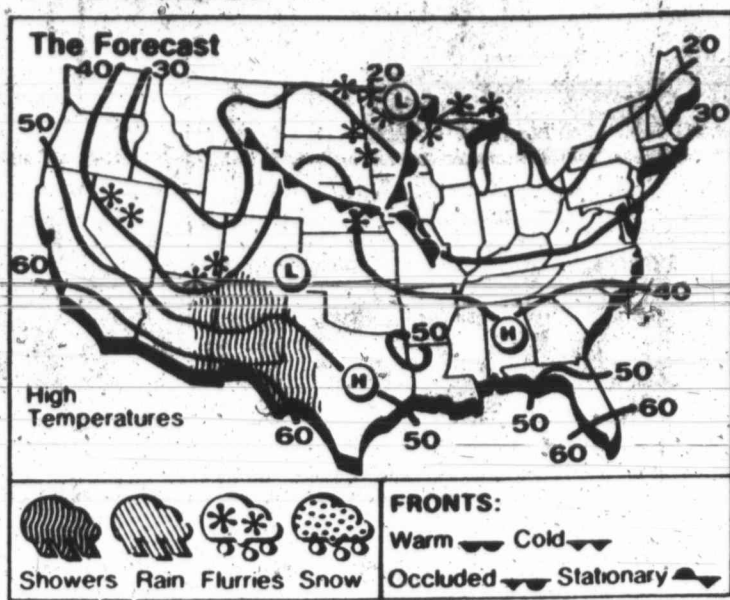
Before he offered the vacation, Fox had advertised his house in suburban Winfield for four days in a local newspaper and gotten just four inquiries. He said it was especially difficult to sell a house in mid-winter in the Chicago area.

Then he and his roommate, Daryl Paddock, came up with the Hawaiian travel gimmick during a moment of wine-fueled inspiration, he said.



HOUSE FOR SALE — Stanleigh Fox stands in front of his home in Winfield which he is trying to sell for \$143,000. He is offering a free eight day, seven night vacation for two to the buyer of the home.

Weather



Local

Today's highs will reach only the mid 50s. Tonight's lows will fall into the mid 30s.

State

Visibilities were less than three miles along some areas of the Texas gulf coast shrouded by dense fog today, while a high-pressure cell kept skies mostly fair elsewhere in the state.

The National Weather Service said visibilities were expected to drop to less than a mile over parts of the upper coastal plains, and could hamper travel.

Winds were light and variable across North and South Texas, and west to northwest at 5 to 15 mph elsewhere. Low temperatures ranged from the 30s in North and West Texas to the 40s in southern sections.

Extremes were 35 degrees in Amarillo and 49 degrees at the Naval Air Station in Corpus Christi.

At 5 a.m., it was 41 degrees at Waco, El Paso and Midland; 40 at Dallas-Fort Worth Regional Airport and San Angelo; 37 at Wichita Falls; 38 at Stephenville; 33 at Lubbock; 45 at Austin; and 48 in Brownsville.

The weather service said San Antonio had 43 degrees, while it was 33 at Lubbock.

Colder temperatures and higher winds were expected over the northern part of North Texas by tonight. The weather service said it should be colder statewide through Saturday with partly cloudy skies.

Highs should be in the 50s and 60s, except warmer readings in the 70s over the Big Bend valleys.

Nation

A storm packing snow and high winds pushed into the Midwest from Canada, creating near-blizzard conditions Friday and prompting forecasts of freezing temperatures this weekend in Florida.

Heavy snow and winds gusting to near 60 mph caused blizzard conditions in the upper Midwest, prompting warnings in eastern North Dakota, the northeast quarter of South Dakota, parts of Minnesota and northeast Iowa.

Forecast

West Texas: Partly cloudy today with increasing cloudiness tonight becoming mostly cloudy Saturday. A little cooler Panhandle tonight and most sections Saturday. Widely scattered showers far west Saturday spreading eastward to Concho Valley by late Saturday. mid 60s Concho Valley and mid 70s Big Bend valleys. Lows tonight mid 20s Panhandle, to mid 30s Concho Valley and lower 40s Big Bend. Highs Saturday upper 40s Panhandle to upper 50s Concho valley and upper 60s Big Bend valleys.

Public Records

118TH DISTRICT COURT FILINGS
 Alex Szabo vs. Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center; personal injury.
 Virginia Rose LaRue Ford and Roy Lee Ford; annulment.
 Rita M. Franco and Ramon C. Franco, Jr.; divorce.
 Mary Hopper, Mary Jo Barnett and Wanda Brown vs. Eugene Doak Penn and Shell Pipe Line Corporation; personal injury auto.
 Inman Pipe & Equipment Inc. vs. Jerry Smith d/b/a Smith Production Company; suit on sworn account.
 In the interest of a child; parent child relationship.
 Cathy Ann Bullock and Edward Steven Bullock; divorce.
 Marilyn Maddox and Jim Maddox; divorce.
 Marilyn Kay Morgan vs. Alex Hernandez; reciprocal child support.
 Janice L. Zapata vs. Rodrigo A. Zapata; reciprocal child support.
 Joy Manufacturing Company vs. Oilfield Industrial Lines, Inc.; suit on account.
 Tamara Barber and Junior Barber; divorce.
 Charles Burdette and Carol Ann Burdette; divorce.
 Lisa Ann Cano and John Reynolds Cano; divorce.
 Norma Augustina Galan and Pedro Renteria Galan; divorce.
 Val Jean Bracy and George Ray Bracy; divorce.
 Lavanal Sue Roy and Bobby Joe Roy; divorce.
 Hall-Bennett Memorial Hospital vs. Dick Nichols and Jeanette Nichols; suit on account.
 Hall-Bennett Memorial Hospital vs. Ocatvio Loya and Judy Loya; suit on account.
 Hall-Bennett Memorial Hospital vs. Raymond Valdez and Naomi Valdez; suit on account.
 Patricia Joe Marcon and Richard Lee Marcon Jr.; divorce.
 John M. Sautter and Theresa M. Sautter; divorce.
 Ex Parte: Application of Dax McCracken for removal of his disabilities as a minor; removal of disabilities.
 In the interest of a child; term of adoption.

118TH DISTRICT COURT RULINGS
 Michael Fernandez, Jr. and Carolina Trevino Fernandez and in the interest of a child; decree of divorce.
 Barry Allen McDonald and Julia Ann McDonald; decree of divorce.
 George Creely Jr. and Lavern M. Creely; decree of divorce.
 Kathy Rae Clinkscakes and David Edward Clinkscakes; decree of divorce.
 Janie Trevino and Gerardo Trevino and in the interest of minor children; temporary orders.
 Susan Reese Kinman and Alan Lee Kinman; temporary orders.
 Ex Parte Evelyn E. Stephens; order for release.
 In the interest of children; motion to dismiss.
 Carila Jean McCullough and Rawleigh Ray McCullough; decree of divorce.
 Clifton Calvert and Lou Ann Calvert and in the interest of a minor child; decree of divorce.
 Boyce Lee Horton and Teresa Ann Horton and in the interest of their minor children; decree of divorce.
 Virginia Rose LaRue Ford and Roy Lee Ford; decree of annulment.
 Anna Maria Uranga and Ricardo Artemio Uranga; final decree of divorce.
 Lois DeLooney and Lawrence DeLooney; decree of annulment.
 Ford Motor Credit Company vs. Billy Jackson; order for motion for dismissal without prejudice.
 Jan Iden vs. D.L. Dorland; order of dismissal.
 In the interest of a child; order for protection of child in emergency and notice of hearing.
 John Roger Turner and Susan Elizabeth Turner; order of dismissal.
 Geraldyn Marie Byers vs. Michael Wayne Colclazer; order of dismissal with prejudice.
 In the interest of a child; decree terminating parental rights and granting adoption.
 Jerry Scott Hughes and Jonetta Pastoria Hughes; decree of divorce.
 Pamela Birmelin and Kenneth Birmelin and in the interest of minor children; decree of divorce.
 Juanita Rodriguez Stokes and Bobby John Stokes and in the interest of a child; order granting new trial.
 Ex Parte: Walter Monroe Boyett; order of dismissal.
 David R. Schuelke and Dim Lynette Cadzow vs. Jasper L. McIlvain; order of dismissal.
 Ex Parte: Application of Dax McCracken for removal of his disabilities as a minor; order of court removing disabilities of a minor.
 Ibtiso, Inc. vs. Gordon's Business Machines Inc.; judgment.

HOWARD COUNTY COURT FILINGS
 Linda Heredia Olivarez, 25, 1508 Aylford; charge of driving while intoxicated (DWI).
 Tim Williams, 1405 Wood; charge of assault.
 Charles Gudel, 34, 308 Aylford; charge of DWI.
 Robert R. Gonzales, 19, 907 S. Rummels; charge of driving while license suspended (DWLS).
 Pamela A. Klauz, 25, 1317 Harding; charge of DWLS and failure to maintain financial responsibility.
 Trinidad Diaz, 28, 1306 Elm; charge of DWLS.
 Douglas Wayne Paul, 20, Route One; charge of DWLS.
 Joe Smith, 21, 1204 Benton; charge of DWLS.
 Thomas George Neidner, 25, Route Three; charge of DWI.
 Hazel Hale Aaron, 45, 1312 Park; charge of DWI.
 Heriberto Basas, 29, Trinity Lodge; charge of DWI.
 John Louis Redding, 55, 2211 Rummels; charge of DWI.
 Delino Zarraga, 40, 1614 Cardinal; charge of DWI.
 Clayton Eugene McCartney, 40, of Colorado City; charge of DWI.
 Pablo Garcia, 23, of Lamona; charge of DWLS.
 Aurora Dejesus Varela, 24, 1002 N. Main; charge of theft over \$20 and under \$200.
 Manuela Zamora, 17, 1403 Johnson; charge of theft over \$20 and under \$200.
 Mike Moreno Ortega, 26, 603 Bell St.; charge of unlawfully carrying a weapon.
 Rodney Dean Harris, 19, 2200 Cindy; charge of DWLS.
 Hollis Wradine Hardy, 29, 602 Elgin; charge of DWLS.
 William Thomas Sanders, 30, 4107 W. Hwy. 80; charge of DWLS and failure to maintain financial responsibility.
 David Joe Villareal, 21, 703 Douglas; charges of DWLS and failure to maintain financial responsibility.
 Robert John Flior, 26, of Gall Route; charge of DWLS.
 Shane Alan Kreeger, 19, 120 Trailer Park; charge of DWLS.
 Betty Britt Smith, 52, of Gall Route; charge of DWI.
 George Earl Turner, 43, of Coahoma; charge of DWI.
 Andrew B. Marquez, 25, 610 NW Eighth; charge of DWI.
 James Wallace McDonald, 52, of Ackery; charge of DWI.
 Erald Barrera Padilla, 58, 1504 Bluebird; charge of DWI.
 George R. Adams, 73, of Odessa; charge of theft over \$20 and under \$200.
 Johnny Lee Puga Jr., 21, 911 W. Fifth; charge of DWI.
 James Henry Bartlett, 44, of San Angelo; charge of DWLS.
 Robert R. Gonzales, 19, 907 S. Rummels; charge of DWLS.
 Russell Dean Felts, 28, 1601 E. Fifth; charge of criminal mischief.

HOWARD COUNTY COURT RULINGS
 Luciano Ruben Rodriguez, 36, Route One; pleaded guilty to a charge of driving while license suspended (DWLS). Fined \$200 and 90 court costs.
 Jacinto Ramirez Tarin, 27, of Hereford; charges of failure to maintain financial responsibility and DWLS dismissed by County Judge.
 Rodney Dean Harris, 19, 2200 Cindy; charge of assault dismissed on motion of County Attorney.
 Allen Ray Young, 25, 1215 E. 18th; pleaded guilty to charge of possession of marijuana over two ounces and under four ounces. Fined \$200 and 90 court costs.
 Antonio Gomez Mata, 26, 603 N. Goliad; pleaded guilty to charge of assault. Fined \$100 and 86 court costs.
 Tony Mata, 26, 603 N. Goliad; pleaded guilty to charge of telephone harassment. Fined \$100 and 86 court costs.
 Starla R. Kaczyk, 21, of Gall Route; charge of DWLS dismissed by order of County Judge.
 Juan Burrola Marquez a/k/a David B. Marquez, 22, Texas Department of Corrections; charge of driving while intoxicated (DWI) dismissed on motion of county attorney. Defendant sent to TDC for 75 years on murder conviction.
 Herman Rosemond, 44, 704 Cherry; charge of assault dismissed on request of complaining party.
 Rufino Prensas Martinez, 74, 908 N. Rummels; pleaded guilty to charge of DWI. Fined \$250, \$106 court costs, 72 hours in jail and license suspended for 180 days.
 Ricky Franklin Dyer, 33, 602 W. 16th; pleaded guilty to second offense of DWI. Fined \$500, \$106 court costs, jail confinement for three days and placed on probation for 24 months.
 Thomas Kirkpatrick, 35, 2201 Carl; pleaded guilty to charge of DWI. Fined \$200, \$106 court costs and 72 jail hours.

HOWARD COUNTY MARRIAGE LICENSES
 Kenneth John Guzman, 17, 314 NE Ninth and Miss Jan Marie Marquez, 18, 806 NW Fourth.
 David Warren, 21, 1114 Mulberry and Miss Melissa Noeth, 24, of Clyde, Texas.
 Oscar Hayes Gooden, 28, of 2626 Babcock No. 1915 in San Antonio, and Miss Susan Ann Harrington, 31, of same.
 Jerry David Hall, 23, of Ackery and Miss Janet Suzanne Rist, 22, of Dallas.
 Terry Lynn James, 26, Garden City Route Box 159C and Ms. Denise Ayers, 24, same.

Oil aid

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dumping their petroleum products on America's shores, artificially driving down oil prices, Loeffler said.

"We have to accentuate that we are working with a national security issue," Loeffler said. "But we

Liberty

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like an island in a big thing of water."

Misty and Bryan both agreed they would like to journey to New York to view the statue.

Chris Lewis, 8, son of Bill and Janet Lewis, and Summer Rawls, 7, daughter of Owen and Brenda Rawls, did a lot of reading to do their part for the statue drive.

Chris read 104 books and Summer read 138.

Chris said he really doesn't like to read but "I like spelling." He said he read the books just to help out the campaign.

Summer said, "The statue just needed the help." Chris added, "It needs more building" to make it

can't do it alone, we have to work on both sides of the political aisle."

Loeffler, the third-ranking Republican in the House, said he will meet with top members of the Reagan Administration in an attempt to sway them against the tax plan.

strong again.

Robbi Calley, son of Kevin and Debbie Calley, read 20 books for the read-a-thon. He wants to "help rebuild" the statue through his efforts.

Robbi described the statue by saying, "It's great big and neat to look at. I saw the little one of it" on the Municipal Auditorium lawn in Big Spring.

A total of 10 children participated in the drive from the classroom. Mrs. Fryar said.

Other participants included LeRoy Ray, Melissa Merrell, Crystal Oaks, Gregg Roman and Stephony Bedwell.

Suspect

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apartment and arraigned Wolff at about 8:30 p.m. Wolff was held on \$500,000 bond in Fort Worth city jail.

"He (Wolff) is a suspect in one rape and he has been mentioned in connection with at least one of the disappearances," police spokesman Doug Clarke said.

But police officials have told KDFW-TV (Channel 4) and other media that Wolff is being questioned in as many as seven rapes and three disappearances.

Wolff lives at the same apartment complex where Ginger Hayden, 19, was slain Sept. 5 by an attacker who stabbed her 48 times.

Wolff owns a blue pickup, KDFW reported. When another woman, Angela Ewert, 21, disappeared Dec. 11, a witness told police he saw a blue pickup near where Miss Ewert's abandoned car was found in south Fort Worth.

She is still missing. KDFW also said Wolff is being questioned about the death of Sarah Kashka, 15, of Denton, who vanished Dec. 29. She died of stab wounds, officials said after her body was found Jan. 1 in Dallas County.

The aggravated sexual assault charge against Wolff stems from the rape victim's identification of Wolff from a photo lineup, and other substantiating evidence, Clarke said.

The seven rapes, which occurred between May and December, involved an attacker who would follow a woman from a shopping mall or supermarket, get into her residence while she was unloading packages from her car, rape the woman and then take Polaroid photographs, police have said.

Police were looking for photographs and other evidence at the apartment Thursday night, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported. Detectives carried several boxes from Wolff's residence, witnesses said.

Investigators had not publicly linked the string of rapes with the disappearances and murders before Thursday. Police said the connection only surfaced this week. Several tips — including information from a KDFW reporter — led to the issue of the arrest warrant, police said.

KDFW aired exclusive film of

Wolff's arrest and of his apartment in its 10 p.m. Thursday newscast. Fort Worth Police Chief H.F. Hopkins said the exclusive was promised because of the KDFW tip.

He declined to reveal the nature of the tip.

"I told my men to keep a lid on it," Hopkins said.

Miss Hayden is not one of the five women missing or murdered since December — the primary focus of the task force — but is included in the larger group of 10 missing or murdered women.

Police have been looking for similarities and clues in all unsolved cases.

Earlier Thursday, skeletal remains found in a field were identified as those of Catherine Davis, 23. The woman was reported missing Sept. 30 after her tiny garage apartment was destroyed in a fire.

The scattered bones were found Wednesday afternoon by a construction crew.

Miss Ewert, who disappeared Dec. 10 on her way home from her fiancé's house. She was last seen buying gasoline at a convenience store.

Lisa Griffin, 20, was last seen at her west Fort Worth home and was found shot to death Jan. 9 west of the city limits.

The body of Cindy Heller, 23, was discovered in a pond on the grounds of Texas Christian University Jan. 5. She had been strangled.

Miss Kashka was seen last Dec. 30 at an apartment complex, where she had gone to visit a friend.

All of the women were described as attractive, friendly and outgoing.

On Thursday, a Tarrant County grand jury began its own investigation into the crimes by questioning Nathan Gaspard, Miss Heller's boyfriend and an acquaintance of Miss Griffin, the Dallas Times Herald reported.

Assistant District Attorney Larry Moore said Thursday that the grand jury will hear more testimony from others.

Police deny that Gaspard, a landscape architect, is a suspect.

Tarrant County sheriff's officials earlier arrested a man and charged him with one of the slayings, but later released him and dropped the charge when a fingerprint match turned out to be a mismatch.

Police Beat

Businesses report losses

Two Big Spring businesses reported suffering losses because of a person who forged two checks Nov. 30, according to police records.

Betty Pearson of Lou's Bar at 1318 Sycamore told police someone passed a forged check for \$165 at her business, and Frank Brooks of Safeway at 1300 Gregg told police the same person forged a check at

his business the same day. The amount of the Safeway check is not known.

Walter White of 812 San Antonio told police someone stole a single-action 12-gauge shotgun with a wooden stock from his house between 1 p.m. Thursday and 7 a.m. Friday. The gun is valued at \$50.

Sheriff's Log

Police transport one to jail

Big Spring police transported Longino Flores, 18, 801 N. Scurry to county jail Friday morning after he had been arrested on suspicion of aggravated assault and resisting

arrest. Flores was released on bonds totaling \$6,500 set by Judge Melvin Daratt.

Reward offered in connection with fire at local residence

A "substantial" reward is being offered by the Plains Insurance Co. of Cimarron, Kan., in the investigation of the Jan. 18 arson of the Manuel Arsiaga residence at 813 W. Sixth, Texas Ranger Charles Brune said Friday.

The reward is being offered for information that leads to the arrest and indictment of suspects in the arson, and is in addition to the \$1,000 reward being offered by Crimestoppers, Brune said.

Brune has joined the investigation by the Big Spring Fire Department, which has ruled the 2 a.m. fire was arson. Brune is being assisted by John Dailey of Austin, a special investigator with Plains Insurance.

According to Brune, the fire was set by a flammable liquid, which may have been gasoline, that was poured throughout the house. Evidence from the fire is being tested at forensic labs to determine the liquid used, he said.

Fire damage to the residence is estimated by Dailey to be at least \$10,000. Fire Department Arson In-

vestigator Burr Lea Settles set damage estimates at \$20,000.

Brune said he has not been able to determine a motive for the fire.

Persons with information about the arson should call Crimestoppers at 263-1151, the Big Spring Fire Department or Police Department at 263-8311 or the Texas Ranger's office at 263-4542.

Callers to Crimestoppers will remain anonymous.

Nalley-Pickle & Welch
 Funeral Home
 and Rosewood Chapel

Lela B. Colvin, 81, died Tuesday. Services are pending at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

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Nation

Spy satellite launched

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — Discovery's astronauts on Friday launched a \$300 million spy satellite designed to eavesdrop on Soviet military and diplomatic communications, sources said.

There was no official confirmation from the Air Force or the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, in keeping with the military secrecy surrounding the entire mission.

The sources, who spoke only on condition they not be identified, said the 2 1/2-ton satellite was released from the shuttle's cargo bay about 7 a.m. EST on the first full day in space for the five-man crew.

Gunman goes free

NEW YORK — A grand jury refused to indict Bernhard Goetz for attempted murder in the shootings of four young men on a subway, and instead indicted him only on three counts of criminal possession of a weapon, Manhattan District Attorney Robert Morgenthau announced today.

Morgenthau said no true bill was voted on other charges submitted to the grand jury, including four counts of second-degree attempted murder, four counts of first-degree assault and first-degree reckless endangerment.

Goetz, 37, was indicted on one count of third-degree criminal possession of a weapon — illegally having a loaded pistol on Dec. 22, 1984, when he allegedly shot four teen-agers.

He also was indicted on two counts of fourth-degree criminal possession of a weapon. He allegedly had two other pistols inside his Manhattan apartment on Dec. 30, when police searched it.

Pipeline repaired

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — Oil again is running through the trans-Alaska oil pipeline after a 65-hour shutdown to allow workers to seal off and sever a section of sagging pipe.

Kay Herring, spokeswoman for the Alyeska Pipeline Service Co., said Pump Station 1 at Prudhoe Bay was turned back on at 4 p.m. Thursday. Additional pump stations were activated as oil moved through the 800-mile line.

The line, which has a normal daily flow of 1.7 million barrels, was shut down Monday night for repairs near the point where the 48-inch pipe crosses under the Dietrich River about 200 miles south of Prudhoe Bay.

Woman finds cocaine

MANALAPAN, Fla. — An elderly woman strolling along a nearly deserted beach found 15 purple bags containing more than half a ton of pure cocaine, police said.

Shirley Vallan, town manager of this small, affluent community south of Palm Beach, said the woman, who asked not to be identified, found the bags on the beach Thursday and called police.

Palm Beach County Sheriff's Lt. Thomas Thompson said the cocaine, nearly 1,100 pounds with an estimated street value of about \$200 million, was loaded there and stacked there purposely for someone to pick up.



Cuban President Fidel Castro greets American bishops (from left) Bernard Law of Boston, James Malone of Youngstown, Ohio; and David Gallivan.

Bishops take king

Castro pledges probe of religious discrimination

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. Roman Catholic bishops, winding up a week-long trip to Cuba, have won a pledge from President Fidel Castro to look into reports of religious discrimination in his country, the leader of the bishops' delegation said Friday.

Castro, who attended Catholic schools as a youth, said his government has no policy of discriminating against Catholics and expressed a desire to meet Pope John Paul II, said Bishop James Malone, who is president of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops.

The Cuban leader said he had invited the pope to come to Havana during the pontiff's trip to Central America two years ago, Malone said, though no such meeting came about at that time.

The bishops met with Castro for five hours on Thursday near the end of what they described as a "church-to-church" visit with church leaders and members as well as non-Catholics in the communist nation.

It was the first such visit by U.S. Catholic leaders since Castro gained power in 1959.

Malone, meeting reporters at a Havana news conference, concentrated on religious matters rather than broader questions of the often-stormy relations between Castro's Cuba and the U.S. government, according to Associated Press photographer Charles Tasnadi, who was at the session.

The bishop said his group told Castro they had noted such "positive things" as an improving Cuban literacy rate and health care and "limited but real improvements in communication between the church and the government."

But he also said the group raised "pastoral concerns" requiring intensive discussion between government and

church leaders in Cuba, and he said Castro seemed open to such talks.

First on the list was "discrimination against believing Catholics," Malone said.

He said the bishops had heard several reports during the trip of "difficulties encountered by those who practice their religion in Cuba," backing up other such reports they had heard before visiting.

He gave few further details aside from saying that children were reported to have suffered "difficulties" when they attended religious instruction classes.

In general, Malone said, "while we seek no special privileges," the bishops do ask that there be no religious discrimination in "jobs, education and other areas of society."

Castro replied that there might be "historical reasons" why some Cubans would discriminate against Catholics, Malone said, but the bishop did not elaborate. He said Castro "pledged to review this in detail with the Cuban bishops."

After 26 years of communist rule, the U.S. bishops estimate that 4 million of Cuba's 10 million people are still Catholics.

On other subjects, Malone said the bishops asked Castro's help in obtaining the release of some Cuban jail inmates, especially those with relatives in the United States.

Besides Malone, who is bishop of Youngstown, Ohio, the visiting delegation included Archbishop Bernard F. Law of Boston, Archbishop Patrick Flores of San Antonio, Texas, and several officials of the bishops' national organization.

World

Illness versions vary

MOSCOW — Soviet officials acknowledge President Konstantin U. Chernenko has been ill during the past four weeks, but their versions of his ailment vary widely, a senior Western diplomat said Friday.

"High people have said he is ill," said the diplomat, who spoke on condition that he not be identified by name or nationality. "They have said it as though they meant it, and as though it's serious. It's pretty obvious that his health has been declining."

However, the diplomat said, he had "absolutely no independent information" on the state of the 73-year-old Chernenko's health. Different Soviet officials have said that Chernenko suffers from "everything from emphysema to a stroke," the diplomat added.

'Political mistake' cited

VIENNA, Austria — Chancellor Fred Sinowatz on Friday publicly censured his defense minister for meeting and escorting a returning Nazi war criminal freed from an Italian prison.

