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Spring Board

How's that?

Last day

Q. When is the last day to file as a candidate for the Big Spring City Council?
A. The last day to file is March 6, according to the city secretary.

Calendar

Chamber banquet

TODAY
• The annual Chamber of Commerce banquet is at 7 p.m. in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. The theme is "Forward with Vision." Enter from the east ramp.

• The Big Spring Road Riders are hosting a motorcycle show and bake sale in the Big Spring Mall from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

• United Blood Services is hosting a blood drive in the Big Spring Mall from noon to 6 p.m.

• There will be no bingo at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church. The bingo will be held Feb. 16. In place of the bingo, a welcoming dance for the two new priests will be at 6:30 p.m.

• The Big Spring District T&P Federal Credit Union will hold their annual meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Cactus Room in the student union building at Howard College.

SUNDAY
• The YMCA will have an open house between 2 and 4 p.m.

MONDAY
• The NAACP will meet at 7 p.m. in the Chamber of Commerce conference room.

• The Howard County Youth Horsemen Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. at the club's arena. All members and horse enthusiasts are invited.

Tops on TV

Saturday Night

Harry Anderson, who plays Judge Harry T. Stone on "Night Court," stars on "Saturday Night Live" at 10:30 p.m. on channel 13.

Outside

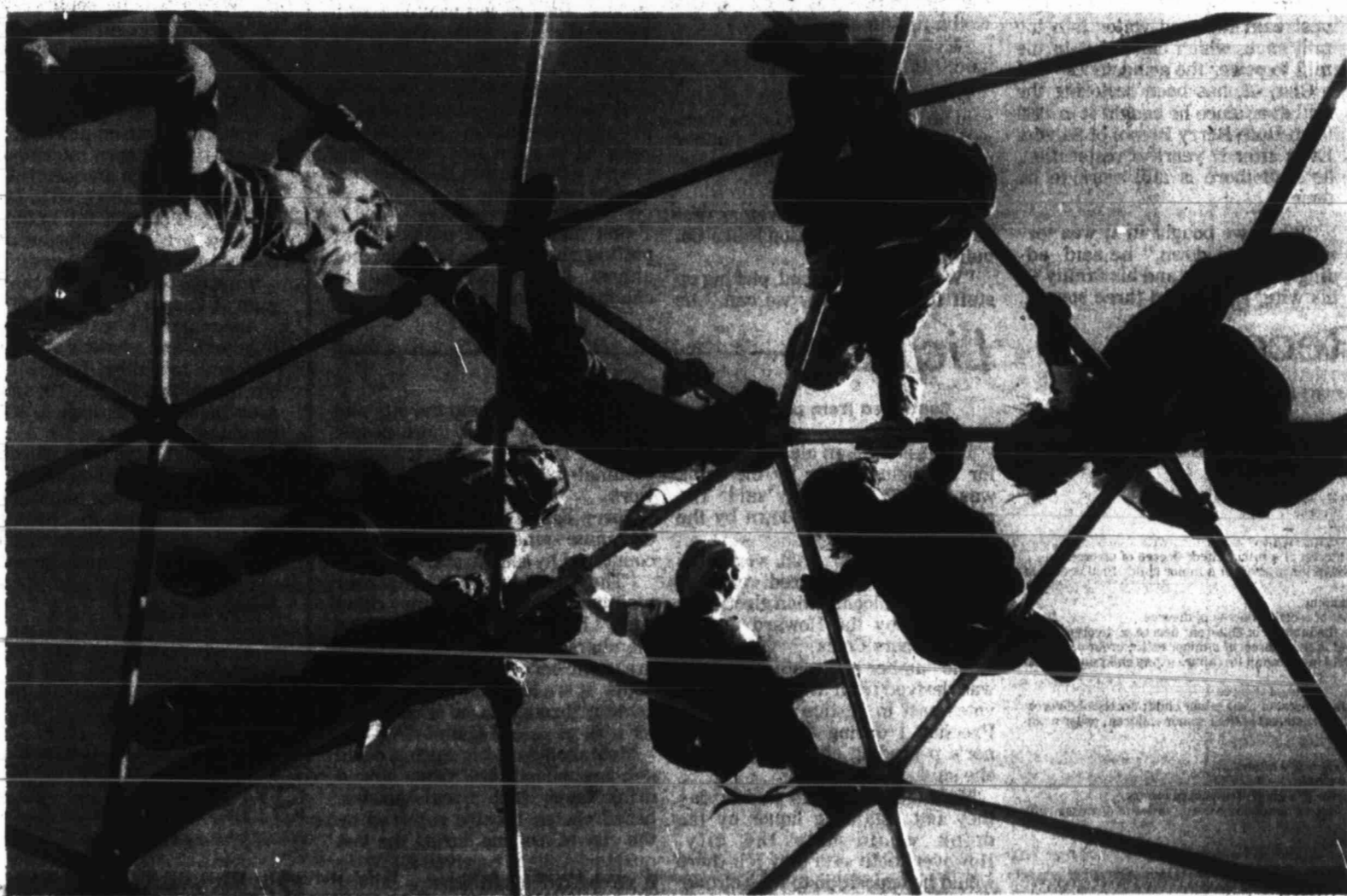
Sunny

Look for sunny skies and highs in the low 70s today. Winds will be southwesterly from 15 to 20 miles per hour. Tonight, look for fair skies and lows near 40 degrees. By Sunday, highs will reach the mid 80s.

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Kaleidoscope



A GROUP of children take advantage of the warm, sunny weather to play outside at a local elementary school Friday. Highs today are forecast to reach near 70 degrees.

Liquor by the drink

Petition seeks election support

By LUIS RIOS
Staff Writer

Ten Big Spring residents have filed for a petition in their drive to force an election for liquor by the drink.

An application for petition calling for a local option election in Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 was filed late Thursday afternoon, said Howard County Clerk Margaret Ray.

The application contained 10 names of qualified registered voters in the subdivision, as required by state law, Mrs. Ray said. Precinct 1 generally follows the city limits of Big Spring.

The names on the petition included Players private club owner E.L. Terry, Clyde McMahon Jr., Mike Hughes, Robert D. Mills, James Hughes, Mike Parker, Mike Robertson, John D. Woods, Patry Wilbanks, Michael B. Russell and Liquor page 3-A

Water plan taking more turns than a river

By JAY ROSSER
Harte-Hanks Austin Bureau

AUSTIN — Statewide water packages are something Texas voters — and the Texas Legislature — have a hard time buying. And the latest legislative effort to draft a state water plan is taking more turns than any Texas river.

The price tag on the latest package, if Sen. John Montford has his way, could become \$1.3 billion in state-issued bonds. One month ago, he was suggesting \$600 million in state bonds and \$250 million in state revenues to leverage local bond issues.

But the Lubbock Democrat, the leading Senate architect behind the latest water package version, doesn't think the price will scare lawmakers or voters off. It is, he says, all a matter of salesmanship.

"We've got to have a marketable package," he says. "I'm staying up nights trying to minimize opposition."

Montford notes his proposal has been overhauled at least six times. "I'm trying to write a bill that is effective, not just window dressing," Montford says.

Three times in 18 years voters have refused to buy or pay for proposed state water packages at the polls. Texas lawmakers shunned another plan two years ago following a bitter confrontation between Montford and the leading House water expert, Rep. Tom Craddick, R-Midland.

Ultimately, the final legislative tinkering on the package will be done by a House-Senate conference committee, all parties agree. The House begins debate on its proposal — hammered out by Craddick's Natural Resources Committee — starting Tuesday. Committee debate in the Senate resumes Wednesday.

Here, in a nutshell, is how the House and Senate differ thus far in development of a proposed blueprint to meet state water needs into the 21st Century.

• **Money.** The House plan calls for voter approval of \$600 million in bonds — which would not draw on scarce state revenues — and \$250

million in state loan guarantees to win higher bond ratings and lower interest rates for water projects planned by local governments.

The bonds would be used to help finance local water supply, water quality and flood control projects.

Montford, however, has indicated he will push for \$1.3 billion in bonds. He wants the loan guarantee program in the House changed to \$200 million in direct-issue bonds. And, he says, he may seek \$500 million — not the \$200 million proposed by the House panel — in bonds that the state could use to reduce the cost of surface water reservoir developments.

• **Agriculture.** The cost of Montford's package also includes \$200 million in agricultural assistance bonds. That combination low-interest loan fund and rebate pool could not begin until authorized by a two-thirds vote of the 1987 Texas Legislature.

Montford wants a \$5 million pilot program in the interim to help determine the worth of the

proposal.

The House Natural Resources Committee proposes no such loan program, but does suggest a \$10 million appropriation to fund research into agricultural conservation.

Disagreements between Craddick and Montford over agriculture two years ago helped kill the legislation.

• **Environment.** The House plan, assailed by the Sierra Club's Texas chapter, would require that any new reservoirs constructed within 200 river miles of the Texas coast set aside 5 percent of the water for release into bays and estuaries.

Environmentalists, led by Sen. Carlos Truan, D-Corpus Christi, are waging war to ensure that enough freshwater flows into coastal estuaries to maintain, or improve, the state's economically important seafood industry. The estuaries, which hug the Texas coast, serve as breeding beds for a host of marine species.

Montford's proposal, meanwhile, is garnering more favorable

reviews from the Sierra Club. The latest version calls for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, not the Texas Department of Water Resources, to head a study designed to determine the freshwater needs of all state bays and estuaries.

The Sierra Club maintains it would be a conflict of interest for the water agency to lead the study because its main focus is on reservoir development.

But Montford, spurred by protests from the water agency, indicates he may settle for a joint study.

• **Groundwater.** Both packages would give the state the authority to designate regions where groundwater supplies, because of depletion or pollution, have reached critical stages.

Ultimately, the state could call an election in those regions to establish underground water conservation districts to help control the problem.

The House version, however, Water page 2-A



PROUD PARENTS Suzanne and Joseph Was hold their twin sons following their birth Thursday in San Antonio. The parents are dwarfs and the twins are also dwarfs.

Twin dwarfs born in San Antonio

Proud parents are also dwarfs

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Joseph Was says he and his wife, both dwarfs, couldn't be happier now that they are the new parents of twin dwarfs.

The twin boys were born Thursday at Methodist Hospital, where officials say they believe their birth to dwarf parents is extremely rare.

"We're the happiest parents in the world. I'm proud the kids are dwarfs," said Was, manager of a convenience store.

The first born, Joseph Michael, arrived at 8:20 a.m. and weighed 6 pounds, 1 ounce. The second, Jacob William, weighed in at 4 pounds, 14.5 ounces and was born at 8:26 a.m.

"We don't know how rare it is but I guess the thing to say would be they are believed to be ex-

tremely rare," said hospital spokeswoman Barbara Williams Friday.

Neither parent had dwarfs as parents. Was said dwarfs usually have normal size children.

Doctors were able to tell the twins are dwarfs by the size of their heads, which are larger than the rest of their bodies.

Dr. Charles Honore, an obstetrician-gynecologist, said he determined the twins would be dwarfs at 10 weeks of gestation.

The babies were delivered two weeks premature because there was very little room in the mother's pelvic cavity, the doctor said.

The mother is 4 feet 3 inches tall and the father is 4 feet 6 inches. They are from Helotes, Texas.

Mills are memories of past

Stinnett's Mill holds faint resemblance to former glory

TEMPLE (AP) — Most of them now stand in ruins, their walls tumbled down, their dams broken by floods, their mill races choked with weeds and debris — mute witnesses giving silent testimony to the changes that have swept through Bell County.

But there once was a time, between the Civil War and the Great Depression, when the streams and rivers of the county were dotted with flour and grist mills.

The Salado Creek was a popular source of power for the mills, with a total of nine being built along its banks.

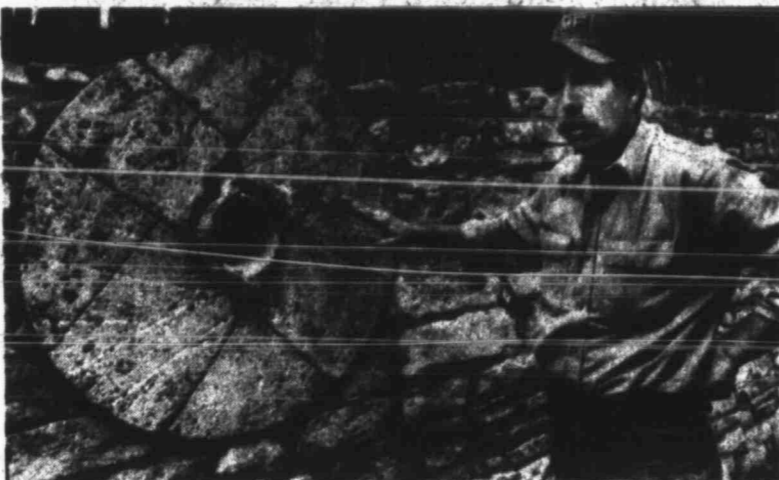
Today almost all of them are just memories, forgotten names in history books or on historical markers glimpsed through the windows of passing cars.

Only one remains today that even resembles its former glory — Stinnett's Mill, located 3 1/2 miles northeast of Salado.

Stinnett's Mill was built in 1888 by William H. Stinnett. It is the sole surviving mill left in the county, according to current owner Forrest Gist.

Gist said he attributed the reason for the mill's longevity to its construction site.

