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Spring board

How's that? Hoops

Q. What is the most points ever scored by Howard College in Dorothy Garrett Coliseum?
A. The 144 points scored by the Hawks last night against Clarendon, represents the most, said former Hawks' coach Harold Davis. According to women's coach Don Stevens, the Hawks scored 176 points against Southmost Texas in the early 1970s, but it was not in Garrett Coliseum.

Calendar Tax help

THURSDAY

From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Citizens Federal Credit Union on FM 700, trained volunteers will assist the elderly, handicapped, non-English speaking people and low income persons with their tax returns. The service is free. For more information, call 267-6373.

FRIDAY

From 1-4 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center, Building 487 at the Industrial Park, trained volunteers will assist the elderly, handicapped, non-English speaking people and low income persons with their tax returns. The service is free. For more information, call 267-1628.

Items for the Spring board calendar must be community-wide events to be included and will be listed no more than one week in advance. Send such notices to: Spring board, Big Spring Herald, Box 1431, Big Spring. Club notices will be printed in the "Bulletin Board" section of the Sunday Herald.

Tops on TV Geter

The fact-based story of a black engineer whose imprisonment for a crime he did not commit led to an all-out effort by friends and colleagues to win him a new trial in "Guilty of Innocence: The Lenel Geter Story" at 8 p.m. on Channel 7.

Coahoma nine flex 'muscles'

COAHOMA — For the second straight year, Coahoma High School students won the small schools division in region Academic Decathlon competition in Lubbock Saturday.

"We were very excited about it, and very proud. We've only competed twice, and we've won the small school division both years," said Heavia Doyle, who, along with her husband Jerry, sponsors the nine-member team.

"One student said 'This is a contest in which you show off your brain instead of your muscles.' That's what it amounts to," Doyle said.

She reported that Coahoma was the smallest of the 19 schools that competed, and that five of those schools qualified for the small schools division.

The students competed in three divisions: honors division for A students, scholarship division for B students, and varsity division for C students, Doyle said.

From Coahoma, in the honors division, were Dixie Shaw, Kent Ballard and alternate Angela Reid. In the scholarship division were Brad Engel, Trey Gardner and alternate Angie Jones. Varsity division members were Will Doyle, Stacey Ream and alternate Douglas Lawhon.

The competition consisted of six 30-minute quizzes in math, English, social studies, science, fine arts and economics; plus an essay and two speeches — one prepared and one improvised, Doyle said.

They also took a "super quiz" on the United States constitution, in which Coahoma finished fourth out of the 19 schools, Doyle said.

City may alter date of voting

By SPENCER SANDOW
Staff Writer

The city may have to change its election date beginning next year, if state legislation is approved, City Finance Director Tom Ferguson said this morning.

Ferguson was informed about the possible changes at an annual Texas Municipal Clerks Association conference in Austin last week.

He said the state legislature last year changed the presidential primary to April, to coincide with primaries conducted by other Southern states.

The plan must be approved by the federal justice department before it can be implemented, he said, and the justice department has not yet responded.

If approved, the city, school district and other entities would be forced to change election dates to one of four choices, he said.

The state-set election date on the first Saturday in April would be changed to the third Saturday in May, he said. The other three choices, in which no changes have been made, are the first Tuesday in November, the first Saturday in August, or the third Saturday in January, Ferguson said.

This year's election, set for April 4, will not be affected, he said.

No one has yet filed for two City Council seats up for election, although Ferguson said he has received three or four inquiries about filing and election procedures. The deadline to file is Feb. 18.

City Council positions held by Harold Hall and Henry Sanchez will be decided.

Sanchez has served on the Council as district 1 representative for one three-year term. District 1 in-

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Tangled

Johnny De La Cruz, 6, son of Johnny and Mary De La Cruz, finds himself tangled while in the midst of jumping rope one recent sunny afternoon.

Herald photo by Johnathan Garrett

Benefits decision sought in city case

By SPENCER SANDOW
Staff Writer

Attorneys representing Big Spring firefighters in a dispute with the city over retirement benefits have filed a motion requesting summary judgment, according to Drew Mouton, attorney representing the city.

Summary judgments are granted for cases in which there is no question of fact, and the only question is interpretation of the law, Mouton said.

In a jury trial, the jury decides questions of fact — "who did what" — and the judge rules according to the law, he explained.

Summary judgments help avoid the delays encountered in a jury trial, he said.

Representing the city, Mouton said he is not sure whether, in his reply, he will request summary judgment in the city's favor or oppose summary judgment.

The attorney said he expects to file his response within six to eight weeks.

The major question in the case involves interpretation of the law, he said. He added, however, that he isn't convinced the facts in the case are undisputed.

The Big Spring Firefighters Retirement Board claimed in its September lawsuit that City Hall violated the Texas Revised Civil Statute in regards to firefighter retirement benefits.

The action is the latest in a feud simmering for many months between the city and firefighters over how much money the city should put into the firefighters' retirement fund.

Firefighters say the city is obligated by state law to match as much as 9 percent of salary deductions assigned to retirement. The city matched that amount, but only after decreasing the firefighters' base salaries to do so.

The city argued during mid-year budget deliberations that it intended an across-the-board municipal pay increase of 3 percent. To give firefighters a salary boost plus an additional 3 percent for their

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VA Center's popular chief of staff retires

By CARLEEN EVERETT
Lifestyle Editor

Speak to a surgeon, a nurse, a radiologist and a secretary at the Veterans Administration Medical Center and here's what you'll learn — Dr. Jack Margolis is admired and will be missed.

After 34 years of service, Margolis retired from the Center last week.

He began his medical career working in internal medicine and cardiology and was promoted to the chief of medicine for 20 years.

He worked as the chief of staff for the last ten years.

"I've worked with him for the last seven years. He's been a wonderful boss. He'll be remembered for his patient care. The patients still flock to see him even after they leave — and so do the

employees," said Mary Lou Castroll, secretary to the chief of staff.

Margolis and his wife plan to move to Dallas next month, to be near their three children. His plans call for working part-time for a firm that contracts physical examinations for insurance companies, Castroll added.

Dr. Paparao Adusmilli, radiologist, said that Margolis made several improvements in the radiology department during his tenure.

According to the radiologist, Margolis helped to obtain new x-ray equipment which provided the Center the ability to run more tests. He helped in organizing the department and in serving the veterans for the clinical diagnosis, Adusmilli said.

"I wish he would continue," he said.

In the opinion of Dr. S. Subbaraman, chief of surgical service, Margolis' major contribution to the Center has been the recruitment of quality physicians.

Subbaraman said that Margolis was budget conscious especially in later years and used his influence to get as much money to the hospital for the better care of the hospital and community.

"He was real devoted to the hospital and his contributions will be remembered for many years to come. It's depressing that he's leaving."

Chief of Nurse Mary Louise Traczyk worked with Margolis for

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Property tax fee in effect

By SCOTT FITZGERALD
Staff Writer

Beginning today, property owners who owe taxes will face a 7 percent delinquent penalty fee accrued at a monthly rate of two percent.

About 53 percent of Howard County's property taxes was collected through January which boosted total collections to approximately \$11 million of an estimated \$14 million tax roll, said County Tax Assessor/Collector Dorothy Moore.

"I think it's about par for the course," she said in comparing this year's collection ratio to previous years.

Figures for collections on Feb. 2, the final day to pay without penalty, are not yet available.

"Overall, it's pretty good. These (taxpayers) have made arrangements to pay off their liabilities. They're supporting their county, city and schools," she added.

Those who paid in person before 5 p.m. Monday avoided a 7 percent delinquent fee.

"We had a steady stream of customers up to 5 p.m.," Moore said.

Mail payments postmarked Feb. 2 also avoided the delinquent fee.

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Tax assistance

Volunteers assist the members of the public with tax preparation at the First Presbyterian Church Monday as part of a service to elderly, handicapped and non-English speaking residents. From left are Biri Allison, Mike Ortega, Dorothy Kennermur and Jack Guiley. Volunteers were trained by the IRS and the program will continue

through April 14. The service will continue at First Presbyterian Church each Monday from 1-4 p.m., Citizens Federal Credit Union from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. each Tuesday and Thursday and at the Senior Citizens' Center from 1-4 p.m. on Fridays.