Sinowatz called the meeting with Walter Reder, a former Nazi SS officer convicted of leading the massacre of 1,830 Italians, a "serious political mistake." He said he was dissociating himself from the actions of the minister, Friedrich Frischenschlager.

Frischenschlager said the reason he went to Graz military airport on Thursday to meet the returning Reder, was to ensure the secrecy of Reder's return, according to an interview in the newspaper Kurier.

Pope calls conference

ROME — Pope John Paul II on Friday announced a special worldwide bishops' conference to review the Second Vatican Council and prepare the church for the next thousand years.

The council known as Vatican II, which ended 20 years ago, was a major move in modernizing the Roman Catholic Church.

In a move aimed at Christian unity, John Paul said that "patriarchs and some archbishops of Eastern Churches" will participate in the "extraordinary general synod."

The conservative, Polish-born pontiff, in making the surprise announcement, did not specify any Vatican II reforms that may be under scrutiny during the conference that will be held from Nov. 25 to Dec. 8.

Sharon gets 2nd chance

TEL AVIV, Israel — Former Defense Minister Ariel Sharon lost his \$50-million libel suit against Time Inc. in New York but will get another chance to press his case against the magazine in an Israeli court, his lawyer said Friday.

Dov Weisglass, told The Associated Press a suit was pending in Tel Aviv District court against the magazine's European subsidiary which distributes Time in Israel.

Sharon lost his battle for \$50 million in damages when the jury found that Time did not act with malice in describing his role in the 1962 massacre of Palestinians in two Beirut refugee camps.

Radio Marti still silent 14 months after being authorized

WASHINGTON (AP) — Radio Marti, the Reagan administration's bid to broadcast the "truth" to the Cuban people, is still silent 14 months after being authorized, causing widespread uneasiness among its supporters.

Officials at the station have decided not to go on the air until it is ready to fulfill its target of 14 1/2 broadcast hours daily. Some have

urged that the station begin operations immediately with a less ambitious schedule.

"We are ready to go on the air 6 to 7 hours a day," said one disgruntled official at Voice of America, the agency responsible for station.

The official purpose of Radio Marti is to give the people of Cuba an alternate source of information.

Since the revolution, all media in Cuba have been under strict government control, and the editorial line is decidedly anti-American.

Last Nov. 28, President Reagan told Sen. Paula Hawkins, R-Fla., that he knew of no reason why the station could not go on the air on Jan. 28, the anniversary of Marti's birth, according to an aide to the

senator. But officials at the station said no target date has been set.

In a statement Thursday, Mrs. Hawkins said, "Radio Marti could broadcast several hours of material a day starting Jan. 28. This would be an effective way to celebrate the birth of Cuba's greatest freedom fighter."

"Quality broadcast material is on the shelf; the Cuban people are

ready, and I feel Radio Marti is also."

Marti was a 19th Century Cuban patriot who fought Spanish rule.

Also expressing concern to Reagan over the delay have been Rep. Dante Fascell, D-Fla., Sen. Lawton Chiles, D-Fla., Sen. Steve Symms, R-Idaho, and Rep. Jack Kemp, R-N.Y.

Six weeks ago, Fascell, a Miami

Democrat who is chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, wrote a letter to Reagan expressing "deep disappointment" over the delay.

Charles Z. Wick, director of the U.S. Information Agency, which oversees VOA, sent a letter to Fascell on Thursday promising him all is being done to get the station on the air.

Police believe evidence tampered with in Kennedy case

WEST PALM BEACH Fla. (AP) — Authorities suspect that someone removed evidence from David Kennedy's hotel room before Kennedy was found dead of a drug overdose in April, an attorney involved in the case said Friday.

Palm Beach Police Chief Joseph Terlizze said in a sworn statement Thursday that police were

searching for the person who removed cocaine, the pain-killer Demerol and a syringe from the room, according to Michael Salnick, who represents a bellhop charged with selling cocaine to Kennedy.

Terlizze was questioned Thursday during a discovery hearing by Salnick, who represents Peter

Marchant. Another bellhop, David Dorr, faces the same charge.

Kennedy, 28, the son of the late Sen. Robert Kennedy, was killed by a combination of cocaine, a tranquilizer and Demerol, officials said. His body was found April 25 in the Brazilian Court Hotel.

Assistant State Attorney Pablo Perhaps said Friday that he in-

structed Terlizze to refuse to reveal the name of the person suspected of removing or destroying evidence in the case to protect an ongoing investigation and to prevent harm by naming people who might never be formally accused.

Police Sgt. Henry Marchman said tampering of evidence is a

misdemeanor in Florida.

Salnick said Friday that he asked Terlizze whether he believed cocaine found in Kennedy's wallet in a drawer near his body was the cocaine his client is accused of selling to Kennedy. Then he asked whether Terlizze believed that evidence had been tampered with.

Hereditary ailment cured by double transplant

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — A teenager suffering from a hereditary ailment that severely damaged his liver and kidneys has been cured by a double transplant of the organs, his doctors said Friday.

Eric Comer, 18, of Minneapolis, was released Wednesday from University of Minnesota Hospitals, where he underwent surgery Jan.

5. Surgeons replaced the organs with one kidney and a liver from the same donor, who was found after a year-long wait.

Comer was born with a condition that prevented his liver from releasing an adequate supply of Alpha-1-antitrypsin, a substance needed to process protein in the digestive tract.

The condition resulted in deterioration of Comer's lungs, kidneys and liver, and left him with a variety of life-threatening ailments including cirrhosis of the liver and emphysema.

Dr. Harvey Sharp, who treated Comer for 16 years, said the teenager's body has shown no sign of

rejecting the organs.

"The first liver biopsy we did was completely normal. That's unusual — there's usually some sign of rejection," Sharp said.

Sharp said that for the first time there are no restrictions on the amount of protein Comer can consume.

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Lifestyle



BUNDLED UP AND BARE — A dogwalker bundled up against the cold in a London park Wednesday gives a sidelong glance at model Gail Goss in a white bodysuit with accessories during an outdoor fashion show by a British stores group.

Getaway

- BIG SPRING**
 - The Miss Howard County/Miss SWCID Pageant will be at Howard College Auditorium tonight at 7 p.m.
 - Midland Community Theatre will present "Peter Pan", Feb. 8 to March 23, at 7:30 p.m. Thursdays, 8 p.m. Friday and Saturdays, and 2:30 p.m. Sundays. A Saturday matinee will be at 2:30 p.m. Feb. 23 and March 16. The theatre is located at 2000 Wadley in Midland. For tickets information call (915) 682-4111.
 - **ODESSA**
 - The Kaleidoscope Company of The Permian Playhouse will present "Young Ben Franklin's Fight for Freedom" at the Playhouse at 2:30 p.m. Feb. 2, 3, 9, 10. Tickets are \$2 and may be purchased at the door. For information call (915) 362-2329.
 - **CANYON**
 - Auditions for employment of performing in the 1985 production of the "TEXAS" musical drama will be held in Lubbock, Feb. 10, and Canyon, Feb. 17. For information, write "TEXAS", Box 288, Canyon, Texas 79015 or call (806) 655-2181.
 - **ABILENE**
 - Exhibition — "The Golden Age of Painting," a 41-painting exhibit composed of works by 16th and 17th-century Dutch, Flemish and German artists, at Abilene Christian University's Virginia Clover Shore Gallery, Feb. 3-22.
 - **FORT WORTH**
 - A rare Egyptian portrait sculpture "Kneeling Statue of Senenmut, Chief Steward of Queen Hatshepsut" is on view at the Kimball Art Museum at 3333 Camp Bowie Blvd., Fort Worth. The museum is open Tuesday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday 1 to 5 p.m.

Former resident to compete at the Mrs. Georgia Pageant

Ethel Greene of Wakefield, Roswell, Ga. and formerly of Big Spring, is a state finalist in the Mrs. Georgia Pageant, which will be Saturday and Sunday in Atlanta, Ga.

The pageant's winner will represent Georgia in the Ninth Annual Mrs. America Beauty Pageant in Reno, Nev.

The contest will be judged on the basis of beauty, poise and personality. The judges will search for the "Most All Around" married woman to represent the state.

Mrs. Wakefield graduated from Big Spring High School in 1968 and Howard College in 1970. She furthered her education at the University of South Carolina in business administration. Banking and finance has been Mrs. Wakefield's career for the past 11 years. She is employed by ICA Mortgage Corporation in Atlanta.



ETHEL WAKEFIELD
...pageant finalist

Mrs. Wakefield has been the wife of Glen Wakefield for 14½ years and the mother Christopher Glen, 11. She also is the daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Floyd Greene, 1502 Robin.

Focus on the family

By NAOMI HUNT
Howard County Extension Agent



Calcium: Are you getting enough?

At a recent National Institutes of Health conference, it was noted that "the major source of calcium for most Americans is not dairy products, but bone... their own!" If your body doesn't receive enough calcium, it "robs" it from your bone, to make sure your blood has enough.

If this goes on for a lifetime, the result is osteoporosis, a condition that causes bones to break easily. Calcium is a major component of bone and is needed throughout life.

The bones you have at age 20 are not the same bones you have at age 50. Bone cells are constantly being broken down while others are being formed. This requires a constant supply of calcium if the bones are going to remain strong.

Current thinking is that adult women need at least 800 milligrams of calcium daily and teenagers need 1200. That's much more than most of us get now.

Probably the easiest way to increase calcium is to drink milk. But other good sources of calcium include sesame seeds, salmon, sardines, and green leafy vegetables such as mustard and turnip greens, collards and kale.

If you're not much of a milk drinker, try yogurt and cheese. Also try adding milk, both liquid and powdered, to some of your favorite recipes and foods. For example, mix a tablespoon of powdered milk with peanut butter or toss some into your morning orange juice. If you don't enjoy "greens," try mixing them in with soups and stews, or even spaghetti sauce.

Eating out on a diet may seem like a contradiction in terms, but it can be done. Any one who is following a weight control diet can benefit by following recommendations on restaurant eating for diabetics.

Dining out can be enjoyable for dieters if they know their meal pattern and plan ahead. Here are some suggestions to help:

- Memorize your meal plan and food lists so you can select foods at a glance.
- Measure foods at home so that you can judge more accurately the size of portions when eating out.
- If you expect the meal to be delayed beyond your regular eating time, have a snack before leaving home. Fruit or milk would be a good choice.
- When a serving is too large, eat only the amount you are allowed and leave the rest.
- When you see foods with special names on the menu, ask the waitress what is in the dish and how it is prepared.
- If possible, eat in the same restaurant regularly so that you can learn to order from their menu items.

KIWI FRUIT FACTS

Forty years ago, bananas were considered a "specialty" fruit; pineapples were in the same category 25 years ago; and 10 years ago, so were avocados. One of today's specialty fruits that seems to be growing in popularity is the kiwi. Once known as the Chinese gooseberry, this egg shaped fruit with fuzzy brown outer skin is a native of New Zealand. It was renamed after the country's national bird — which somewhat resembles the fruit in shape. The kiwi has a brilliant emerald-green flesh and small black edible seeds. Kiwis are similar to the honeydew melon in taste and texture, and are high in vitamin C. They also provide protein, calcium and phosphorus. Buy firm kiwis and let them ripen at room temperature. Then slice kiwis in half and scoop out the flesh, or peel them and slice.

For your garden

by Don Richardson
County Extension Agent



Agent discusses rose cultures

Roses are amazingly versatile plants that respond favorably to a wide variety of growing conditions. There are a number of cultural practices known to produce healthy plants and prolific blooming.

Site of Location — Plants are sturdier and produce more flowers in full sun. At least five or six hours of direct sun is desirable. Early morning sun is especially good since it quickly dries any moisture on the plants, which reduces disease problems. Good drainage is essential for all but a few varieties. If water tends to stand in the root zone for extended periods, either choose another location or raise the planting bed enough to improve the drainage. Good air circulation is helpful in the prevention of diseases. Extremely windy sites may, however, require windbreak protection for good flower and foliage quality.

Soil — Roses can thrive in a wide variety of soils, although some may require modification. Heavy clay soils are preferred. These can be improved by incorporating four to six inches of compost, pine bark, peat moss, or similar material into the upper foot of soil. Agricultural gypsum incorporated into heavy clay can also improve soil texture. Sandy soils require even larger amounts of organic material to help hold water and nutrients necessary for good growth and flowering. Roses prefer a slightly acid soil (pH 6.0-6.9). Soil pH can usually be raised about one point by adding five pounds of ground limestone per 100 square feet of soil area. To lower pH or make the soil more acid, incorporate three pounds of iron sulfate or one pound of ground sulfur per 100 square feet. It is highly desirable to prepare beds or holes several months prior to planting. This allows organic materials and nutrients to become more available to the plants.

Planting — If planting only a few roses, dig individual holes for them. Holes should be at least twelve inches deep and eighteen inches wide. Mix about one third organic material (peat, pine bark, or compost) with some of the soil from the hole, along with a gallon or two of well rotted cow manure, if available. A half cup of bone meal or superphosphate thoroughly mixed with the soil is also a good idea. A similar amount of agricultural gypsum is beneficial for heavy clay soils. Soil preparation can be done just prior to planting but is more effective if completed several months before planting. Spacing of the plants will vary with varieties. Most Polyanthas can be planted as close as 18 to 24 inches, while Chinas, Bourbons, Teas, Hybrid Perpetuals, Hybrid Teas, and Hybrid Musks are best at 3 to 5 foot spacing, depending on the variety. Climbers and ramblers need more space to develop their potential. Eight to 10 feet is appropriate for most, but under good growing conditions Banksias, Cherokee, and certain others could be spaced at 15-foot intervals. Bare root plants should be set out as soon after receiving them as weather and time allow. If a delay of more than a few days is necessary, remove the plants from the shipping bag and "heel them in" by

covering the roots and part of the top with loose soil.

Container grown plants may be sent out at any time, but most rose growers avoid the hot summer months when extra irrigation and care may be necessary to insure success. Prune tops back an inch or two just above alive and healthy bud on each cane. Cut back apices or roots damaged in shipping or handling to healthy tissue. Dig the hole large enough to accommodate the natural spread of the roots and fill with the soil mixture described earlier. Firm the soil well around the roots and water thoroughly to remove air pockets and settle the soil firmly around the root system. Plants should be set at approximately the same level at which they have been growing or slightly deeper. Fertilizers should not be applied until the first set of flowers

begins to fade for ever-blooming types, or in the case of once blooming roses 8 to 10 weeks after planting. A heaping teaspoon per plant of a complete fertilizer such as 6-10-4 or 8-8-8 may be applied every 4 to 6 weeks until about September 1. Application after that time can promote soft fall growth that may result in freeze damage.

Fertility — Roses are heavy users of nutrients and require frequent application of fertilizers. To determine fertility of existing soil, it is a good idea to contact your County Extension Agent for instructions on submitting a soil sample. The time-honored fertilizer for roses is well rotted cow manure. Since manure may not be available, commercial fertilizers have become popular. Phosphorus is the material that helps plants develop strong,

healthy roots and prolific flowering. Superphosphate is usually available and can be applied at the rate of 3 to 4 pounds per 100 square feet. Since phosphorus is not very mobile in the soil, it should be well mixed during preparation.

Nitrogen is easily and quickly depleted from the soil and needs to be applied periodically during the growing season. It is necessary for more and bigger canes, stems, and leaves. Potassium is needed for promotion of new growth, disease resistance, and cold tolerance. All three nutrients (nitrogen, phosphorus, and potassium) are included in balanced fertilizers. Many rose growers apply a balanced fertilizer every 4 to 6 weeks during the growing season. Newly set out plants should not be fertilized until late in spring or after the first flush of flowers.

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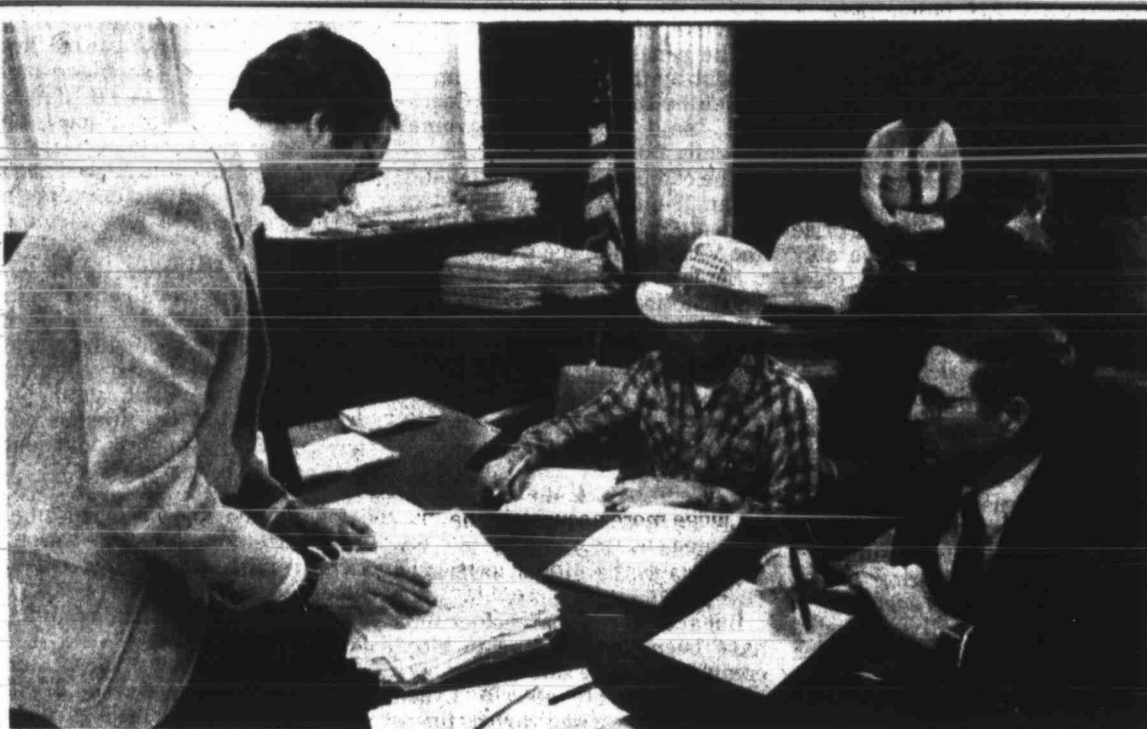
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Business



BALLOT COUNTING — Striking copper worker Bobby Romero (in hat) and Phelps Dodge Corp. safety inspector Harold Boling (right) watch attorney Greg Myerson, representing the National Labor Relations Board, counts ballots Thursday from voting conducted in October at Phelps Dodge plants in Arizona. Non-striking workers approved decertification of 13 unions which went on strike July 1, 1983.

Bitter Arizona copper strike moves toward end with vote

PHOENIX (AP) — The most bitter strike in Arizona copper history has moved closer to an end with non-striking and replacement workers voting to kick out unions at Phelps Dodge Corp. plants in Ajo, Bisbee, Douglas and Morenci.

An attorney for the 13 unions, Michael Keenan, acknowledged that Thursday's vote count on decertification of the unions was "a significant victory for Phelps Dodge" and left strikers with a "dismal" outlook.

"But this is only one of many skirmishes, this is not the end of the war," said Keenan. He said the unions would file objections to the elections within the five-day time limit.

Nathan Niemuth, an attorney for Phelps Dodge, noted the company pronounced the strike over once it filled its work force with new hires. He said the decertification vote is "a formal-legal end" to the strike.

Current workers at Phelps Dodge plants voted last October on whether they wished union representation to continue. The ballots were impounded until the National Labor Relations Board made final rulings on unfair labor practice charges filed against the company by the unions.

One unfair labor complaint, filed Jan. 2, still is pending, but NLRB officials said it would have no effect on the elections.

With a few union officials watching, NLRB representatives counted the decertification ballots Thursday for 30 bargaining unions at the four Arizona plants. An unofficial tally showed 1,908 rejecting union representation and 87 favoring the unions.

"I feel Phelps Dodge bought and paid for scab employees to vote," said Jeannie Morago, who

worked at the Ajo smelter for eight years before going on strike. "I was the second woman ever to go to work in the Ajo smelter and I paved the way for all the scab ladies working there now."

Ms. Morago said she was uncertain about the future, but had no regrets about the strike.

"The labor movement is more important. I did what was right," she said.

Art Pritchard, an employee at Morenci who petitioned for decertification of the unions, cited the sporadic outbreaks of violence during the 19-month strike and said strikers "do not believe in law and order."

"This vote shows that terrorist activity just doesn't work in Arizona," he said.

Pritchard said he hopes the vote will convince strikers that "it's over with, they never will get their jobs back."

NLRB Regional Director Milo Price said the agency will consider any objections filed by the unions and determine whether they warrant a hearing. He said his board already has ruled on several issues and those which have been rejected previously probably would be summarily dismissed.

"If all appeals are dismissed, decertification orders will be issued, which mean the unions can no longer engage in picketing or organizational activities," Price said.

Asked how long that might take, he said, "In practical terms, we're talking about another 45 days."

The 13-union coalition went on strike July 1, 1983, after rejecting Phelps Dodge demands that cost-of-living benefits be deleted from future contracts.

Local hairstylist realizes goal

By CAROL BALDWIN
Staff Writer

Helen Kendrick had a dream of becoming a hairstylist before the age of 40. She put a strict limitation on how long she would allow herself to reach for her goal.

"I was going to give up if I couldn't make it before I was 40," she said. She finished cosmetology school at the age of 39, beating her own time limit by a few months.

Mrs. Kendrick is owner of the Beauty Center at 1705 Scurry. She and hairstylists Betty Mullins and Marcella Davis have been at the shop since September.

A beauty shop located where the Beauty Center is today closed about four months before Mrs. Kendrick opened her own shop. Mrs. Kendrick kept her eye on the shop until working up enough courage to open her own shop.

Her interest in cosmetology started when she was in high school. "I was always working on someone's hair. I've always known I'd like this."

But her start in the business was delayed several times.

She and her husband Marvin and their three children were living in Sweetwater when Mrs. Kendrick first entered cosmetology school.

"I was driving 80 miles a day" to



HELEN KENDRICK

a school in Snyder, she remembers. "It was hard" because of her three young children at home.

Before she could finish the program, "My husband's job moved him here. I dropped out."

But she drove to become a hairstylist stayed with her. "There was always something in me. I knew I'd enjoy it."

With her family's support, she when to Aladdin's School of Cosmetology here in Big Spring.

After gaining her state certification, she worked at Eloise's Hair Fashions.

After two years at Eloise's, she began noticing the shop where she is today. "I prayed about it and it worked out," she says now.

Working as a hairstylist has been everything she thought it would be. "I like it. I like to work with my hands, and I like people," she says.

Mrs. Kendrick now has Mrs. Mullins and Mrs. Davis because all three families are from the Forsan area. Mrs. Mullins has been a hairstylist since 1969. She went to school in Plainview and worked in Lubbock before moving to Big Spring.

Mrs. Davis "was the last student to graduate from the Valtai Reeves Beauty School and the first to graduate from Aladdin." She has worked as a hairstylist since 1979.

Mrs. Kendrick's husband works for Steer Tank Lines. She said, "He was behind me 100 percent or I couldn't have done this." Their children, Kelli Ballard, Kim Kendrick and Marvin "Termite" Kendrick Jr., were all supportive of their mother's dream.

The Beauty Center opens at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday through Saturday and "we work late by appointment," Mrs. Kendrick said.

Wilma Dobbs is new owner of local H&R Block office

Wilma Dobbs recently joined the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce after taking over ownership of the H&R Block office at 1512 S. Gregg.

Mrs. Dobbs has worked for H&R Block since 1974 and is an enrolled agent. She has worked in tax preparation and bookkeeping and is offering a full line of bookkeeping services in the Big Spring office.

Mrs. Dobbs is a longtime Big Spring resident who is returning home after living outside of the city

for several years. She said she is happy to return to the city she calls home.

She purchased the local office because of what she calls fair charges. "The simpler the return, the less the charge. She also purchased the office because of "every employee is trained and every return is checked and rechecked."

The Big Spring office is opened from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday.



WILMA DOBBS

Open for business

New office building to open

By JOHNNIE LOU AVERY
The building that formerly housed a funeral home on FM 700 has been converted into an office building and re-named Colonial Oaks Office Park. One of its new tenants, as of Feb. 15, will be the March of Dimes headquarters, according to Linda Floyd, MOD executive, who is moving from the downtown Permian Building.

Denny's Restaurant manager Del Dailey has given \$526 to the March of Dimes from a recent fundraiser at his restaurant. In the past, he's given to the Rainbow Project and other charitable helping organizations.

Joe Whitten is making rapid progress with his newly incorporated Prison Ministries. He has been auditioning for the eight voices he needs for his touring travelers and selected six already. Practice and show design will begin shortly in preparation for the tour which begins in early summer.

Corky Harris of Harris Lumber Co. had led efforts in organizing his and other Big Spring businesses in printing a direct mail advertising tabloid to entice people to shop in Big Spring. The paper will be sent to 35,243 homes in eight counties giving 20 reasons (special sales items) to shop in Big Spring. It will be sent out the first of each month in April, May, June and July on a trial basis.

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Opal Jones, regional director of Tri-Chem Arts and Crafts, has 144 women working under her supervision. She recently won trips to the Bahamas and to

Acapulco for her sales and recruiting record. She was also named one of the top ten regional managers in the US and Canada which places her on the Company Advisory Council that meets yearly in New Jersey to plan company strategy and goals.

Pearlie Nason, one of the local workers, just won a diamond ring for her sales.

Congressman Charles Stenholm will begin accepting applications in January from all young persons interested in attending one of the United States service academies.

Appointments will be made to the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland, the Military Academy in Westpoint, Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colo., the Merchant Marine Academy in Kings Point, N.Y., and the Coast Guard Academy in New London, Connecticut.

Anyone interested, who will be at least 17 years of age but not past their 22nd birthday on July 1, 1986, and who is not married and have no children, is encouraged to contact the Washington office for more information.