The mill was built on a small rise about 100 yards from the creek itself, so the floods that destroyed or damaged the other mills never



GRIST MILL FROM DAYS PAST — Forrest Gist explains the use of a millstone at Stinnett's Mill on the Temple.

reached it. A dam one-half mile upstream diverted water into the mill race, which carried it to the mill to power the grindstones.

Gist, 47, has been restoring the mill ever since he bought it in 1968 from Ruth Berry Brown of Salado. Even after 17 years of restoration, he said there is still work to be done.

"When we bought it, it was virtually falling down," he said, adding that for him and his family — his wife, Linda, and three sons —

the restoration has been "pretty well a full-time job."

"Everybody works on it," Gist said. "It's a family project."

To find materials for the job, Gist said he has traveled as far as Waco and Taylor to get doors, lumber and fixtures from old buildings being torn down.

One addition, an elevator, Gist got from the old Johnson Piano Co. building in Temple.

"We scrounge around, picking up stuff for it wherever we can," he

said. "It's hard to find materials that retain the same architectural flavor of the original mill."

But much of the original mill remains.

Gist said he even found one of the original grindstones, which is mounted in a wall around the outside of the mill. He said he found it being used to cover an old well near the mill.

The grindstone is not really a single stone, but several shaped pieces that fit together — held in place by a wide metal band — to form a large stone wheel.

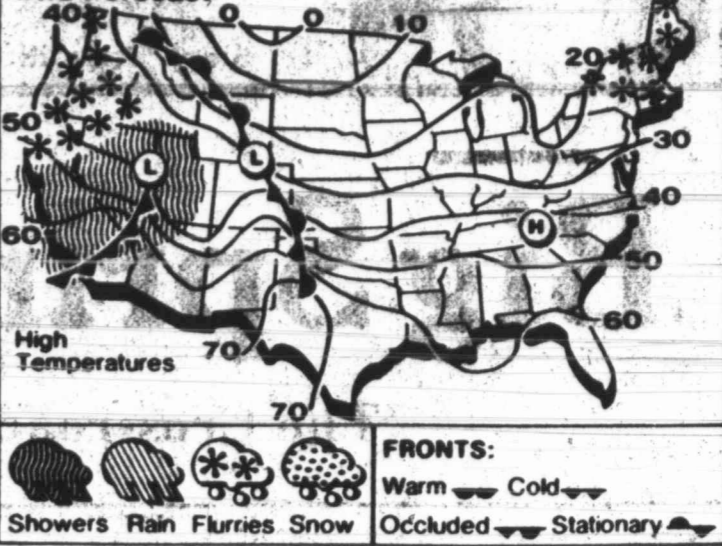
The Stinnett's Mill grindstone was "French cut," which Gist explained meant small grooves radiating outward from the center of the stone were cut by hand into the stone's face. As the grain was ground, the grooves would carry it to the outer edge of the stone where it fell into collectors.

When not working on the mill, Gist works on his other passion — art. He has turned part of the building into an art gallery and studio, while the rest has been converted into a home.

Gist mentions the possibility of putting the mill up for sale, but almost immediately seemed to change his mind.

Weather

The Forecast



Local

Big Spring will see highs today in the low 70s. Skies will be sunny. Winds will be southwesterly, 15 to 20 miles per hour. By tonight, look for lows in the upper 30s and fair skies. By Sunday highs should reach the mid 60s.

Nation

A storm borne on howling, 100 mph winds dumped heavy snow across the northern intermountain region, the northern Rockies and the northern and central Sierra Nevada on Friday. Blizzard conditions were reported in Montana, Idaho and California, where up to 4 feet of snow fell in the high Sierra.

Elsewhere, winds blustered through New York state and record cold struck parts of Midwest.

Wind gusted to near 100 mph at Park City, Utah, and reached 62 mph at Casper, Wyo., and 60 mph in Livingston, Mont.

An avalanche warning was issued for Idaho's southeastern highlands and portions of the central mountains.

Near Sun Valley, Idaho, in the Sawtooth Recreation area, the storm dumped 26 inches of snow, while Bald Mountain in the same area picked up 22 inches. A foot more of snow was possible in mountain areas.

Many highways were closed.

In the Lake Tahoe area, on the California-Nevada border, several feet of snow had fallen since Thursday, the weather service said, warning that heavy snow and winds gusting to 50 mph could cause near blizzard conditions in the higher passes of the Sierra. Snow and mud slides closed two main roads Friday.

Forecast

WEST TEXAS: Mostly cloudy and cooler Monday with widely scattered showers south plains and panhandle. Partly cloudy Tuesday and Wednesday with temperatures a little below seasonal normals. Lows in the 20s, highs in the 40s and 50s.

Sheriff's Log

Roby man arrested

A Roby man was arrested by Howard County sheriff's deputies on nine Nolan County warrants each charging him with issuing bad checks.

Edward Alva Wylam, 43, was released on bonds totaling \$1,800.

Big Spring police transferred Lorenzo Jackson, 20, of 906 NW Second to county jail after he was charged with robbery.

He was released on \$10,000 bond set by Municipal Judge Melvin Daratt.

Douglas Wayne Paul, 20, of Route One was arrested on a county court judgment for driving while license suspended.

He remains in custody at county jail.

Ernesto F. Rivera, 24, of 1206 Mobile remains in custody at county jail after being arrested for a warrant charging him with viola-

tion of probation for driving while intoxicated.

Dora Juarez, 41, of 1003 NW

Second was arrested by sheriff's deputies after a warrant was issued charging her with theft of service. She was released on \$500 bond set by Judge Milton Kirby.

Sheriff's deputies returned William Herrera Jr., 18, of Knott to the county courthouse after he had been released from a local hospital.

Herrera was being held on a warrant charging him with unlawfully carrying a weapon. He was released on \$500 bond set by Justice of the Peace China Long.

Juan Earl Williams, 38, of 705 Williams was placed in county jail to serve 24 hours for a DWI judgment.

Edgar Louis Gamble, 42, of Snyder was placed in county jail to serve 24 hours for a DWI judgment.

Liquor

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Kurt Brown.

The last time an election calling for legalizing liquor by the drink was in 1962, Mrs. Ray said. The measure was turned down by the voters.

Mrs. Ray said 2,421 verifiable signatures of registered voters is needed for a local option election to be called by the Howard County Commissioners Court.

The number of signatures needed was derived from 35 percent of the votes cast in Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 during the last governor's preceding election (in 1982), she said.

McMahon and Terry said Friday they felt legalizing liquor by the drink would help the city. However, both said they felt there would be opposition to the petition.

"In talking to owners of private clubs and other civic-minded people, they seemed convinced liquor by the drink would help convention and tourism activities in Howard County," said McMahon, owner of McMahon Concrete in Big Spring.

Terry said the passage of such a proposal would eliminate a large amount of paperwork club owners currently face.

"Of course there are a lot of

reasons, it would help the city and it could easily bring more people here," Terry said. "It would eliminate 80 percent of the paper work."

Terry said such a move would eliminate some inconveniences encountered by club goers.

"They have to buy a temporary membership every time they come here," he said. "We sell about 350 memberships a month. They are just here for three or four hours. It is a hardship on the people coming through town or are here for a short period of time."

McMahon said Big Spring could get around \$10,000 from mixed drink taxes each fiscal quarter, based on tax rebates received by the city of Abilene during the last quarter. Abilene received \$55,000 in a mixed drink tax rebates during the fourth quarter of 1983, he said.

The filing deadline for the petition with the local registrar Dorothy Moore is March 11, she said. The registrar will certify the petition to the county commissioners after the signatures are verified.

"The commissioners have 30 days to call for an election after the petition is certified," Mrs. Ray said.

Water

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Education board retreats from limit on activities

AUSTIN (AP) — A State Board of Education committee, under pressure from school administrators, on Friday retreated from a tight limit on hours spent at extracurricular activities.

"The rule as written is becoming very difficult, in my mind, to enforce," said board member Volly Bastine of Houston.

The proposal, previously approved in preliminary votes, limits a student to eight hours participation in an activity during the school week — counted as Monday through the end of classes on Friday.

A student in more than one activity could participate a total of 20 hours.

Instead of sending the proposal to the full board for a Saturday vote, the committee on students decided to take another look at it next month.

Bastine said the limit could be too tough on urban districts with limited facilities and isolated districts whose students spend a lot of time traveling to activities.

"It's impossible," said Bastine. "The scheduling is just too onerous."

He said Houston school administrators are "screaming and hollering, 'Give us a break.'"

A University Interscholastic League committee opposed the rule as unworkable.

Bastine said the limits should perhaps be set by individual districts, as long as the limits are "in keeping with our rules, that we want some limit on practice."

Grand jury to convene Monday

The case of a Big Spring man who was charged with burglary of a building will be heard by Howard County grand jurors when they convene at 9:30 a.m. Monday in the Howard County Courthouse.

Roy Dean Boyd, 29, of 104 Algeria was arrested by Big Spring police on a parole violation warrant charging him with terroristic threats.

Boyd was on parole for three counts of burglary of a habitation and had been sentenced to 15 years at the Texas Department of Corrections.

Big Spring police say Boyd is a suspect in 20 to 25 burglaries in

Howard County, Midland and Garden City.

He was first arrested on Dec. 28, 1984 at Fox's Pawn Shop.

Police said yesterday there is a possibility Boyd could help them solve more burglaries.

Besides Boyd, grand jurors are scheduled to hear eight other cases where defendants have been charged with burglary.

The case list also includes: two forgeries, three thefts, four aggravated assaults, two robberies, one bribery, one unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, one possession of marijuana, one felony and one forgery.

Deaths

Dock Howell

GAIL — Dock Howell, 93, died at 8:55 a.m. Friday at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Big Spring.

Services will be Monday at 2 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Gail with the Rev. Pat Ray, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in the Gail Cemetery under the direction of Branon Funeral Home.

He was born Jan. 31, 1902, in Lampasas County, Texas. He moved with his family in 1902 to Gail. In 1904 they moved to O'Donnell and moved back to Gail in 1976.

He was a veteran of World War I. He married Lena McGuire Dec. 7, 1921, in Tupelo, Ok. He was a member of the American Legion Post in Lampasas and a member of the Disabled American Veteran's Post 24 in Lampasas.

He was a long-time member of the Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, three sons, Henry Howell of O'Donnell, Alvis Howell of San Angelo, and Martin B. Howell of Yukon, Ok.; four daughters, Francis Owens of Ballinger, Opal Smith of Gail, Lavada Flood of Odessa, and Linda Crutcher of Hobbs, N.M.; one brother, Lee Howell of Hobbs, N.M.; 22 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Rosewood Chapel 906 GREGG BIG SPRING

Public Records

11TH DISTRICT COURT FILINGS

In the interest of an unborn child; termination.

Helen Marie Curtis vs. Jefferson Seymour Curtis; uniform reciprocal child support.

Blanche D. Stevenson vs. Henry A. Stevenson; uniform reciprocal child support.

The First National Bank in Big Spring vs. R. C. Wegner Jr., et al; suit on note.

Regina Cordes and Calvin Cordes; divorce.

Margaret Franklin and Joe Franklin; divorce.

Delton Molins vs. Jesus Garcia, et al; trespass to try title.

Michelle Lynne Jorby and Claude Wayne Jorby; divorce.

Hemietta Froslich and Roger Lee Froslich; divorce.

12TH DISTRICT COURT FILINGS

Anita Flores and Richard Diaz Flores and in the interest of a minor child; decree of divorce.

Carolyn Sue Gamble and Perry Wayne Gamble and in the interest of a minor child; final decree of divorce.

Douglas Elmer Siner vs. Ronald W. Westbrook; judgment.

Irina DeLeon and Albert DeLeon and in the interest of a child; decree of divorce.

Laura A. Brackney and David B. Brackney and in the interest of children; decree of divorce.

Alan Lee Kinman, Jr. and Sandra Jean Kinman and in the interest of a minor child; order revoking commitment to county jail and order holding respondent in contempt for failure to pay child support and for suspension of commitment.

Toni Lynette Roberts and Franklin D. Roberts, Jr.; decree of divorce.

Gary L. Farrand and Virginia M. Farrand and in the interest of their minor child; decree of divorce.

Lynnda Ann Morton and Scott Randall Morton and in the interest of their minor children; order modifying prior order.

In the interest of a child; decree of adoption.

Cathy Ann Bullock and Edward Steven Bullock; temporary orders.

In re: a child; decree changing surname of minor child.

Lavonia Sue Roy and Bobby Joe Roy and in the interest of a child; temporary orders.

The First National Bank in Big Spring vs. General Motors Acceptance Corp.; order of dismissal with prejudice.

Tamera Barber vs. Junior Barber; order of dismissal.

Dennis Simmons vs. Sifton Drilling Company; order of dismissal with prejudice.

Yolanda Jackson and Franklin Eugene Jackson; decree of divorce.

Keith Pherrigo and Bonnie J. Pherrigo; decree of divorce.

Betty Arvieux and Arthur Ray Arvieux; temporary orders.

Michael Eugene Arvieux and Carol Denise Arvieux and in the interest of minor children; final decree of divorce.

Rebecca Ann Conner and Randall Wayne Conner and in the interest of a minor child; decree of divorce.

Isidro Villareal vs. Carol L. Owens and William G. Little; order to dismiss.

Cassie Lynn Wigington and Perry Alan Wigington; decree of divorce.

Mavis Cene Ward and Curtis P. Ward; decree of divorce.

Helen M. Clanton and James Clifton Clanton, Jr.; decree of divorce.

In the interest of minor children; order appointing managing conservator-Hall-Bennett vs. Detina Lees and Anita Lees; order of dismissal.