Herald photo by Johnathan Garrett

LULAC board backs oil import tax fee

By SCOTT FITZGERALD
Staff Writer

In an effort to help stimulate the state's battered oil economy, state board members of the League of United Latin American Citizens recently approved a resolution to support oil import tax fees.

The action came during a LULAC state executive board meeting in San Angelo attended

by local chapter president Raul Marquez, 1010 Lamesa Hwy.

"Import tax fees would surely stimulate oil drilling and have an effect on employment in the West Texas Area," Marquez said this morning.

Board members also approved a resolution to establish a state scholarship fund, Marquez said, separate from the national fund.

The purpose is to establish scholarships that would keep students in Texas schools, Marquez explained.

Big Spring's local chapter, LULAC No. 4375, will award three scholarships this spring to Big Spring High School students, Marquez said. Each scholarship will be for \$1,000, the amount anticipated to cover expenses for about one

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Two urge greater support payments

By WILLIAM GARLAND
Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — Federal mohair price support payments should be raised substantially over last year's level due to severe economic conditions in Texas, two West Texas agricultural leaders have advised the Agriculture Department.

Under federal law, the price support payment must be 85 percent, 100 percent or 115 percent of parity of the support price for wool production.

A mohair producer who is a banker in Goldthwaite and a lending official with the Production Credit Association in San Saba recommended that the level be raised this year to 100 percent of parity, according to Janise A. Zy-

mont, USDA agricultural economist.

The Agriculture Department in a notice published Dec. 30, 1986 asked for responses from the industry on where the level should be set this year. Last year's support price was at the minimum 85 percent level.

The price support level at 100 percent of parity for mohair in 1987 would be \$5.80 per pound and the 85 percent level in 1987 would be \$4.95 per pound, according to Zygmunt. The price support level in 1986 was \$4.93 per pound.

The two lenders cited the economic condition of their region as the reason to raise the level in 1987, Zygmunt said.

She said she would not release names of the two respondents from Texas. Only the two responses had been received by Monday after

the deadline of Jan. 29 that was stated in the Federal Register, she said.

"We certainly look at all the comments and take them into consideration," said Zygmunt. "But like anything else, you look at a variety of things. We look at economics and some other things," she said.

A decision by USDA on the price support level probably will be announced in March, she said. The Dec. 30 notice in the Federal Register stated that the support price for wool would be \$1.81 per pound in 1987.

The Federal Register notice also asked for comments on the complex formula used to calculate the support price for wool, but Zygmunt said no comments were received on that issue.



Herald photo by Tim Appel

Guess who

Shirley Asuncion, right, sits patiently while her geisha girl make-up is applied by Martie Geanopolos and Gary Don Carey during the American Heart Association Celebrity Waiter benefit at Highland Mall Saturday evening. Asuncion was one of several celebrities to take part in the second annual benefit that raised more than \$4,000 for the Association.

CRMWD to discuss contract

Colorado River Municipal Water District directors will have their biennial meeting away from home when they convene Thursday in Austin.

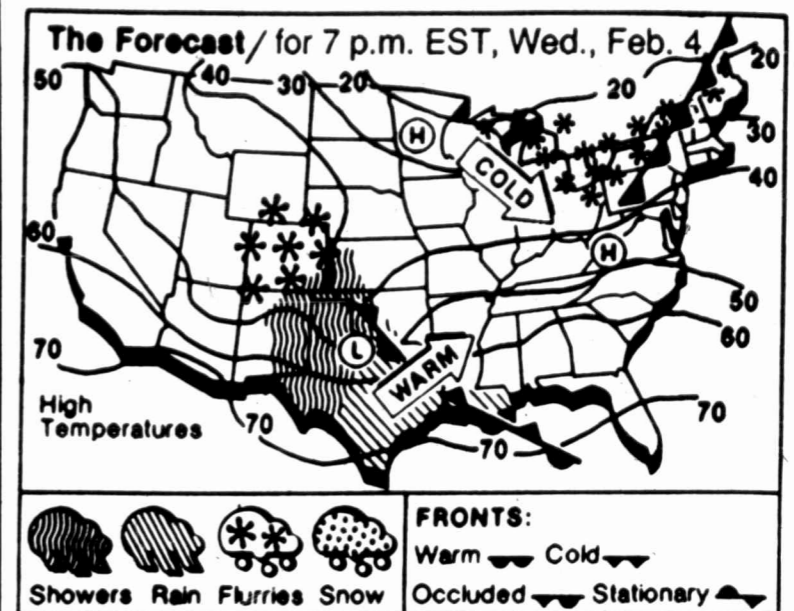
The occasion is the traditional reception for legislators and state agency heads, but this year CRMWD will be joined as host by the Sabine and the San Jacinto River Authorities.

A proposed water sales contract with Power Resources, Inc., currently building a co-generation plant near Big Spring, will be discussed at the meeting.

Contract quantity is expected to be set at 1,100 gallons per minute. A request from D.L. Ray, Inc., for about 400,000 gallons per day of non-potable water for the East-Howard oil field will be considered.

Several other routine items are on the agenda, including possible transfer of the City of Big Spring O'Barr well field lease to CRMWD; liability insurance, rights-of-way easements, and reports from legal counsel and the general manager.

Weather



Forecast

West Texas - Increasing cloudiness tonight east of the mountains becoming mostly cloudy Wednesday east of the mountains and partly cloudy in the mountains westward. Cooler Wednesday. Lows tonight lower 30s Panhandle and southwest mountains to mid 40s Concho Valley and Big Bend.

State

There's a slight chance of rain in South Texas tonight, but most of the state should continue to have clear to partly cloudy skies and slightly cooler temperatures.

The rain may continue in South Texas Wednesday, but skies will be increasingly cloudy over West Texas and most of North Texas and remain mostly cloudy over South Texas.

Lows tonight will be in the 30s and 40s in West Texas, in the 40s in North Texas and in the 50s and 60s south of the front. Extremes

Highs Wednesday will be in the 60s and 70s in West Texas, and in the 50s and 60s in North Texas and in the 70s in South Texas.

A weak cold front stretched across the state early today from Northeast Texas to the Big Bend area. A ridge of high pressure extended from Southwest Texas to Southeast Texas.

Early morning temperatures were mostly in the 30s and 40s north of the cold front and in the 50s and 60s south of the front. Extremes ranged from 27 at Marfa in the Davis Mountains of Southwest Texas to 64 at both Brownsville and Corpus Christi.

Other early morning temperatures around the state included 36 at Amarillo, 42 at Wichita Falls, 45 at Fort Worth and Waco, 50 at Austin, 53 at Houston, 41 at San Angelo, 37 at Lubbock, 35 at Midland and 31 at El Paso.

Child injured in auto mishap Monday night

A Big Spring 4-year-old suffered a broken leg when he was hit by a car Monday evening.

William Hutcherson, 1008 W. Sixth St., was admitted to Scenic Mountain Medical Center with a broken leg, a hospital spokeswoman said.

Hutcherson walked into the path of an oncoming vehicle and was struck, according to police reports.

The accident occurred at 1100 Lancaster St. at 6:57 p.m. Monday.

Police Lt. Jerry Edwards said the driver left the scene of the accident. Failure to stop and render aid is a felony, he said.

Police have the name of a suspect and believe they have identified the vehicle by a license number.

City permit requests drop

The number of building permits filed has decreased by 67 percent for the fiscal year to date over the same period last year, city records show.

The records list 28 permits filed since the beginning of the fiscal year, Oct. 1, compared to 85 permits last year. In January, 13 permits were filed, compared to 21 permits for January, 1986.

The city collected \$175 in fees last month, compared to \$1,362 for January, 1986. For the year to date, \$867.50 has been collected, compared to \$3,304.75.

Construction costs listed for January totalled \$42,018, down 93 percent from last year's \$633,220 figure. For the year to date, the figure is \$254,893, compared to \$1,394,036 for last year at this time.

During January 1986, a \$350,000 permit was filed for construction of a clinic at 1608 W. FM 700; a \$100,000 Thurman Oil Co. service station; and \$40,360 for Western Container expansion.

The city performed 21 inspections in January, compared to 47 last year; 57 have been performed so far this fiscal year, compared to 151 last year.

Property tax

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Moore said.

Those payments were expected to be deposited today, she said.

According to her office's calculations, \$7,755,447 was collected through January. Previous collections amounted to slightly over \$3 million, Moore reported.