Did you know that all constituents in the 17th Congressional District who are considering a visit to Washington, D.C., in 1985 may contact the Washington office of Congressman Charles Stenholm for brochures, maps and special arrangements.

His office will assist in making arrangements for special guided tours of several of the area's major attractions. It is very important that these plans be made as far in advance as possible as all reserved tours are on a first-come, first-served basis. These tours are booked up quickly during the spring and summer months.

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The communications should be made to Congressman Charles Stenholm, 1232 Longworth House Office Building, Washington, D.C., 20515, or call 202-225-6605.

Call me about your news and views
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Northeast Texas bank closes doors

WASHINGTON (AP) — The First National Bank of Clarksville, chartered more than a half-century ago in this Northeast Texas agriculture community, was ordered closed this week by the Comptroller of the Currency because of insolvency brought on by bad loans.

However, the bank reopened Friday under new ownership and under a new name, Citizens Bank, a spokesman for the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. said.

In addition to assuming about \$28.6 million in 4,000 deposit accounts, the new owners have agreed to pay the FDIC a purchase premium of \$371,000, FDIC spokesman Bill Olcheski said Thursday night.

Depositors of the failed bank automatically will become depositors of the new bank, the FDIC official said.

Clarksville, the county seat of Red River County, is a town of 5,000 about 50 miles west of Texarkana.

The order to shut down First National Bank of Clarksville came from H. Joe Selby, senior deputy controller for bank supervision, Olcheski said.

The Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas announced Thursday night its approval of the application of Citizens Bancshares Inc., of Clarksville, to become a bank holding company through the acquisition.

The bank was chartered on Jan. 29, 1934.

Citizens Bank will purchase the failed bank's installment and real estate loans and certain other assets, Olcheski said.

To facilitate the transaction, the FDIC will advance \$12.9 million in cash and retain assets of the failed bank with a book value of about \$13.7 million. The FDIC will liquidate those assets later, Olcheski said.

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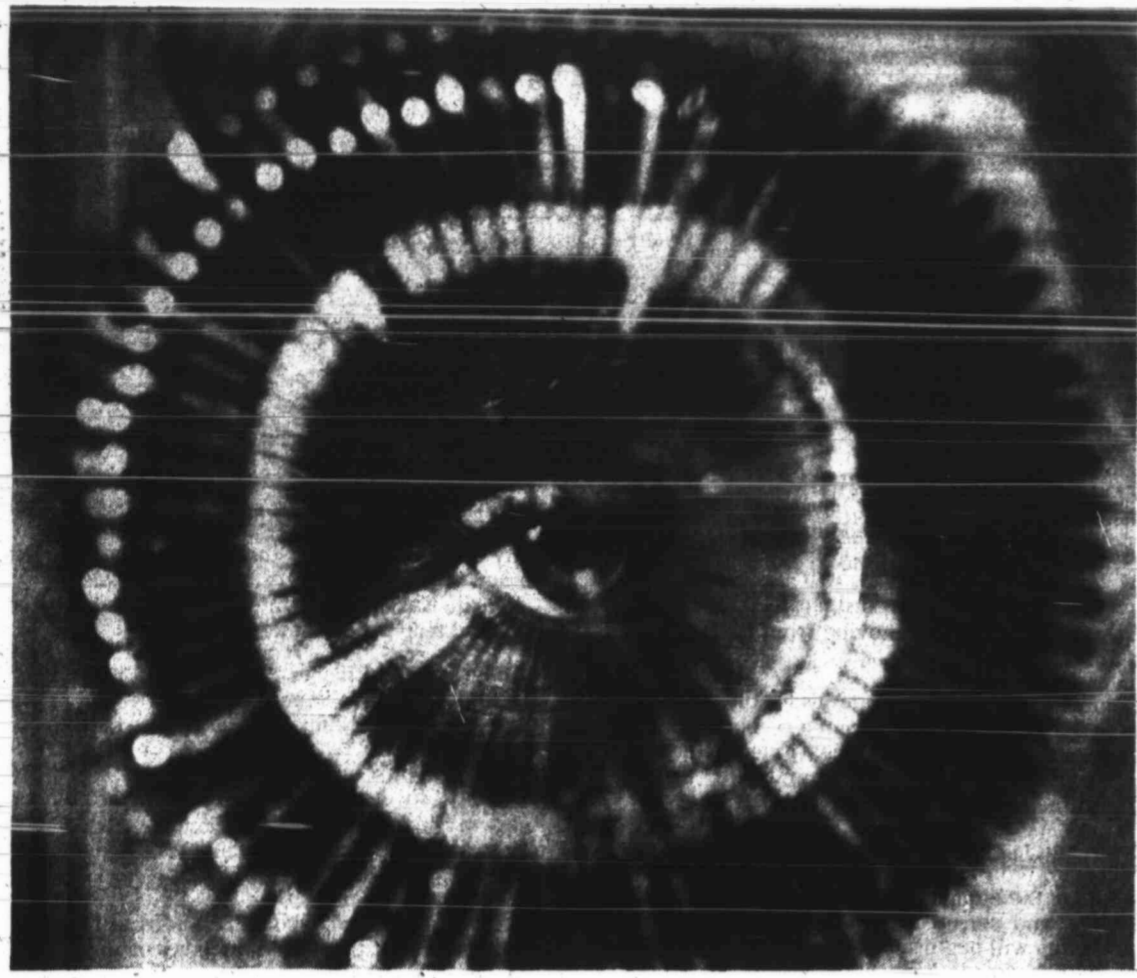
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semiconductor manufacturing facilities in Houston. The chips made there go through thousands of quality control checks before shipment to users.

Outdated textile giants move toward more promising future

TOKYO (AP) — With some drastic trimming and the addition of some high-tech accessories, Japan's outdated textile giants are transforming themselves into companies that look like they have a future. They are doing it by means of diversification, a system well known to their American counterparts. A decade-old recession ravaged what was once this country's most important industry, and it is still deeply felt in mountain hamlets where thousands of family businesses struggle to survive. But for big manufacturers, the troubled times have helped spur a revolution. "We can't be labeled a recession industry anymore," Yoshikazu Ito, president of Toray Industries Inc., said at a recent news conference at the Foreign Correspondents Club of Japan. Toray, Japan's leading maker of synthetic fibers, had sales of \$3.37 billion in the fiscal year that ended last March 31, up 3.6 percent. Its net income rose to \$63.7 million, 59 percent higher than in the previous year.

A more important gauge of how the industry is changing is that only 63 percent of Toray's production, and less than half its profits, came from fibers and textiles.

The company now produces a dizzying diversity of plastics, chemicals and ceramics. It makes polyester film for magnetic tapes, artificial kidneys, carbon fiber for space satellites, computer printing systems and fireproof ceramic siding for houses.

If government approval is given, it will become the world's first commercial producer of human interferon-beta, an anti-cancer drug.

"Textiles is our traditional main line, and very important to our business," Ito said. "But our specific target is to reduce textiles to about 50 percent of production in the near future."

He said Toray first went into plastics in the early 1960s, when textiles were still king in Japan. The big shift to chemicals and other materials came in the 1970s, when the industry was being battered by oil shocks, import restrictions imposed by the United States, and stiff competition from South Korea, Taiwan and other developing countries.

Toray is not alone. Industry figures show that the top seven makers now devote about 40 percent of their effort to non-textile products, and the government is encouraging further diversification. Textiles, the industry upon which Japan's past

century of industrialization was founded, accounted for 44 percent of total national production in 1929, and 11.7 percent as late as 1965.

By 1982 that share was down to 5.6 percent, and employment had fallen from 1.72 million workers in 1965 to 1.38 million. Textile exports worth \$6.24 billion only narrowly eclipsed imports.

"Until about 1970 textiles was the flower of our economy," said Hiroshi Saito, deputy head of the textile products section of the Ministry of International Trade and Industry. "Now we have no choice but to import raw materials and promote high-quality products and new technology."

Saito said the industry must concentrate more on high-fashion apparel and superior synthetic fiber techniques. "We want to make Japanese-fashion equivalent to that of Europe in reputation," he said.

Government aid to textile makers and other "recession industries," like aluminum and shipbuilding, has been criticized as a form of subsidy by foreign competitors, but government and industry officials say the help has been minimal.

Saito said the trade ministry has provided \$40 million in loans to small- and middle-size enterprises and is in the midst of an eight-year, \$80 million project to develop automated sewing systems. "Support has gone only to a limited number — those with concrete plans for improvement," he said.

A government ban on expansion of existing facilities will end next year, and Ito said he welcomes this because it will force the industry, which is now "like a social club," to "stand on its own feet."

Saito stressed, however, that while "upstream" big producers and "downstream" retailers are faring better, the industry's "midstream," made up of 55,000 small and often family run companies, are still in real trouble.

"In the next few years we're going to have to reduce their number, although it is difficult because of the lack of alternative work in these (rural) areas," said Saito.

He said sharp increases in imports from such countries as Pakistan and China have brought growing pressure from smaller companies for protection.

But "the government has no intention of imposing protectionist measures," he said. "After all, we're exporters, too."

Volunteers from the American Heart Association will conduct a free blood pressure check at the Medicine Shoppe pharmacy, 1001 Gregg, from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. No appointment is necessary.

High blood pressure is recognized as the major cause of disease in the U.S., yet 17 million people who have this health problem don't know it.

Because high blood pressure has no symptoms, its presence is not obvious. The only way to determine if a person has the disease is through a simple test.

"The health screenings are not diagnostic, but they can alert individuals that a problem may exist so they can contact a physician," says pharmacist Clint Hollomon, "and persons with an elevated reading will be referred to their physician for a complete diagnosis."

Jack Bowen, a former resident of Big Spring, will be the speaker at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce banquet Feb. 9 at 7 p.m.

Bowen is anchor for KOCO-TV in Oklahoma City. From 1966 to 1969 Bowen was news producer for KWAB-TV in Big Spring. In 1980, he was honored by Scripps-Howard with first place in the category of public service for journalistic endeavors.

He was one of nine finalists for the National Public Service Emmy in 1980 and received the American Legion Auxiliary National Golden Mike Award for the best public service program in the nation to help America's youth.

Special recognition awards to be presented during the Chamber banquet program are Man and Woman of the Year for 1984, Ambassador of the Year, Blue Blazers "Pat on the Back" award, agricultural producer of the year and conservationist of the year.

Recognition will also be given to persons who have lived in Big Spring at some point and have gone on to achieve excellence and recognition in their fields.

Emcee will be R.H. Weaver. The banquet will be held at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum on the Howard College campus. Tickets are \$12.50 each and may be purchased at the Chamber office or from Ambassadors or Blue Blazers.

Reservations will be accepted until noon on Jan. 31 and may be made by calling 263-7641.

Business highlights

NEW YORK (AP) — A larger-than-expected \$2.8 billion drop in the nation's basic money supply in mid-January takes the pressure off the Federal Reserve to tighten credit conditions, several economists say.

The decline, which the Fed reported Thursday, gave a further boost to a rally in bond prices.

"It came as a pleasant surprise and the markets reacted favorably to it," said Maury Harris, chief economist for PaineWebber Group Inc. "The decline arrested what would have been a bad trend if it had continued."

But analysts said the decline was not enough by itself to prompt the Fed to ease its monetary policy, which seeks to provide enough money for sustained economic growth without reigniting inflation.

The Fed said the basic supply — called M1 and measuring money readily available for spending — fell to a seasonally adjusted average of \$566.8 billion in the week ended Jan. 14 from a revised \$569.6 billion the previous week. The previous week's figure had originally been reported at \$559.4 billion.

M1 includes cash in circulation, deposits in checking accounts and non-bank travelers checks.

CHICAGO (AP) — The Environmental Protection Agency is seeking the largest toxic waste penalty in its history, \$6.8 million, against Chemical Waste Management Inc. of suburban Oak Brook.

The agency filed a civil administrative complaint with EPA's regional hearing clerk Thursday, alleging that the toxic-waste handler violated federal regulations governing the "use, record-keeping and marking of PCBs between 1980 and 1983" in storing the material.

The EPA contends Chemical Waste Management employees at the company's Vickery, Ohio, facility illegally discharged high levels of PCBs into waste lagoons in an effort to dilute the PCBs and avoid the federal regulation requiring PCB fluids to be destroyed by incineration.

Chemical Waste Management spokesman Bob Reincke said no environmental damage was caused at the site.

"We believe the penalty demand is excessive and inequitable ...

disproportionately high when compared with other EPA penalty demands," Reincke said.

The penalty is the largest ever sought by the federal government under the Toxic Substances Control Act, said EPA spokeswoman Virginia Donatus.

The complaint is the culmination of an 18-month federal investigation into PCB-handling practices at the Vickery site, she said.

Studies have shown PCBs, or polychlorinated biphenyls, cause liver damage in humans and cancer in laboratory animals. Used for years as insulators and coolants in a variety of industrial products, primarily electric transformers, the EPA banned their production in 1976.

LA MIRADA, Calif. (AP) — Shareholders of Denny's Inc. approved a \$753.4 million leveraged buyout of the company.

But at least two shareholder suits have been filed seeking to block completion of the sale to members of management, Merrill Lynch Capital Markets and various financial institutions.

The suits claim the \$43-per-share price being offered is inadequate. In the past year, Denny's stock value has fluctuated from \$30.25 to \$42.75, the latter where it closed Thursday.

About 77 percent of Denny's shareholders voted in favor of the deal at a special shareholder meeting, the company said.

In a leveraged buyout, the purchasers use generally borrowed funds that are expected to be repaid either with the target company's operating revenue or through the sale of its assets.

Denny's owns or licenses about 1,200 Denny's family restaurants and 860 Winchell's doughnut shops nationwide, along with 19 El Pollo Loco Mexican charbroiled chicken outlets in Southern California.

DALLAS (AP) — Southwest Airlines said Thursday that its 1984 net income rose to a record \$49.7 million, a 22 percent increase from the \$40.8 million earned in 1983.

The regional carrier said primary earnings per share were a record \$1.69, compared with \$1.40 the previous year.

In the fourth quarter, ending Dec. 31, net income rose to \$11.4 million from just over \$11 million in

the final three months of 1983.

The airline said last year's results showed an increase in average passenger fare and average length of passenger haul. But Southwest's yield per passenger mile was almost unchanged at 11.12 cents.

Southwest also said it filled about 58.5 percent of available seats in 1984, down from a load factor of 61.57 percent.

Southwest chairman Herbert D. Kelleher said the airline's gains came "in spite of increased competition and yield pressures."

Kelleher said he is optimistic about the current year, as Southwest adds fuel-efficient Boeing 737-300 jets and implements cost-control measures.

DALLAS (AP) — The Trammell Crow Co., one of the nation's largest real estate development firms, has announced plans to enter the volume home-building market.

A residential subsidiary, Stanford Homes, has been created, with hopes it eventually will garner 5 percent of the new single-family housing market in the Dallas-Fort Worth area, said Richard Mildner, the company's president.

Plans are to build 1,000 to 1,500 homes a year, with construction of the first 70 homes to begin this week, Mildner said. By the end of 1985, Stanford hopes to have 100 to 200 homes completed, he added.

According to the announcement Wednesday, the houses that are started this month will be in southeast Arlington and will range in price from the mid-\$70,000s to the high \$80,000s.

"We're not in the custom home business and don't intend to get into that. Our topout should be in the \$140,000 level," Mildner said.

Trammell Crow Co. has previously been involved in rental housing in Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Massachusetts, Oklahoma, Vermont and Texas. It is considered one of the country's largest apartment builders, constructing more than 5,000 units a year.

Dallas' largest developer, Trammell Crow Co. also has built more skyscrapers downtown than any other company and leads in construction of office and industrial buildings in the Dallas area.

Business briefs

Juan Limon, nursing assistant at Big Spring Veterans Administration Medical Center, retired Jan. 3 after 30 1/2 years of federal service.

Limon was employed at the local facility since Aug. 1950. Originally hired as a janitor, he participated in special training to become a nursing assistant and was employed in that capacity from January, 1957, until his retirement.

He was assigned as a nursing assistant in the intensive care unit.

He is married and the father of two children and grandfather to five. He said he "plans to take it easy and work around the house" now that he is retired.

He served for 21 months in the United States Army Ordnance division and was stationed in Korea during the Korean conflict.

MIDLAND — Clayton Williams, owner and chief executive officer of the Midland-based Williams Co., an oil and gas exploration and production company, has announced he is scaling back the exploration department of that company because of continuing softness in oil and gas prices.

Williams said layoffs in the company's Midland, San Antonio, Jackson, Miss., Tulsa, Okla., and Denver offices would affect approximately 30 employees.

Williams said the layoffs were confined to Williams Company's exploration department and would have no effect on other companies owned by Williams, such as Clajon Gas Co., the Claydesta Companies and Williams' ranching operations.

Williams said the layoff involved only four percent of the 800-plus people employed throughout his companies. As a result of the scale back, Williams Co. will have reduced its staff to 145.

Williams is also considering the sale of some Williams Co. oil and gas production in an effort to continue his current diversification strategy.

Williams explained that many of the affected employees are being transferred to his expanding long distance communications company, ClayDesta Communications, which has grown to employ 110 people and is continuing to expand with the construction of its new digital microwave network.

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DOUG FLUTIE and agent BOB WOLF

Flutie inks pact

BOSTON — L. Budd Thalman, vice president-public relations for the Bills, said, "What am I going to say? I doubt my people even know about this yet."

Wilson and Bledsoe were not immediately available for comment Friday.

"This is a very attractive situation with the Generals," said Wolf. "What is there to wait for? We have nothing else."

Early in the negotiations with the Generals, Wolf said the team was willing to guarantee the full length of Flutie's contract, even if the USFL were to fold. "They had some ideas but I also told them what my ideas were and some of the terms and conditions and guarantees I would be looking for and they didn't find them unreasonable," Wolf said at the time.

On Friday, Wolf declined to verify that the guarantee was in the final agreement.

He added that the non-football commercial opportunities for Flutie in New York were a factor in the decision to join the Generals.

He said he didn't think his late arrival at the Generals' camp would hurt him much.

"I'll set me back as far as where I would have stood if I had been there the first day, but I think in comparison to other athletes (signing with the USFL) in the past couple of years, I'm getting in there early," Flutie said.

"I'm down there before the season starts and I just finished one season. How early can I get down there?" he added. "It's been a 14-game season with a

two-week break and then back into another big season. It's been one continuous season for me."

The Generals already have veteran Brian Sipe, one of the highest paid quarterbacks in pro football, to compete with Flutie for the quarterback job.

"He (Flutie) looks at it as a challenge," said Wolf. "Nobody promised us anything."

New Jersey chose Flutie Jan. 3 in the territorial phase of the USFL draft. On Jan. 7, Wolf opened negotiations with Generals President Jay Seltzer.

Afterward, Wolf said, "I thought it would take a month to accomplish what we did today."

On Jan. 15, Flutie told a news conference he was "very impressed" with the Generals' proposal but wanted to see what an NFL team would offer.

Last Monday, Flutie, his father, Richard, and Wolf had lunch with Trump in New York. Wolf met Tuesday for about six hours with Seltzer in Orlando. Then, with media speculation building, Wolf said he didn't expect to talk again with the Generals until early next week.

"We bridged a lot of differences" in Orlando on Tuesday, said Wolf. "I thought in my own mind that we had a deal."

He was in New York Thursday morning for a television appearance and talked with Generals' owner Donald Trump afterward. He returned to Boston, he said, spoke with Seltzer, who was in Orlando, and then with Flutie and his father, who live in nearby Natick.

'Dogs outlast Steers, 90-72

By STEVE BELVIN
Staff Writer

Try as they might, the Big Spring Steers could not overcome a 17-man Midland High squad and a pesky fullcourt press that caused 30 turnovers. In the end the Steers dropped another 4-5A encounter 90-72.

Midland coach Jack Stephenson kept the pressure on the Steers by constantly inserting fresh players into the game. Meanwhile the Steers battled gamely, but in the end they simply ran out of gas against the Bulldogs, now 6-2 in district and 16-9 overall.

Forward Darrell Davis led the Bulldogs with 22 points and 14 rebounds. The 6-2, 215-pound blue-chip footballer player got his team off on the right foot by hitting his first four shots of the game. In fact Midland hit its first five shots while taking a 10-2 lead after the first 1:30 of the game.

Big Spring rallied back to narrow the margin to 12-8 on baskets by Collin Carroll, Brian Mayfield and Benard Williams. The Bulldogs then made a run of their own as they led 24-12 after one quarter of play.

Big Spring turned the ball over a horrendous nine times in the first quarter. If not for the scoring of Carroll and Mayfield the score might have been worse. Carroll, a 6-9 junior forward, came off the bench to put on a sterling performance.

His 18 points followed only Williams for the Steers. Carroll hit 8-11 from the floor and at one time had a streak of six field goals in-a-row. Williams had a slow first half as he scored only three points. He caught fire in the second half to finish the night with 20.

The second quarter was nip-and-

tuck as another reserve added firepower to the Steers lineup. Senior forward Tim Hastings came off the bench to score four quick points and grab three rebounds. He and Carroll pulled the Steers to within 38-30 with 40 seconds remaining in the half.

Then the Steers old nemesis turnovers occurred again. The Bulldogs got three steals, turned them into baskets and led 44-31 at intermission.

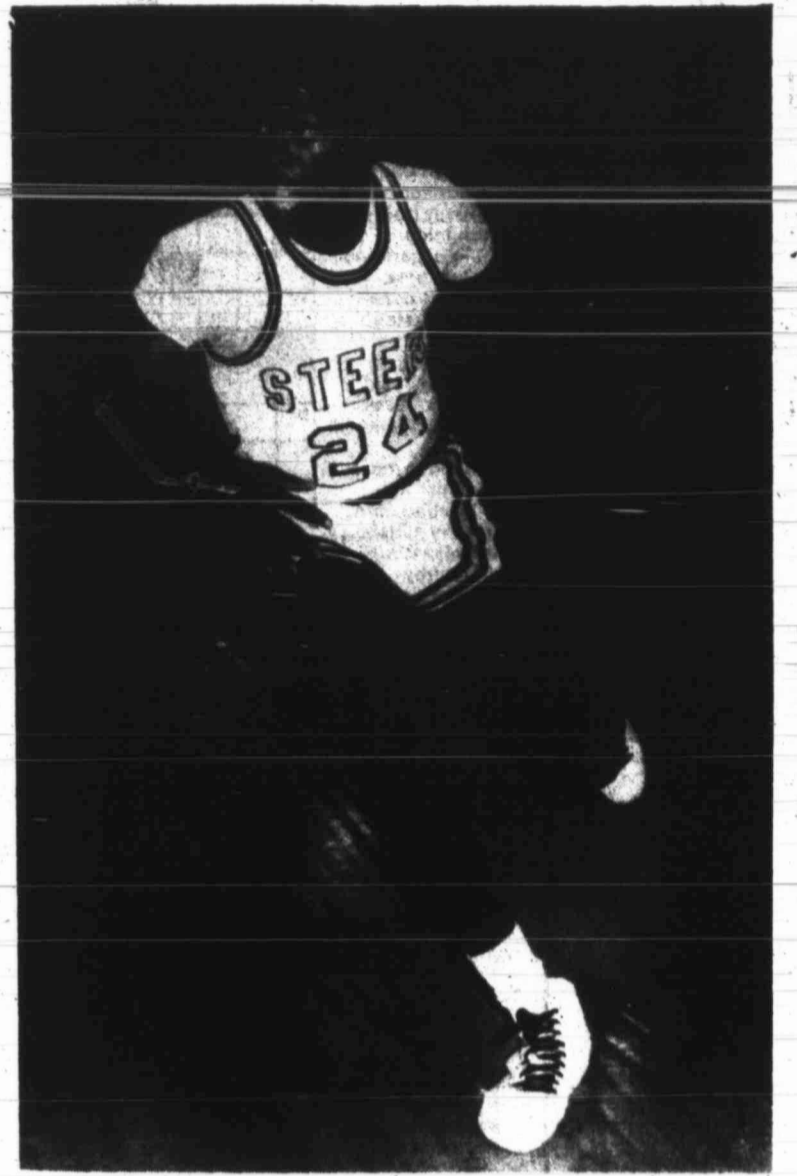
"Steers coach Mike Randle said the turnovers are a sign of his team's inexperience. "Our inexperience started showing when we started to catch up with them," said Randle. "We got in too big of a hurry and got out of our set offense."

The third quarter was Big Spring's best period as they outscored Midland 25-22. Midland carried a 61-46 lead at the three minute mark, but Williams almost single-handedly kept the Steers in the contest. The 5-9 sophomore hit 5-8 shots in the period.

The Steers fought their way back into the game using some hustling defense of their own. Williams and Carroll added two baskets each and Sidney Parker's 15-foot jumper narrowed the margin to 66-56 going into the final quarter.

In the final quarter Big Spring got as close as 75-66 at the 4:23 mark, but Midland's depth proved too much as they ran off a 10 point streak to ice the game.

Midland's Davis got scoring help from Matt Sears and Roger Henderson who scored 19 and 15 points respectively. Williams and Carroll were the only Steers in double figures. Billy Cole and Parker grabbed 8 rebounds each. Steers second-leading Mike Leuschner had a dismal outing scoring 7 points and collecting 3 rebounds.



Big Spring Steers sophomore guard BENARD WILLIAMS gets set to make a drive to the basket in last night's Big Spring-Midland game.

Randle did add that he was pleased with Carroll's play. "It was by far Collin's best game this season. He did a great job tonight."

The Steers are 0-8 in district play and 6-18 overall.