HOWARD COUNTY MARRIAGE LICENSES

Raymond Glenn Smith, 25, 904 E. 19th and Kathy L. Jones, 20, of same.

Arthur Tomlin, 21, Langley and Miss Elizabeth Escanuela, 21, 306 N.E. Eighth.

Stephen Bartlett Emery, 25, of Midland and Mrs. Nancy Kay Dunigan, 27, of 411 First St.

Joel Chavez Holguin, 25, 1515 Wood Apt. A, and Mrs. Emerlienda Reyes, 29, of same.

HOWARD COUNTY COURT FILINGS

Richard Larry Stockton, 30, of Gail Route; charge of driving while intoxicated (DWI).

James Alton Hughes, 32, 2307 Cornell; charge of DWI.

Douglas Paul Warren, 23, 1207 Mesa; charge of driving while license suspended (DWLS).

Terry DuWayne Hutt, 18, of Garden City Route; minor in possession of alcohol.

Betty Diana Cunningham, 22, 607 B. Hummer; charge of failure to maintain financial responsibility.

Terril Lynn Payne, 17, 502-B Goliad; charge of criminal mischief.

Kaye Linda Robinson, 35, 2911 W. Highway 80; charge of theft over 20 and under 300.

Andrew Roy Grisham, 19, 2822 Navajo; charge of DWI.

Ronald Gaylord Dicker, 28, 200 A Denton; charge of DWI.

Juanita Lytle, 24, 1323 Harding; charge of DWI.

Stephens Wayne Flood, 23, 3700 Calvin; charge of DWI.

Earl Dwight Ware, 40, 1-20 Trailer Park; charge of DWI.

Ignacio Ferillo Ruiz, 30, of Lubbock; charge of DWI.

Scott A. Johnson, 28, 1208 Dixie; charge of DWI.

Jimmy Harold White, 30, 2609 Wason; charge of DWI.

Lingone Flores, 18, 901 N. Scurry; charge of avoiding arrest.

HOWARD COUNTY COURT RULINGS

Big Spring Automotive Inc. vs. Diamond M. Oilfield Service Co.; Big Spring Automotive recovers damages incurred on suit on account.

Everett Lee Parton, 20, of Coahoma as principal and Mary Thomas doing business as Mary Thomas Bell Bonds as sureties; judgment nisi on forfeiture of bond in the amount of \$500.

Salvador Garcia, 20, of Houston; judgment nisi on forfeiture of bond in the amount of \$10,000.

Julian Reyna, 31, of Gail Route as principal and Bob Smith doing business as Bob's Bail Bonds as sureties; judgment nisi on forfeiture of bond in the amount of \$500.

Ross Hermandis, 43, of Amarillo as principal and Bob Smith doing business as Bob's Bail Bonds as sureties; judgment nisi on forfeiture of bond in the amount of \$1,500.

Horace Franklin Ethridge III, 31, of Paragould, Ark. as principal and Danny Heckler doing business as Danny's Bail Bonds and Mary Thomas as sureties; judgment nisi on forfeiture of bond.

Delmon Dennis Lyons II, 25, of Odessa as principal and Mary Thomas doing business as Mary Thomas Bail Bonds as sureties; judgment nisi on forfeiture of bond.

Danny R. Lane, 27, 1402 Stanford; pleaded guilty to charge of DWI. Fined \$200, \$106 court costs, 60 day jail probation sentence for 24 months.

Ricky Reyes, 22, 709 W. 15th; order by county judge to dismiss revocation of probation.

Jackie Samirre Dicker, 28, 200 A Denton; order of dismissal.

Rodney Dean Harris, 19, 2200 Cindy; order of dismissal.

Luciano Ruben Rodriguez, 35, of Route One; pleaded guilty to charge of DWLS. Fined \$200 and \$86 in court costs.

Irina Olivas, age unknown, 1103 Lamar; order of dismissal.

Shane Alas Kragler, 19, 1-20 Trailer Park; order of dismissal.

David Joe Villareal, 21, 703 Douglas; order of dismissal.

Robert Glenn Pross, 18, of Gail Route; order of dismissal.

Rockwell Brothers Company vs. Albert and Sally Rodriguez, final decree.

John Wayne Tatum, 30, of San Angelo; pleaded guilty to charge of DWI. Fined \$400, \$106 court costs, and 60 day jail probation sentence for 24 months.

Jesus Galindo Ramirez, 68, 1504 W. Cherokee; pleaded guilty to charge of DWI. Fined \$500, \$106 court costs and 60 day jail probation sentence for 24 months.

David Joe Villareal, 21, 703 Douglas; pleaded guilty to subsequent charge of failure to maintain financial responsibility. Fined \$200 and \$86 court costs.

Steven Bradley Coates, 17, 1106 Johnson; pleaded guilty to charge of DWI. Fined \$400, \$106 court costs and 60 day jail probation sentence for 24 months.

Jesus A. Ramirez Jr., 41, 601 12th St.; pleaded guilty to charge of DWI. Fined \$400, \$106 court costs and 60 day jail probation sentence for 24 months.

Gregory Jon Biddle, 25, of Patton VII.; pleaded guilty to charge of DWI. Fined \$400, \$106 court costs and 60 day jail probation sentence for 24 months.

Samuel Carrasco, 27, of Odessa; pleaded guilty to charge of DWI. Fined \$400, \$106 court costs and 60 day jail probation sentence for 24 months.

Ty Rangel, 18, 1100 Mesa; pleaded guilty to charge of DWI. Fined \$400, \$106 court costs and 60 day jail probation sentence for 24 months.

Clayton Eugene McCartney, 40, of Colorado City; pleaded guilty to charge of DWI. Fined \$200, \$106 court costs, and 60 day jail probation sentence for 24 months.

Douglas Wayne Paul, 20, of Route One; pleaded guilty to charge of DWI. Fined \$400, \$106 court costs and 60 day jail probation sentence for 24 months.

Johnny Lee Owens, 25, 1818 Brenton; pleaded guilty to possession of marijuana. Fined \$120 and \$200 court costs.

Val Islas, 22, of Route One; pleaded guilty to charge of DWI. Fined \$400, \$106 court costs, and 60 day jail probation sentence for 24 months.

Ramon Gonzalez, 48, 1011 Johnson; pleaded guilty to charge of DWI. Fined \$400, \$106 court costs and 60 day jail probation sentence for 24 months.

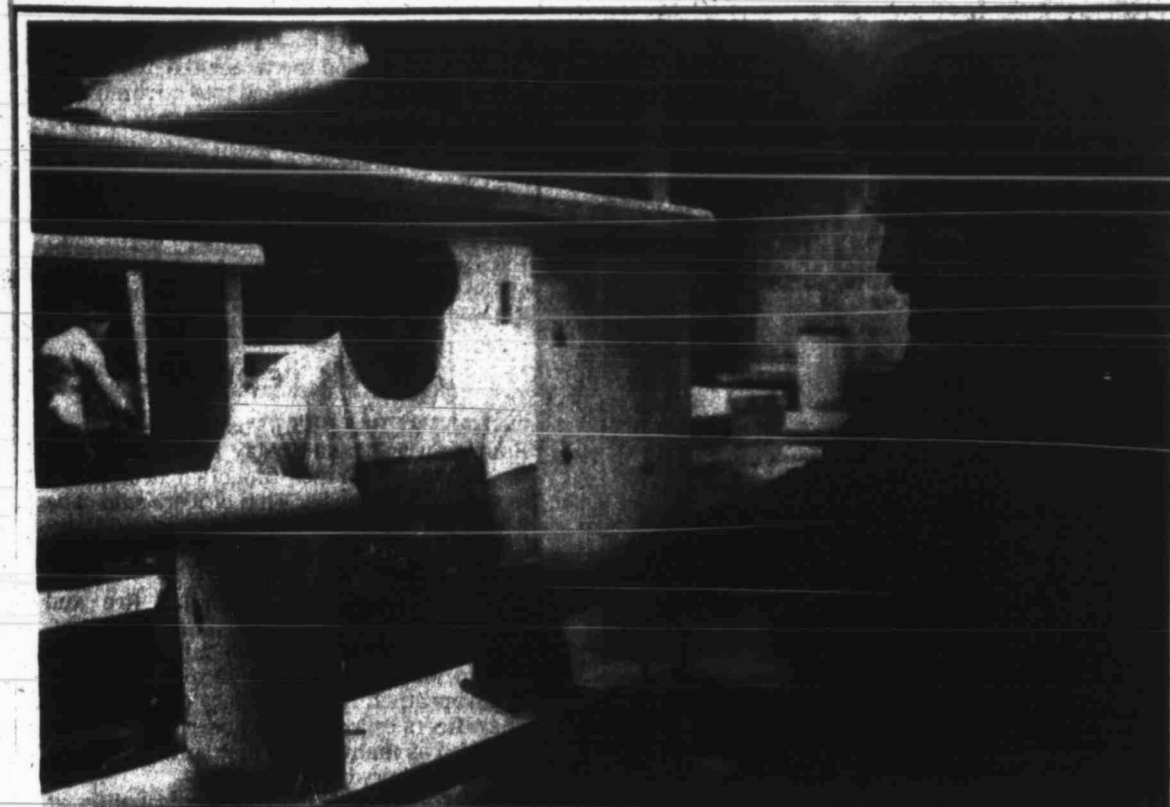
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Business



GENE BATTEIGER AND KEN SMITH sand down a headboard for a waterbed at Waterbeds Unique.

Waterbeds Unique to expand

By CAROL BALDWIN
Staff Writer

Waterbeds may become a big business in Big Spring if Gene Batteiger and Ken Smith have their way. The two are already building waterbeds behind the showroom of Waterbeds Unique at 1607 E. Third and are planning to expand in the near future.

Batteiger and his wife, Bonnie, manage Waterbeds Unique. Behind the showroom is a plant area. At present, 50 waterbeds a week are manufactured at the plant.

Batteiger and Smith feel they made the right decision when they decided to open the waterbed shop in Big Spring.

After the men opened the local shop, they decided to take advantage of Big Spring's Interstate 20 location. Because of the town's easy accessibility to the highway, the manufacturing plant was located here.

Smith owns both the local waterbed shop and a similar shop in Hobbs, N.M. Waterbeds Unique opened locally about a year ago in the College Park Shopping Center. The men decided to move to a new location because they needed the extra room to begin manufacturing waterbeds.

"We manufacture approximately 50 beds a week," Batteiger said as he walked around the large plant area behind the showroom. The beds are shipped "all over the midwest." In the near future the men hope to begin manufacturing complete bedroom suites.

"We started manufacturing in November," he said. He and Smith each have 10 years of experience in the waterbed business.

Together, they've worked in California, Arizona and New Mexico.

"We are building six different headboard designs," Batteiger said. "We're looking to expand to 10. And we're going into a full furniture line within 30 days."

The expansion will also mean hiring new employees, Batteiger said. "We're looking to hire eight to 10 people over the next two years. We will be hiring three or four in the next three to four months."

Batteiger said the plant will eventually install automated equipment to help with production.

Both Batteiger and Smith enjoy the waterbed business. Batteiger can quote the history of the rapidly-expanding field.

"Waterbeds started out 20 years ago on the West Coast. About 15 years ago (the business) started moving east. Around 1975 waterbeds hit West Texas."

Since their introduction, the beds have become popular around the nation. "Approximately 35 percent of all beds being sold are waterbeds," Batteiger said. He expects 50 percent of all beds sold by 1990 to be waterbeds.

Why are they so popular? Batteiger said, "There are three reasons why you would want a waterbed. Number one, they totally contour to the shape of your body. Number two, they are warm. They all come with heaters. Number three, all humans are creatures of habit. Waterbeds are always the same. They don't get lumps and bumps."

"That's the reason people buy them," Batteiger said.

"We're not after the big retailers," Batteiger said. "We are looking for retailers who purchase five or six beds at a time."

President of Saturn project doesn't fit traditional mold

DETROIT (AP) — The new president of General Motors Corp.'s small-car Saturn project, William Hoglund, comes from a family of GM executives but doesn't fit the company's traditional mold.

GM is in the process of seeking a location to build the Saturn manufacturing plant. Big Spring and a number of other Texas cities are being considered as the plant site.

When making public appearances as head of GM's Pontiac division, Hoglund often brought along a United Auto Workers official to share his speaking time.

He grew up driving fast cars as a Motor City teen-ager in the 1950s and never broke the habit.

When he was promoted to GM's headquarters last summer as vice president for operating staffs, he furnished his office with a red-striped bucket seat from a Fiero sports car and brought along a racing helmet autographed by the 33 drivers in last year's Indianapolis 500.

Hoglund, 50, was named president of Saturn Corp. on Monday by



WILLIAM HOGLUND

GM directors meeting in New York. He succeeds Joseph Sanchez, who was appointed Jan. 7 and died less than three weeks later of a heart attack at age 54.

Hoglund's brother, Peter, 58, is vice president and general manager of GM's Electro-Motive

division, the locomotive manufacturer. His late father, Ellis, ran GM's overseas operations for years until his retirement in 1963.

Until last summer, Hoglund ran Pontiac as vice president and general manager. His promotion in July put him in charge of industrial relations, sales, marketing, consumer relations and service.

He was a finance man at GM for many years and has a bachelor's degree in economics from Princeton University and a master's in business administration from the University of Michigan.

Saturn is GM's most important new project. The world's leading automaker plans to totally rework the way cars are made, using advanced techniques in robotization, computerization and labor relations.