Beginning March 1, delinquent taxpayers will be assessed a 9 percent penalty charge.

The delinquent fee will increase by two percent each month, Moore said.

Beginning May 1, those who haven't paid will receive a 60-day notice explaining that in addition to the penalty amount, a 15 percent charge will be added that is to cover legal fees.

The total penalty charge for those who haven't paid by the end of July will be 35.7 percent, Moore said.

The additional 3.7 percent charge added to the penalty and legal fee cost is accrued interest resulting from legal fees beginning in May, Moore said.

City suit

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retirement fund amounted to a 6 percent pay raise, officials argued.

The city had been matching a 6 percent salary deduction for retirement. But in April, firefighters voted to increase that deduction to 9 percent, the maximum matching percentage allowed by state law.

The city responded by trimming firefighters' pay by 3 percent, in line with a city ordinance drafted earlier to specifically deal with such a scenario. The ordinance was passed April 22 along with the mid-

year budget.

Firefighters' attorney Craig Deats of Austin contends that the city's action, in effect, is making firefighters pay 12 percent of their salary toward retirement, while the city pays only 6 percent — a violation of state statutes.

The suit asks the city to pay retroactively all lost pay and benefits to firefighters, and the suit asks that the city be ordered to rescind the disputed ordinance.

Deats is a member of the Austin firm of Flickma, Van Os, Waterman, Moore & Dean.

Margolis

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"I speak from the view point of nursing. He's been a great support to nursing services as we care for our patients. He has evidenced a great deal of personal interest to the nursing staff — even with personal problems," she said.

"He has lent financial support to a nursing assistant who wanted to continue her education towards be-

ing an RN — and from time to time has served as a counselor to troubled staff."

Traczyk said that Margolis, who declined an interview about his career, has always been a good listener and a responsive person.

"He has a marvelous sense of humor," she noted.

He will be remembered for his knowledge and history of the

Medical Center. He was the first doctor on staff and tells stories about how he did everything when he started here, she added.

"One day I asked him how he settled in Big Spring. He told me he was on his way to an interview in California and he and his family stopped in Big Spring and decided to stay — never continuing their journey."

Sheriff's log

Arrest made

Howard County sheriff's deputies arrested James Cullen Tatum, 18, of Mineral Wells Tuesday morning on failure to identify as a witness. He remained in county jail in lieu of bond.

Police beat

Microwave

oven stolen

Olga Herrera, 808 W. Seventh St., reported the theft of a \$450 microwave oven and \$100 damage to a window at her residence. The theft occurred between 9:15 p.m. Sunday and 4:15 p.m. Monday.

Jerry D. Hudson, 33, 208 Austin St., was arrested Monday on a warrant for false imprisonment.

William Graham, 47, 605 McEwen St., was arrested Tuesday at 1603 Vines Ave. on warrants.

For the Record

Six names were inadvertently omitted from last Sunday's Megaphone report from Goliad that listed Golden Mavericks. They are: Amy Parish, Candy Perez, Letitia Renteria, Russ Roten, Jon Sims, and Skydra Terry.

Bonnie Batteiger reported that her address was incorrectly used by an individual whose name appeared in Public Record Saturday in the Herald.

Election date

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cludes the north and west areas of town, Ferguson has said.

Hall has served as district 3 representative for nine years, he said. District 3 covers the south and part of the west areas of Big Spring.

Councilman for Big Spring's third district, district 2, is D.W. Overman. He was elected last year.

The Big Spring Independent

School District board of trustees election will be conducted in conjunction with the city election.

Positions to be voted on this year are held by Dwayne Fraser, district 3, and Billy Pineda, district 1. Candidates can file up to 30 days before the election.

There have been no filings for the school-board election. The board is scheduled to formally call the election at its next meeting, after which time interested candidates

may file paperwork.

In addition to Fraser and Pineda's positions, two other representatives are elected by district and three at-large. Ford Farris represents district 2 and Jimmy Anderson district 4. Those two positions will be up for election in 1988.

Dock Voorhies, Bill Brooks and Dan Wise were elected at-large last year.

LULAC

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Other state board meeting agenda items covered were reports from LULAC's National President Oscar Moran about the Texas Rehabilitation Commission, of which he is a member, and a report from Mario Ortiz of the U.S. Immigration & Naturalization Service in Dallas.

Moran reported the rehabilitation commission is establishing more programs for disabled Hispanics "to get into the mainstream of the work force," Marquez said.

Ortiz informed the approximate 100 meeting attendees how to handle documents pertaining to the recent Immigration Reform Bill that

comes into effect in mid-May, Marquez said.

According to the bill's provisions, U.S. citizens have to verify their residences from 1981.

Employers also will be responsible for proving their employees' residences since 1981.

"They (employees) can be penalized for employing illegal aliens," Marquez said.

The local LULAC chapter is starting a membership drive in March to add to its present 18 members, Marquez said.

Plans are also being made for the Cinco de Mayo Celebration on May 5, he said.

For more information about Big Spring's LULAC chapter, call 263-8859.

Lawyers

Legislative delay questioned

By MARC McDONALD
Austin Bureau

PLANO — A long-standing practice of delaying trials while lawyers serve in the Texas Legislature is being questioned in light of a DWI case in Collin County that is being delayed by a Dallas state senator.

Sen. Ike Harris, R-Dallas, represents Steven Paul McDonald, 22, of Plano, who is accused of driving while intoxicated during an accident on Feb. 26, 1986. Three members of the James Cote family of Plano were severely injured in the accident and are suing McDonald. Bruce Markham, a passenger in McDonald's car, was killed.

McDonald was charged with involuntary manslaughter.

According to documents filed in the case, the Cote family is experiencing severe "financial hardship" and is unable to pay massive medical bills until the case is resolved.

Harris on Wednesday was granted a postponement by means of an often-used legal motion called a "legislative continuance." The motion enables legislators who are practicing attorneys to delay

trials when the Legislature is in session. The motion, which courts are legally required to follow, can delay a trial until at least 30 days after the session.

The trial now is set for Aug. 3, almost 18 months after the accident occurred.

Chief felony prosecutor Brian Clayton, who represents the state in the case, said he is eager to get the case to trial.

"It's frustrating," Clayton said. "We have no choice because the law requires that this continuance be granted, and neither myself nor the judge of the court can do anything about it."

Collin County District Attorney Tom O'Connell said that legislative continuances serve to "bring the criminal justice (system) to a halt."

Harris could not be reached for comment. The Cotes also have filed a civil suit, but the civil case cannot proceed until the criminal trial has been held.

"Many years ago, when the concept was first developed, there was a legitimate purpose for it because they didn't have the type of transportation that we have now," O'Connell said. "I think the necessity for (the law) doesn't exist today."

CRY FROM THE MOUNTAIN
A MOVIE BY BILLY GRAHAM
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THE COLOR PURPLE
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By Associated Press Firearms battle begins

WASHINGTON — Opposing sides are unstrapping their holsters for a new congressional gun control fight, undaunted by the bruising battle that revised the nation's firearms law last year.

Round one begins Wednesday when Sen. Howard Metzenbaum and Rep. Edward Feighan, Ohio Democrats, introduce legislation to require a seven-day waiting period for handgun purchases.

Handgun control groups consider the bill the flagship of their legislative program for the 100th Congress, said Barbara Lautman, spokeswoman for Handgun Control Inc. Law enforcement groups are supporting the effort.

As expected, the National Rifle Association is fired up to oppose the waiting period and has some explosive legislative ideas of its own.

Farmers to get funds

WASHINGTON — Thousands of cotton and rice farmers are getting a midwinter economic boost this month as the Agriculture Department sends out nearly \$800 million in final "deficiency" settlements for their participation in 1986 acreage programs.

The payments follow more than \$2 billion in checks which went to wheat, barley and oats producers in December. Another surge of payments will come next month as corn and sorghum producers get their final settlements.

Milton Hertz, administrator of the department's Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, said Monday that cotton farmers will get about \$450 million and rice farmers \$337 million.

Pimp reroutes hot line

NEW YORK — Runaways trying to phone a Times Square shelter probably found themselves talking to a pimp who had rerouted the calls to him at a bus station as a way to recruit young prostitutes, shelter officials say.

"We have no way of knowing how many kids called that number and got picked up" in the three weeks before the scam was detected, said the Rev. Bruce Ritter, founder and director of Covenant House, which puts up about 200 young people each night.