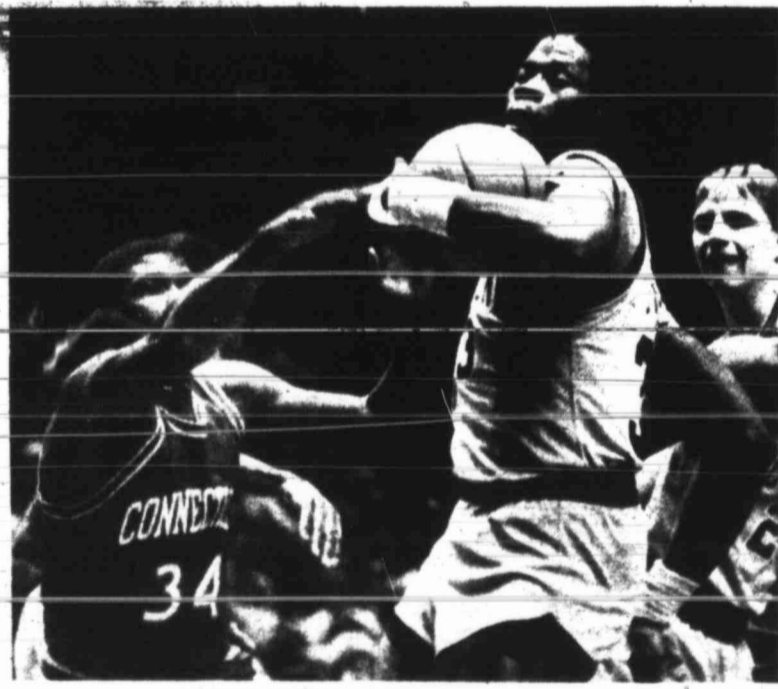
In junior varsity action the Bulldogs nipped Big Spring 62-60 on a last-second. Cedrick Banks and Charles Young led the Steers scoring with 17 and 15 points respectively.

BIG SPRING (72) — Brian Mayfield 40 8; Mike Leuschner 23 7; Billy Cole 12 4; Benard Williams 9 20; Sidney Parker 20 4; Collin Carroll 8 21; Tim Hastings 15 7; David Shortes 10 2; totals 28 16 72

MIDLAND (90) — Darrell Davis 9 4 22; Roger Henderson 47 15; Gil Brassard 3 17; Matt Sears 7 5 19; Mackey 2 5 9; Hickey 3 0 6; Thorpe 1 2 4; Anthony Denade 5 3 13; totals 30 30 90

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Hoya's, St. John's in Big East showdown



Georgetown's PATRICK EWING will be taking on the St. John's Redmen in a battle of college basketball powerhouses Saturday afternoon. The game will determine sole possession of the Big East Conference lead.

LANDOVER, Md. (AP) — The only people not getting excited about top-ranked Georgetown's Big East basketball showdown with No. 3 St. John's may be the Hoyas themselves.

Georgetown's 29-game winning streak, the nation's best, would be 40 had the Redmen not beaten them at the Capital Centre last February.

"It's just another ball game," said point guard Michael Jackson. "All our conference games are big ones, and we really don't put any special importance on any of them."

Georgetown, 18-0 overall and 7-0 in the Big East while St. John's is 14-1 and 6-0. The Redmen also are on a nine-game winning streak, the last an 82-80 overtime victory over Syracuse at Madison Square Garden.

Georgetown has levelled off somewhat in recent games, allowing Connecticut to stay close before the Hoyas finally pulled away to win 79-66. Bill Martin and Reggie Williams picked up the slack against Connecticut while the

Huskies held Patrick Ewing to just three field goals in five attempts and forced five turnovers by the All-American center.

Ewing will have added pressure Saturday because backup Ralph Dalton is sidelined with the flu.

"I don't feel that we're unbeatable," said Georgetown Coach John Thompson. "The league is a continuation of concentration and pressure. Those teams that are able to sustain a certain level of concentration are those teams that are going to be there in the end. If you do get stung one time, you've got to recover from it."

St. John's, blown out by Georgetown earlier last year, came back to stun Hoyas 75-71 at the Capital Centre, the Hoyas' only conference loss of the season. All-American guard Chris Mullin scored 33 points in that game, leading a St. John's offense that broke out to a 20-point lead in the first half and then survived a second-half Georgetown scoring blitz.

Midland drops Lady Steers

MIDLAND — The Big Spring Lady Steers dropped a district 4-5A decision to the Midland High Lady Bulldogs, 70-50, in local basketball action Friday night.

The Steers were up against one of the leagues toughest teams in Midland, who is leading the District standings. In the two teams previous meeting Midland defeated Big Spring by 40 points. The Lady Steers played a controlled ball game but were unable to withstand the constant pressure of the midland full court press.

The Lady Bulldogs jumped out to a big first quarter lead, 24-8,

and Big Spring was never able to get back in the game, although keeping pace with Midland throughout the rest of the game.

Terrell Clemons and Monique Jones led the Lady Steers scoring attack with 18 points apiece. Big Spring's district record fell to 3-7 with the loss.

BIG SPRING (50) Clemons 6-6-18; Jones 6-6-18; Hale 0-2-2; Myrick 1-4-6; Pruitt 3-0-6; Totals 16-18-50.

MIDLAND (70) Cummings 4-0-8; Knight 6-1-13; Hins 3-0-4; Martin 1-1-3; Lanz 10-5-25; Knight 3-1-7; Teal 3-0-6; Robinson 1-0-2; Totals 28-9-70.

SCOREBOARD

NBA Glance

National Basketball Association
At A Glance
By The Associated Press

EASTERN CONFERENCE				
Atlantic Division				
Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Philadelphia	34	7	.829	—
Boston	34	8	.810	1/2
Washington	25	19	.568	10 1/2
New Jersey	19	24	.442	16
New York	15	29	.341	20 1/2
Central Division				
Milwaukee	29	14	.674	—
Detroit	25	16	.610	3
Chicago	21	21	.500	7 1/2
Atlanta	18	25	.419	11
Indiana	14	28	.333	14 1/2
Cleveland	12	29	.293	16
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
Denver	26	17	.605	—
Houston	24	18	.571	1 1/2
Dallas	23	20	.535	3
San Antonio	20	21	.488	5
Utah	19	25	.432	7 1/2
Kansas City	14	28	.333	11 1/2
Pacific Division				
L.A. Lakers	29	14	.674	—
Phoenix	21	23	.477	8 1/2
Seattle	20	24	.455	9 1/2
L.A. Clippers	19	24	.442	10
Portland	19	24	.442	10
Golden State	10	32	.238	18 1/2
Thursday's Games				
Detroit 137, Golden State 118				
Washington 95, Dallas 92				
Milwaukee 120, Kansas City 119				
Denver 119, New Jersey 110				
Cleveland 110, Utah 109				
Friday's Games				
Indiana at Boston				
Seattle at Chicago				

NHL Glance

WALEES CONFERENCE

Patrick Division					
Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF/GA
Washington	29	12	7	65	201/180
Philadelphia	26	13	6	62	202/140
NY Islanders	26	19	2	54	222/187
Pittsburgh	18	23	4	40	168/202
NY Rangers	16	22	8	40	168/187
New Jersey	15	26	5	35	161/193
Adams Division					
Montreal	24	15	10	56	191/162
Buffalo	21	14	12	54	170/138
Quebec	23	18	7	53	189/170
Boston	22	19	7	51	172/161
Hartford	16	23	5	37	149/200
Campbell Conference					
Norris Division					
St. Louis	19	18	8	46	166/171
Chicago	21	24	3	45	150/180
Minnesota	15	24	8	38	165/192
Detroit	14	29	6	34	172/226
Toronto	9	31	6	24	140/206
Smythe Division					
Edmonton	22	9	6	70	241/157
Calgary	24	17	6	54	219/184
Winnipeg	24	20	4	52	204/210
Los Angeles	19	19	9	47	213/190
Vancouver	11	31	7	29	162/261
Thursday's Games					
Boston 5, Buffalo 3					
Quebec 4, Montreal 3					
N.Y. Rangers 3, Detroit 1					
N.Y. Islanders 4, Toronto 1					
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Buffalo at Quebec					
Pittsburgh at Calgary					
Winnipeg at Vancouver					
Los Angeles at St. Louis					
New Jersey at Edmonton					
Saturday's Games					
Hartford at Boston					

Latin High: NJ's Prep basketball factory

By HOWARD ULMAN
AP Sports Writer

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP) — Cambridge Rindge and Latin High School is nestled amid a rich academic heritage. Harvard is a block away. It's only about 10 blocks to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

But on the basketball courts, the talk is of other universities and another rich tradition.

"Every time we want to call a play ... instead of calling it, 'play one' or 'play two,' we call it 'Old Dominion,' or 'Georgetown,'" said Audrey Cabral-Pini, coach of the girls' basketball team at the high school.

Patrick Ewing of Georgetown and Medina Dixon of Old Dominion starred at Cambridge Rindge and Latin. Now they are the stars of the nation's top-ranked major college men's and women's teams, both undefeated going into this weekend.

"We definitely take pride in the fact that two graduates of our school are in that position and certainly bringing that kind of honor and prestige upon us," said Mike Jarvis, coach of the boys' squad since 1978.

Success has bred more success, helping the only public high school in the city attract talented players. Cambridge has several private secondary schools.

"Other girls dream about being in the same situation (as Dixon) so they'll go out for the team," said Cabral-Pini, an assistant coach in

Dixon's senior season here.

"A kid like Pat is going to have a tremendous impact on anybody's program," said Ron Brown, Rindge and Latin's athletic director.

Both players left the school in 1981. In Ewing's last three seasons there, the boys' team was 77-1 and won three state championships. It won 10 of its first 12 games this season. With Dixon, the girls' team won one state title. Last season it was 15-2.

The path to such success starts long before the players reach high school.

Jarvis is a founder and co-director of the "Shoot Straight" program for boys and girls that enables him to spot talent early.

"They go right from the third grade to the eighth grade in a progressive youth basketball program," he said. "They play in high school and work as coaches and referees and assistants in youth basketball. It's not only a feeder program (providing high school players) but it's a program that keeps circulating. The kids continue to be involved."

Five members of his current team and most of the girls' squad came up through the program, said Jarvis, a former assistant coach at Harvard and Northeastern. Neither Dixon nor Ewing played in that program.

Once they enroll at Rindge and Latin, students are exposed to a wide variety of courses.

"We have 54 different (physical education) electives that kids can

take," Brown said. "We go from everything from aerobics to seamanship ... There's no reason why a kid can't take a physical education course and enjoy it."

Jarvis said that his players have weight training and conditioning programs. Most of them attend at least two summer basketball camps and play in a Cambridge summer league, he added.

"We also have ballet three days a week for 45 minutes," Jarvis said, "to strengthen their ankles and feet and improve their coordination."

Cabral-Pini said members of the current team "have been a product of his 'Shoot Straight' program and it helps me out a lot and gives girls a chance to play with the guys when they're younger and not be intimidated ... when they're older."

Brown points to the school's assets in areas other than athletics. Among its 2,693 students are people from about 65 different countries, he said.

"I'd like to think that those kids that are athletically talented want to come here but it's also a darn good academic school," Brown added. "If they (players) fall down in their academics, they don't play. It's as simple as that."

The school resulted from a merger in the late 1970s between Rindge Technical High School and Cambridge High and Latin School. The joining of Ewing and Dixon was another milestone.

"They never once took the

limelight away from one another," Cabral-Pini said. "Medina would go to the boys' games and watch Pat and learn from him, and Patrick would go to the girls' games and be in awe of what Medina could do."

In college, Ewing leads Georgetown in scoring and rebounding, while Dixon is Old Dominion's top scorer and second-leading rebounder.

"If the Georgetown game is on television, that's where the kids (her players) are, watching Georgetown. Any time they can watch Old Dominion, they do," Cabral-Pini said.

Yet, Brown said, Rindge and Latin's unusual contribution to college basketball is not a topic of overriding importance at the school.

"We talk about it in the office occasionally," he said, "but we don't put a great deal of emphasis on it."

Perhaps that's because there's a bright future as well as a brilliant past.

"As good as we've been, as good as we are, we should still be better next year," Jarvis said.

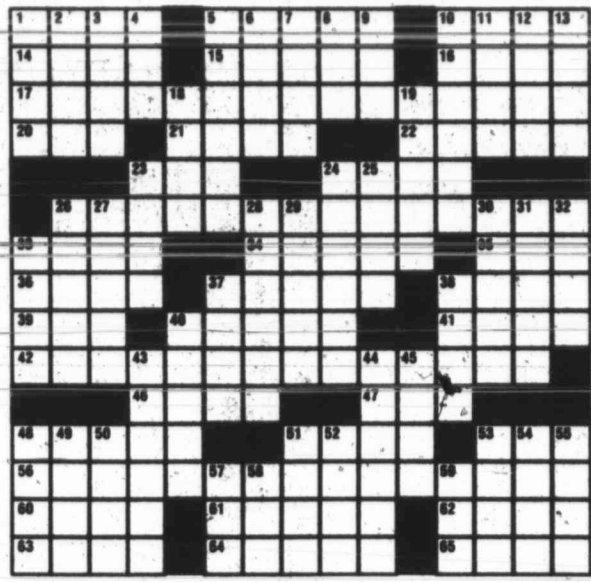
The tradition continues with players such as Rumeal Robinson, who, like Ewing, was born in Jamaica.

"He's recognized by many of the top basketball people as one of the top five or 10 junior guards in the country," Jarvis said.

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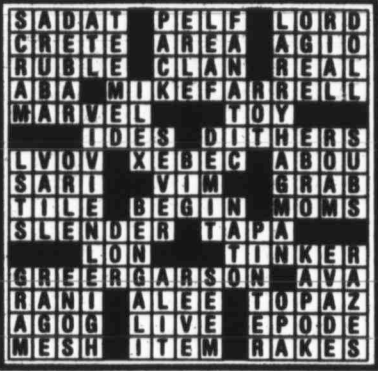
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ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) It's important you are most conventional today even though inward pleasure is great to do otherwise. Be happy.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) You are apt to upset the applecart today since you are discontent, but remain calm and know that you are doing fine.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Be careful not to get into any new interests that do not appeal to you and which another may try to pressure you into.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to Jul. 21) Use care in any public activities and keep out of trouble. Not a good day to ask a bigwig for favors.

LEO (Jul. 22 to Aug. 21) Any risks you take today could bring trouble, so use much care. Avoid that new acquaintance whose ideas are radically different.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) You have made promises that should be kept today without fail. Don't ring up any disputative subjects with a good friend.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Although you like to carefully analyze a matter before reaching a decision, a partner might try to hasten you into it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Make this a day of rest so that you can restore your energies and be ready for a busy week ahead. You can learn a great deal now.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) You want to lambast your mate for some fancied wrong, and this would not be wise. Be more kind and tactful instead.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Don't try to force your views on those who dwell with you or a bad quarrel could result.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Make this Sunday a quiet and sensible one and don't go running around hither and yon. Avoid a possible accident.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Plan how you can get your money matters in better shape, and don't make any investments or spend beyond your ken.

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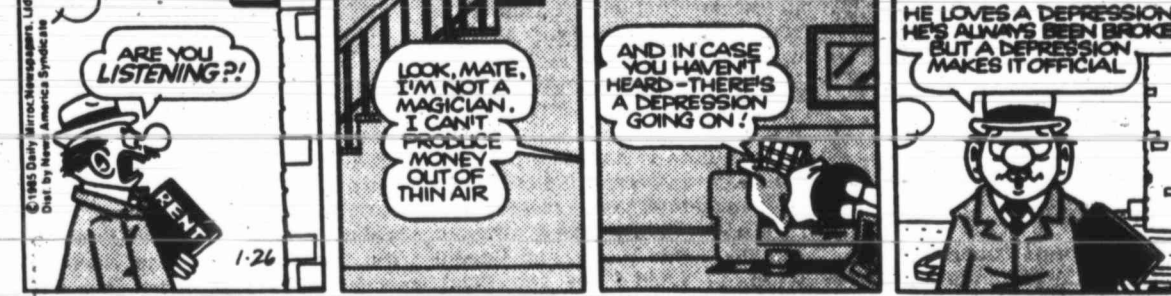
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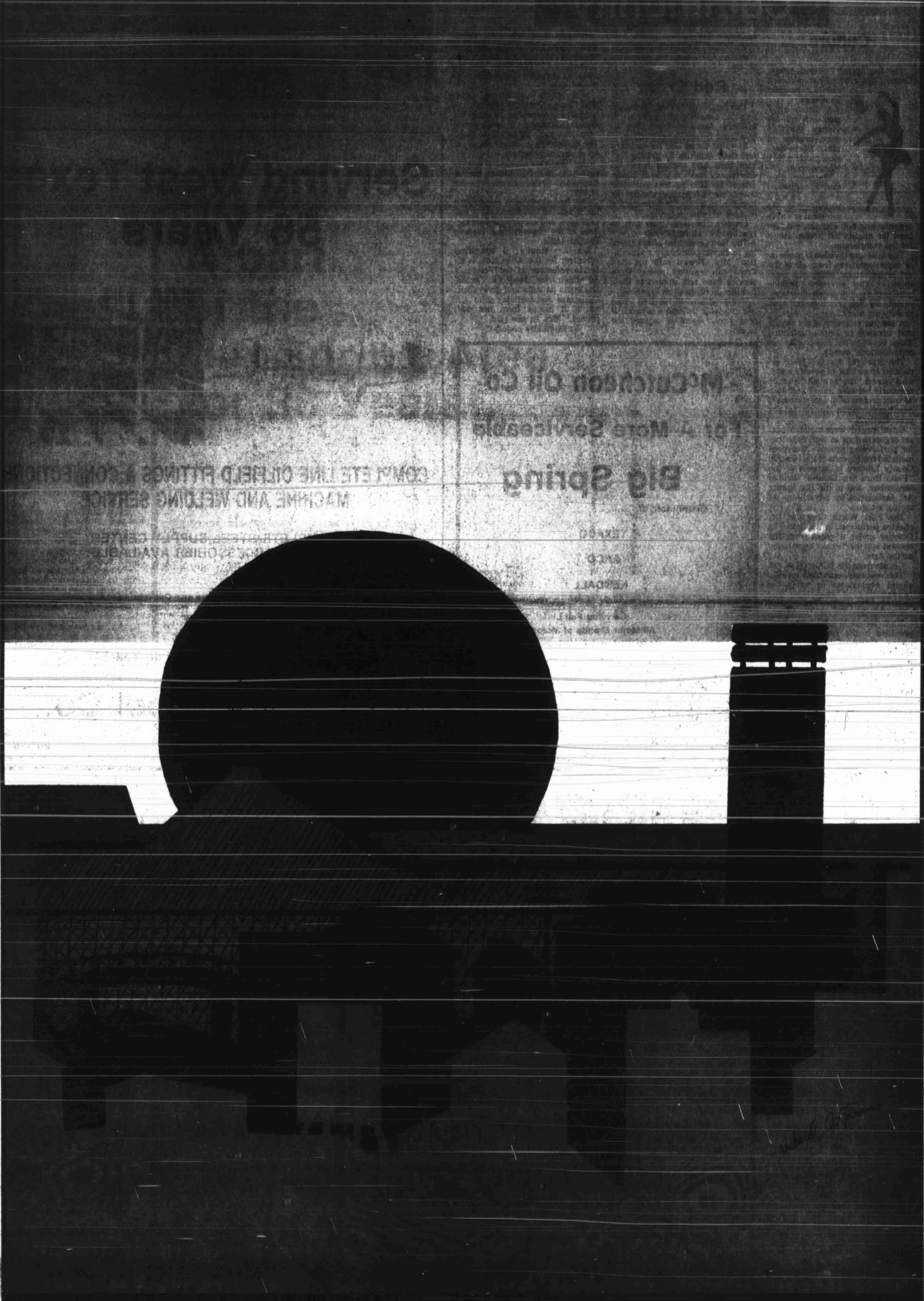
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Culture

The Big Spring Cultural Affairs Council has created two divisions and is expanding its events.



A policy division and an advisory division were created in 1984. Each division meets every other month.

The policy division is composed of citizens representing no particular arts

organization but who share a concern for quality art presentations for the community.

The advisory division is made up of representatives from all of the art organizations within the community. The advisory division assists the policy division in determining funding priorities and community art needs.

A master calendar of art events was created to avoid conflicting dates between the community art organizations' events.

The Starlight Specials were expanded from four to seven events, and used the amphitheatre regularly between July 7 and Aug. 30 with professional entertainment combined with local talent presentations.

Grant awards were made to local art organizations as well as to major performing groups. Awardees included the Friends of the Howard County Library in support of the "Peter Hurd Arts Exhibit," held in November, and to the Big Spring Art Association for advertising its spring art show.

The Fort Worth Chamber Orchestra performed in Big Spring in October under a grant from the council and the Texas Commission on the Arts.

Grants from the TCA total \$6,800. The council obtained professional evaluations to study the feasibility of restoring the municipal auditorium and amphitheater.

Staff technical assistance was provided to the symphony, Symphony Guild, Friends of the Howard County Library, Big Spring Art Association and Big Spring Piano Teachers Forum.

Expanded Starlight Specials are planned for 1985, according to chairman Kelly Draper. He said grant support to member organizations will continue in an effort to improve the quality of presentations and to assist in developing tourism.

funding being made available. The Fort Worth Chamber Orchestra will open the fall 1985 season.

Red Cross

The Red Cross of Big Spring offers a number of services to military families, according to Marianne Brown, local director.

The Red Cross aids the military and their families by getting service men and women home on emergency leave in case of family crises, by offering transportation assistance, by finding shelter for families in crisis and through a number of other programs.

Locally, the Red Cross can be reached by calling 267-3992.

The Red Cross also offers training in cardio-pulmonary resuscitation. Mrs. Brown said the Red Cross can transmit money from service men and women to their families in times of emergencies.

The programs of the Red Cross are available through a network of Red Cross agencies around the world.

"People think Webb Air Force Base is gone and we no longer need the Red Cross in Big Spring," Mrs. Brown said. "But there are an awful lot of people here with ties to the military."

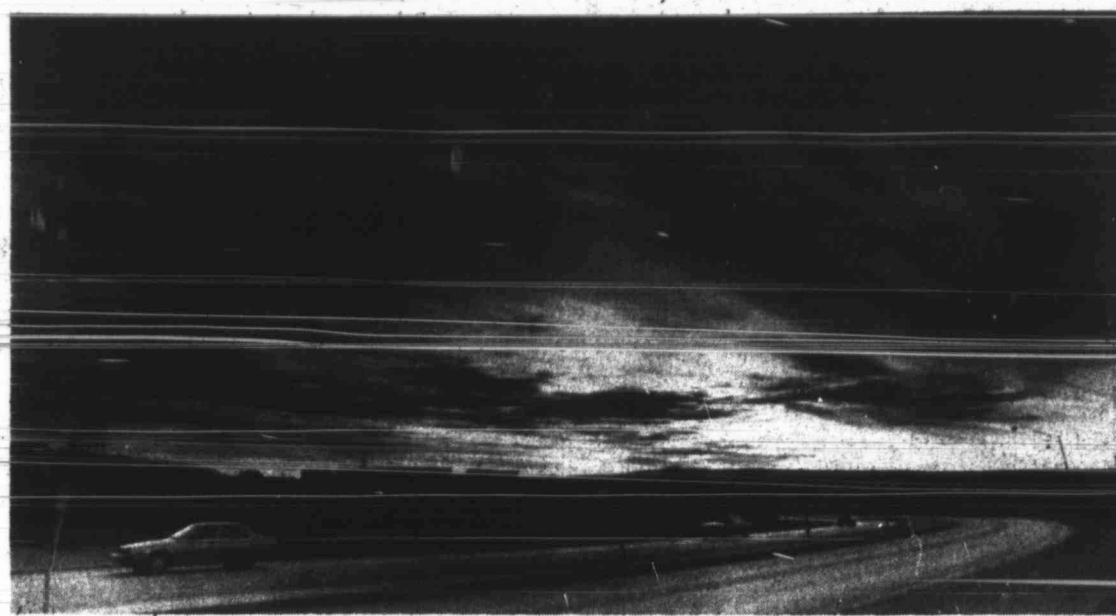
Mrs. Brown and several other Red Cross volunteers recently attended a session in Abilene for disaster training in emergency situations such as floods or fires. The volunteers learned how to set up emergency shelters.

The Red Cross also aided in a recent drive to collect money for the Ethiopian Relief Fund, raising \$1,590.

The Red Cross also raised \$500 for victims of the Mexico City gas explosion, and another \$500 for victims of the chemical gas leak in Bhopal, India.

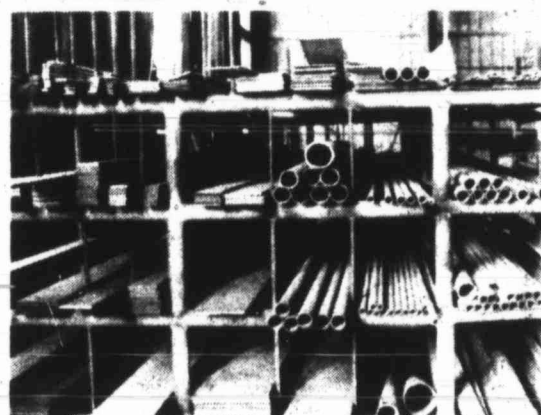
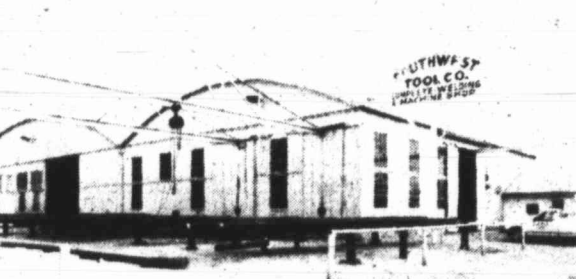
Martha Moody, a longtime volunteer for the Red Cross, is an active volunteer at the Veteran's Administration Medical Center. She visits patients and gives them Christmas and birthday gifts. "A lot of it comes from her own pocket," Mrs. Brown said.

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Symphony

The Big Spring Symphony gave its first concert as a performing entity on April 7 in a concert dedicated to the late Bill Bradley, a longtime Big Spring band director.

Thirty-five musicians drawn from West Texas and New Mexico performed under the direction of internationally-recognized conductor Marianna Gabbi.

The orchestra is a carefully selected group of professional musicians who, in three two-and-a-half hour rehearsals, are capable of presenting a high-caliber performance for the Big Spring community, according to Sam Woodward, one of the organizers of the symphony.