The goal is the production of half a million subcompact cars a year on one site with 6,000 employees. As a separate corporation, Saturn will conceive, build and market the cars, which are expected in 1989 or 1990.

Business briefs

Eddy Herm has been appointed district manager of the Conklin Co., a Minneapolis-based manufacturer of agricultural, building and consumer products. Herm and his wife, Donnell, live at Route 1, Box 107A, Ackerly.

Herm is one of 411 district managers and one of more than 38,000 independent Conklin distributors.

Conklin manufacturers roofing and coating materials, cleaning, lubricant and conditioning products and agricultural chemicals.

Economic Outlook.

The Permian Basin Purchasing Management Association will hold their monthly meeting Tuesday at the Executel at Air Terminal. The business meeting kicks off at 7:15 p.m. At 7:30 p.m. a film on negotiating techniques will be aired. The official trade show kickoff begins at 8 p.m.

For reservations, call 699-3203.

The Permian Basin Section of the Society of Petroleum Engineers of AIME will hold their annual community relations program Tuesday at 8:30 p.m. at Ranchland Hills Country Club in Midland.

Guest speaker will be Sen. Phil Gramm. He will speak on "The '85

American Petrofina, Inc., recently reported a net income for the year ended Dec. 31, 1984, of \$45.1 million, or \$4-per share, as compared with \$55.3 million, or \$5.10 per share, in the previous year.

Fourth quarter net income in 1984 declined to \$17.3 million or

\$1.46 per share, from \$23.4 million or \$2.16 per share, during the fourth quarter of 1983.

Gross revenues for 1984 were \$2.1 billion, up 2.7 percent from 1983.

Cold weather kept shoppers at home throughout most of the nation in January, leading Sears, Roebuck & Co. of Chicago and R.H. Macy & Co. of New York to report disappointing sales figures for the month.

Sears, the nation's largest retailer, said its sales in the five weeks ended Feb. 2 rose 1.5 percent over a year earlier. R.H. Macy & Co., ranked 10th, said its January sales edged up 0.8 percent from a year earlier.

They released their figures Thursday, a week after the other major retailers reported mostly good gains for the month.

New York Times reports earnings

NEW YORK (AP) — The New York Times Co. reported that its fourth-quarter 1984 net income rose 32 percent from the same period the year before, to \$27.6 million, or 70 cents per share, on revenue of \$336.6 million.

In the fourth quarter of 1983, the company on Thursday reported earnings of \$20.9 million, or 54 cents per share, including an 8-cents-per-share charge for retroactive wage adjustments, on revenue of \$296.1 million.

For all of 1984, the Times Co. reported net income of \$100.2 million, or a record \$2.53 per share, on another record \$1.2 billion in revenue. In 1983, the company

earned \$78.7 million, or \$2.02 per share, on revenue of \$1.1 billion.

The 1983 earnings figure included a net gain of 22 cents per share from divestitures, the company said.

Arthur Ochs Sulzberger, chairman and chief executive officer of The New York Times Co., said The New York Times and the company's 28 smaller-city newspapers set advertising and circulation records in 1984.

The company's newspaper group showed a 28 percent jump in operating profit from 1983's final quarter to the \$44.5 million reported in the fourth quarter of

1984. The magazine group, however, which includes Family Circle, Golf Digest and Tennis, fell 12 percent in the quarter to \$2.9 million and 11 percent for the year to \$14.5 million.

Operating profit for the company's broadcasting group jumped 61 percent, to \$3.4 million, in the fourth quarter over the \$2.1 million earned in the final 1983 quarter. For the year, the group showed a 76 percent increase in operating profit, from \$4.9 million in 1983 to \$8.7 million in 1984. Revenues for the quarter and the year were up 13 percent: to \$16.5 million in the quarter and to \$60.1 million for the year.

General Dynamics registers profit

ST. LOUIS (AP) — General Dynamics Corp. says gains in its aerospace and shipbuilding businesses helped it post a 33 percent profit increase in the fourth quarter on a 16.7 percent sales gain.

The company said Thursday its fourth-quarter profit rose to \$106 million, or \$2.37 per share, from \$80.4 million, or \$1.52 per share, a year earlier. Sales rose to \$2.1 billion from \$1.8 billion.

For the full year, the company said its profit rose 33 percent to \$381.7 million, or \$8.06 a share, from \$286.6 million, or \$5.30 a share, in 1983. Sales rose to \$7.8 billion from \$7.1 billion.

"The company's steadily improving performance throughout 1984 was led by the aerospace and shipbuilding groups," said David S. Lewis, chairman and chief executive officer.

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Open for business

Magazine highlights Big Spring

By JOHNNIE LOU AVERY

In the February issue of TEXAS HOMES, a slick state-wide magazine, is an article by Betty Dillard about Big Spring. For those who didn't see it, this is a direct quote from it:

For decades, the towering Settles Hotel in Big Spring was the highest point of luxury between Fort Worth and El Paso. The 15-story hostelry built in 1930 by oilman W.R. Settles was the chichi setting for parties, balls and big bands. Officers from nearby Webb Air Force Base lived in high style in the hotel during and after World War II.

But like the long-since dried-up spring and the closed Air Force base, the Settles fell on hard times. Vacant since 1960 and stripped of its ornate furnishings and fixtures, the building has become an architectural tumbleweed of West Texas prairies.

Real Estate developer Gilbert Cuadra of San Antonio's MPG Management Inc. recently purchased the neglected inn for \$20,000. Cuadra has high hopes for the hotel, which he plans to use as the pivot for an ambitious multimillion-dollar historical project encompassing the downtown area, which is currently as dead as last year's Christmas tree. Cuadra's grand plans call for refurbishing and remodeling the structure (to the tune of \$5 million) into 46 luxury apartments, 25 hotel rooms decorated with artifacts and heirlooms from the area's founding families and a bar and observation deck on the top floor.

Cuadra also plans to buy 21 other downtown buildings, the oldest of which date from the 1860s, that will house antiques, arts and crafts, clothing and specialty shops.

"We want to bring Big Spring back to the way it used to look with its Old West flavor," Cuadra says. "We're hoping to turn Big Spring into a major tourist attraction and artists' colony like Santa Fe. No longer will people ask, 'Where is Big Spring?'"

Let's hope it works out this way!

Steve Baldwin, an instructor at the SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf, was just notified that he was selected to receive the Cultural Award presented yearly by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. This is a major recognition for creative and innovative talents in and promotion and enhancement of the cultural, fine arts and historical activities of the state and especially West Texas.

This is the second winner from Big Spring. This honor has never come twice to one town our size before. Bob Lewis (Tumbleweed Smith) was the recipient in the late seventies.

Steve will be given an expenses-paid trip to accept the award in special banquet ceremonies April 22. A video presentation of his life and contributions will be shown to the audience.

Guests at the event will include Howard College and SWCID administrators and several other area officials.

Watch for an official news release soon.

Note to program chairpeople: Consider these speakers for your organizations:

Pat Johnston — 263-1265 — Director of Canterbury. Call Mrs. Johnston for an informative update on building progress of new apartment units and the special features and rent assistance Canterbury offers the senior citizen.

Cecelia McKenzie — 263-3312 — Director of Rape Crisis Services. Call Mrs. McKenzie to learn about the important work being done and critical needs met by this new service to the Big Spring area.

Carroll Braun — 267-8239 — Director of the Salvation Army. Call Capt. Braun for a look at this organization that serves a multiplicity of needs.

Al Scott — 263-1003. Al has a fun-filled 16 minute program portraying a fictional county commissioner, Titus T. Tuttle. He pokes fun at politicians, news media and life in general.

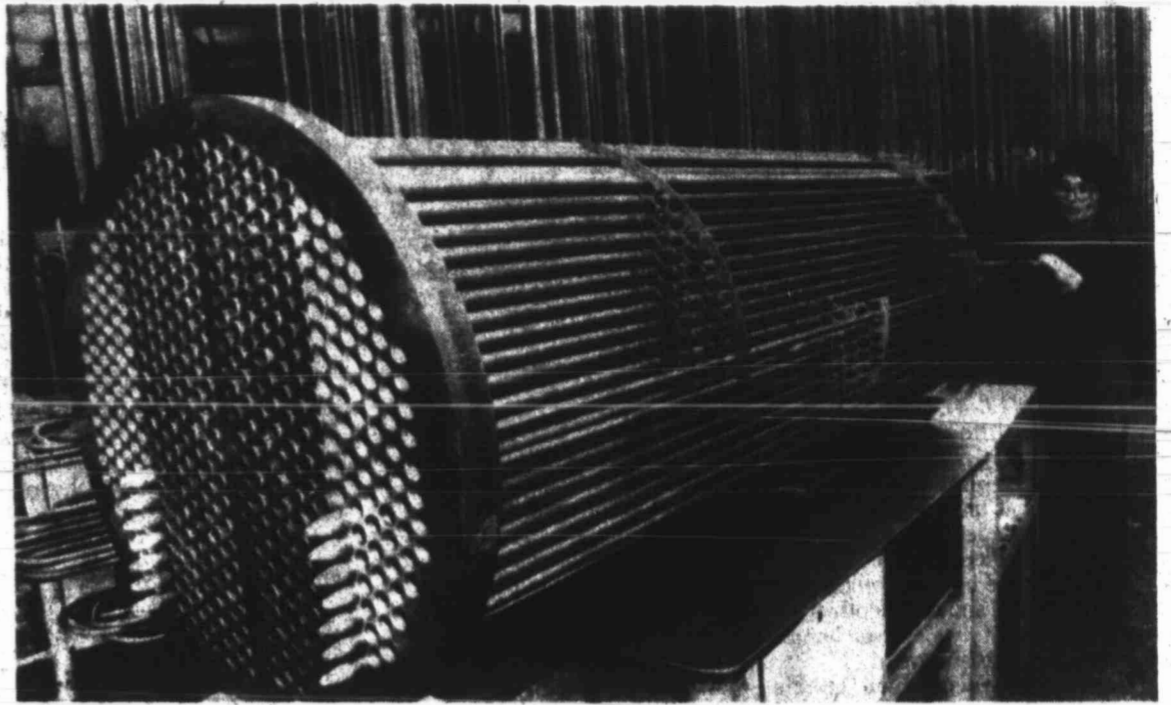
A sad note: Longtime Howard College geology instructor Lee Thackery died Jan. 30 in Marble Falls. Lee retired from Howard College in the early '70s. His widow, Ethel, may be contacted at 1109 Northwood, Marble Falls, Tx., 78654.

Don't miss: "Surviving," a three-hour ABC-TV drama tomorrow night at 7 p.m. It's about two teenagers who commit suicide together.

Local minister, Victor Sedinger, said, "The value of this show is not shock. It is the dramatic presentation of the symptoms, trauma, and aftermath. The value will be apparent when families who watch begin to communicate with one another, to discuss their problems and to support one another."

A major Black History program, sponsored by the Howard County NAACP, will be presented Feb. 22 at 7 p.m. in the Howard College Auditorium. Emcees will be Sam Hill and Angel Jones. Keynote speaker will be Dr. John Arradondo, professor of Meharry Medical School in Nashville.

Following Dr. Arradondo's remarks will be a nationally acclaimed play, "For Colored Girls Who Have Considered Suicide When the Rainbow is Enuf." Director of the play is Pat Hardy. Admission is free.



HEATING HONEYCOMB — Wha Soon Kang bundles U-shaped copper tubes into a heat exchanger at the ITT Fluid Handling Division's Bell and Gossett facility in Morton Grove, Ill. When other components are added, the completed unit will heat or cool liquids and gases in industrial process systems.

Texas business briefs

HOUSTON (AP) — Tenneco Inc. has announced it will buy Mobil Oil Corp.'s Industrial Chemicals Group.

Under the agreement, Tenneco's subsidiary Albright & Wilson Ltd. will acquire Mobil's phosphorus product plants in Charleston, S.C. and Fernald, Ohio, Tenneco officials said Thursday.

The plants previously were operated by Mobil Mining and Minerals.

Terms of the agreement were not disclosed. Houston-based Tenneco's operations include oil, natural gas pipelines, shipbuilding and construction and farm equipment.

DALLAS (AP) — Missouri Kansas Texas Railroad is considering a possible sale or merger of its operations with another railroad, MKT chairman Reginald Whitman said Thursday.

Whitman would not name the possible buyer or merger partner for the Dallas-based railroad, a 98-percent-owned subsidiary of Katy Industries.

"A definitive agreement has not been reached as yet, so we have to be pretty careful," he said. "These people didn't want their name men-

tioned, and I can understand why."

Whitman said that the transaction currently under discussion is the "first time" such negotiations "have been solid enough for us to announce."

He also said it could take at least two years to get approval for a

merger or sale from the Interstate Commerce Commission.

As part of the deal, Katy will have to acquire, through a tender offer, 45 percent of the \$67,000 outstanding MKT income certificates, he said. The maximum price is \$25 per certificate, he said.

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Stroh's announces plans to shut down one plant

DETROIT (AP) — Stroh Brewery Co., the nation's third-largest brewer, announced Friday that it is closing its plant here, where chairman Peter W. Stroh's family began brewing beer 135 years ago.

Stroh, the sixth generation of his family to lead the nation's largest family-owned brewery, said the decision is "the most difficult thing imaginable."

"I've worked with this company for 35 years," he said at a news conference. "I worked as a boy with many of the people whose lives will be affected by this decision."

The Detroit brewery, whose work will be phased out beginning in the spring, employs 890, and some 100 employees are now on seasonal layoff, Stroh said.