Ritter and his aides said a pimp apparently called a runaway hot line, identified himself as a Covenant House official and said the shelter's phone number had been changed. He gave the hot line the number of a pay phone at the Port Authority bus terminal, then waited for calls, Ritter said.

Simpler W-4 planned

WASHINGTON — If you haven't had the courage to tackle the new W-4 tax-withholding form, wait a few days. You may get your choice of two different versions.

The Internal Revenue Service, under pressure from lawmakers who are fielding complaints from taxpayers, is considering replacing the month-old form with two options: one simpler and one more complicated.

Announcement of the agency's proposals was made Monday by Sen. David Pryor, D-Ark., head of a Senate Finance subcommittee that oversees the IRS, after conferring with IRS Commissioner Lawrence Gibbs. Pryor said Gibbs had assured him the IRS would not merely "go through the motions" in trying to respond to taxpayer complaints.

Philippines

'Boring' election was a change

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — Voting on a new constitution lacked both the drama and passion of last year's electoral showdown between then-President Ferdinand E. Marcos and Corazon Aquino, the housewife turned crusader.

It also lacked the violence, disorder and widespread charges of fraud, cheating and voter intimidation that marked the Feb. 7, 1986, election in which both Marcos and Mrs. Aquino claimed victory.

That election helped trigger a popular and military revolt that forced Marcos to flee the country Feb. 26, and swept Mrs. Aquino into the presidency.

By contrast, election Chairman Ramon Felipe said Monday's voting on the constitution was "very normal, very peaceful, and very uneventful."

Almost apologetically, he added: "I'm sorry to tell you."

"It's putting us to sleep," said Aurora Pijuan, who ran unsuccessfully in the 1984 National Assembly elections. "We're not used to it."

Unofficial early returns showed voters approved Mrs. Aquino's constitution by an overwhelming margin. Official results aren't expected for several days.

Three people were reported killed in election-related incidents, but that is one-tenth the number killed in clashes between rival Marcos and Aquino supporters during last year's election.

As in any national election, there were subtle signs of government attempts to win votes. A poster pasted on walls of numerous polling stations asked: "Who will

vote NO?" The posters included pictures of two well-known Communist rebels and prominent pro-Marcos politicians.

Another sign read: "God Said Vote." It did not say how.

At Manila polling stations, all of them in public schools, voters stood quietly in lines waiting to check their names on a registration roll. They filled out their ballots in election booths, and marked them with fingerprints marked in blue, supposedly indelible ink.

Last year, the procedure often was marked by shouting matches between pollworkers and voters who insisted they had registered but could not find their names on rolls. Aquino-supporters claimed the rolls were forged.

As in the 1986 election, the private National Committee for Free Elections (NAMFREL) stationed volunteers at polling stations to watch for any cheating. Some NAMFREL veterans of the Marcos-Aquino contest said wistfully they almost missed the excitement.

"Last year, we had to guard against groups of people being bused in, given money, T-shirts and even snacks for their votes," said Carmen Resurreccion, a repeat NAMFREL volunteer. "There's a very glaring difference now."

Last year, the NAMFREL poll watchers were barred by the government from entering polling stations but pro-Marcos politicians and supporters were allowed free access. This year, at least in the Manila area, NAMFREL workers were allowed inside and the politicians and their staff kept out.



Protesting

Fundamentalist Shiite Moslem students of the Bierut University College demonstrate in West Beirut Tuesday to protest the abduction of their four professors, three American and an Indian, by gunmen disguised as riot policemen Jan. 24. A group calling itself Islamic Jihad for the liberation of Palestine claimed kidnapping the four. They announced today that the hostages had been moved from Beirut in anticipation of a U.S. attack on Lebanon.

World

By Associated Press Rebels free colonel

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador — An army colonel freed by leftist rebels in exchange for 57 political prisoners kissed a son he saw for the first time and appealed for a lasting peace in this war-plagued nation.

Col. Omar Napoleon Avalos, 47, was freed Monday night in a northeastern village after 15 months of captivity. At the same time, the government released 51 men and six women from two prisons.

Most of the freed prisoners were believed to be leftist sympathizers and included student, labor and minor political party leaders.

Rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front turned Avalos over to Roman Catholic Archbishop Arturo Rivera Damas in Perquin, about 125 miles northeast of the capital.

Alistair MacLean dead

MUNICH, West Germany — Alistair MacLean, author of the bestselling war thriller "The Guns of Navarone" and one of postwar Britain's most popular novelists, died while on a visit to West Germany. He was 64.

William Collins and Sons, the writer's publisher in London, said MacLean suffered a stroke three weeks ago while visiting a friend in Munich and died in a hospital Monday of heart failure.

Although he was Britain's bestselling writer, MacLean once said: "I'm not a novelist, I'm a storyteller... There's no art in what I do, no mystique. It's a job like any other."

Protestors block ship

NOUMEA, New Caledonia — More than 1,500 demonstrators protesting the growing Soviet presence in the Pacific forced a cruise ship carrying the Soviet ambassador to Australia to leave without allowing its passengers to disembark.

The demonstration Monday was organized by two Melanesian deputies in the New Caledonia Congress, Auguste Paraway Reybas and Francois Neceré.

The ship, Alexander Pushkin, was carrying 480 Australian tourists and Soviet Ambassador Yevgeny M. Samotekin, who had just signed an agreement with the government of Vanuatu allowing Soviet travelers to operate in Vanuatu's 200-mile zone.

The demonstrators carried banners in English reading, "Russians out of the Pacific" and "Australians, welcome, Russians go home." Some demonstrators scrawled slogans on the hull of the ship.

British nominate Waite

LONDON — A group of British lawmakers said today they nominated missing hostage negotiator Terry Waite for the Nobel Peace Prize.

The Anglican Church envoy disappeared Jan. 20 while on his fifth trip to Lebanon to seek the release of foreign hostages.

Five members of Parliament, representing all the main political parties, made the nomination Jan. 27 in a letter mailed to the Norwegian Nobel Committee last week.

"It is our belief that the patient, quiet yet extraordinarily effective diplomacy of Mr. Waite is one of the shining lights in the much troubled Middle East," the lawmakers said.

Mexican cattle imports stampede U.S. border markets

By The Associated Press
A stampede of Mexican cattle onto U.S. markets is good news for cost-conscious consumers, but not for American ranchers struggling for economic survival, industry experts say.

The number of feeder cattle shipped to the United States from Mexico along the four border states doubled from 1985 to 1986, according to figures from the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

The total jumped from 452,550

head in 1985 to nearly it was nearly 1.2 million last year, USDA figures show.

Feeder cattle are young cattle that still need fattening before they are ready for market. After grazing, cattle are transferred to feed lots. They are then sold to slaughterhouses or packing companies, from where beef products are bought for outlets such as supermarkets.

Imports increased in every state bordering with Mexico — Texas,

New Mexico, Arizona and California.

"This is going to hurt the cow-calf producer in New Mexico," said Frank DuBois, assistant director of the New Mexico Agriculture Department. "What we don't know is the extent."

Unprofitable livestock markets already have wiped out many ranchers, leaving only "a few of us survivors," said cattle grower Bob Jones of Otero County, N.M.

The survivors of the past 14 years

have reduced cattle herds so that supply will dip enough to cause more demand and forcing prices up, he said.

But last year, Mexico started shipping beef cattle to the United States in unprecedented numbers for several reasons, said Ed Avalos, a marketing specialist with the N.M. Agriculture Department.

Among those reasons:
• The United States imposes no quota on Mexican cattle imports. The Mexican government sets its

own limits on cattle exports.

• Mexico's currency has been devalued greatly, making it ever more attractive for Mexican ranchers to sell their cattle for strong U.S. dollars.

• Mexico's poor economy has hurt consumers in that country and demand for beef has declined, driving prices down.

"We know Mexico is having a tough time, but our producing livestock industry is in about as bad a shape as theirs," said Jones,

a past president of the New Mexico Cattle Growers Association.

European countries and Japan restrict beef imports from the United States, so "it keeps our markets at home," he said.

In a recent news release, U.S. Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., said he has asked U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Richard Lyng to explore ways to help U.S. cattle growers. But Lyng has no legal authority to impose limits on cattle imports, Domenici said.