The orchestra performed in December under the direction of John Wilson in three "Living Christmas Tree" performances offered to the community by the First United Methodist Church of Big Spring.

The Symphony Association presented the Fort Worth Chamber Orchestra in concert October in one pair of children's concerts for elementary school children, and an evening concert under the direction of John Giordano at the municipal auditorium.

Plans for 1985 plans include performances on March 9 with soprano JoAnn Pickens singing excerpts from favorite operas and a performance May 4 with pianist Christopher O'Riley performing Beethoven's Concerto No. 5 (the "Emperor Concerto). Both concerts will be under the direction of Marianna Gabbi and will be in the Howard College Auditorium.

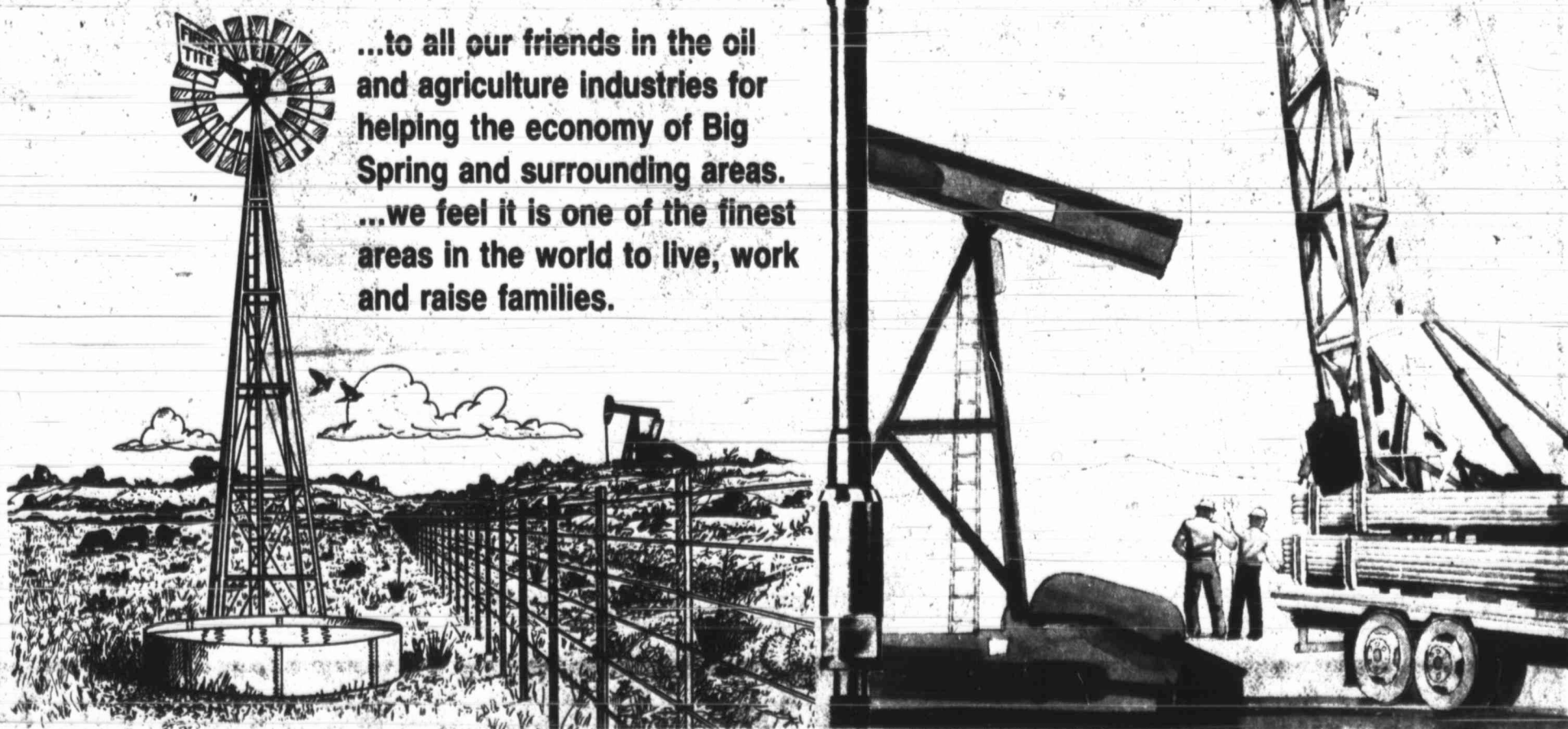
Tentative plans include a possible July 4 "Pops" concert at the amphitheatre featuring the Tchaikovsky "1812 Overture" complete with cannon and fireworks. The performance depends upon

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State birthday

The Big Spring/Howard County Sesquicentennial Committee is busy finalizing arrangements to participate in the state's 150 year anniversary celebration that will take place in 1986.

Mel Prather, publicity chairman, said the committee must turn in a list of events it plans to hold in conjunction with the state's anniversary celebration.

The commission was established by the state Legislature in 1979 to oversee and plan the celebration to promote tourism, which Prather said is the second largest industry in Texas.

The commission is promoting the event in foreign countries and expects half of its projected 40 million tourists to be from out of the country, Prather said.

The publicity chairman said immediate goals for the local area would include revamping the Big Spring Amphitheater and providing air conditioning for the Municipal Auditorium.

"Those are things we think are really nice and worth fixing up or they will get worse off," Prather said.

YMCA

The Big Spring YMCA is one of the community's most active spots, Executive Director Wallace Gill said.

Since its establishment in 1946, the "Y" has been serving Big Spring residents as a place where the whole family can come and enjoy the benefits of organized athletics and exercise programs, Gill said.

The YMCA has many activities to offer both young and old, Gill said. Indoor facilities include a heated swimming pool, a gymnasium with 6 basketball goals, adult and children's locker rooms, handball and raquetball courts, gameroom and club and exercise rooms.

Its facilities also include a newly refurbished health center, that includes access to both Nautilus and free weight equipment, and a recently completed gymnastics complex complete with world class gymnastics equipment, he said.

Along with the individual programs the YMCA has to offer, it offers group activities such as the Youth Basketball League, aerobics and dance classes, co-ed volleyball league, indoor soccer and special events all year long, Gill said.

Westside Center

More than 6,000 children and 2,000 adults used the facilities of the Westside Community Center during 1984, according to Madeline Boadle, director.

The center, located at 1311 W. Fourth, offers "a whole lot of things" to people in the community. Programs for children ages 5 through 14 include supervised

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recreation, educational programs, tutoring services and Girl Scout programs.

Mrs. Ben Bedford tutors children at the center four afternoons a week from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Mrs. Boadle also helps children with their school work if they ask for help.

Youngsters may participate in supervised bowling, story hour, 4-H, or "they can just come here to play" with pool tables, ping pong tables or watch television.

Mrs. Boadle said said nutrition and sewing classes are popular at the Westside Community Center. Family activities, such as organized softball teams, are also popular.

Northside Center

The Northside Community Center was established in 1983 with a pocketful of cash and big dreams

for the future.

Today, the Center continues to help the needy in the community and to offer aid in crisis situations.

Marianne Brown is director of the Northside Community Center, which is headquartered 108 N.E. 8th. Often she is assisted with her work at the Center by people who have been helped in the past.

One woman, who's husband is in an alcohol rehabilitation program at the Veteran's Administration Medical Center, came to the Northside Community Center seeking shelter.

"Marianne took me home with her," the woman recalls. The next day, Mrs. Brown found a temporary home for the woman to live in while her husband goes through the rehabilitation program.

"Marianne is my guardian angel," the woman said.

Juanita McIntosh is working as a secretary for the center after having been helped several months

ago. Mrs. McIntosh and her family were living in the east when they decided to return to Big Spring to live.

"My husband picked up part-time jobs to keep coming in this direction," she remembers. "When we arrived, we were broke, cold and hungry. We were living out of our car."

The McIntoshes heard about the Center while at the Texas Employment Center seeking work. They visited the center and were given groceries and clothing.

Mrs. Brown found the family a temporary home and later placed the family at the Apache Bend Apartments. She also helped the children register in school.

Today, the family has its own home and is establishing roots in the community.

"Marianne has been our Rock of Gibraltar," Mrs. McIntosh said. "She's a friend. She's been there when we needed her."

Mrs. Brown said the Northside Community Center is opened four days a week. The center offers a kind of "crisis intervention" service for families in trouble, she said.

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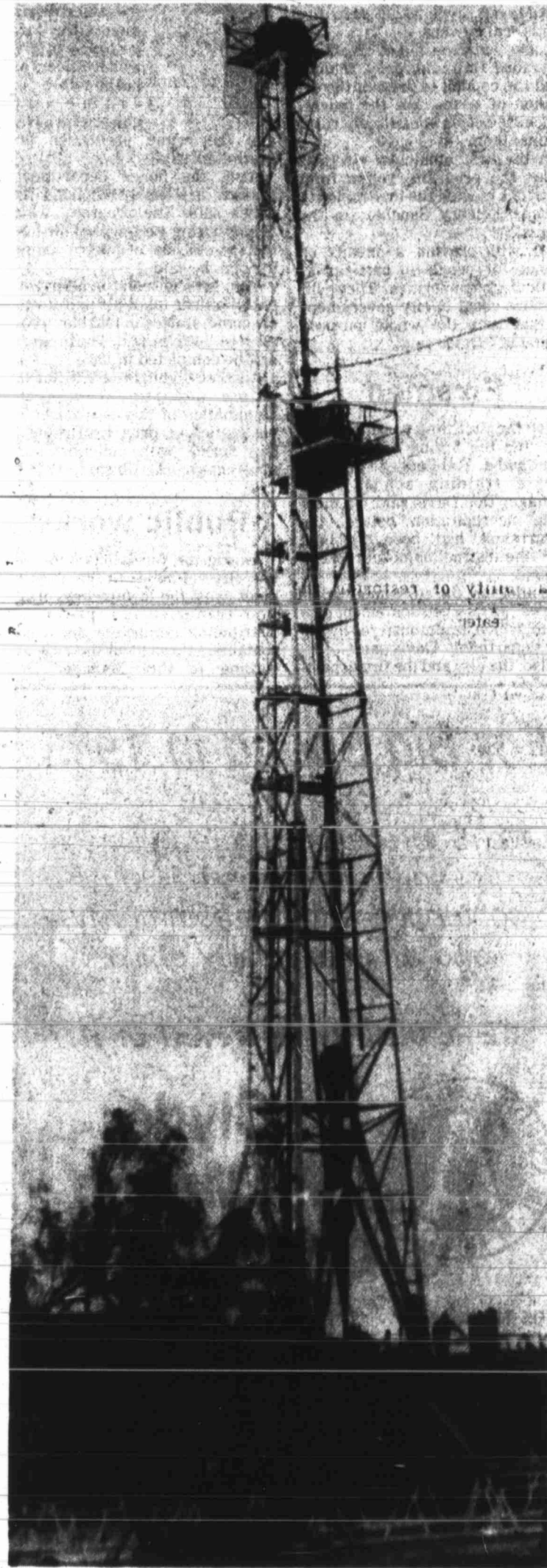
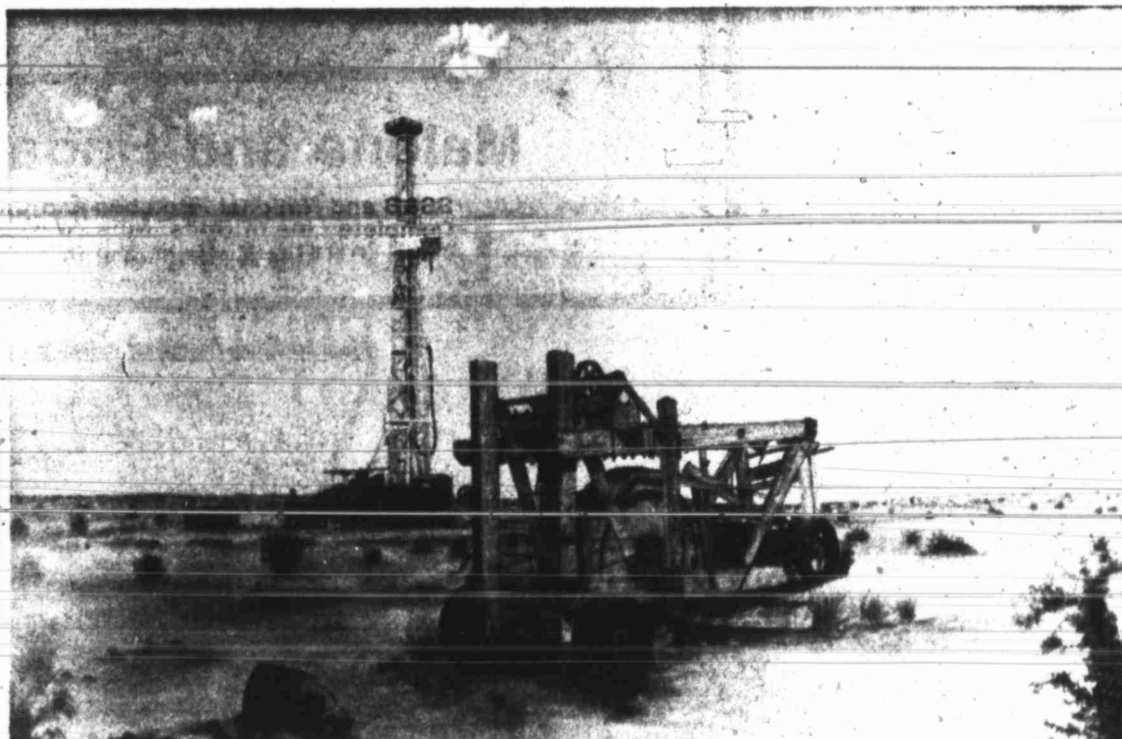


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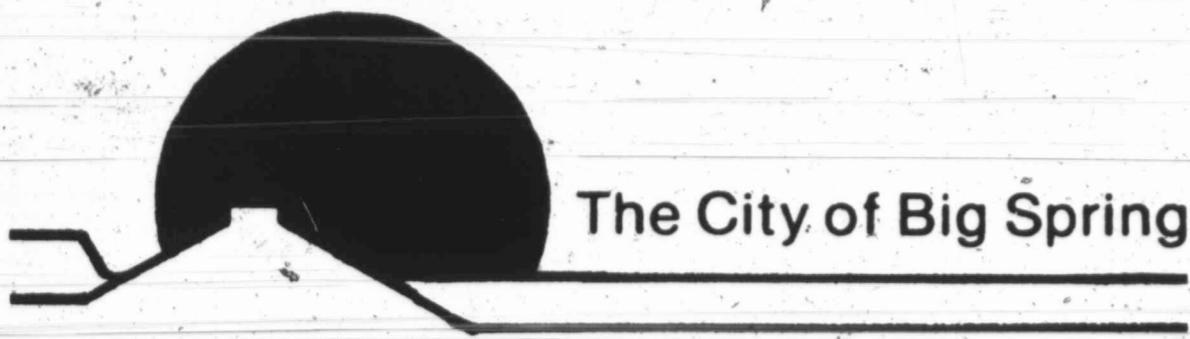
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Districts

The biggest change in Big Spring city government in a long time occurred last year when city officials agreed to an out-of-court settlement with the League of United Latin American Citizens that created single-member districts.

LULAC had sued the city, charging its at-large elections for the city council discriminated against minorities in local elections because no Mexican-Americans or blacks had been voted onto the council since its inception.

Under the settlement, the council expanded from five members to seven and three single-member districts were created.

A provision of the settlement extending the terms of council members Larry Miller, Bob Fuller and Mayor Clyde Angel drew fire from local citizens.

Local citizens Jack Watkins, Raymond Hall and Mary Thomas sued the council to prevent the extension of terms, but the federal and state courts consistently ruled against them.

In the first municipal elections under the program, voters from District 1 elected the first minority member, Henry Sanchez, to the council.

"It will provide a means or avenue for people to participate, particularly minorities. They will be more vocal in city government — that was the whole purpose behind it," Davis said.

Firemen

For the first time since its creation, the Big Spring Fire Department had a "full-fledged" in-house rookie training school, City Manager Don Davis said. To meet state accreditation before, the department had been "jobbing out" the instruction of its rookies, he said.

In addition, the city made "great strides" in its weed abatement program, which is administered by the fire department, Davis said.

Also, the city and the fire depart-

ment set up a policy and procedure to start the demolition of substandard buildings, that pose potential fire hazards. The department also received two new fire trucks and started a physical fitness program for all the fire department personnel.

Police

"We experienced a reduction in the overall crime rate, an 8.7 percent drop in 1984 over '83," City Manager Don Davis said.

"We attribute this to the implementation of the take-home vehicle plan for the police department, the beat program, in which officers are responsible for crime in a geographic area, and the crime prevention program," he said.

Also, the police department's records are being computerized, Davis said. The program, which began during 1984, will allow for a better analysis of where crimes happen," he said.

The vehicle plan, where each patrol officer takes his patrol vehicle home, started in 1983 but "peaked in 84," Davis said. The program will be completed in 1985.

Another highlight of 1984 for the police department was the culmination of the undercover investigation of drug trafficking in Big Spring with indictments on drug charges, Davis said.

Public works

Among the year's highlights for the city's Public Works Department was the completion of its "containerization project," distributing dumpsters and trash containers throughout the city, according to City Manager Don

Davis. "This will help us keep the city streets a little cleaner," Public Works Director Tom Decell said of the project begun last year.

It also finished Phase II of the Capital Improvements Projects, resurfacing Birdwell Lane and Goliad and replacing waterlines there, Decell said.

Two grants from the Texas Department of Community Affairs grants for \$680,000 allowed the city to resurface and replace water lines in the "Bird streets" and other improvements in the airport addition, Davis said.

A third grant, from the Federal Aviation Administration, provides the city with \$565,000 to resurface and light the runway at the Big Spring Airport, Davis said.

The airport was dedicated and renamed the airport the Big Spring McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark in honor of Clyde McMahon Sr. and Winston Wrinkle, prominent city businessmen who took an active interest in civic affairs.

The city also started a program to convert its landfill into a balefill in 1984, but still has to go through the permit process before it becomes the first city to operate a balefill in Texas, Davis said.

Parks

"One of the year's highlights was the improvements made at the city's golf course," City Manager Don Davis said. "We improved the maintenance without any significant capital outlays. We have better maintenance and treatment of the facility."

"We want to make this one of the best golf courses in West Texas," he said.

At Moss Creek Lake, the emphasis also was on improved maintenance, upgraded docks and

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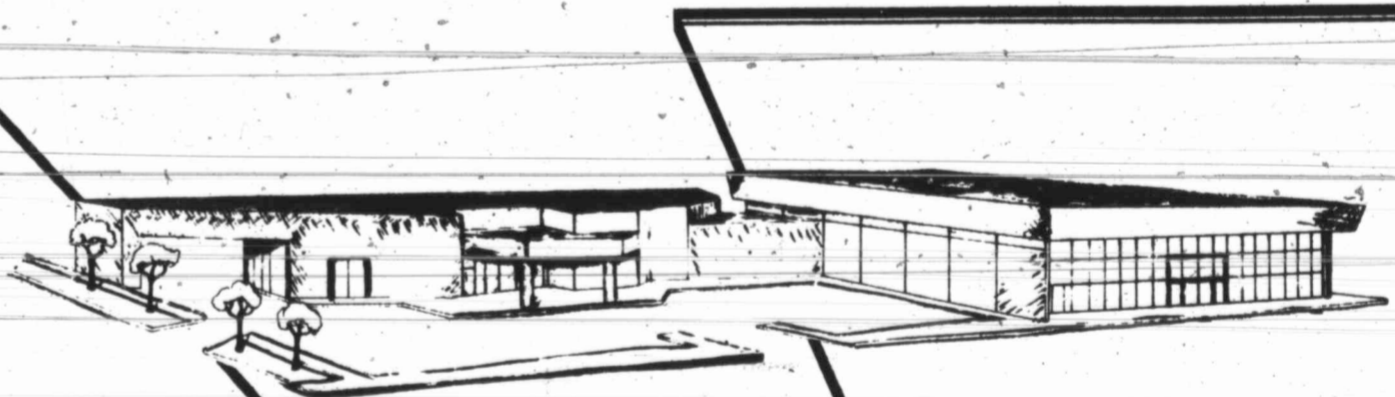
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 construction of a new boat ramp. The county, under a mutual aid program with the city, improved roads at Moss Lake and other parks, Davis said.

Handicapped

The city has changed its policies so that they are now accessible to the handicapped, City Administrative Assistant Pat Hardy said. "We have filed a plan to make the buildings accessible, but no work has been started," he said.

Downtown

City Manager Don Davis and his assistant, Pat Hardy, said they were proud of the city's joint efforts with downtown businessmen to revitalize the downtown district in its "Heart of the City" project.

"Maybe it's (the effects) not real visible at this time, but I feel very good about the foundations of the program, about revitalization of the downtown district," Davis said. "The deterioration occurred over 30 to 50 years — it's not something you can correct in three months. I feel good and the council feels good about the project."

Four or five new businesses were started downtown, said Hardy, who is the city's liaison with the merchants.

"We've arrested the decline of downtown," he said. "We've got new remodeling and repainting being done. We had a festival that drew 7,000."

The group also has hired consultants to provide them with a marketing strategy, he said.

"The Texas Main Street plan (a blueprint for revitalization of downtowns) doesn't think you will see any results for three years. We've had amazing results," Hardy said.

The purchase of the Settles Hotel could provide a limited impact on revitalization, Davis and Hardy said.

"It's a private enterprise proceeding at its own pace," Davis said. "I'm hopeful he and others rehabilitating buildings will get on with it."

As part of the Heart of the City program, merchants also have

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purchased trees to be planted downtown for a "beautification" project.

County

In 1985, Howard County commissioners will explore areas such as additional office space for departments that serve the county, the creation of a county juvenile detention center, and the possibility of constructing a new jail.

In the commissioners' first meeting this year, Texas Ranger Charles Brune presented a plan submitted by state agency offices to relocate those offices in a possible site at the Big Spring Airpark.

Howard County Judge Milton Kirby who sets the agenda and chairs commissioners meetings said the court would probably look into the matter of a new jail later on in the summer.

Kirby said that the county has received several offers or bids from architects to handle the building of a new jail facility.

"We didn't solicit them (ar-

chitects), they solicited us," Kirby said.

"What we need to do is hire a consultant architect — someone who knows something about building jails," Kirby said.

As for a juvenile detention center, the county would have to meet criteria of a federal mandate that stipulates juvenile detention facilities must be out-of-sound and out-of-sight of adult facilities. A juvenile detention facility must also have a private entrance.

The federal mandate must be met by December 1985.

Judge Kirby said commissioners would look into space problems the county library is presently experiencing.



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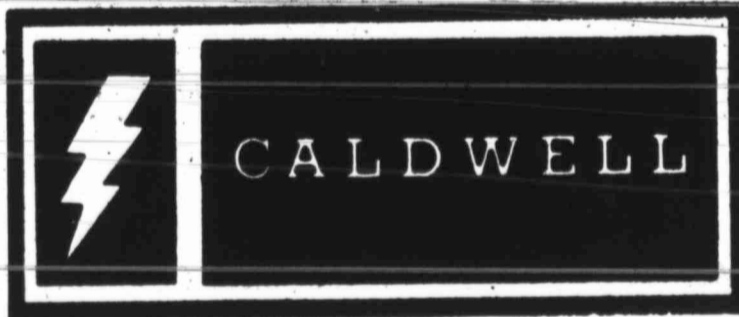
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State hospital

Big Spring State Hospital improved patient care, developed new programs and hired 34 new employees in 1984, said public information officer Kathy J. Viccinelli.



More improvements and programs are in the making as the facility prepares for

visitors from a hospital accreditation committee, according to the hospital superintendent, A.K. Smith.

"In the field of mental health, there's no way to draw a clear balance sheet at the end of a year and the beginning of a new one, as there is in a business," Smith said. "But we feel BSSH has had a year of progress and betterment."

"As we prepare to qualify for and maintain another full three-year accreditation with the Joint Committee on Accreditation of Hospitals, we have another full state of solid objectives for 1985."

Heading the list of goals for this year is to maintain the hospital's accreditation for Medicare. Some other goals for 1985, Smith said, include:

- Correcting any deficiencies identified in Outreach clinics.
- Starting a case management system in the 23 counties for which BSSH is the mental health authority.
- Improving the staff-to-patient

ratio in the hospital.

- Having a maximum of four beds to a sleeping area to enhance patient privacy.
- Establishing a full-time patient rights officer.
- Reducing aggressive behavior incidents.
- Finding a way to identify aftercare needs of hospitalized patients.

Smith said, "We feel these goals will all result in better patient care, which is the purpose of the hospital, its staff, and all its employees."

Smith added, "In my report to the community in October, I pointed out many of the efforts we are making to meet state-directed goals." He said state-wide emphasis is being made on returning patients to community settings. This will "reduce the in-hospital patient load and improve the staff-to-patient ratio."

Progress they made in 1984, he said, included the expansion of a community-based residential service for those no longer in need of inpatient service. "This program maintained an average of 136 patients outside the hospital setting," he said.

He added, "The professional staff of Big Spring State Hospital made five presentations to train operators of alternate living facilities. We reached 270 involved people across West Texas."

Another program they developed was the Admission Prevention Lodge, which is "aimed at providing intensive 24-hour service on

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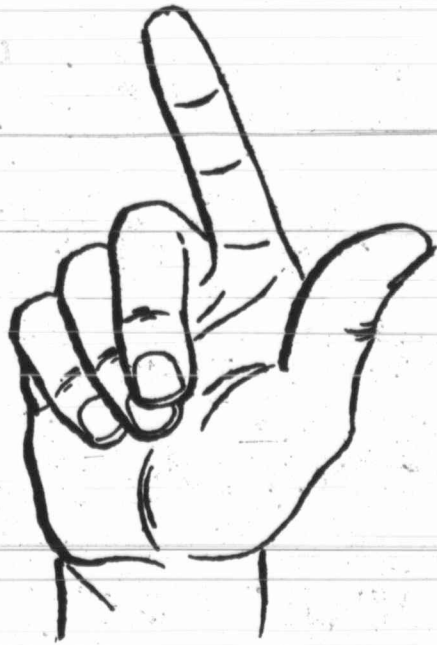
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 The 34 new employees were hired as a result of requirements made for mental health hospitals after a lawsuit filed in 1974 by a patient then in Terrell State Hospital.
 "We're working to meet all the recommendations," Smith said. "The extent of our program's growth will depend largely on the new budget to be established by the state legislature early this year."