The closure will reduce the company's Detroit payroll by approximately \$40 million a year, Stroh said. Stroh Brewery's headquarters, employing 750 people, will remain, as will its 25-person ice cream plant, the company said. The company said production at

the Detroit plant will be transferred to one or more of the company's breweries in Allentown, Pa.; Winston-Salem, N.C.; Memphis, Tenn.; Longview, Texas; St. Paul, Minn.; and Van Nuys, Calif.

The company's flagship brand, Stroh's beer, was brewed only in Detroit. Stroh Brewery also makes Stroh Light, Signature, Goebel, and Goebel Light beers in Detroit.

The brewery was founded here in 1850 by a German immigrant, Bernhard Stroh. It is the largest family owned beermaker in the United States.

Stroh Brewery shipped 23.9 million barrels of beer in 1984, but Stroh said there is little growth in making beer.

"As beer advertising increases, consumption of beer goes down," Stroh said. "Beer brewing today is no longer a growth industry."

The company, which employs 5,500 people, will offer job counseling for employees of the Detroit plant, but transfers will depend upon negotiations with unions representing the employees, Stroh said.

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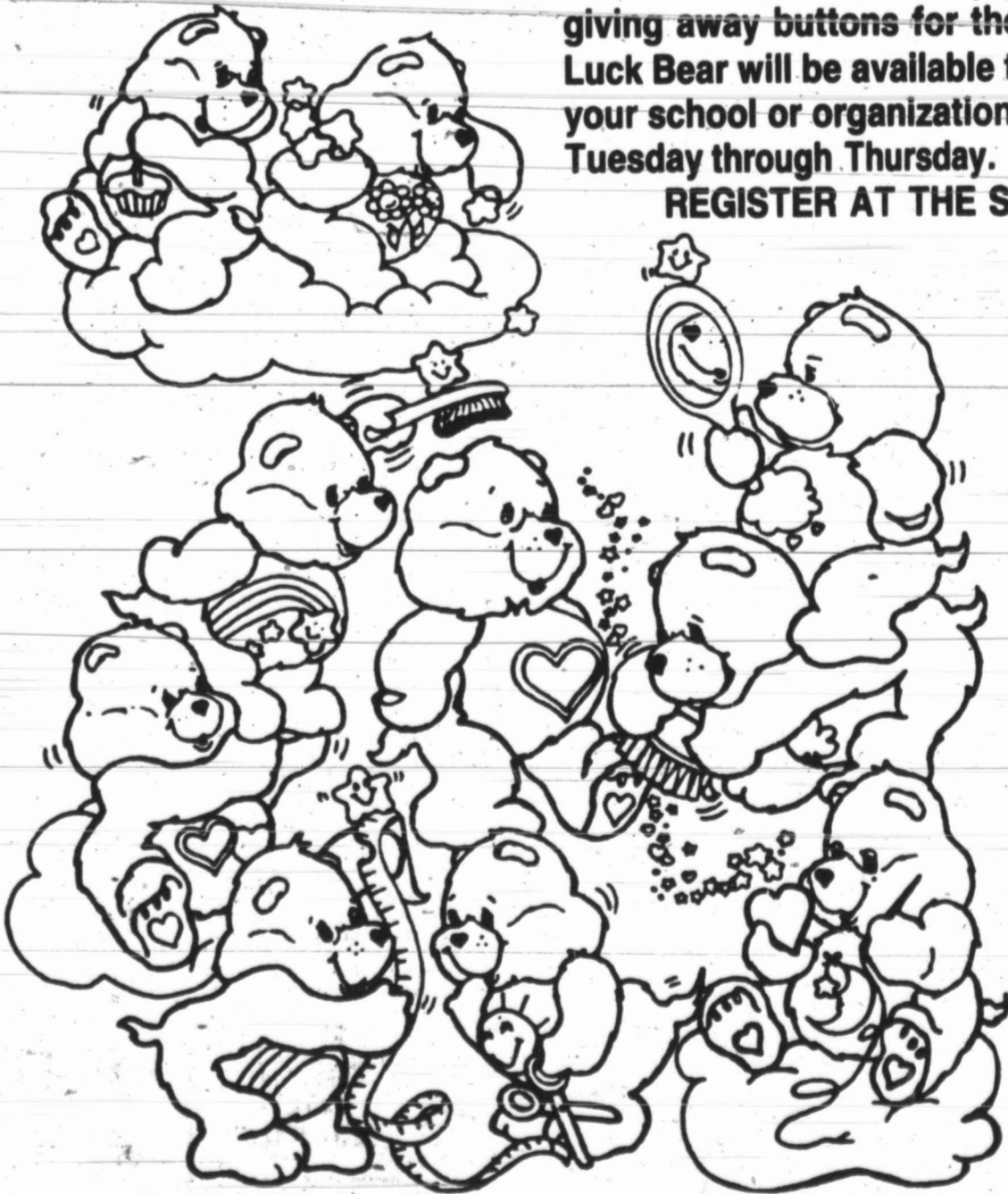


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Lifestyle

Luxury cars scrutinized

Auto deduction is a rockier road

By ROBERT METZ
(Ninth of series)
When Congress began questioning fat and long-standing tax deductions on luxury cars, West Germany worried about its exports of Mercedes Benz automobiles and other luxury cars.
Congress was striking at a widely perceived abuse which enabled owners of small businesses, as well as doctors and other professionals, to drive expensive cars largely at the Treasury's expense.

disguised as business cars are subject to new rules designed to tailor deductions to reflect actual business use.

Under these rules, it takes far longer to depreciate a car. Let's say the taxpayer purchases a \$40,000 Mercedes after the June 18, 1984 effective date. The investment tax credit — a direct credit against taxes — is limited to \$1,000. Also the depreciation write-off is limited to \$4,000 in the first year and \$6,000 in each successive year until the cost of the car (less 50 percent of the investment tax credit) is fully recovered. Thus, the full write-off of the car would take seven years — and that assumes 100 percent business use for the car.

In cars used for business 50 percent or less, both the five-year straightline depreciation and the \$4,000/\$6,000 limits apply. The amount that would be otherwise deductible after the application of both those restrictions would be reduced by the percent of personal use.

When these cars are used primarily for personal trips, write-offs are dramatically reduced. Business and personal use must be delineated and diaries are required in 1985. The doctor who uses his luxury "business" automobile to drive himself to and from the office derives no business-use credit for this.

Mind you, this is broad and complex legislation. And it is aimed at a perk that taxpayers have come to cherish as a matter of personal privilege. Enforcement will be a formidable challenge — and tax advisers will be working overtime to find legal ways around the rules.

It is as complicated as the old rules were lax. Under those rules, the \$25,000 car ordinarily would be written off in three years. First came that \$1,500 direct offset

DEDUCTING A BUSINESS CAR

The rules are tighter

Percent of time car is used for business	100	75
Purchase Price	\$25,000	\$25,000
Investment tax credit	\$1,000	\$750
Adjusted cost (purchase price minus 50 percent of tax credit)	\$24,500	\$24,250
Deduction first year	\$4,000	\$3,000
Deduction second year	\$6,000	\$4,500
Deduction third year	\$6,000	\$4,500
Deduction fourth year	\$6,000	\$4,500
Deduction fifth year	\$2,500	\$1,900
Total maximum deduction	\$24,500	\$18,400

BUSINESS CAR — Under new IRS rules, it takes longer to deduct a business car than it used to — and, for the car to be deducted, it must really be used for business.

against tax — the investment tax credit.

Taxpayers then subtracted 50 percent of the credit from the depreciable base reducing the cost basis to \$24,250. That balance was written off in three segments — 25 percent in that first year, 38 percent in the second and 37 percent in the third year. At this point, the taxpayer was free to buy the car for salvage value. All through the process, the Internal Revenue Ser-

vice was seldom able to ask questions.

Tax tip: Those who own luxury cars purchased before June 18, 1984 who formerly traded cars annually would be smart to hold their year-old cars for the 38 percent write-off allowed in the second year under the old rules.

Robert Metz is managing editor of Financial News Network and is a syndicated columnist. He was assisted in the preparation of this series by Sidney Koss, tax partner with the accounting firm of KMG Main Hurdman.

For your garden

by Don Richardson County Extension Agent

Soil insect control in gardens

As vegetable gardeners in Howard County prepare for spring planting, their first step should be to control soil insects. Soil insects can reduce vegetable quality and yields if left uncontrolled.

For effective control, mix insecticides into the soil at a depth of 4-6 inches at least two weeks before the garden plot is planted.

Among destructive soil insects are wireworms, white grubs, seed corn maggots, cabbage maggots, mole crickets, sowbugs, slugs, snails and cutworms. Some destroy plant seeds, roots, tubers and underground stem parts while others cut off young plants at or near the soil surface.

Most soil insects can be controlled with diazinon 25 percent liquid concentration or Spectracide 6000 applied as a 5 percent granule. Granules usually give the best control. If cutworms or sowbugs become a problem after the garden has been planted, broadcast 5 percent Sevin bait over the soil surface. This bait containing metaldehyde will also control slugs and snails. However, it is not formulated to be mixed into soil.

Garden sites planted for the first time or those previously in grass or weeds are more likely to harbor damaging numbers of soil pests. Before treating with an insecticide, inspect the garden site by taking soil samples at several locations to

a depth of 5 to 6 inches. Remove one square foot section of soil from each location and record the number of soil insects pests present. As a general rule, an average of one or more soil insects per sample suggests the need for insecticide treatment.

Before applying any pesticide always read and follow label instructions.

STILL TIME TO GET YOUR SOIL TESTED

It's not too late to collect soil samples for testing to determine fertilizer needs for this year. Collecting soil samples now and getting them tested can help get a jump on the spring rush at soil testing labs.

Once fertilizer needs are determined, you can place your orders. Again, by ordering early, they can avoid the spring rush. Also, fertilizers usually cost more in the spring when demand is greater and supplies tighter.

With fertilizer at hand, you can begin applications when conditions permit. This minimizes spring planting delays because of tight dealer schedules and reduces the potential for moisture loss just prior to planting.

For more information concerning soil testing, contact the County Extension Office, 267-6671 or come by the office located in the west of the basement of the Courthouse.

Focus on the family

By NAOMI HUNT
Howard County Extension Agent

Make home improvements count

If your present home is too small or otherwise inadequate, it may be wise to make some major improvements or additions. Although home improvements may raise property taxes, a well-chosen investment will usually increase the real value of your home.

In fact, increasing numbers of families are opting to improve small "starter" homes rather than trying to buy and sell at today's high interest rates. Improvements in energy efficiency or replacing a major system, such as heat, electrical wiring or plumbing, will increase the value of the home.

Adding a bathroom or half bath, a family room, master bedroom or a new garage can also raise home values. Remodeling a kitchen is another positive home improvement. However, adding a swimming pool, basement game room or costly hobby areas and features that require extensive maintenance may not appreciate the value of the home enough to offset the cost of the improvements.

PLANNING FOR HOME REPAIRS

As the costs of materials and labor for household repairs increase, more homeowners are becoming do-it-yourselfers. To decide if you should make repairs to your home yourself, determine how extensive the job will be.

Base your planning on your own abilities. You want to avoid the cost of having to repeat the job because you did poor work or used faulty

materials. Also remember that if you start a repair job you are unable to handle, a professional will not complete the task for less than what he would have originally charged.

Since you must pay for materials whether you do the repairs yourself or hire someone else, locate a store where standard types of materials can be purchased at reasonable prices. Estimate the cost of materials and labor if you hired someone else to do the job. These estimates will help you decide whether doing it yourself is worth your time for the money to be saved.

HOME DECORATING CAN REDUCE NOISE

Whether it's the sound of the dishwasher or someone else's music, noise can be a real problem for homeowners and apartment dwellers alike. But making a few changes in a home decorating scheme can lessen noise and even save energy.

Sound travels through the air and is reflected on any hard surface such as ceilings and walls. The noise level will rise if there are additional hard surfaces in a room, such as stainless steel, glass, plaster and hard plastic or wood furniture.

The use of soft, porous and thick surfaces tends to absorb sound and will help make a home or apartment quieter. Such noise-absorbing qualities are found in upholstered furniture, stuffed pillows, draperies and woven blinds,

carpeting, carpet padding and area rugs.

Heavy drapery fabrics, especially if lined, are much better for noise control than sheers. They also help conserve heating and cooling. Pleats give thickness that helps absorb sound. Shades, however, do not absorb noise.

Wall hangings of porous material such as heavy woven or macramed yarns help noise control, especially if they are hung slightly away from the wall.

Here are more ways to lessen noise:

- Apply a resilient gasket to interior doors and keep them closed.

- Place radio, television and stereo equipment away from walls between rooms, or on outside pads when possible. Use resilient pads under these items to help absorb sound. Use a rubber pad under a portable sewing machine or typewriter to reduce noise.

- Avoid placing an alarm clock on a table that touches a wall between one room and another. A pad beneath the clock will absorb its sound. Install a wall phone on an outside wall.

- Consider using cork board or carpeting on a wall to help lower noise levels and act as an insulator.

- For a noisy room such as a den or playroom, consider installing an acoustical tile ceiling. The tile may also be placed on the underside of kitchen cabinets to absorb excess sound. It is also excellent for long halls.

Fleet to teach magazine writing

MIDLAND — Jheri Fleet, author of more than 100 articles in 2½ years, will teach "How to Write the Magazine Article" at the Professional Writers Workshop in Midland, Monday through Feb. 16. The course will be from 6 to 10 p.m. nightly.