Speed limit debate to resume in Senate

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Senate bill to spend tens of billions of dollars on the nation's roads and mass transit systems is being used for two other causes: raising the federal speed limit to 65 mph and focusing attention on the budget deficit.

The Senate planned to resume debate today on a \$52.4 billion, four-year program that would provide aid to the states for roads and bridges. A \$10.8 billion measure that would provide assistance to the nation's mass transit systems was expected to be attached to the highway measure.

An amendment was offered Monday by Sen. Steven Symms, R-Idaho, that would allow states to raise speed limits to 65 mph on portions of rural interstates. There was no vote on the amendment Monday.

Symms, whose measure was supported by 17 senators from Western states, countered opponents' arguments that the higher speed limit would result in more traffic deaths.

"I don't think anyone doubts that a lower speed limit on some of the nation's highways has indeed saved lives," Symms said. "The questions presented here are whether or not safety can be maintained on some highways if the speed limit is posted higher than 55, and whether

or not states can be trusted to make that judgment with a reasonable concern for public safety.

"I believe... the answer to both of these questions is clearly, unequivocally yes," he said.

Symms' arguments, however, were opposed by senators who cited National Safety Council estimates that since 55 mph became the maximum in 1974, 36,000 traffic deaths have been avoided and as many as 82,000 injuries prevented.

"With the enactment of this amendment, the council estimates that some 500 additional lives are going to be lost on our highways each year, all for the sake of a few minutes saved," said Sen. Frank Lautenberg, D-N.J.

Others recalled that disputes between the House and Senate over raising the speed limit and other issues torpedoed the 1986 bill. House leaders, led by Rep. James Howard, D-N.J., chairman of the House Public Works and Transportation Committee, oppose raising the speed limit.

State officials and road builders have complained that they need money for the coming spring construction season as soon as possible, and some lawmakers believe a bill should be passed without any controversial amendments.

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Opinion

Mailbag

Fan asks support for Lady Steers

To the editor:
We extend an open invitation to the people of Big Spring and surrounding communities to attend the Lady Steers home game tonight and Friday night.
These young ladies have already had a great season (21-4 overall and 11-1 in the district), but the icing may be put on the cake with a win tonight.
For the first time in the history of girl's basketball at Big Spring High School, a district championship is about to become a reality.
It would be nice to see a gym full of fans, supporting these girls. All of our extracurricular programs

are enjoying unprecedented success this year.
To ensure this continued success, we, the people of this community, need to find time to show these young people we care. They're doing their best to make a name for Big Spring sports, and now it's the citizens' turn to reciprocate. We need to show them we have some pride, too.
So let's bring another district championship into our community with a full house tonight. The JV's play at 6 p.m. and the varsity game is at 7:30. Hope to see you there.
DAN WISE
1412 Tucon St.

Educator gives parting advice

To the editor:
Big Spring has been my home for 34 years. It has been a place to grow up, get an education, and grow both professionally and personally. My love for Big Spring is evident by the community service I have been fortunate enough to give.
I leave with fond memories, but sad that I must leave behind my roots and so many good friends. I would like to thank each one individually, but there are so many friends that it would take forever. You know who you are and you know that you touched my life and made it richer and happier. I thank you for that.
I thank Howard College for the opportunities it has given me, and for believing in my knowledge, talents, skills and ambition.
I was given the opportunity to work in Adult and Continuing Education. These departments offer a service to the community that can change and open new doors to those individuals who need a second chance.
Adult Education has been my "baby." It has given me the opportunity to make a great impact in people's lives. In return those people have given me a sense of worth.
To the people who have come through Adult Education, I say thank you, and I love and will miss you. You know how I believe in education. Please continue to gain more education; do not ever settle for less.
Now, as my daughter, Tina, and I leave I will leave Big Spring a little advice:
If this community is to survive, and it always has, it must give young people a reason to come

back after they have gained an education. There must be reasons both socially and professionally for these young people to return to Big Spring to help the community prosper and grow.
This community cannot afford to let new technology, new waves and fads pass it by. It must attach itself to the new waves and ride on as other towns and cities do. We cannot afford to stay behind.
It also is important for each of us to take a deeper look at each other and not make assumptions or judge each other always by what others say. It is more important to get to know an individual and assess that person on your own.
To the Hispanic community, I say that you must encourage your young people to stick with their education. There are so many opportunities for us, but we must educate ourselves, we must support each other and we must act like a community. No one person can do it alone, and it means so much to have the support your own race.
I have not felt that I have been supported by you enough. It is time for us as Hispanics to stop judging less and loving more; work together as a group and support each other. We are the fastest growing ethnic group, so we must educate ourselves so that we might take our proper places as community leaders and professionals.
I hope that I have served Big Spring well. Good-bye Big Spring and good luck. Tina and I will miss you.
JOSIE SALAZAR, Director
Adult and Continuing Education
Howard County Junior College
Editor's note: The Salazars are moving to Houston.

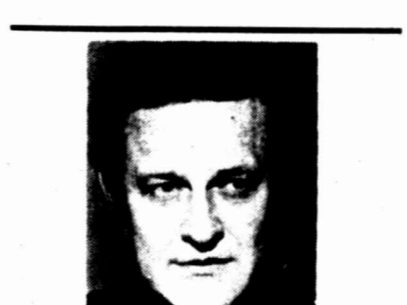


"I don't care how far the dollar declines... you're not getting your allowance in yen!"

Syria continues its pattern of subversion against U.S.

By JACK ANDERSON and JOSEPH SPEAR
WASHINGTON — In what appeared to be a deliberate provocation, Syrian police arrested a Voice of America correspondent recently and held him for 10 hours in a tiny cement cell, without heat or light. A classified cable added: "It seemed clear that this was not a case of mistaken identity."

Earlier, Syrian troops broke into U.S. Embassy property in West Beirut and tried to dismantle it. Syrian Embassy charge d'affaires Bushra Kanafani was summoned to the State Department, which expressed its "concern" and "dismay" over the incidents. But a confidential report declared, "She did not express regret at either incident."
The State Department's response was to hush up the affront, ask the abused correspondent "not to publicize the details of his story" and continue its policy of sweet reasonableness toward Syria's wily dictator, Hafez Assad.
Compounding the outrage, the Voice of America correspondent, Muhammad Gunaim, not only was traveling on a U.S. passport but had been invited to Syria by the government itself.



Jack Anderson

He landed in Damascus on Jan. 11. What happened then is described in State Department classified cables. Although he showed his passport and protested that he had been invited to Syria "by two ministries," he was shoved into a car and driven to police headquarters. He was dumped into a "lightless 3-by-5 foot unfurnished cement cell with a heavy steel door."
Gunaim was "frightened" but resourceful and managed to smuggle word of his arrest to the U.S. Embassy. He "was not physically mistreated although he found it in-

timidating to be kept in a tiny, dark cell and interrogated repeatedly."
It took 10 hours for the embassy to secure his release. A Syrian government official "apologized profusely for the mistake" and promised Gunaim "safety" if he wished to stay. But the State Department doubts it was a mistake and ordered him to leave Syria "immediately."
For four years, we have cited evidence that Hafez Assad is engaged in a pattern of subversion and terrorism against the United States. His troops not only protect the terrorists who live in Syrian-occupied Lebanon but have participated in anti-American violence.
We have looked for a pulse beat of State Department anger over the Syrian provocations. But there just isn't any to be found.
This appeasement of Assad even violates President Reagan's written foreign policy guidelines. A confidential White House policy paper quotes the president as saying that Americans "are tired of suffering insults at the hand of other nations," that the president will "stand up for America even if the rest of the world doesn't approve," and that "minimal risks" can be taken to restore the United States "to a position of leadership in the world."
LIMOUSINE LIBERALITY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission member Anthony Sousa has been cleared of any wrongdoing in connection with his questionable use of government limousines. The Energy Department's inspector general concluded that the commissioner had been misinformed about the rules.
Sousa took 15 questionable trips between January 1984 and May 1985, at a cost to the taxpayers of \$1,154.41, the inspector general found. But he had been told, incorrectly, that he could use government limos to attend private functions he was invited to on behalf of the commission.
One function was a 1985 pre-Kentucky Derby party sponsored by the Kentucky State Society in the Washington suburb of McLean, Va. Witnesses told the investigators that Sousa and his wife asked the chauffeur to wait while they attended the lawn party.
Sousa said he was invited because of his "good work in the government," and that he had been recommended for commissioning as an honorary Kentucky colonel. He said he was told soon after his appointment as commissioner in September 1981, that he could use a limo to go to social functions "to which I am invited as a result of... my official capacity as commissioner."