VA Center

The Veterans' Administration Hospital has planned construction and a change in services this year.
 The hospital completed several energy-saving projects in 1984. A new boiler plant is expected to save \$22,000 a year in utility costs. Work also has been completed which "improved safety and made the space in the outpatient department more useful," said Assistant to the Director Tom Balderach.

A construction contract under way in 1985 replaces the windows in the building with energy-saving glass and dust-proof construction. Also, the surgical suite and educational building are scheduled for renovation and the outpatient area will be enlarged, Balderach said.

The need for more outpatient space results from increased demand by elderly veterans for service. "World War I and II vets are reaching the age where they have problems requiring multiple diagnosis," he said, "instead of the simpler, one-symptom problems they had as younger men."

A 42-bed, intermediate care unit was built two years ago because of the trend, he said.

The hospital is increasing support services, according to Balderach. These include physical therapy, occupational therapy, recreation therapy and social workers. However, the number of staff members will remain the same this year, he said.

The hospital recently added a service that is "one of the most incisive tools for a physician," Balderach said. This is the computer tomograph scanner operated out of an 18-wheel tractor/trailer by Maxi-Scan of Lubbock.

This 209-bed, 34-year-old facility, with capabilities from psychiatry to nuclear medicine, will have "no problem" handling the increased outpatient demand, Balderach said.

Malone-Hogan

The people of Malone-Hogan Hospital are looking forward to celebrating 47 years in Big Spring in 1985 and the hospital's 10th anniversary in its new location.

Public relations director Emily Ward said a reunion of Malone-Hogan patients and a commemorative run from the old hospital site on Main Street to the new location "will remind the hospital's public of mutual roots and heritage."

She said a new chapel will be dedicated this year. "And the hospital will also celebrate its anniversary with the introduction of several new services," she said.

Some of these new services are a computed-axial-tomography scan-

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ner, a birthing room, an alcohol and substance-abuse unit, expansion of one-day surgery services, and expansion of home health services.

Ward said courses for Big Spring residents are being planned. She mentioned classes in parenting, women's health, the elderly and a series of health programs.

Their new home health department "has filled an important need for Big Spring patients," according to administrator John Bingham. Since opening in February 1984, the department has made 2,739 home visits.

Ward explained, "Since shorter stays in the hospital are here to stay, patients will leave the hospital earlier. Some will need professional care at home. Home care provides continuity of services under the patient's doctor's supervision."

Young families will also be a major concern of Malone-Hogan's anniversary year, Ward said. "A birthing room will provide home-like atmosphere to Big Spring patients who deliver newborns at the hospital."

"New cost options will allow patients to 'shop' birth alternatives. The hospital's preparatory classes to prepare young parents for 'natural' childbirth will be expanded," Ms. Ward said.

Another project the hospital has to finish, she said, is remodeling that started in 1984 with replacement of the roof. New wall vinyl, carpet, drapes and bedding were installed last year, as well as a new telephone system and computer system.

"We have no intention of standing still," said Bingham. "At the same time, we're not so foolish as to plan any fundamental change in the nature or mission of Malone-Hogan. We intend to remain Big Spring's community hospital."

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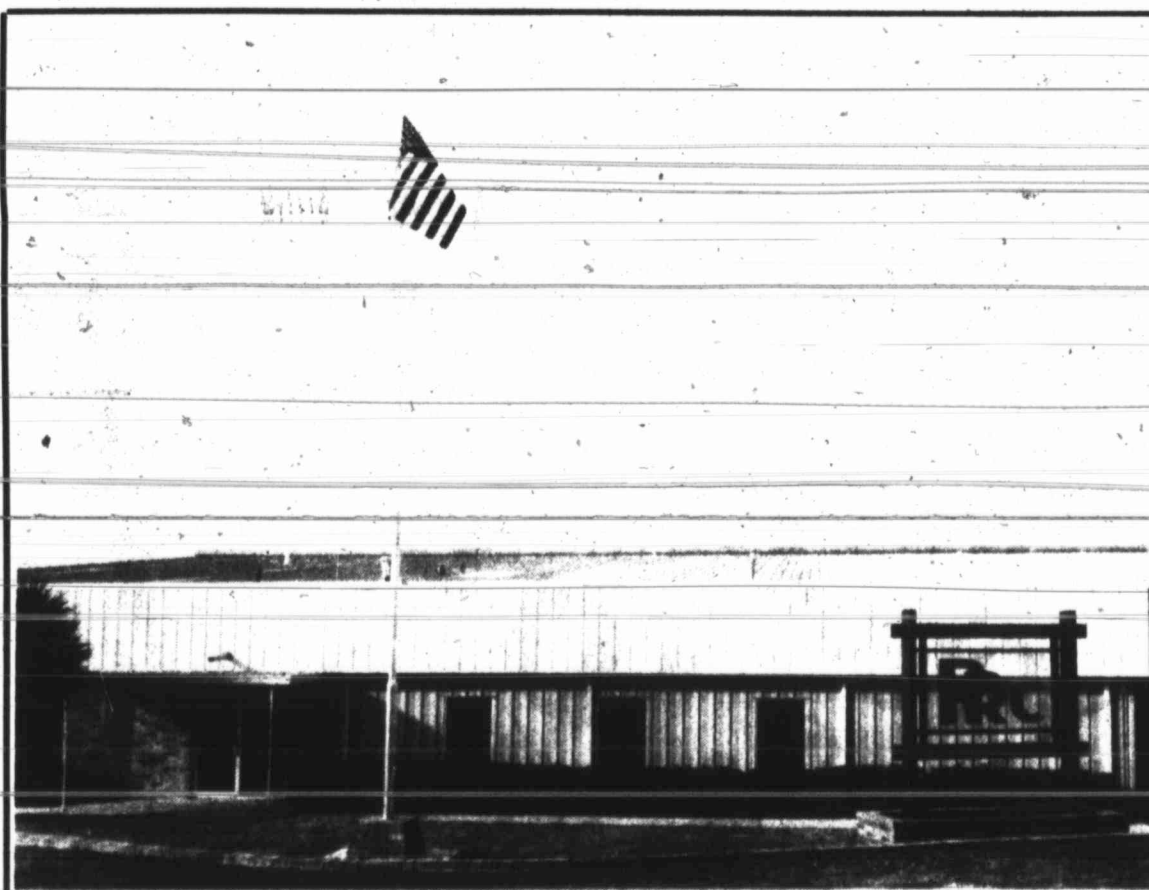


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Crucial year

The upcoming year will be "crucial" for the fate of West Texas agriculture, according to Howard County Agricultural Extension Agent Don Richardson.

"The economic situation overall for agricultural producers all over West Texas — not just the Howard County area — is real critical. Nineteen-eighty-five is a crucial year for a lot of producers," Richardson said.

Cotton farmers in the area are rushing to harvest what will little cotton is left in their fields to meet the Federal Crop Insurance Corp. Jan. 21 deadline.

The cold weather and snow, while good for the 1985 spring planting, delayed farmers from gathering what cotton they managed to produce in the second consecutive drought year.

Richardson puts the harvest figure at 5,000 bales or less this year because of the "less-than-ideal weather conditions." In normal years, county farmers produce between 70,000 and 80,000 bales.

The grade also is expected to be poor; late rains and snow spotted

most of the harvest.

Grain sorghums and other crops also did poorly, Richardson said.

"About the only thing that did well this year was the hay crop. We had an excellent hay crop, and producers were able to take advantage of the demand for it," he said.

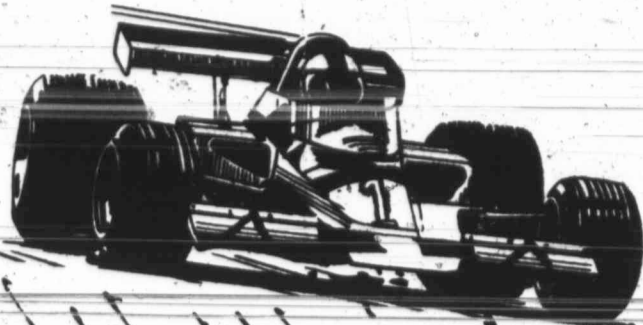
Yet Richardson said he is optimistic about the 1985 crop because of recent rain and snowfall, which he said is providing a "good sub-soil moisture buildup" for spring planting.

"The rain and the snowfall will be a real aid for the 1985 crop. We really need a bumper crop this year," Richardson said. "If we don't have any adverse weather or any late hailstorms and we get timely rains this summer, we will be in good shape. We have excellent subsoil moisture."

The livestock remaining in the county — most has been shipped out of county or out of state where grazing land is still available because of the drought — is being fed with protein supplements, Richardson said.

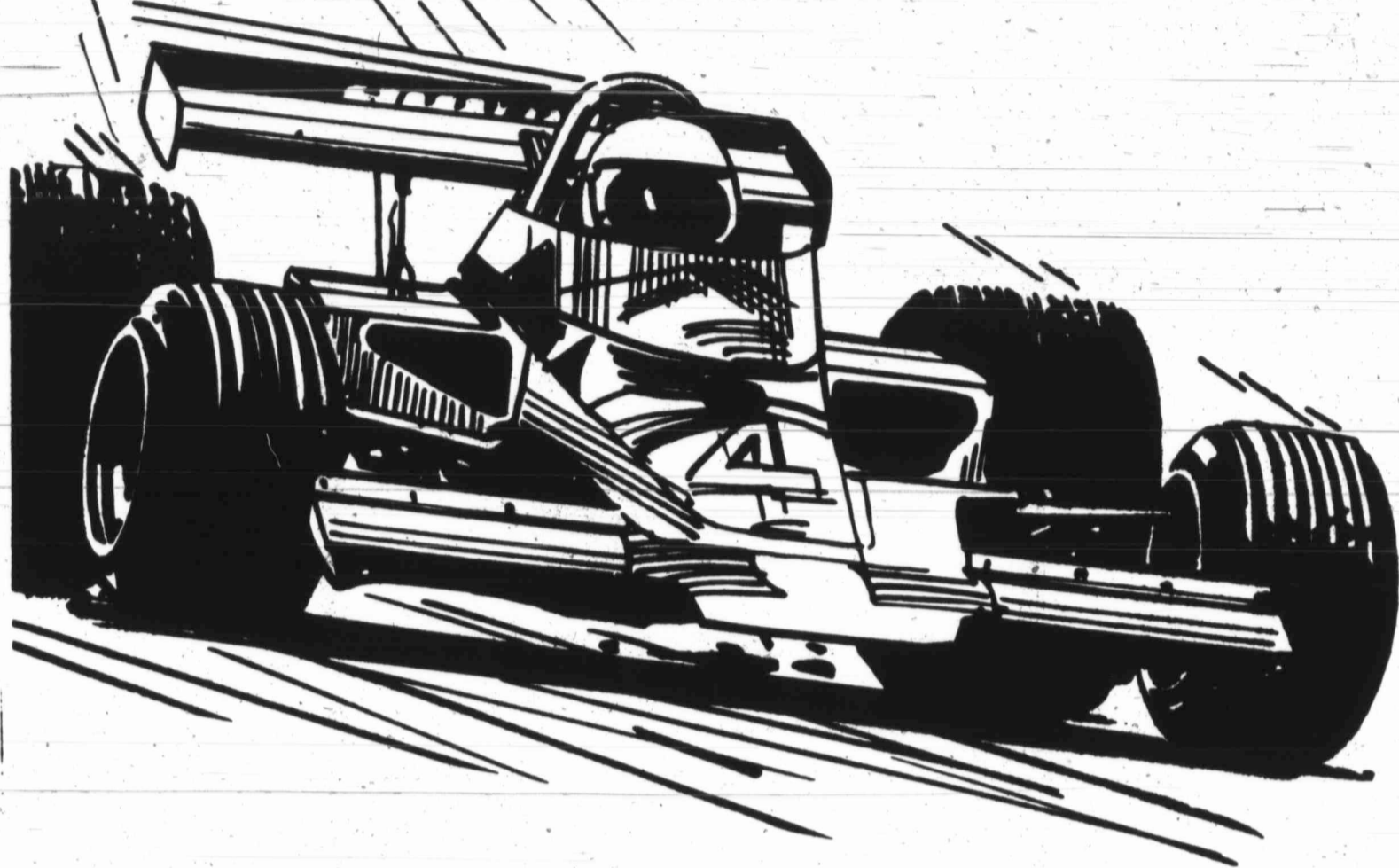
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 livestock," he said.
 Rangelands could take two to five years of normal rainfall to recover from the effects of drought. "We lost a lot of turf. It's a bad situation all the way around," he said.

The year has had some bright spots, he said. The county completed construction of a new show barn at the fairgrounds in time for the junior stock show this January. The new barn has been named the Dora Roberts Building in honor of the woman who was an early county pioneer, rancher and philanthropist.

Stock shows and the fair also were highlights of the county's 4-H, Future Farmers of America and county extension programs. Richardson said. "They've been one of our bright spots this year," Richardson said. "Regardless how



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bad the economic times are, people come up and help the kids. The producers have given a lot of support to them."

Experiment station

Scientists at the Experiment Station have begun several new projects, including construction of a new wind tunnel, which is expected to be complete within three weeks. The new tunnel, which requires precision placement of glass panels, also will allow the scientists at the U.S. Department of Agriculture station to test wind erosion. They also have begun automation of their weather station, which will allow them to store weather data on tapes and let the computer correlate the data instead of correlating the data by hand, according to station scientist J.D. Bilbro. The station also has a new soil scientist, Ted Zobeck, who will be working on how much reduction in

yield is caused by wind erosion. Zobeck will be testing the effects of lost topsoil and of added topsoil on plant growth. Scientists also will be experimenting with new varieties of small grains for use as a winter cover crop. Also, they will test the use of weeds, grain sorghum and millet as strip crops for wind erosion.

ASCS office

Howard County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service Director Tim Hall said farmers shouldn't expect much changes in farm programs for 1985 from 1984. The big program change in 1984 was the abolition of the Payments-In-Kind program for cotton and most other crops. The PIK subsidies helped many local farmers who participated in the program escape total losses caused by the 1983 drought. Within the next few months, the Reagan Administration, Congress, farmers, cattlemen and other industry-related interest groups and businesses will be battling over

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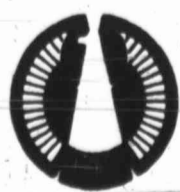
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the contents of the 1985 farm bill, which will set farm policy for the next five years.

The Reagan administration proposal could eliminate many farm programs including price supports and target prices, according to early Associated Press reports.

The battle over the bill, which will first affect the fall wheat crop, could shape up to be "one of the major battles of the session," according to agriculture officials.

Hall said he could not comment on any administration proposals for the bill.

Later in the year, the county office will receive a computer system from the U.S. Department of Agriculture that should cut down substantially on office paperwork, Hall said.

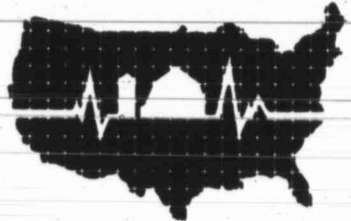
Crop insurance

The Federal Crop Insurance Corp. office gained a huge increase in the number of area farmers signing up for the program, according to regional director Dottie Sampley.

Before 1984, only about 3 percent of area farmers were enrolling in the program, which pays farmers if their crops are destroyed by natural disasters such as droughts and hailstorms.

This year, the program saw about 85 percent of the cotton farmers in the county enroll, Mrs. Sampley said.

The program's insurance payments have substantially aided farmers in the area by allowing them to recoup some of their planting costs, she said.



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in cooperation with the Texas Forestry Service, started a windbreak tree program, Arhelger said. Under the program, farmers and ranchers can order seedling trees for use as windbreaks on their land, he said.

In other soil conservation measures, farmers and ranchers in Howard County alone installed three-quarter of a million feet in terraces, "double the amount of terracing done in the past," Arhelger said.

The Upper Colorado River Conservation District, which includes Borden and Scurry Counties, offered fingerlings — small, immature fish — to producers to stock their ponds.

In Mitchell County, one-half of the acres involved in a program to rid the land of the affects of saline seed "have been successfully treated and returned to agricultural production," Arhelger said.

The office also continues to offer assistance to farmers, ranchers, governmental bodies and clubs with brush management, soil conservation, range improvements, erosion research management, pollution abatement environmental education and bird and wildlife management.

Colorado River for the permit to yield 113,000 acre-feet per year, he said.

Early in January, the decision was softened to remand the case to the Texas Water Commission.

The district issued two bond series, one at \$8.275 million at 9.035 percent interest for additional well field reserves and the Beals Creek project, designed to enhance the quality of Lake Spence water, Pickle said.

The other, issued at \$22.81 million at 9.126 percent, will refund all outstanding bonds, he said.

The latter bond issue, due to mature in January 1994, should save the District about \$5.302 million because of shorter maturities and interest earnings on about \$4.302 million of its own funds put up to pay part of the outstanding bonds, Pickle said.

This would allow the district to retire all currently outstanding bonds Jan. 1, 1994, when district officials estimate the first principal payments on the Stacy project should begin, he said.

To prepare for payment on the Stacy project, directors also created a Stacy Project Fund with \$6.8 million and increased it to \$8.2 million after Dec. 31, Pickle said.

The board also drilled four new wells on the east side of the Ward County Well Field to increase output and quality. And the district board acquired 3,200 acres of land with water rights in Winkler County for about \$2.1 million as a hedge against future water demands in the west end of the system.

Soil office

With the continuation of the drought in 1984, area farmers realized the need for continued soil and conservation measures to halt wind erosion of the land's thinning topsoil, Soil Conservation Service Area Conservationist Bob Arhelger said.

Of the 3.775 million crop acres in the 14-county Big Spring-West Texas area, 2.305 million acres suffered from wind erosion, he said.

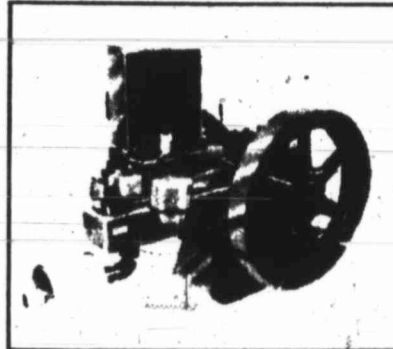
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Water district

The year 1984 went down as one of the most significant in the 35-year history of the Colorado River Municipal Water District, according to District Secretary Joe Pickle.

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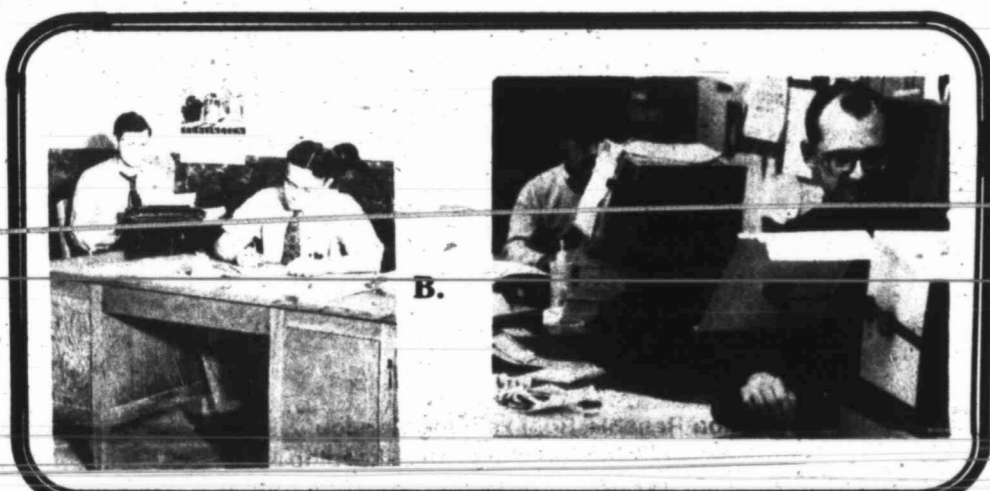
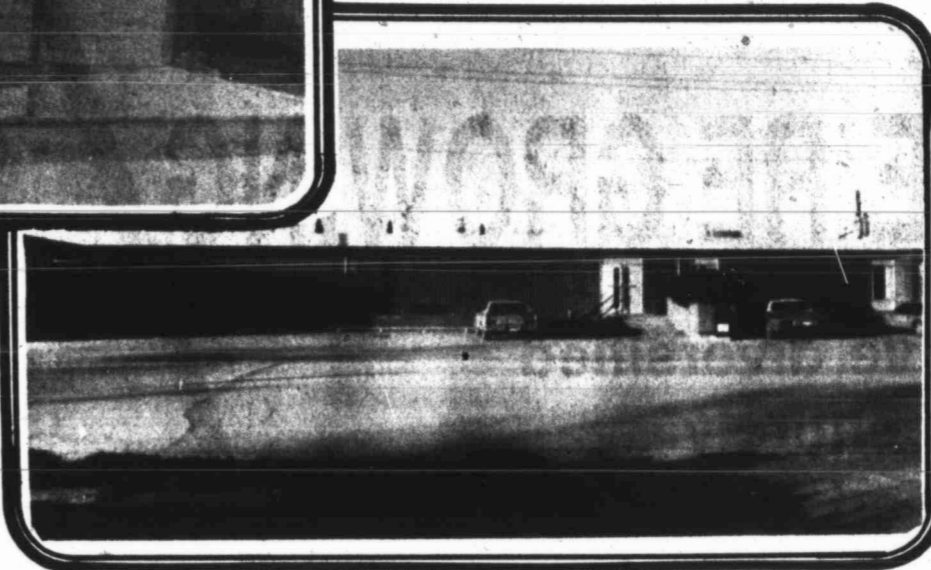
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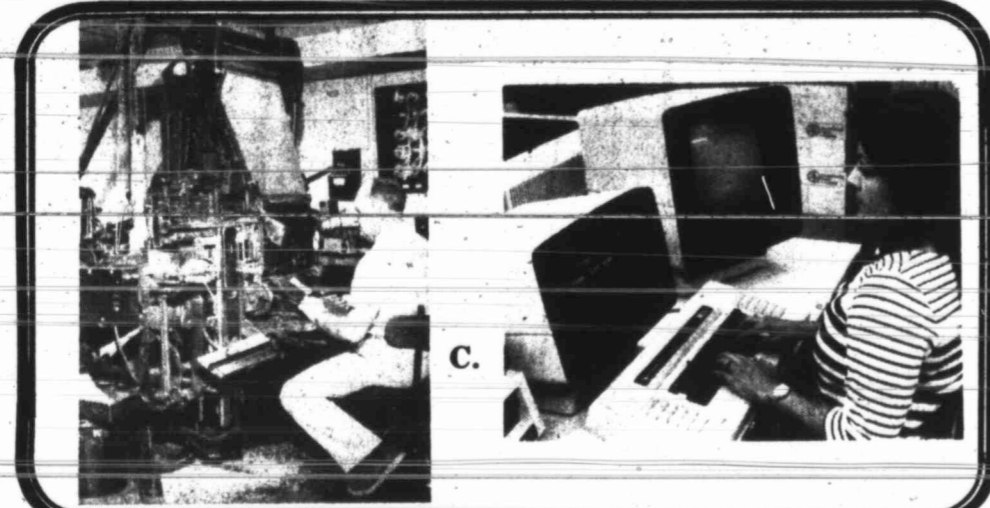
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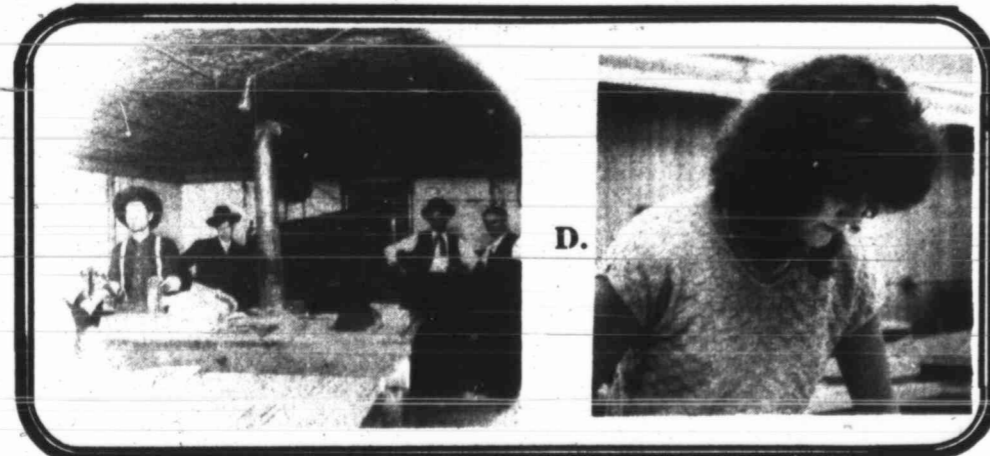
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The Big Spring Herald (the extra "s" was often used in the city's early days) first hit the streets on October 7, 1904. The new weekly was founded by Thomas E. Jordan and Will R. Hayden, a partnership that endured for 21 years. From the very beginning the Herald showed it had the right stuff. It beat out several competitors over the years. And it established a track record of solid growth, regularly moving to newer and larger locations, and acquiring the last word in printing equipment.

Then, in the late 1920's, when Big Spring was caught up on the throes of an oil boom, Tom Jordan decided the time had come to "go daily," and acquired the first web press (which printed off a continuous roll of paper.) On March 15, 1929, the Big Spring Herald became the second newspaper to be acquired by the legendary partnership of two West Texas newspapermen, Houston H. Harte and Bernard Hanks.