"Getting published isn't hard," Fleet said. "It's a matter of knowing the rules. Writing for publication is like any other business and the writer has to approach publication that way. If an editor is going to pay money for your manuscript, they expect it to be worth at least what they pay you for it."

"You can write magazine articles anywhere," Fleet says. "There are hundreds of stories here in the Permian Basin that never get written. It's really a mat-

ter of knowing what's happening and who would be interested in that kind of information."

According to Fleet, more magazines are being published than ever before and giving writers the advantage of having a larger market where they can sell their work. Writers also have a greater opportunity for multiple success with one article idea.

Fleet also claims that magazine articles are the easiest way to break into print and get the credentials that publishers and agents look for in promising writers. "Magazine credentials tell the editors and agents the writer is capable of accepting an assignment and getting the material in on time," Fleet said.

Fleet took several creative

writing courses and never knew anyone who got published from any of those courses. But, when she took a writing course under a writer who had been published many times, she learned the keys to getting published.

"Many writing teachers have been published a few times, but think it was luck, or that they were good, but they can't duplicate their success regularly because they don't actually know the rules. It could take a writer many years to become successful on their own," Fleet said. "But, when you study under someone who does this for a living, regularly, you find out what will work and what won't work."

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Bronchos buck Steers, 76-63

By STEVE BELVIN
Sports Writer

The Odessa Bronchos handed the Big Spring Steers their 12th consecutive District 4-5A loss by taking a 76-63 win here last night in Steer Gym.

The Bronchos got some hot shooting from forward Keith Smith and guard Allan Bailey who scored 22 and 20 points respectively. Their hot shooting and a sticky trapping press gave coach Mike Randle's team all the problems it wanted.

The Bronchos' press was at its best in the first quarter of play, causing seven of the Steers 16 turnovers in the period. The press started to take control in the midway through the period with Big Spring holding a 10-8 lead.

Big Spring had just taken the lead on a basket by guard Benard Williams, who led all Steers scorers with 19 points, connecting on 6 of 12 field goals. After Williams' basket, the Bronchos scored 10 unanswered points, thanks to three consecutive Big

Spring turnovers. By the end of the period the victors held a 23-12 edge.

Odessa built the lead up to 28-14 at the start of the second quarter. Big Spring rallied back with two baskets by Williams and a tip-in by Billy Cole.

Odessa quickly built the margin back to 32-20 before the Steers rallied back behind the play of freshman Brian Mayfield, to narrow the deficit to 36-30 with 1:42 left. Odessa took a 42-35 halftime lead.

Mayfield played a strong game for the Steers before fouling out with 3:05 remaining in the contest. The 6-3 forward collected two steals, scored 12 points while hauling down a team-leading 8 rebounds. He was one of two Steers starters to foul out in the contest. Cole also fouled out in the final quarter with 6 points and 5 rebounds.

The third quarter was a cold one for the Steers. They went the better part of the first four minutes before they scored their first basket of the half. By the time Mike Leuschner

turned a three-point-play, the Odessa lead was 49-38.

Leuschner had rough shooting night from the floor, hitting only 5 of 17 shots while scoring 13 points and collecting 6 rebounds.

Big Spring pulled to within 51-44 at the one minute mark when Williams scored and Mark Sanders fed Mayfield inside for an easy two points. But Odessa added two baskets before the quarter ended, giving them a 55-44 lead going into the final period.

Try as they might, the Steers only managed to pull within nine points of the Bronchos in the final stanza. But in the end the Bronchos lead was just too much to overcome.

Odessa shot 50 percent from the field in the contest, including a hot 21 of 35 for 60 percent in the first half. Big Spring hit 40 percent of their shots from the field.

JV'S LOSE A CLOSE ONE
In the junior varsity contest the Bronchos hung on for a 66-65 win over the Steers.

Big Spring made a gallant comeback, led by Collin Carroll. Carroll, normally a varsity player but playing on the JV because of a recent injury, led all scorers with 26 points.

The Steers trailed by as many as eight points until they made their run going into the final quarter. They finally tied the game up a 59 when Carroll scored on a layup with five minutes remaining. The Steers took a 63-61 lead with 1:37 remaining when Charles Young scored.

BIG SPRING (63) — Mike Leuschner 5 3 13; Sidney Parker 2 0 4; Billy Cole 3 0 6; Brian Mayfield 6 0 12; Benard Williams 6 7 19; David Shortes 1 0 2; Mike Howie 1 1 3; Dewayne Sherman 1 0 2; Alexner 1 0 2; totals 26 11 63

ODESSA (76) — Alan Bailey 8 4 20; Tracy Blaylock 6 0 12; Bunker 4 1 9; Keith Smith 6 6 22; Chavez 1 0 2; Armindez 0 1 1; Thompson 0 4 4; Jones 1 1 3; Williams 0 1 1; totals 29 18 76

SCORE BY QUARTERS
Big Spring 12 25 9 19—63
Odessa 22 20 13 21—76
JV — Odessa 66, Big Spring 65
RECORDS — Big Spring (0-12, 6-23), Odessa (4-4, 12-14).



Herald photo by Tim Appel

Big Spring Steers forward BRIAN MAYFIELD hauls down one of his eight rebounds in last night's contest versus Odessa High. Also in the picture is Odessa's MIKE BUNKER (40) and Big Spring's BILLY COLE.

Odessa drops Lady Steers

ODESSA — It was a long time coming, but the Odessa High Lady Bronchos finally won a district game. Unfortunately it was the Big Spring Lady Steers that suffered the 61-58 loss to OHS in District 4-5A play here last night.

The big quarter that killed the Lady Steers in the season finale was the third period. Utilizing their press, the Lady Bronchos outscored Big Spring 18-10 to take a 42-39 lead going into the final quarter.

Big Spring jumped out to a 13-12 first quarter lead and stretched it to 29-24 at the half before Odessa made its run.

Junior forward Monique Jones led Big Spring with 18 points. Sophomores Teresa Pruitt and

Sheri Myrick added 14 points each. In the junior varsity game the Lady Steers took a 45-35 win, behind Shelia Chatman's 17 points. Coach Elaine Stone's team finished district play with a 7-6 record.

The varsity lady Steers finished the season in seventh place with a 3-11 slate.

BIG SPRING (58) — Sheri Myrick 5 4 14; Monique Jones 9 0 18; Trelle Clemons 1 0 2; Lisa Hale 1 0 2; Teresa Pruitt 7 0 14; Tab Green 2 2 8; totals 28 6 58

ODESSA (61) — Graham 8 2 18; Alvarez 1 1 3; King 2 0 4; Haggard 7 0 14; Wafer 2 0 4; Dutchover 1 0 2; Tucker 1 3 5; totals 28 5 61

SCORE BY QUARTERS
Big Spring 13 16 10 19—58
Odessa 12 12 18 19—61
JV — Big Spring 48, Odessa 35
RECORDS — Big Spring (3-11, 6-23), Odessa (1-13, 5-20)

By CHARLIE ALCORN
Sports Writer

GAIL — It was the "Battle of the Titans II" as two of the best Class A girls teams in the state, O'Donnell and Borden County, squared off for the District 10-A title Friday night in Borden County gymnasium.

O'Donnell had won the first round in a surprisingly easy victory on their home court, but the Lady Coyotes avenged that loss by shooting down the Eagles 38-37 in the final game of the district second round.

It was a tight ball game throughout as both teams were obviously feeling the pressure. Both squads used a patient ball control offense and zone defenses very effectively in what turned into a contest of strategy and will.

Borden County opened up the game by scoring 6 unanswered points before the tentative Lady Eagles could find the mark. Following two long-range jumpers by senior forward Becky Massingill,

the Lady Coyotes opened up their biggest lead of the game 10-2 at the 2:40 first quarter mark. O'Donnell scored the last six points of the quarter to cut the lead to 15-8 at the end of the period.

Eagle post Milette Clark ignited an O'Donnell second period comeback with 8 points. Borden County began to struggle from the field after some exceptional first period outside shooting as the O'Donnell zone defense crept out to the perimeter. O'Donnell took the lead for the first time in the game 19-18, when Stacy Bessire hit a free throw with 2:38 left in the half. The half ended with the two teams knotted at 22-22 after Clark banged home a short jumper with 5 seconds remaining.

The third period featured the same patient offensive scheme by both squads. Borden County guard Kelli Williams, who led all scorers with 16 points, had a hot hand at the end of the quarter as the Coyotes took a 30-28 lead into the last quarter. Williams hit a 35 foot

bomb at the third quarter buzzer to give BC the lead.

The teams continued to trade baskets through half of the last quarter, when with 3:06 left in the game, Williams and Teri Billington scored back to back breakaway steals to give the Coyotes a 34-30 lead they would not relinquish.

Williams hit two free throws with 35 seconds left to give BC an apparently comfortable 38-32 lead.

But the game was far from over as O'Donnell's full court pressure forced two costly Coyote turnovers. Eagle post Kristi Crouch scored a bucket with ten seconds remaining and then stole the ensuing inbound pass, feeding Clark for an easy layup that pulled O'Donnell within one at 38-37 with 5 seconds left in the game. Borden County was able to get the inbound pass and the Eagles immediately sent Billington to the line with 2 ticks left on the clock. Billington did not convert the bonus shots but a last second O'Donnell shot was short of the mark giving the Coyotes the 38-37

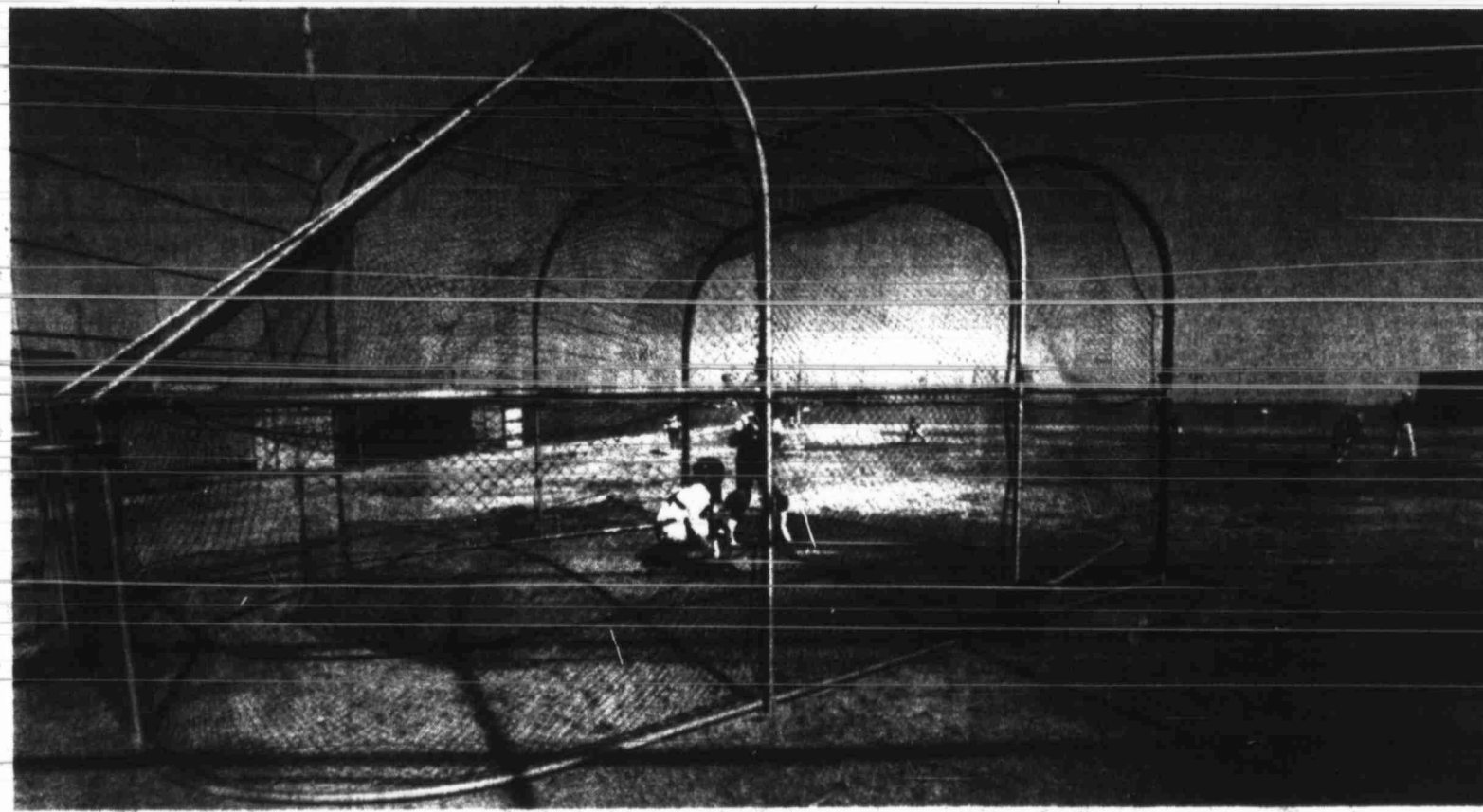
victory.

O'Donnell's Clark ended the game with 15 points and also collected a team high 9 rebounds on the night. Senior Edie Baker was the only other Eagle in double figures with 10 points. O'Donnell's record dropped to 25-2 on the season and 9-1 in 10-A action.