FUDDLE FACTORY: American commercial fishermen are being left high and dry waiting for the federal government to lend them the money to replace boats and equipment illegally seized by other countries. Such loans were authorized by the Fishermen's Protective Act in 1967.
While sulphur constitutes 95 percent of the minerals owned by the state that are being mined, the cloud of falling oil and gas prices has the silver lining of waking the sleeping industries of non-fuel industries in Texas. Right now, this cloud is lined with the profits from the rising surge in sulphur exploration, the new beryllium mine and expanded leasing of other minerals buried on state lands.

Kennel Club reports appreciation

To the editor:
Big Spring Kennel Club conducted its 19th annual Dog Show and Obedience Trials on Jan. 17 — under the worst possible weather conditions.
Despite the extremely bad weather, the show was a tremendous success and the club is indebted to so many who helped in numerous ways to cope with ever-arising problems — all weather related.
We are grateful to the Chamber of Commerce for advance publicity; to all news media for their excellent coverage of the show; to the sheriff's department for providing

security guards; to the butane dealer that came to the aid of exhibitors in their hour of need; to the flowers dealer that provided the floral arrangements that certainly helped make a dreary, cold day brighter.
Also, we're grateful to the cleaning crew that stayed on duty the entire day; and to Howard College staff members who assisted in so many ways.
To all of these and all those friends and well-wishers who helped when we needed them, we are deeply grateful.
DIRECTORS, OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF Big Spring Kennel Club Inc.

Reader lauds honest youth story

To the editor:
I commend the Big Spring Herald for the story on the front page of the Saturday edition.
The story about a young man finding \$306 in cash and then using his ingenuity to return it to the owner

is, indeed, uplifting.
We can all be proud of having young citizens of this caliber.
In addition, stories of this type give a good image to our entire community.
BILL BIRRELL
1621 E. 17th St.

Today in history

By The Associated Press
Today is Tuesday, Feb. 3, the 34th day of 1987. There are 331 days left in the year.
Today's Highlight in History:
Feb. 3, 1959, was "the day the music died," as rock 'n' roll star Buddy Holly was killed in a plane crash near Clear Lake, Iowa. The

crash also claimed the lives of recording stars Ritchie Valens and J.P. "The Big Bopper" Richardson, as well as pilot Roger Peterson.
On this date:
In 1690, the first paper money in America was issued by the colony of Massachusetts.

Where's the \$10 million?

By ART BUCHWALD
Not everything that happened during the Iranian-arms follies was tragedy. There were some light moments, and they deserve to be noted. One of them occurred when the State Department put the arm on the Sultan of Brunei for \$10 million to help the contras.

The way they tell it in the State Department cafeteria, Assistant Secretary of State Elliott Abrams suggested the notion of asking the sultan to hand over a few bucks for the anti-Sandinista campaign.
The sultan is said to be the richest man in the world, and that his country has so much oil that Brunei children pour it on their cereal in the morning. The sultan, who is very lonely, agreed to give the money provided Secretary of State George Shultz would stop by Brunei and say hello.
"No problem," Abrams said. "Just deposit the \$10 million in this numbered bank account in Switzerland. And Secretary Shultz will be happy to have a cup of tea with you."

Now here is where things start getting funny. The sultan did as he was told, and the money was put in the Swiss bank. But His Highness never got so much as a thank-you note from the State Department. Every time the sultan saw the U.S. ambassador to Brunei, he winked at him, but the U.S. ambassador did not wink back.
Finally the sultan at a reception said to the ambassador, "I know it isn't much money, but could I get a receipt for my \$10 million so I can deduct it from my income tax?"



Art Buchwald

This started bells ringing in the State Department.
Abrams had been getting stories from his buddy Ollie North, who owned the Swiss bank account, that no funds from Brunei had ever been deposited. But when Abrams checked he learned the money had not only been put in but taken out without anyone knowing about it. Ollie was either playing "national hero" or taking the State Department to the cleaners.
What worries people in Washington is not what happened to the money but what will happen to American relations with Brunei. How can the sultan respect the most powerful nation in the world when it doesn't know how to launder money to countries in the Third World?
Some people in Washington also are concerned about how the request to the sultan was made. Did Abrams ask for the money in a nice way, or did he say, "Okay, sultan, give us \$10 million or your tall ship

will never pass the Statute of Liberty again."
Other people in Washington are unhappy that Abrams and Shultz may have started a precedent by leaning on oil-rich sultans to finance U.S. wars that Congress doesn't want to pay for.

And then there are those who insist that Abrams sold out the United States too cheap. One expert critical of Abrams said, "Ten million dollars is peanuts to ask Brunei, and it sure isn't worth a stopover by Shultz."
Another question is, why was the State Department using Ollie North's Swiss bank account? Why didn't the State Department have an account of its own in the bank across the street from the American Embassy in Bern? Then embassy employees could watch it in case a Marine Corps colonel or an Army general made a withdrawal?

Recently Elliott Abrams spent months keeping a Colombian woman correspondent out of the United States because he claimed she was a Marxist, which she wasn't. Abrams was so busy making sure she didn't get in that he had no time to devote to protecting the Sultan of Brunei's money.
The whole thing is embarrassing, and officials at the State Department have decided the only way to atone to His Highness is for George Shultz to go back to Brunei and give the sultan a brand-new bank account number if he promises to give us another \$10 million.



Garry Mauro

State hints bright spot in land fees

By GARRY MAURO
Texas Land Commissioner
As depressed oil and gas prices continue to hold the news spotlight, diversification of our state's natural resources is more important than ever. Fortunately, the outlook for the non-fuel mineral industry in Texas holds some bright spots in the future.
The Texas non-fuel mineral industry is awaking after three to four years of slow activity.
Production of sulphur on state-owned lands comes largely from the world's largest sulphur operation located in Culberson County in far West Texas. Two other major sulphur mines are located on lands where the state owns a mineral interest. One of those is the Texasgulf Minerals and Metals Comanche Creek Sulphur Mine near Ft. Stockton in Pecos County, scheduled to reopen soon.
The State was receiving \$50,000 per month in royalties when the mine was shut in November, 1983. Revenues from sulphur on state lands exceeded \$20 million in 1985 and will increase in fiscal year 1987, especially with increased exploration and market stability.
But, despite this brief slowdown in the industry, activity under new Land Office leasing policies show an overall increase of 78 percent in the number of acres leased, a 15 percent increase in the bonus per acre, and an unprecedented 106 percent increase in bonus revenue.
That means revenue to the state has increased from the fiscal year 79-82 era — from \$517,441 to \$1,068,466 during fiscal year 1983-86.

This underscores the importance of new leasing policies implemented in the General Land Office since 1983.
Other minerals also are showing potential to produce income from state lands under the diversification of state lands — including salt, beryllium, iron ore and silver, plus new sources of sand, gravel and limestone in West Texas.
While sulphur constitutes 95 percent of the minerals owned by the state that are being mined, the cloud of falling oil and gas prices has the silver lining of waking the sleeping industries of non-fuel industries in Texas. Right now, this cloud is lined with the profits from the rising surge in sulphur exploration, the new beryllium mine and expanded leasing of other minerals buried on state lands.

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Lifestyle

Foster mother

North Texas woman spends life loving children

TRENTON (AP) — Annie Hailey's small house overflows with the stuff of 65 years of life: knickknacks and keepsakes, handmade pillows and old lamps. Pictures. Always the pictures.

Young faces smile down from every wall: faces of 16 sons and daughters, grandchildren, sisters, brothers, nephews, nieces, stepchildren and in-laws and on and on.

Mrs. Hailey sits in the middle of the room, surrounded by smiles, and tells of a dream she has, a dream kept packed away with old bottles and baby clothes.

Some women, after raising 15 kids and an adopted child and a half dozen foster children and two younger sisters and seven grandchildren, might long for a little peace and quiet.

Not Annie Hailey. "My life dream has been, oh, if I was able, to build a huge place with lots of room.

"And I'd have somebody who feels like I do to come in and work with me.

"Then, when people find these little children who are not being well-cared for, not being well-fed, they could bring them to us and let us clean them up and love them and take care of them. Then my life dream would be complete."