The Herald in the last decade has added high speed satellite newswire service, and installed a totally computerized editorial and advertising typesetting system. We print a weekly shopper, The Window Shopper, for non-Herald subscribers in the area. And in September of 1983 we became a 7-days-a-week publication.

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The history of the Big Spring Herald (no extra "s") is one of service and dedication to the community. From that first issue in 1904, the men and women of the Herald have been moved — almost driven — to improve the quality of its product and to better meet the needs of the community.

The more things change at the Big Spring Herald, it seems, the more they remain the same.

A. The first Herald plant was this simple frame building on East 2nd, between Runnels and Johnson Streets. Pictured are A.C. (Coonie) Hayden, Tom Jordan, Will Hayden and Ted Cornell. Today the Herald is housed in a modern home occupying one-half block, and equipped with the most modern newspaper production equipment available.

B. The oldtime "city desk" was made famous in movies such as Clark Gable's "Front Page Story." Newspaper stories were painstakingly typed on manual typewriters, edited by a city editor's brisk pencil and put on a spindle for the copy boy to pick up. Pictured are Joe Pickle and the late R.W. Whipkey. Today Herald news executives Keith Briscoe and Luis Rios put their stories directly into a computer, and the story comes out set and ready to go.

C. The linotype machine — which "typed" in hot molten lead — was a boon to newspaper production around 1915. On the unwieldy, clacking giants Leo Gonzales could set 14 lines per minute. On the Herald's MCS Yolanda B. Williams can quietly and efficiently typeset 150 lines a minute.

D. "How did we ever get the paper out?" Herald oldtimers moan when they recall this 1930's composing room, where pages were made up from lines of "hot" metal type, turned into a page mat, then made into a metal cylinder and finally put on the press. Pictured are Sam Johnson, Louis Bradshaw, Tom E. Jordan and Admiral Wick Byrd. Now the computers put out stories set to measure, ready to be pasted down on a page form by Marianne Pierce and photographed.

E. The Herald's 16-page press from the 1940's, left, is contrasted with the present 32-page press capable of printing in full color, producing 18,000 papers an hour. Pictured are Jimmy Grant, Art Williams, Red Thomas, Gary Bishop and Glen Scott.



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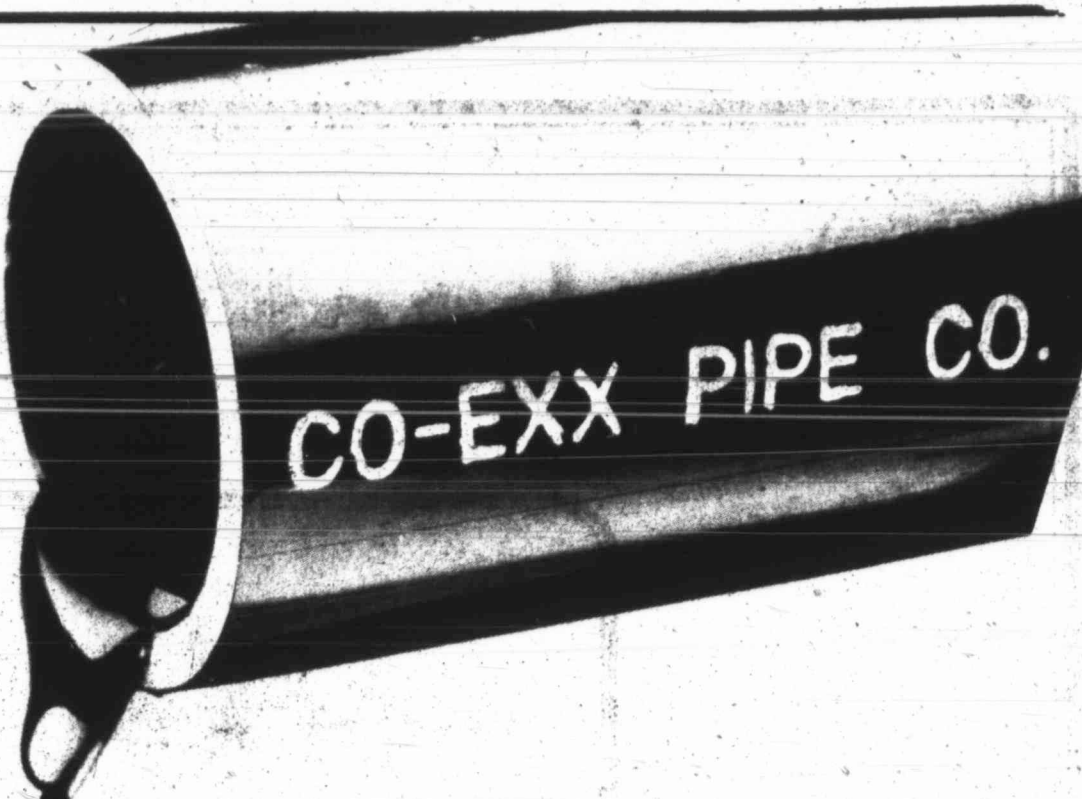
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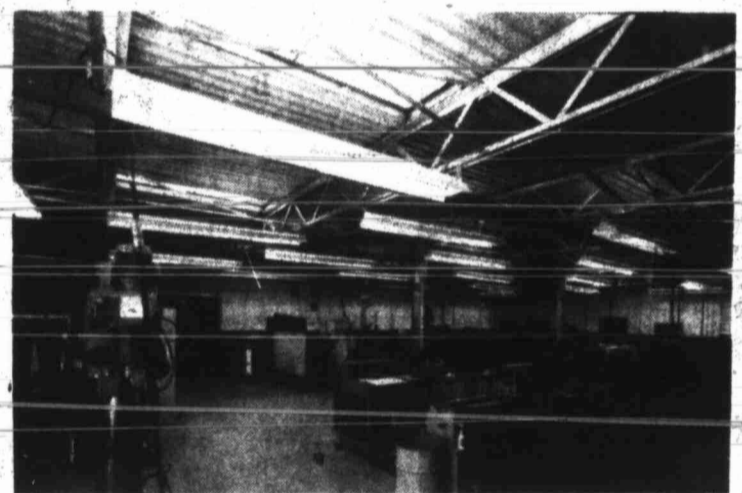
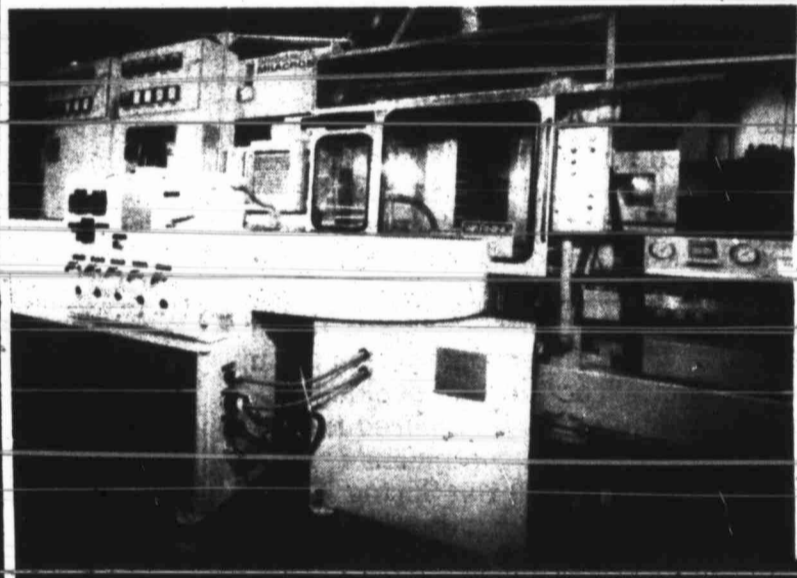
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CO-EXX Pipe Co., now into its fourth year, is continuing its growth, having completed an expansion project that extended its capability to make pipe from 1" through 12" in various wall thicknesses, and increased overall production potential substantially. In step with that momentum, the sales force was expanded and sales efforts now reach into adjacent states through a network of strategically located distributors. CO-EXX pipe, made of high quality resins under a unique coextrusion process, is useful in transporting oil, gas, brine water and potable water. It serves the energy field as well as municipal and industrial applications.

CO-EXX recently erected a third silo. Towering 57 feet, it has capacity of 250,000 lbs. and is equipped with a railcar unloading system. A warehouse currently is under construction.

An extension to the pipe plant was added last year to better accommodate the machine shop and its design and developmental work. Upon its completion, the plant was reroofed, insulated, and the exterior was refinished, enhancing the appearance of the entire complex.

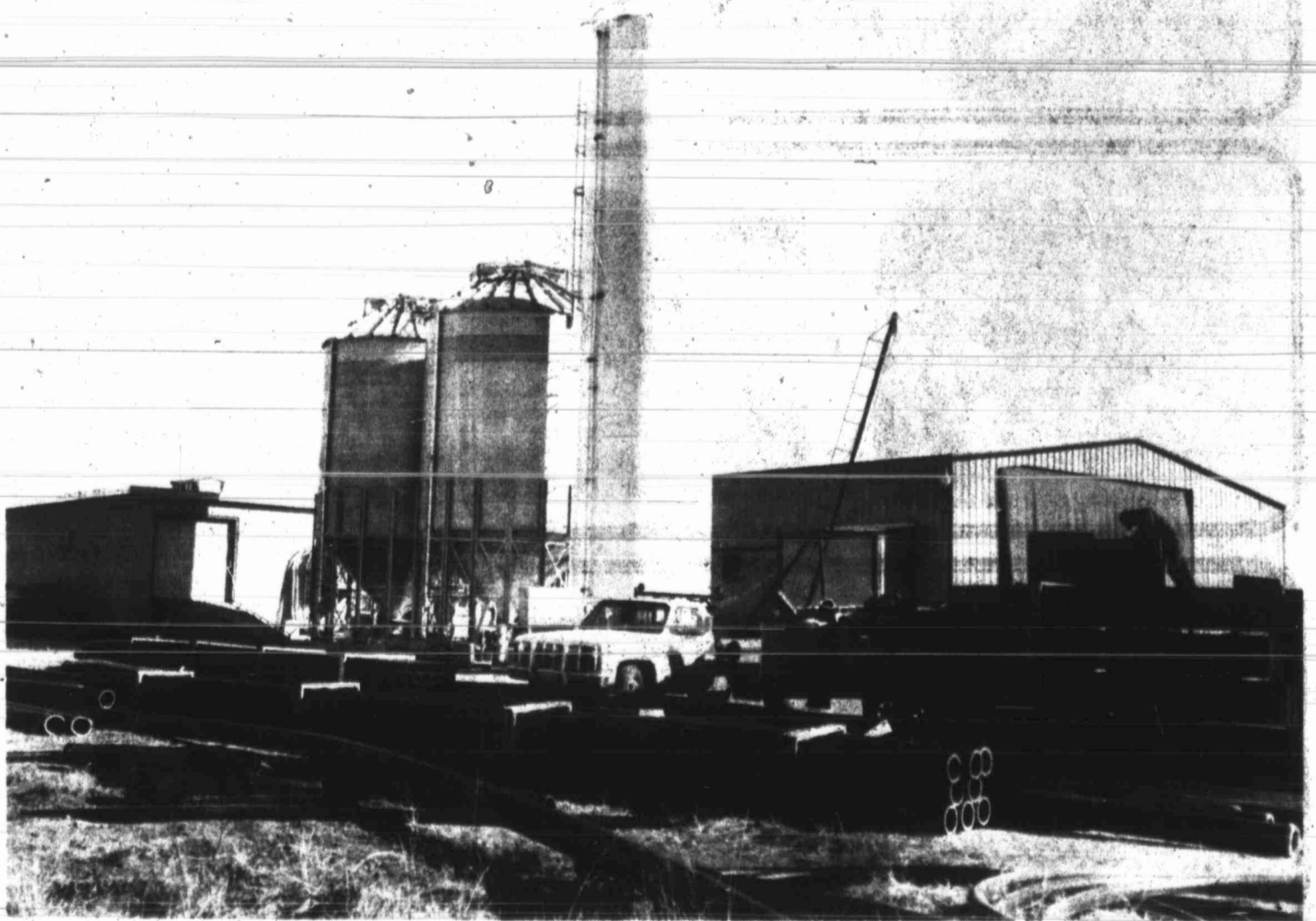


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Two years ago a division — Pneumatic Concepts of Texas—was established to manufacture the TEXAS BREEZE®. This preform post-mold cooling machine was developed to help injection molders of P.E.T. beverage bottles speed cycle time in their production schedules. Its success has resulted in the largest backlog of orders in the division's brief history. More than 100 of the machines are in operation in this country, with others being exported to England, Scotland, Korea, and South America.

Pneumatic Concepts is just completing the prototype for a new generation of BREEZES for which the potential market is vastly larger than that for beverage bottles.

To accommodate the rapid growth of this division, portable office space has been added for the engineering department. A new computer system for use in design and engineering has been purchased.

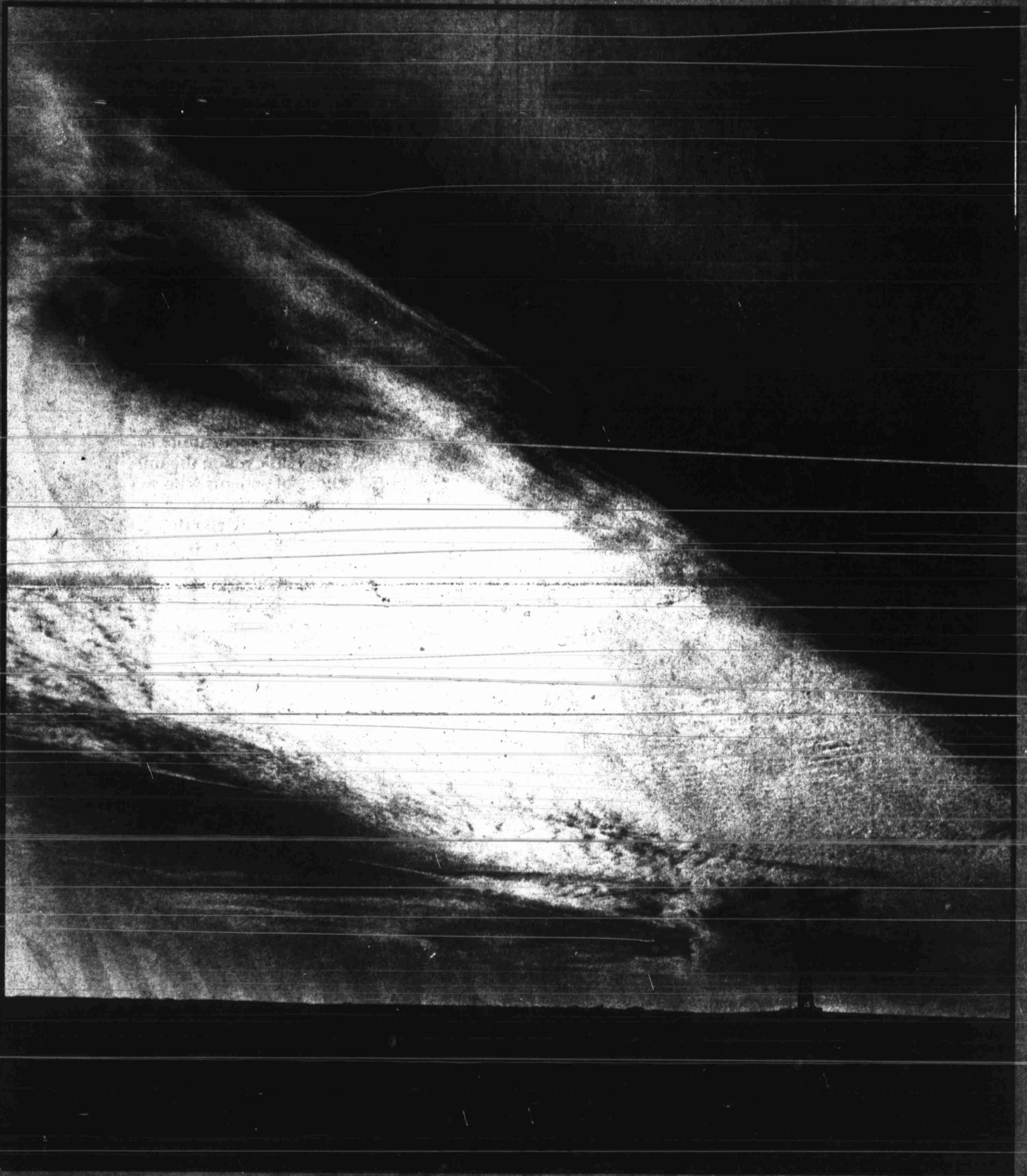


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Chamber of Commerce

1984 saw continued development of several Chamber of Commerce programs, according to LeRoy Tillery, executive director of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.

Granville Hahn is the new Chamber president. During 1984 Paul Shaffer served as president.

Shaffer is particularly proud of the C.L.E.A.N. program, a "major accomplishment" for cleaning up the city. The C.L.E.A.N. program was followed up by a fall clean-up campaign.

During 1984 the Chamber published a membership directory for the first time. The Chamber also changed the way funds are collected for the Convention and Visitors Bureau, Tillery said. Local hotel and motel room taxes were increased to 7 percent and half of that can be used to "increase the capabilities" of the Convention and Visitors Bureau.

John Weeks is head of the bureau.

Shaffer is also proud of the Chemical People program, a program aimed at combating drug abuse. The program is chaired by Tom Watson.

Industrial prospects for the city during 1984 "increased," Tillery said. "We have a lot of lookers. Some are very serious."

Tillery also cited the Signal Peak-Shriners Pro-Am golf tournament and the Heart of the City development drive as highlights during 1984.

The Chamber signed up 124 members during 1984. Thus far in 1985 the chamber has added 50 new members.

Tillery also commended the women's division of the Chamber, the Blue Blazers, for hosting a highly successful conference during the fall.

Among groups the Chamber is working closely with are the Big Spring Industrial Foundation, the Howard County Industrial Development Corp., and the Big Spring Certified Development Corp. All are aimed at recruiting and supporting new industry.

Chamber directors recently granted approval for the purchase of an IBM PCat (advanced technology) computer for the chamber offices, according to Tillery.

The computer will enable the Chamber of keep more precise records and to do printing services that it could not do in the past. The system will streamline Chamber operations, according to Tillery.

The annual Chamber banquet is scheduled for Feb. 9 and this year's theme is "From these roots," and "Big Spring - Forward with vision." Former Big Springers whose lives who have excelled in various fields will be highlighted during the banquet.

The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce publishes a newsletter for members, as well as a calendar of events for the whole community. The Chamber also hosts quarterly community luncheons during which announcements of upcoming events are previewed.

During its monthly directors meeting, the Chamber discusses legislation which affects Big Spring as well as community matters.

Employment

Howard County's unemployment rate is low, and skilled jobs are going begging, said a Texas Employment Commission official.

As of November 1984, 16,368 out of the 17,040 people in the local labor force had jobs.

The unemployment rate of 3.9 percent is lower than the state's 5.7 percent level and the national level 7.4 percent averages. About 3 percent of the population is considered "the hard-core unemployed," said local TEC office manager Joe Wallis, "so the labor pool right now is very small."

Examples of typical unfilled jobs are "for people such as experienced heavy equipment operators," he said. "We also have clerical positions open requiring shorthand, and some in computer operations that are unfillable - there's no one trained or skilled in that around here."

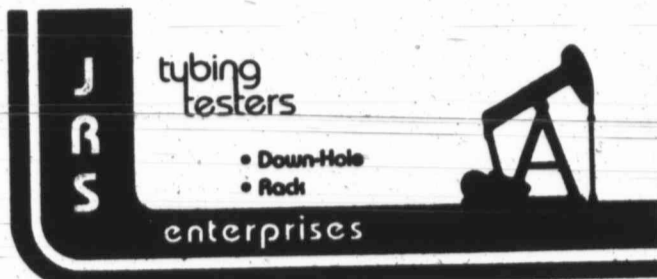
Of those workers still looking for jobs, Wallis said "quite a few" are construction laborers who were laid off during the recent construction boom.

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Photos

The photographs in this issue were taken by Tim Appel, a member of the Herald staff.

Appel, 24, is a 1983 photojournalism graduate of Bowling Green University, Ohio. He is a native of Corvallis, Ore.



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Finance

Banks

Big Spring banks experienced growth "across the board" in 1984, and bankers are optimistic for their banks and the local area in 1985.

The growth is due to steady deposits by area people and businesses, one banker said. And representatives of the three city banks said they expect the rainfall will be better this year. "We certainly depend on agriculture," one said, "and if agriculture goes well, then we'll go well."

"Based on historical information, it's time we got on the plus side in agriculture," said State National Bank Cashier and Vice President B.Y. Butler. "Last year was the worst ever in terms of precipitation. By math and statistical judgment, it's going to improve," he added.

The senior vice president of Security State Bank, Wayland Reeves, said, "This country has had its ups and downs before and I don't see any reason to expect much other than continued strong economy."

First National Bank took action in November of 1983 which proved their confidence in this area. It opened a 17-lane motor bank. Last year, its assets grew to \$173.3 million compared to \$148 million in 1983.

First National cashier and vice president Betty Rains said, "We had a good year. A mighty good year."

Credit unions

Local credit unions are expanding their services and competing with banks and savings and loans for business in the wake of deregulation by the government.

Like the banks and savings and loans institutions, credit unions are profiting from heavy deposits by members. But demand for loans is weak and financial spokesmen said they are competing to get people to borrow from them.

Car company loans are making the competition fiercer, said

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tion slowdown.

Some jobs in agriculture that are usually available to the unskilled aren't open this year, Wallis noted. "There's been a lot of job fallout in agricultural retail and service-related industry. We can usually get 50 people placed on cotton gins. This year, nobody's hiring for cotton."

Most of the jobs the TEC has listed are hourly wage jobs that range from \$3.35 to \$8 an hour. The majority are for \$4.50 an hour, Wallis said.

It would help businesses get more and higher-quality people to hire if they would list more of their job openings with TEC, Wallis said. He said, "The more job openings we have listed, the more people we can service. Thus, the more people will come to TEC, and the better the selection of people will be for the businesses."

TEC also has two programs that can help businesses when hiring new employees. One is the targeted job tax credit. Hiring people in certain categories can get employers up to \$3,000 tax credit the first year and \$1,500 the second, he said.

Another program is the Emergency Veterans' Training Act. Businesses hiring Vietnam and Korean War-era veterans can get up to half the amount of the vets' salary back, up to \$10,000.

"The Veterans' Administration has to approve the training program," said disabled vets' outreach representative Kenneth Green. "But they are wide open on what they will approve."

"They will reimburse the company 50 percent of the vet's salary for nine months. If the vet is disabled, they'll reimburse half of 15 months' salary up to the \$10,000."

Green said the program makes it easier for businesses to hire and train vets in new jobs, and for vets get trained into completely new jobs.

The job must be a new field for the vet, and the vet must have been out of work for 15 out of the past 20 weeks to qualify for this program, Green said.

"One good thing about this is, if the vet doesn't meet standards on the job, the employer can fire him without being hung up by the program," he said.

There are about 35 people listed with the TEC who they could put to work with this program, Green said.

Stories

Most of the information for this progress section was compiled and written by Paul Davis, 23, a Howard College student.

Davis, originally from Fort Collins, Colo., recently completed a five-year tour of duty with the U.S. Air Force.