Borden County senior forward Shawna Vaughn led all rebounders with 13 boards and 7 points on the evening. Billington ended up with six points to round out the scoring for the Coyotes. BC tipped their record to 23-2 with the win and forced a playoff game tentatively scheduled for Monday night in Lamesa by tying O'Donnell for the regular season crown.

BORDEN COUNTY (38) — J. Massingill 1-0-2; Williams 6-4-16; Balague 0-0-0; B. Massingill 3-0-6; Shawna Vaughn 1-5-7; Billington 0-0-0; Turner 0-1-1; Martinez 0-0-0; Buchanan 0-0-0; Sternadel 0-0-0; Totals 14-10-38
O'DONNELL (37) — S. Bessire 0-1-1; Crouch 3-0-8; Eaker 3-4-10; K. Bessire 2-0-4; Clark 5-5-15; Totals 12-13-37

America's favorite pastime is back— Old NBA superstars get together again



The Howard College Hawks are shown here busily preparing for their season-opener versus Bee College Tuesday afternoon at Hawk field.

Coach Bill Griffin's squad will play a doubleheader Tuesday and one game Wednesday.

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Hilda Van Arsdale won't have a problem watching her sons play in Saturday's National Basketball Association Legends Classic. They'll both be on the same team.

Tom and Dick Van Arsdale, who for most of their 12-year NBA careers played on different squads except for a stint together at Phoenix, will play for the West in the old-timers' game. The league's annual All-Star Game will be played Sunday at the Hoosier Dome.

Coaching the West will be Bobby "Slick" Leonard, who guided the host Indiana Pacers to three league titles in the now-defunct American Basketball Association.

The squad also includes two players who helped produce those titles, Roger Brown and Mel Daniels, and Hall of Famer Oscar Robertson, currently fourth on the NBA's career-scoring list with 26,710 points.

"It (basketball) keeps me young," said Mrs. Van Arsdale, who has attended every Indiana University home game and every Hoosier post-season game since 1976. "I'm still not too good on some of the finer points of the game, but I've been in enough of the games to be something of an expert."

She has also become somewhat of a diplomat. Asked to compare the twins, each of whom played in three NBA All-Star games, Mrs. Van Arsdale said: "They've been very equal all along."

The statistics prove her point. Both were selected All-Big 10 and Academic All-American at Indiana. Tom scored 1,252 points for the Hoosiers and finished his NBA career with a 15.3 average. Dick had 1,240 points for Indiana and an NBA average of 16.4.

The East squad, coached by Red Holzman, also will feature a special reunion — Hall of Famers Bob Davies and longtime rival Bob Cousy.

Also on the East squad are Dave DeBusschere, Walt Frazier and Earl Monroe, who played for Holzman when he coached the New York Knicks.

Davies will be the oldest player. The former Rochester Royal star, who led the NBA in assists six consecutive seasons, is 65. "Pistol" Pete Maravich, also on the East, is the youngest participant at 36.

American advances in Lipton

DELRAY BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Aaron Krickstein, named to the U.S. Davis Cup team Friday, crushed South Africa's Michael Robertson 6-2, 6-3 and moved into the third round of the \$1.8 million Lipton International Players Championships.

In later matches, Chris Evert Lloyd, the No. 2 seed in the 128-player women's singles, faced Shawn Peltz, and Mats Wilander, seeded second in the men's field, met fellow Swede Stefan Simonsson.

Friday's matches in this inaugural two-week tournament were delayed by rain for five hours. But when play began, the 17-year-old Krickstein wasted no time in pummeling Robertson, the South African 1980 junior champion known primarily as a doubles player.

With the first set tied 2-2, Krickstein ripped off the next eight games, capturing the opening set and taking a 4-0 lead in the second.

He lost his next two serves, however, as Robertson, whose first-round victory was his first singles triumph ever in a Grand Slam tournament, pulled to within 5-3.

Krickstein, however, held his service in the ninth game to close out the set.

In other matches, eighth-seeded Zina Garrison defeated JoAnne Russell 6-4, 6-1; Romania's Virginia Ruzici ousted Niede Diaz of Brazil 7-5, 6-1; No. 9 Kathy Jordan stopped Australia's Elizabeth Smylie 6-2, 6-4; and Scott Davis eliminated Gilbert 6-2, 6-4.

Earlier in the day, captain Arthur Ashe announced the U.S. Davis Cup squad that will play Japan March 8-10 in Kyoto without John McEnroe and Jimmy Connors.

Joining Krickstein on the team are Eliot Teltscher, Brad Gilbert, Ken Flach and Robert Seguso.

McEnroe, the mainstay of the U.S. Davis Cup team in recent years, and Connors recently said they would not play in the match against Japan, which the Americans are expected to win.

The world's top-ranked player, McEnroe is expected to play for the United States in later Davis Cup rounds, but Connors, who has played in the prestigious international competition only sporadically, said he probably would not play at all in 1985.

"It's great to be chosen for the Davis Cup," said Krickstein, a right-hander from Grosse Pointe, Mich. "I'm looking forward to it. Last year I helped out at practice. I hoped I would get to play this year. I'm excited."

Asked if the Davis Cup would force him to change his regular schedule, Krickstein said: "No, I kept March open hoping for the Davis Cup."

Auburn hoop coach resigns

AUBURN, Ala. (AP) — Auburn basketball Coach Sonny Smith announced Friday that he is resigning at the end of the season to enter the oil business.

Smith acknowledged at a news conference that he has passed out at several Auburn games this season, but he said his health played no part in his decision to resign.

Instead, Smith said he said he had a business opportunity "that was too good to pass up."

Auburn Athletic Director Pat Dye expressed disappointment at Smith's departure.

"We certainly hate to see Sonny leave our program, but we all want what is best for him," Dye said. "This was no quick or easy decision on his part. He has agonized over it for some time and if this is what Sonny thinks is best, we support him in his decision."

"I personally hate to see him leave because we had a very good relationship," Dye said.

Smith, 49, has compiled a 96-95 record in seven seasons at Auburn and could become the third Auburn coach to win 100 games. Last year, Auburn finished second in the Southeastern Conference and went to the NCAA tournament for the first time.

This year's team is 13-7 overall and 5-6 in the Southeastern Conference.

Smith, who appeared emotional at the news conference, said he had passed out at some games this season because he hadn't been able to eat or sleep before games.

"There is always stress and pressure in the SEC, but there has been no pressure from Dye and the athletic officials at Auburn. They have been most

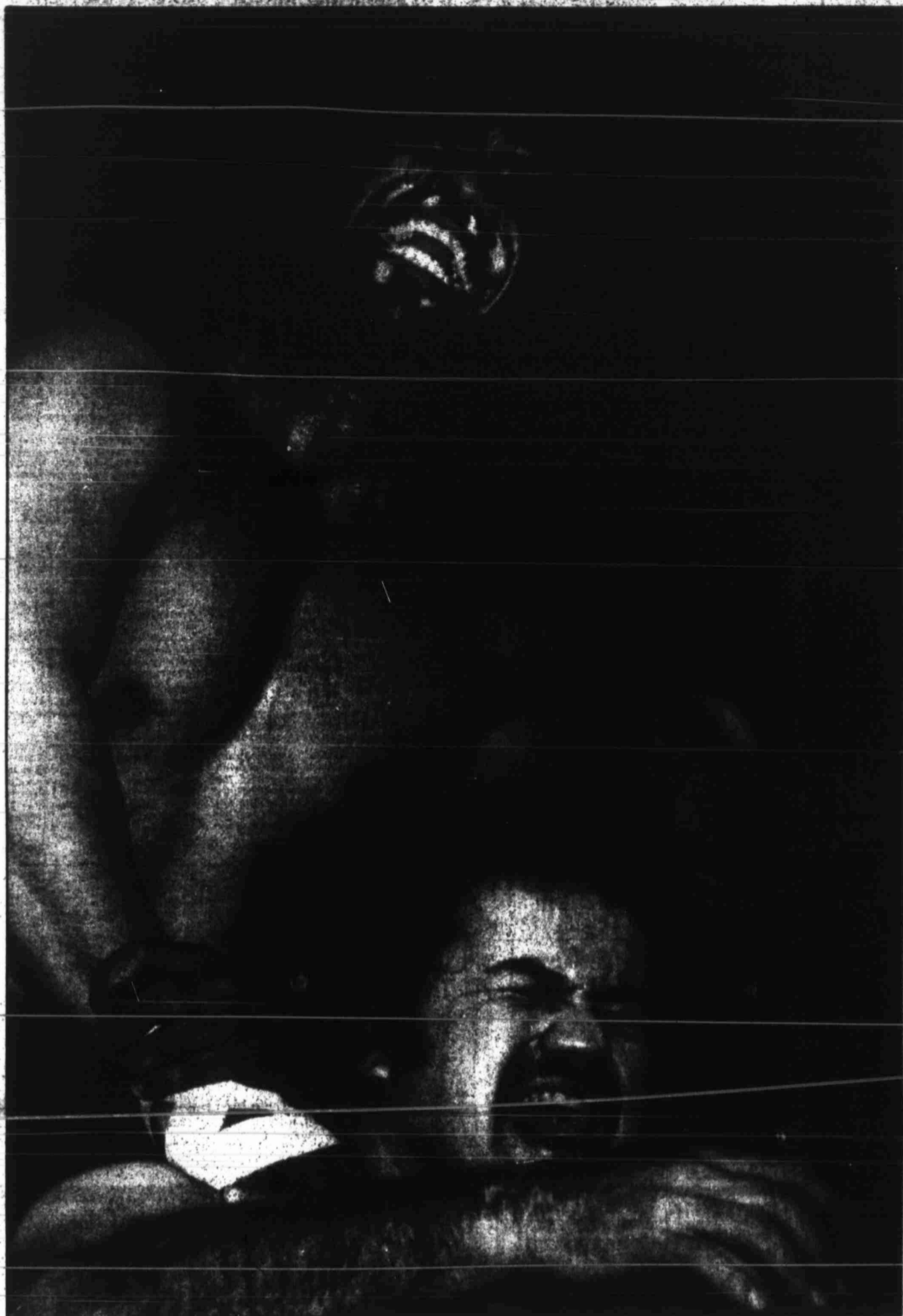
supportive of our efforts," said Smith.

"The only stress and pressure that has bothered me is the stress and pressure I have put on myself."

Smith said his yelling at officials during last Saturday's close loss to Kentucky was only "a small factor" in his decision to resign.

In recent days, Smith has expressed displeasure with attendance at Auburn games and fan support for the Auburn team.

At the news conference, he said, "Maybe we didn't win as many games as I thought we should have won and maybe we didn't fill the building as we thought we would be able to, but we did win and we were successful," Smith said.

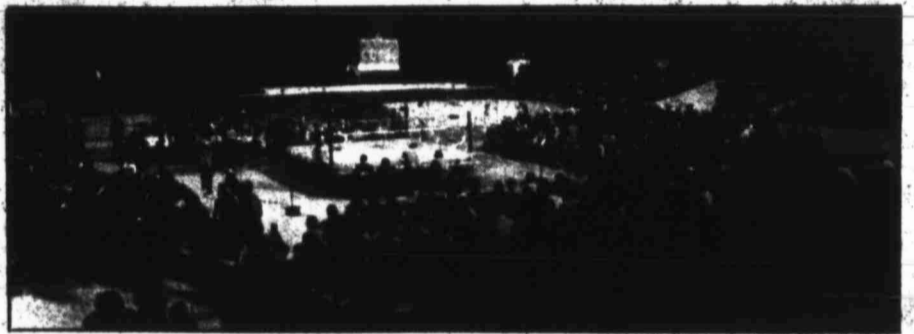


AL MADRILL grimaces as TAI-MUI, one of the Maori tag team partners, applies a shoulder grip.

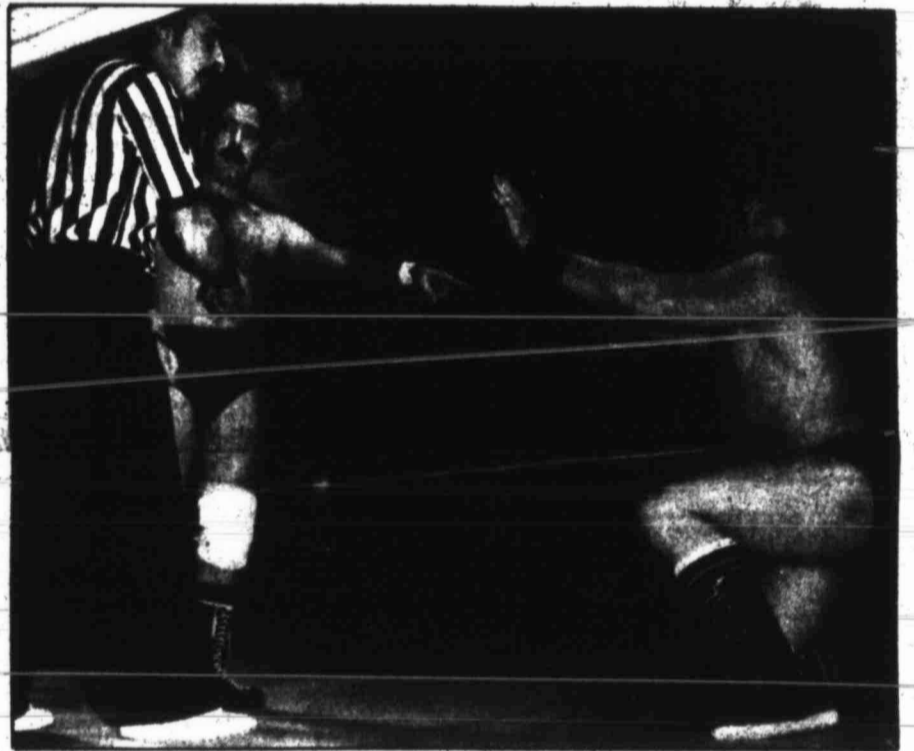


JOHN MORRIS of Odessa reacts to the wrestlers while his young companion reacts to him.