Mrs. Hailey looked around her little house and sighed.

"Now I know I'll never be able to do that; I'll never be able to have that type of place.

"But if I could, I'd do it. Because there are a lot of little children today out in the world who just need somebody to say 'I love you' and feed them a good meal."

Mrs. Hailey originally raised 15 children of her own and two younger sisters.

They weren't enough. "When they grew up and my first husband passed away, I was just at loose ends. I didn't have a life.

"All my life I had been surrounded by a family, a big family. Then, all of a sudden, there was nobody."

She heard about the foster parents program and enrolled.

A month later social workers brought a 2-month-old girl to Mrs. Hailey's home.

"That baby was too thin — barely seven pounds — and never seemed to grow.

"Milk went through her like she was a sifter."

Mrs. Hailey insisted something be done and social workers arranged to have the child tested at the Children's Medical Center in Dallas.

Mrs. Hailey went with her.

The child, Pam, had cystic fibrosis, doctors said. But rather than pass the child back to the courts, Mrs. Hailey stayed at the hospital and learned how best to treat the sick baby.

"Tell me what to do," she told the doctors, "and I'll do the rest."

Weekly trips to and from the Dallas hospital followed, along with home therapy and medicine. "More medicine than a doctor keeps in his office," she remembered.

When two years passed and the time came to give up the foster child, Mrs. Hailey said she could not.

"I told the social worker, 'I think I'd just die if they took her because there's nobody else going to stay up with her like I do and work with her.'"

Mrs. Hailey adopted the infant, her 16th child, 10 years ago. Pam will turn 12 in February and though

she still has cystic fibrosis, she does almost everything any other schoolgirl does.

Mrs. Hailey stopped keeping foster children after Pam's adoption. She wanted to focus her attention on the thin little girl.

Then she married James Hailey, a widower, and today their home is a constant opening and closing of doors as his children and her children and everyone's grandchildren stop to visit and come and go.

"You wouldn't have wanted to be in this house over the holidays," Mrs. Hailey said, smiling.

"We had 48 in here. Wall to wall people. Floor to floor people."

But she would live life no other way.

"I don't regret having a big family. I tell people all the time: Have children.

"Some folks say, 'Annie, you can't even name how many you've raised.'"

"But I'll tell you this one thing: Those who have never been involved in helping children, they don't know what they're missing."

Mrs. Hailey said she knows she will never have a place big enough to hold all the children she would feed and hug and care for.

Her heart will always be bigger than her house.

But her children carry on the good work through their churches. And Pam talks of going to college to become a nurse so that someday she can help others.

The dream, Annie Hailey said, goes on.

"Children are a joy," she said with conviction.

"Give them love; that's what it's all about.

"You just give all the love you can muster. God will do the rest."



Annie Hailey, right, of Trenton sits with her adopted daughter Pam. Hailey adopted Pam ten years ago, after raising 15 of her own children.

Woman hopes to find first love after death

DEAR ABBY: Something has been nagging at me, and I will have no peace of mind until someone helps me figure it out. Five years ago, after 45 years of marriage, my husband died. It wasn't much of a marriage because shortly after we were married he told me he loved another and would always love her, but she was unattainable. Now in my declining years I am thinking about what will happen when I die. This may sound silly to you, Abby, but people say when you go to heaven, you will be reunited with your first true love.

Now I'm wondering if I will be reunited with my husband or if there is a chance I will be reunited with my first true love whom I loved all through my high school years. We fell in love but not into bed, if you get my drift. But I really did love him. He died eight years ago, but before he died he found me to tell me that he had loved me all his life.

Abby, I want my old high school sweetheart to be waiting for me in heaven, not my husband. Is this blasphemous? Or must I be reunited with my worthless husband?

LOOKING HEAVENWARD
DEAR LOOKING: What happens when (or if) we reach the gates of heaven is anybody's guess. Think your happiest thoughts, dear lady, and God may hear your



Dear Abby

words and make them true!

DEAR ABBY: Every year I'm sure you receive many letters from people who say they do not appreciate mimeographed newsletters tucked in with Christmas cards. Well, I am one person who loves them. It adds to my joy to learn of the triumphs, adventures and travels of my friends and their offspring. We may not have seen each other for many years, but through these yearly newsletters I can share an important part of their lives and continue to feel close to them.

In addition, I have reached the stage where I am shedding possessions and definitely do not need more cologne, guest towels, scarves or performed soaps. And if

someone wants to honor me by contributing to some worthy cause in my name, I feel doubly gifted. Such donors reflect the true spirit of the holiday season, and show true generosity in assisting others rather than giving to people who already have more than they know what to do with.

NAMELESS IN TENNESSEE
DEAR NAMELESS: Well said. Read on for another view on making a donation instead of sending a gift.

DEAR ABBY: It's very nice of people to inform me that a contribution to their favorite charity has been sent in my name. But the ultimate in generosity was the friend who made a contribution to my favorite charity as her gift to me.

ST. PETERSBURG READER

DEAR ABBY: That man, "Al," who hated to see women in pants must not have been around when women first started to wear them. About that time, this little poem came out:

"Pants are made for men — not women

"Women are made for men — not for pants

"When a man pants for a woman, and a woman

"Pants for a man, what do you have?"

"A pair of pants!"
FAITHFUL ABBY FAN

DEAR ABBY: After reading the letter in your column from "Skinny Minnie," it made me realize how many other people have my problem. I've been underweight all my life, but it never bothered me until people started sticking their 2 cents in. I've even been asked if I'm anorexic, which I am not. I've tried everything I know of to gain weight. I've even gone to doctors. Nothing has helped. Like "Skinny Minnie," I've learned to live with my problem, but how I wish people would leave me alone. Maybe if you print this it would let folks know that it's just as cruel to say, "Gee, you're thin," as it is to say, "Gee, you're fat!"

DEAR TOOTHPICK: Well-mannered people never make personal comments. And that goes for the following: "Gee, you're tall." "Gee, you're short." "Is that your own hair, or are you wearing a wig?" "Are you wearing false eyelashes?" "Are those fingernails real?" "Are those your teeth?" "Have you had a nose job?" And the list goes on.

(For Abby's booklet, "How to Write Letters for All Occasions," send a check or money order for \$2.50 and a long, stamped (39 cents) self-addressed envelope to: Dear Abby, Letter Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61064.)

Health and fitness trends stated

From BETTER HOMES AND GARDENS

A Meredith Magazine

Fitness programs for flabby tots, easy-going aerobics and more rises in medical care costs are part of a Better Homes and Gardens analysis of trends for health and fitness in 1987.

It seems it's not just Mom and Dad who are in need of a good workout. According to the magazine, studies show American children, too, are flabby when they ought to be fit.

To the rescue: an ever-increasing number of especially for children workouts. "Playercize" centers across the country let tots and their parents work out through games that develop motor

skills and rhythm.

A growing number of safe, supervised, gymnastics classes help students get fit and learn self-confidence. Now available: a videotape exercise program, "Fitness," designed especially for kids 6 to 13.

Out for 1987 are injuries and supertraining. In are low-impact aerobics.

Rising in popularity are walking, biking, rowing and soft aerobic dancing. The reason is that all deliver cardiovascular fitness without the high risk of injury that comes with running and aerobic dancing. Soft aerobic dancing requires you to keep one foot on the floor, greatly reducing the stress on your joints.

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Fight 'ringworm' until the last fungus is gone

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: What causes ringworm, and what can be done to cure it entirely? I asked the druggist and he said to use Tinactin, but it is so expensive and it doesn't work for me. It comes back, and back and back — about twice a year for the last three or four years. It usually starts on the inner thighs in small circles, then widens to about six inches diameter. I wish it could be done away with totally and forever. Do you have a solution? I am a widow and have been for 40 years. I am not sexually active. — Grandma M.

We should really come up with a new popular name for this fungus infection. Worms have nothing to do with it. Now, to your problem.

This infection recurs unless you wipe out the last vestige of the fungus. You can't tell you've done that by looking at the skin. All signs of infection can clear up, yet some of the critters can still be lurking around. If you stop the medicine prematurely, they regrow in abundance.

Tolnaftate (your Tinactin) is an effective remedy. Want some others? They include miconazole, haloprogin, clotrimazole, econazole, ciclopirox. Those are all applications. If they don't work, and only rarely will they not, then there are oral medicines, griseofulvin, for example. Usually, the others do the job.