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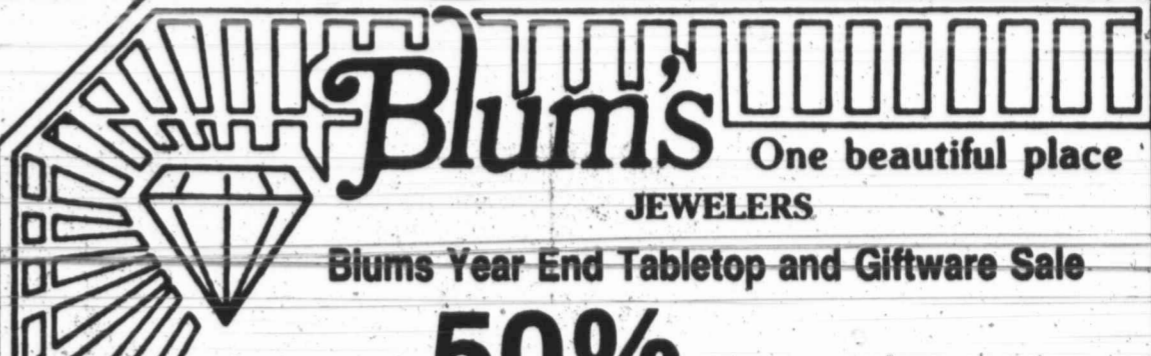
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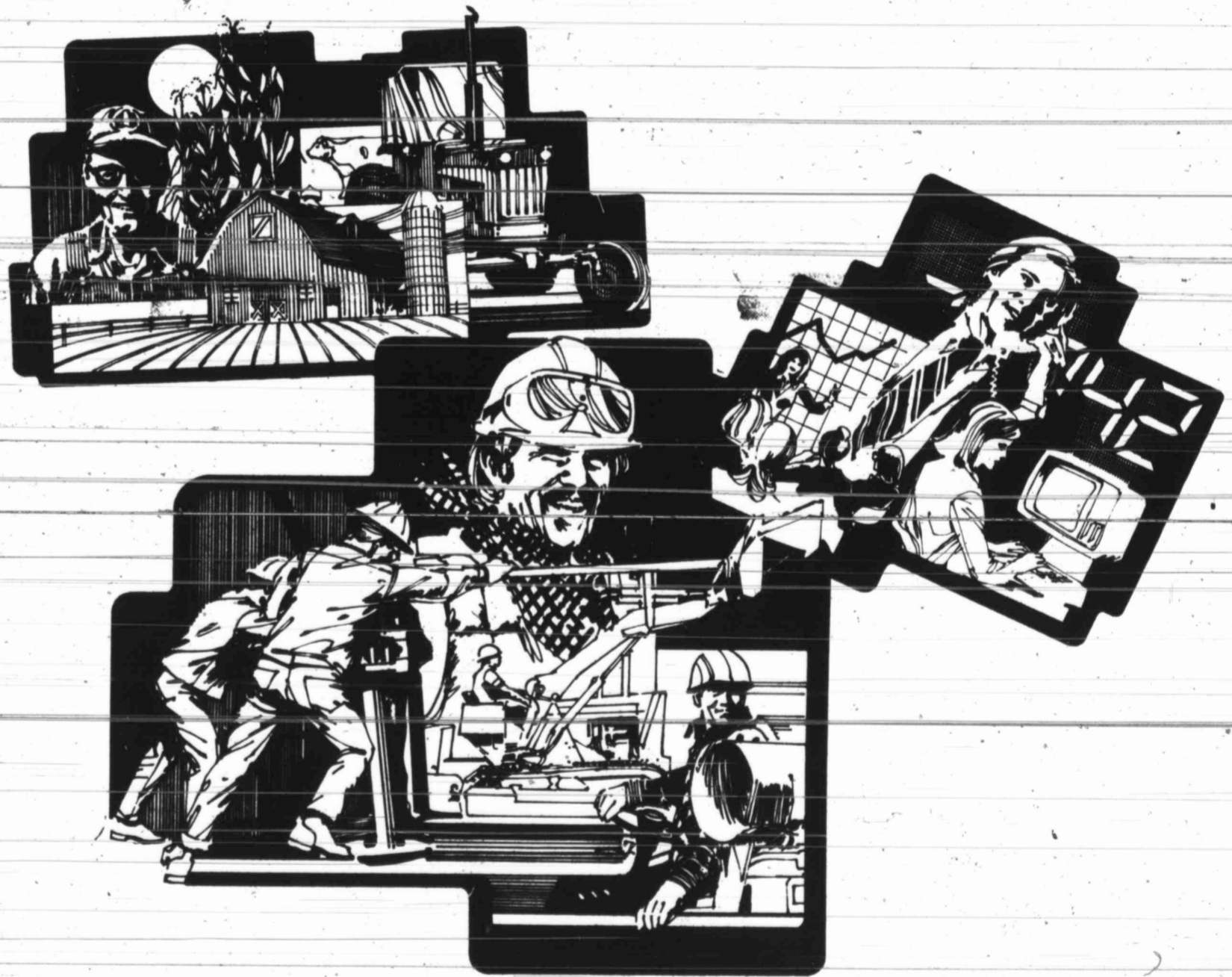
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own credit companies now," he said. "We find these out-of-town lenders taking more and more of the market."

Citizens CU, the largest Big Spring credit union, this year has been able to increase employee benefits, cash reserves and create new customer services at the same time.

"I attribute our increases to hard, hard work — from directly mailing ads to increasing our services," Weaver said.

The Big Spring Education Employees' Federal Credit Union changed in a big way in 1984. It merged with a 5,100-member community credit union in July. With \$12 million in assets, it has gotten \$7.75 million out in loans.

"All I can see is continued growth. We're growing at about \$1 million a year in assets," said the credit union manager, Bill Shaffner. "Deregulation helped more than anything. We have more services we can offer."

There are eight credit unions in the Big Spring area. All who were contacted said they grew at a healthy rate last year, and expect more this year.

Even T & P, a railroad credit union which lost members during hard times for the railroad, reported gains in 1984.

S&Ls

Savings and loans' institutions in Big Spring all increased their assets last year. Two of the largest are building new offices in 1985.

The president of 1st Federal Savings, Charles E. Bell, said 1st Federal surpassed \$200 million in assets. This was from "continuing deposits, and also represents business strategy," he said.

The decline in interest rates was also helpful, he said. First Federal made "a goodly number of loans for real estate" and several small commercial loans.

This year, First Federal has expanded their consumer lending program. People can borrow money to buy for everything from clothes to cars, he said, with a consumer loan.

The savings and loan has branch offices in Midland, Odessa and Snyder. Part of their strategy for business, Biel said, is to invest in real estate loans and development in the metropolitan areas of Texas.

City Savings officials said they are planning to open a four-person office near the new mall on Farm Road 700 this June.

Formerly Home State Savings, they merged with City Savings, Lamar Savings and Community Savings in June. Big Spring branch manager Joetta Hart said they have a total of 21 offices across Texas.

Big Spring Savings Association has a new manager, Bruce Hogan-miller.



Companies

Cameo Homes

Cameo Energy Homes bought a fourth production plant this month, and plans to create a new mobile home production line in Big Spring this year, according to president and general manager John Beddow.

"Things are going as good as can be expected," Beddow said of his company. "We've been at a high pace since April. Our production volume is twice what it was when we bought the Big Spring plant in Nov. 1981."

Six months after they bought that first plant, they bought another one in East Texas. A year ago they opened a third in Dallas. The Ennis plant, purchased Jan. 12, is their fourth.

He said Cameo has spent from \$650,000 to \$700,000 on the Big Spring facility, the company's main plant. They added capacity for more production and changed the tooling on the assembly line.

"We're now building single- and double-wide mobile homes at this plant on the same production line. We want to make it into two lines," Beddow said.

They also want to increase their production from "five floors a day" to six-and-a-half this spring. He said, "To do that, we'll have to hire more people, I guess."

The now seventh-largest Texas mobile home manufacturer is building a "model village" of mobile homes in front of their plant, located on the corner of Farm Road 700 and 11th Place.

"We have an open invitation for anyone to come to see our plant. We do tours here all the time," he said.

Beddow said sales of their manufactured homes, "the Cadillac of the industry," are up in the Permian Basin. "Big Spring is one of only two towns left in West Texas with a mobile home plant," he said, "and we're doing good business here."


Permian Research

Permian Research, formed to develop technologies for Permian Basin Oil, has received a \$3.5 million bond and plans to produce a

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Art work
The graphic art on this issue's front cover was drawn by Richard Grove, 20, a 1982 graduate of Big Spring High School.
A professional artist since the age of 13, Grove has exhibited works in Virginia and directed art work for drama productions at Howard College. He won a National Art Award at age 15.

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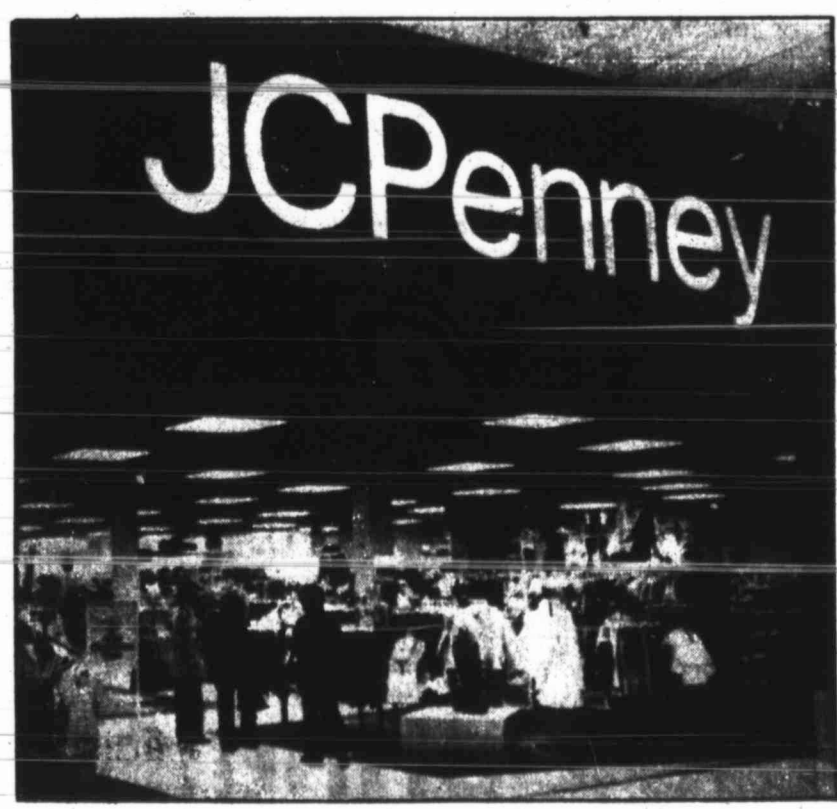


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 new plastic extruder.
 The Howard County Industrial Development Board approved the bond revenue proposal. Permian Research is privately owned, and is managed by a former director of the Big Spring Industrial Foundation, Granville Hahn.
 Permian bought the rights to a "new-generation plastic extrusion machine," as Hahn calls it, from Cosden Oil and Chemical Company.

"We plan to put the extruder on the market in early summer," Hahn said. "We're going to build the machine and sell it in Big Spring. It will be sold on a world-wide basis to the plastic industry."
 Permian either invents the devices they produce or buy the patents for devices, according to Hahn. They work in areas that will either help local oil producers produce oil or create new or better markets for their oil products.

Fiberglass

Fiberglass Systems plans to increase production and create some new products in 1985.

The company is a manufacturer of fiberglass pipe and fittings for oilfields. It has products for injection lines and downhole applications.

Last year, it developed and marketed a fiberglass pipe capable of handling 4,000 pounds-per-square-inch pressures. According to the general manager, Bill Burnett, this was "the first company to do so."

"Our pipe is used in the oilfield enhancement market. Carbon dioxide, salt water or polymers are injected into the ground to get more oil out," Burnett explained.

He said the product has opened up a new market. The corrosion-resistant fiberglass is competing with steel pipes.

The company plans more markets and expansion in the future. "Look for nice, further growth in 1985," said Burnett. "We're adding to our staff and the plant."

"Some of our production plans are to refurbish some of the production lines and put in new equipment. We're spending money to improve quality," Burnett said.

Fiberglass Systems is looking to the Big Spring facility for more construction - "but I don't know when," he said.

Fiberglass Systems has its headquarters plant in San Antonio.

Companies

The new president said the 107-member board's main goal this year is to help to improve certain areas of town that need attention. "We'll spot areas that need improvement, and see what we can do about it," she said.

Private Property Week is nationally scheduled April 28 through May 4. Last year, federal prisoners, hosted by the realtors and Downtown Merchants' Association, painted four elderly couples' houses.

Cosden

Refining petroleum only, and out of the petrochemical game, the Cosden Oil and Chemical Co. Big Spring plant is holding on through markets in West Texas.

"It's kind of ironic that the locale of this refinery, which made us noncompetitive in petrochemicals, is a good location for selling refined oil products," said refinery manager Wally Whittington.

He said competing petrochemical companies are closer to their markets and to water for transportation of their product. The result was reductions at the Cosden plant.

The only petrochemical product it's making is expandable polystyrene used for insulation. Roughly half the plant was devoted to petrochemical production.

Of its many refined oil products, asphalt is "doing fairly well," according to Whittington. "Crude in this area makes good asphalt. We make a wide range of asphalt."

The plant isn't out of trouble, though. "Right now, the price of finished products is still very close to the price you have to pay for crude oil. It doesn't allow you to recover the cost of refining," Whittington said.

He added, "There have been a large number of refineries closed because of this."

American Petrofina plants are not all in the state Cosden is. Some, devoted entirely to petrochemical production, are still competing. And Petrofina recently purchased a polystyrene plant in Laporte, Texas, Whittington said.

The American Petrofina subsidiary has 278 hourly and 120 salaried workers in the Big Spring plant. Once the town's largest employer, the state hospital now outranks Cosden with a staff of 700.

Petrofina also locally operates a tire store on Highway 350 and a pipeline department in the Permian Building.

Energas

"Moderate, sustainable growth" is what Energas predicts for their southern service region, which includes Big Spring.

This conclusion is reached in a year-end report made by Energas. Public relations director Judith Kerr said Energas is seeking to "promote the area by helping the community secure new and expanded business and industry," and last year built a facility near Midland to service this region better.

"The new facility was one of our major capitol costs in 1984," she said. "We built it because we think the communities there will grow."

This year they have budgeted \$5.6 million for capitol expenditures. "This would be money that would be available so that when growth does occur in areas such as Big Spring, the money will provide lines to the new-growth areas," Kerr said.

Last year, Energas sold \$2 billion cubic feet of gas throughout their territory. She said over 80 percent of their \$314 million in revenues went to buy new gas "which we now have good contracts for, and so we're sure we'll have no problems servicing our region in 1985."

TESCO

Texas Electric Service Co. says it has enough power to service the area this year, but wants support for nuclear plant power to provide future energy.

"I don't know if we'll file for another rate increase or not," said Big Spring division manager Hooper Sanders. The company was denied an increase last year by the Public Utilities Commission.

"The primary reason they companies page 6-D

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Real estate

It's a "buyer's market" for real estate in Big Spring, according to Laverne Gary, new president of the area board of realtors.

Gary of Area One Realty said there are about 430 houses for sale in Big Spring now. She said there are "lots of rentals" available, also.

The outgoing board president, Janell Davis, noted that 100 houses were purchased in the last three months, however.

"The interest rates are favorable now," said Davis. "And since it takes about three months to get a housing loan through, we think people ought to get down here and start buying!"

Leadership of the area board of realtors changed hands Jan. 8 at an evening meeting. Davis noted the realtors' major accomplishment last year was "getting incorporated - we're now the Big Spring Board of Realtors, Inc."

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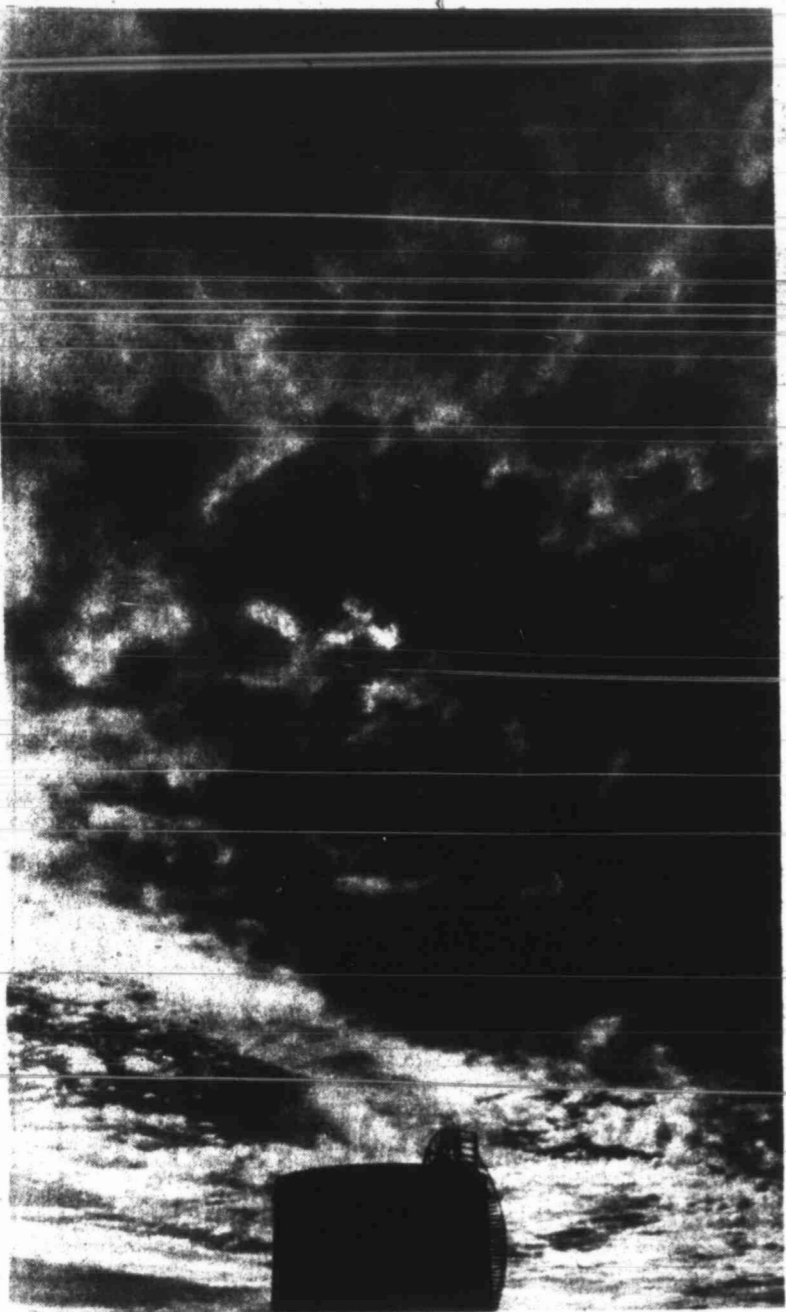
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Dark clouds, holding promise of much needed rain, roll over a silhouetted oil tank at the Big Spring Airpark.

City of Stanton

STANTON — The City Council is expecting capital improvement expenditures totaling almost \$500,000 for the 1985 year with a majority of the funds going toward a waste water treatment plant.

The new project will be a 200,000 GPD aerated-facultative lagoon sewer treatment plant. The project cost is \$452,615. The design engineers are H.L. Warnke, H. H. Jones and Newman, Inc. The project engineers are Tompkins and Bonifay, Inc.

The contract was awarded to Graves Plumbing June 26, 1984 with construction beginning Aug. 8, 1984. The completion date on the plant is scheduled for March 15, 1985.

The project was funded with a grant from the United States Environmental Protection Agency and \$110,000 local matching funds. The new wastewater treatment plant will replace an old system installed in 1927.

Companies

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denied the increase, I think, is because we have the Comanche Park nuclear plant at Glen Rose. But it's not licensed yet, and we have another one under construction," Sanders said.

He said, "We wanted an increase to pay interest on money we borrowed for the plants. And they cost millions of dollars. We need to keep construction going on schedule for the second plant."

Texas utility demands have grown immensely, particularly in the metro area. The reserve power has been reduced ... exactly when more power will be critical to us, I don't know. But what becomes critical in reserve power is when the neighboring companies don't have it, either."

He said some situations drain reserve power from the entire network — as when winter storms cover most of the state.

"A utility company has to plan 10 years ahead," Sanders said. "That's how long it takes to prepare for what's coming."

and you want to take 10 percent of that well, you got a writeoff. Taxing that money will take away the incentive to invest.

"It'll leave only the major companies to get the oil. And when you've shut the drilling down, it affects a bunch of people — the pumpers, dirt contractors, pit liners, waterlines, mud people, logging, production, oil trucks — one rig will employ at least a dozen companies."

James Massingill, owner and manager of M&M Contractors, said, "That \$900 permit deal is going to be passed onto the public. And wildcatting will be gone. I read that only three out of 100 wells pay out in a wildcat area. This will take the profit out of it."

Of the price of oil, he said, "If oil goes down again, it'll be another shock. The first one got rid of the fly-by-nighters. This one will get rid of the rest of them."

Massingill plans for his company to survive, because he does most of his business with the major oil companies. Able to handle every aspect of oilfield service except for drilling, M&M makes its living on variety, he said.

"A lot of the other oil service people, with smaller outfits, went out of business because they had one piece of equipment — and they weren't working. So they lowered their prices, but then they couldn't afford to maintain the machines. Eventually they were gone," Massingill said.

Both M&M and Robinson Drilling are larger oil service companies who outlasted smaller competitors. And they're working against competition by giant service companies.

Oil service

Oil service people are worried about a new shock coming in the oil industry for small oil producers.

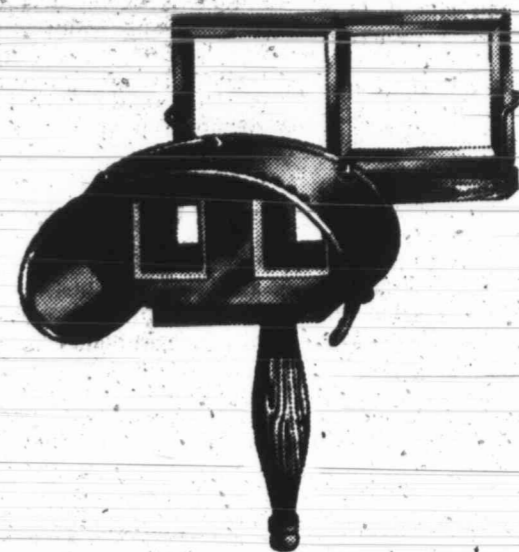
On Jan. 15 Texas Governor Mark White outlined plans to increase drilling fees by \$800 per hole to decrease the state budget deficit.

H.L. Warnke, general manager of Robinson Drilling of Texas, is worried about plans to tax intangible drilling costs.

"They're getting so strict on us they're going to put us out of business," he said.

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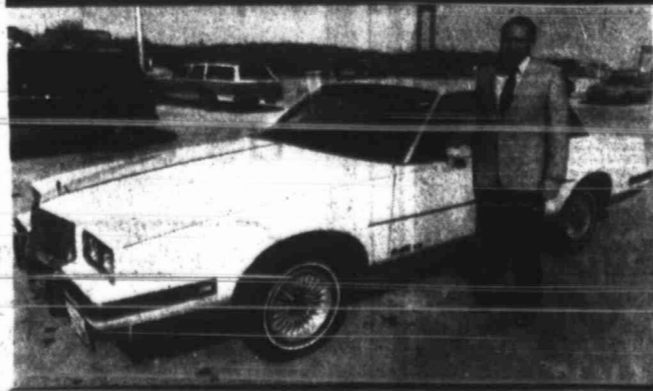
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Education

Howard College

Dr. Bob Riley took over the position of president of the Howard County Junior College District during 1984, replacing longtime president Dr. Charles Hays, who resigned to go into private business.

Howard College recently enrolled 1,132 students for the spring semester, a 1 percent increase over the spring semester of 1984.

A breakdown shows 816 students enrolled at Howard College, 92 enrolled in the licensed vocational nursing programs at HC, San Angelo and Lamesa, 72 at the Big Spring Federal Camp, 66 at Lamesa, 22 at San Angelo and 17 in the associate degree nursing program at Del Rio.

During 1984, college trustees studied plans for proposed new dormitories on the college campus. The slight increase in enrollment is a reversal of a trend begun with the closure of Webb Air Force Base.

The college enters 1985 prepared for a fight with the Texas Legislature for more funding. News from the state capitol indicates that junior college programs across the state will suffer cutbacks in funding and college officials are expecting drops in funding.

Administrators are drawing up proposals now to cut back in certain areas without cutting programs or teachers, Riley said.

The community college offers a number of programs in vocational areas and also offers basic courses and programs which transfer to bachelor degree programs at most universities, according to college personnel.

SWCID

The SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf entered its fifth year of existence with an eye on the future.

In fact, the school was honored recently when it was selected as an exemplary program for the deaf and hard-of-hearing. The school will be used as a showcase for fledgling programs in the future.

During spring registration, 103 students enrolled for the semester, according to Dan Shockey of the Howard County Junior College District.

Dormitories at the school, located on the grounds of the Big Spring Industrial Park, received extensive renovation and students returning to the campus in the fall of 1984 found completely refurbished facilities.

SWCID is a branch of the Howard County Junior College District. The school offers post-secondary education to the state's deaf and hard of hearing population.

Out-of-state students must pay more than \$8,000 per year in tuition to attend the school. Sam Hill, vice president of the school, said lowering the out-of-state tuition is one of the main battles the school will face in coming months.

The school is also working with state Legislators in maintaining funding for the facility. Two years ago the Legislative Budget Board recommended zero funding for the school.

Big Spring schools

The Big Spring Independent School District serves approximately 4,591 students, according to reports from the district's enrollment office.

Although that figure is 60 students lower than a year ago, Don Crockett, assistant superintendent for business, said the enrollment has stopped its steady decline which was triggered by the closure in the late '70s of Webb Air Force Base.

The BSISD added several new facilities during 1984, including a new bus ramp and parking area at Washington Elementary School. This year district trustees approved extensive lighting repairs for Memorial Stadium and a new seating area for the Big Spring Steer baseball park. Memorial Stadium received a new seating area more than a year ago.

The BSISD includes Big Spring High School with about 1,246 students, Rannels Junior High with about 387 students, Goliad Middle School with 755 students, and Bauer, College Heights, Kentwood, Lakeview, Marcy, Moss and Washington elementary and kindergartens.

Area schools

School districts surrounding Howard County look to 1985 as a year of progress and capital improvements.

The Colorado City Independent School District will be adding a new computer lab at the Middle School. The cost of the project will be \$10,932.50 and will include 10 computers and five printers, said school superintendent Charlie Uselton.

Improvements will also continue at the football stadium where renovation of the bleachers will continue. The visitors side bleachers will be replaced with aluminum. The cost will be \$12,000, Uselton said.

The Stanton Independent School District will be adding two new tennis courts, said superintendent Wayne Mitchell. Figures on the cost of the construction were not available.

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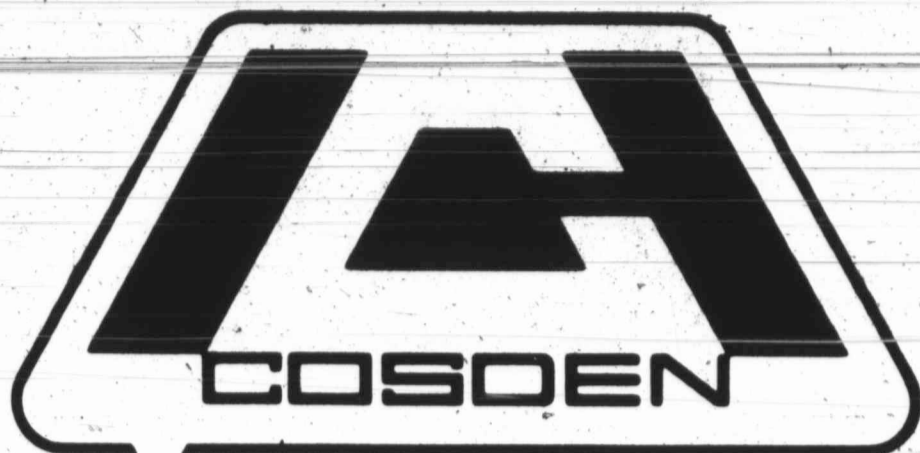


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