Story by John Rice
Photos by Tim Appel



Ector County Coliseum draws 2,100 for a wrestling match.



RON SEXTON, kneeling, and CHICKY STARR work the crowd for sympathy, each blaming the other for an infraction of the rules.

WRASSLIN'

'No insurance company will insure you'

Wrestling is the sport that amateur athletes can't pay their girlfriends to come watch. Wrasslin' is what draws 2,000 fans, kids in tow, to the Ector County Coliseum on a Tuesday night. A \$7 ringside admission price buys the right to shout obscenities at the bad guys and root heartily for the good guys.

"We're letting the kids in for free tonight," says promoter Jay Mehaffey. "You see that mob outside? This is family entertainment."

Erik Embry is one half of the Fabulous Blondes. The other half has "dabafiches" in his neck from being pile driven — dropped on his head — three times in a bout against arch-rival Bob Sweetan.

Embry too must lay low. He lost a loser-leave-Texas bout in San Antonio and this match in Odessa against Sweetan is his last in the state for three months.

Loss of wrestling rights means Embry will be "out of the picture," and in a world of super stars and ratings, out of sight is out of mind for the fans. Whether a wrestler earns \$20,000 in a year or \$250,000 — as Embry says he does — depends on star status. And if you're not working you go down in the ratings.

A wrestling official interrupts Embry's interview to tell him there's still a line at the ticket counter. The official wants to stall the start of the matches to sell more tickets.

Embry isn't buying it. "The first two matches aren't important matches anyway to the people."

Embry says, "We've got to drive back; we're looking at getting home at 5 or 6 o'clock as it is."

To pull his six-digit income, Embry keeps a grueling pace. He wrestles five to six times in a week on a schedule that starts him from his hometown of San Antonio on Monday and may take him to Odessa on Tuesday, Waco on Wednesday, Corpus Christi on Thursday, Laredo on Friday and Austin on Saturday. Before his work ends this Tuesday night at 10:30, Embry will have scuffled on a scaffold above the ring, had his backside lashed with a strap at the hands of Bob Sweetan, taken a slam that opens a perpetual gash on his forehead and fallen 8 feet to the padded wooden ring, landing hard enough to shake the ringposts.

The crowd rains obscenities on a man wrapped head to toe in white bed-sheet strips. He calls himself The Mummy. The hecklers call him "The Dummy." The Mummy loses when crowd-pleaser Vinnie Valentino rolls him up in a blur of talcum powder and takes the pin.

Some kids want to be firemen. Eric Embry has always wanted to be a wrestler. He's the son of a Kentucky river boat captain. One of his brothers is a bank vice president; another is in college. "Self-image. Ego trip. I don't know what words you call it. Just proving a point to myself that I could do it and go to the top. I'm 25 years old and I'm at the top."

Chicky Starr is a crowd favorite. Ron Sexton is a villain. Both are tough wrestlers. On the line tonight is the U.S. Junior Heavyweight Championship. Starr tries to injure Sexton's arm. He jumps on it, twists it, slams it into the metal scaffolding. "Break it off," shouts a fan.

The fight leaves the ring and moves onto the floor. Sexton throws Starr into the timekeeper's table, clearing it of officials. Starr appears beaten, but gets a second wind, whirling around Sexton like a dervish. Starr wins. He keeps his championship belt.

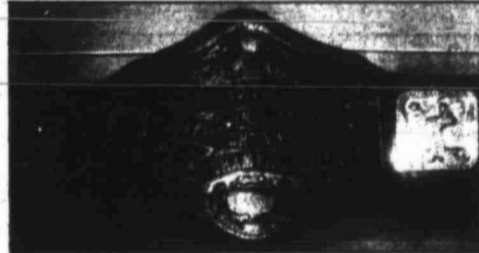
Embry cuts off a question about "working the crowd" and the relationship between injury and theatrics: "What you're beating around the bush to ask is if wrestling is fake. Wrestling is definitely not fake. ... There's a certain amount of showmanship (but) I never threw a wrestling match. I've never taken a dive. This is my life. I've worked very very hard to get where I'm at today."

Embry's bleached blonde bangs barely hide a recent wound to his forehead. Perpetually lacerated foreheads are part of the job for the super stars of

professional wrestling. The scar tissue on the forehead tears easily and bleeds freely. The presence of blood lends authenticity to the violence. It helps to counter detractors' charges that punches are pulled and spectacular feats are choreographed.

Embry talks of his "hundreds and hundreds of stitches — and I've been lucky. I've had a couple of dislocated shoulders. Both of my knees need surgery. Broken fingers and toes. Nothing major for a wrestler. Not yet."

Embry's hospital bills are his own ("no insurance company will insure you") and there's no retirement plan in this business. Embry hopes to be safely out of the ring by 35, and he's investing money toward that end.



The trappings for a tag team match play the crowd to perfection. The bad guy team from Down Under, the Maoris, are people the crowd loves to hate. They use Alice Cooper makeup. They tout their allegiance to a foreign country. They spit at the crowd.

The good guy team of Al Madrill and Ric Casey moves from the dressing rooms toward the ring as Bruce Springsteen's popular rocker "Born in the USA" blares over the auditorium loudspeakers. The crowd becomes one in chanting "U-S-A, U-S-A, U-S-A." Madrill raises his arms, exhorting the fans to make more noise.

When the bell rings, the rules — such as they are — are ignored. All four battle in the ring, on the floor, onto the timekeeper's table, into the metal scaffolding. The crowd roars its approval. Madrill and Casey win on a disqualification, but not before the Maoris have bloodied both warriors. The good guys troupe back to the dressing rooms, another day's work done.

Wayne Childs made the drive from his home in Stanton to see Embry and Sweetan battle in the main event. "I'm for Sweetan," he says, as the ring is set up for the scaffold match. The truck driver says television's Saturday Night Wrestling hired him to the arena. "I quit everything when wrestling comes on Channel 2," he said.

The lights go down for the Embry-Sweetan bout. This is a battle to see who will be known as the King of the Pile Driver. The first one to fall off the scaffold is the loser. After a few minutes of tussling awkwardly on the elevated surface, Embry crashes to the mat with a thud.

He's helped back to the dressing room. It's his last Texas fight until May. He hasn't made plans for the next three months. "I don't really know. This was a sudden, unexpected thing. I'll just go home for awhile. Or maybe tour Puerto Rico."



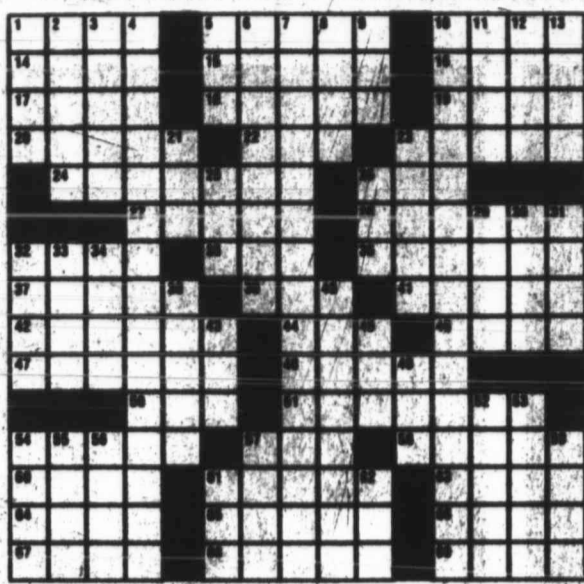
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 - Aves.
 - Dictator's aide
 - Rosets
 - Emolter
 - Biblical verb
 - Move nonchalantly
 - Ma Doolittle
 - Cal. fort
 - Conjugal
 - Brownish-gray
 - Beetle
 - Of vision
 - Magnat of movies
 - Craze
 - Lane of song
 - Remain
 - Revoke a legacy
 - Year: Sp.
 - Story
 - Wine and magic
 - Assurance
 - Detour: abbr.
- DOWN**
- Singer
 - Reserved
 - Gossip
 - "It is not the wages" (Henry Ford quote)
 - "I — Camera"
 - Sp. Am. money
 - "He only —"
 - (more of 4D)
 - Adam's grandson
 - Pig's milieu
 - "It is the — wages" (end of 4D)
 - Counterink
 - Con
 - Greatest
 - Year: Sp.
 - Prayer words
 - Bath place
 - Before
 - Both
 - Ridicule
 - Fault
 - Decline
 - Persian gazelle
 - Dove sounds
 - Clin
 - Compensation
 - A Chaplin
 - Russ. village
 - God of sky
 - Facing the pitcher
 - Clin
 - Zodiac sign
 - Soviet news agency
 - Square pillar
 - Single
 - Art school
 - Footst money
 - Mothers
 - I love: Lat.



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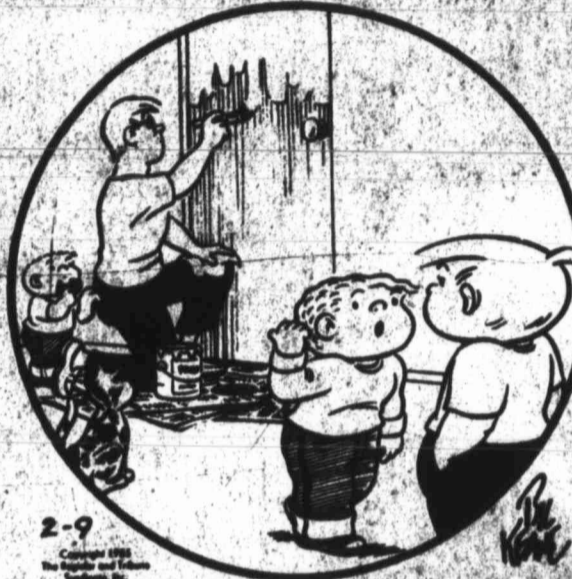


DENNIS THE MENACE



"WELL, AT LEAST THEY DIDN'T FIND OUT WHAT I THOUGHT THEY FOUND OUT."

THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"Daddy's bakin' a cake. He said so."

Your Daily HOROSCOPE from the CARROLL RIGHTER INSTITUTE

MONDAY, FEB. 11, 1985

GENERAL FORECAST: The morning finds it busy for you to plan the coming activities of importance and to add some unusual note, but then other things you find that some problem comes to you. Be kind.

LIBRA (Aug. 23 to Oct. 22): In the morning find a better way of using your practical talents so that you can increase your income. Then later rest up.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20): A good morning for coming to a better understanding with an associate by making a wise decision.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21): You can cancel better relations with a partner if you take a firm stand and do not let him to come to you. Be kind.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21): By talking to an expert you can learn about extra benefits that can come to you. Be kind.

LEO (Jul. 22 to Aug. 21): Find new gadgets that can make living at home less tiring and more charming. Then get out for the pleasure you like.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22): Do whatever is necessary to improve your state of health in the morning. Then plan amusements for the evening very wisely.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22): Set up appointments early with those you like for the evening, but later be very careful in handling some money matter of importance.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21): You can gain the aid of good pets in the morning, but forget your worries later and make a big holiday.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21): Have a secret talk with a bigwig and partner the information you require at this time.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20): Get together with good friends in going after new interests and you succeed very easily.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19): Study how you can gain greater prestige in the morning, and then take the right steps in that direction.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20): Talking over financial affairs with kin is wise in the morning, but later avoid some group.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY
...he or she will need fine spiritual training and then can delight everyone with whom he or she comes in contact. The education should be started along lines of investigation since your progeny will be almost aptly in ferreting out the truth of any situation or matter. Have good books around.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY
...he or she will show many fine talents and particularly where the most up-to-date matters are concerned. Later there will be the desire to be more conservative, so teach to combine the old with the new and then much success is possible during the lifetime.

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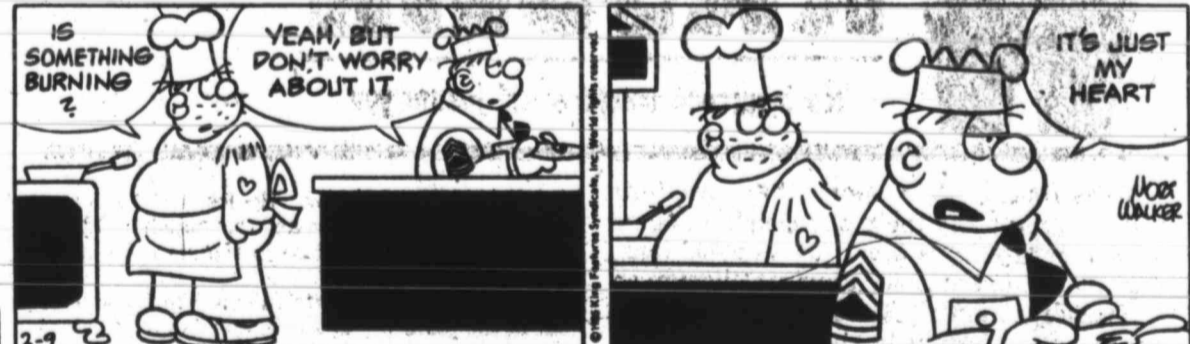
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