Dr. Donohue

I know some of these medicines are expensive, but I also know you want to get rid of this bother. So return to your Tinactin, or select one of the others I mentioned, but this time go after these fungi aggressively. I mean go after them till the last critter is gone.

Two other points: (1) Ringworm is not a venereal disease; (2.) You have to be sure that what you have is a fungal infection, and for that the doctor takes a scraping and examines it under a microscope. Good luck in your renewed fungus battle.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: My dear husband has Parkinson's disease. We are keeping it controlled with medicine and some excellent advice from our doctor. He still loves food, and eats with us, which is the problem. He chews so slowly now

that he is often hardly started when most are finished. It is embarrassing for him. Is that always a problem in Parkinson's disease? Is there any answer? — P.P.

Many Parkinson's patients do have impaired chewing ability, and eat very slowly. It should improve with his medicine. Meanwhile, I can only suggest that perhaps you can serve him smaller portions and allow him more frequent feedings in between the main meals. But nutrition is important for him, so you cannot sacrifice that. I am sending along the booklet, "Coping with Parkinson's," which offers tips in various areas. Other readers can still order by writing me in care of the Big Spring Herald, enclosing a long, stamped, self-addressed envelope and \$1.50.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: Everyone now is saying that mitral valve prolapse is not a serious problem. I guess that means that a person who has it can forget about it. I want to ask you about it to be sure. I've heard it should be checked out once in a while. — Mrs. K.R.

I get stacks of mail on this subject, which indicates that it is far from a rare condition. We know that only about 10-15 percent of people with MVP (a ballooning of the valve between the upper and lower left heart chambers) ever develop a significant problem. But we have

no certain way of telling which ones will. For this reason, it is well to have it checked now and then to see how it is progressing.

Keeping track of such a condition, as harmless as it usually is, can at least reassure the patient that nothing is amiss. Also, people with MVP should inform other health professionals — dentists, for example — who may be planning surgical procedures. Some people with MVP need antibiotics prior to surgery or dental work. That's to avoid the risk of potential infection of the irregular valve.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: Is it true that nursing mothers need more calcium than is recommended generally for women? — Mrs. N.U.

That's true. The obstetrician usually gives specific instructions to the nursing mother with regard to such things. Shingles can be a painful disease! For a copy of the booklet, "The Facts About Shingles," write to Dr. Donohue in care of the Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 11210, Chicago, IL 60611, enclosing a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope and \$1.00.

Dr. Donohue welcomes reader mail but regrets that, due to the tremendous volume received daily, he is unable to answer individual letters. Reader's questions are incorporated in this column whenever possible.

Diet Pill System Sweeping U.S. Pd. Adv.

Super Dream Pill Guaranteed Weight Loss

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH — According to a review of customers' files, here's what people are saying about the amazing, vastly improved "new version" of the world famous Dream Pill System for fast, guaranteed weight loss featuring Super Lite Dreams tablets:

"I lost 25 lbs. with a 30 day supply." Mrs. J.N.S., Ft. Payne, AL.
"Losing 1 lb. per day." Mr. J.G., Pineville, KY.
"I've lost 34 lbs. and I'm still losing." Mrs. J.K., Garden Grove, CA.
"I have been on Dream Pill for one month and feel great... have lost 27 lbs." Mr. A.D., Anadarko, OK.

The System's Dream Pill combines two natural substances called L-arginine and L-ornithine which can stimulate the body's production of growth hormone. Diet researchers believe that growth hormone may be what's responsible for allowing teenagers to down thousands of calories in hamburgers and other foods and still be thin as a rail.

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Life Extension Authors Confirm Results

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State

Witness says state taxes unneeded

AUSTIN — The Legislature has the power to force school districts to raise local taxes to better support their schools, a state district court was told.

"I don't really think we have to have a state property tax," Craig Foster, executive director of Equity Center, testified Monday before state District Judge Harley Clark.

Foster was a witness for the 67 school districts that contend state school funds are not being distributed equitably. The trial began Jan. 20 and is expected to last more than a month.

The state property tax was repealed in 1982 by voters, leaving taxation of property to local governments. State school funds come from other sources, largely

sales and gasoline taxes.

"In other words you think the state still has authority in the Texas Education Code to say to school districts to tax at certain levels for their schools?" asked attorney Dave Richards.

Foster agreed, saying, "as long as property appraisals are fair and the Texas Education Agency sets the local fund assignment rate."

Generally, the current local fund assignment is 29 cents of each dollar spent for school financing.

Foster testified that his studies showed that "poor districts spend substantially less on students than rich districts and the tax rate in poor districts are at or slightly above the tax rates in wealthy districts."

Exxon sued for accidental death

SAN ANGELO — The family of an oilfield worker who died after picking up a live wire uncovered by a tractor blade is suing Exxon Inc. for \$2.5 million.

Exxon employees failed to cut the power or to tell the man where the underground cable was buried, the family's attorney Frank Guinta said as the trial began Monday.

Guinta said the 440-volt cable was buried only four inches deep when it should have been at least 18 inches below ground.

However, a company attorney said the man should have checked to see if the power was off before touching the wire.

James P. Cox of Miles was accidentally electrocuted Nov. 7, 1983 at the Spraberry Oil Gathering System, Battery No. 1.

Cox, who worked for General

Lease Service Co., was foreman of a crew that had been contracted by Exxon to level and prepare an area for construction of a 1,000-barrel oil storage tank, according to testimony in the case before U.S. District Judge Eldon B. Mahon in San Angelo.

The civil suit brought by Cox's parents, W. Harvey and Dorothy Cox, and son Perry D. Cox, all of Miles, claims that his death was caused by the neglect of Exxon employees at the battery site.

"Exxon was in a position to eliminate all hazards before allowing Cox to enter the area," Guinta said. A company electrician had disconnected only one of three power lines that morning, he said.

Exxon attorney Don Griffin said Cox should have been more careful.

Church wants more control at SMU

DALLAS — Church leaders want a greater role in governing Southern Methodist University in the wake of allegations of continued wrongdoing in the school's athletic program, officials said.

Only 22.4 percent of SMU students are members of the United Methodist denomination, church leaders said.

"It's a tragedy that the Methodist connection has just seemed incidental," said the Rev. Spurgeon Dunnam, editor of the Dallas-based United Methodist Reporter. "M stands for Methodist, but only as a part of its name, not a part of its identity."

Church representatives, faculty members and administrators said denomination leaders in recent

weeks have shifted from a traditional hands-off policy.

"If things are going well, there's a tendency to say, 'Fine, let's not pay too much attention,'" said McFerrin Stowe, SMU bishop in residence and former Dallas-Fort Worth area bishop.

Last fall's allegations of NCAA rules violations that led to resignations of the head football coach and athletic director were "the last straw," Stowe said.

"The church has reacted because we feel that church institutions must have integrity," said Stowe.

SMU's articles of incorporation state that it is "forever owned, maintained and controlled" by the church, which founded it in 1911.

Clements to make Mexico trip

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. Bill Clements will meet Thursday with Mexican President Miguel de la Madrid during his first trip to that nation since his election to a second term.

"I view Mexico not only as a neighbor but as a strategic nation worthy of our sincere friendship and respect. Mexico should not be taken for granted," Clements said in announcing the visit.

Clements and de la Madrid both will be in Ciudad Victoria for the inauguration of the new governor of the Mexican state of Tamaulipas, Americo Trevino Villareal won election in December.

"I've known him a long time. I met him before he was ever elected president," Clements said of de la Madrid, with whom he will meet informally for about 15 minutes.

Clements made improved Texas-Mexican relations an issue during his campaign.

"I am committed not only to fostering that friendship but

cementing it through continued meetings that can only aid the economies of both sides of our mutual border," Clements said.

The governor said he also hopes to meet with the governors of other Mexican states who will be attending the ceremonies.

Clements said he would like to begin talks with them on the economy, immigration, drug smuggling and other issues of concern on both sides of the border.

"I know that several of the Mexican governors who have already been in touch with me have several things they want to talk about," Clements said.

"We're going to reopen some lines of communication and start down the road of establishing some reference points as far as our mutual interests are concerned," he said.

Clements said many of the issues are the same as those during his first term as governor, from 1979 to 1983.

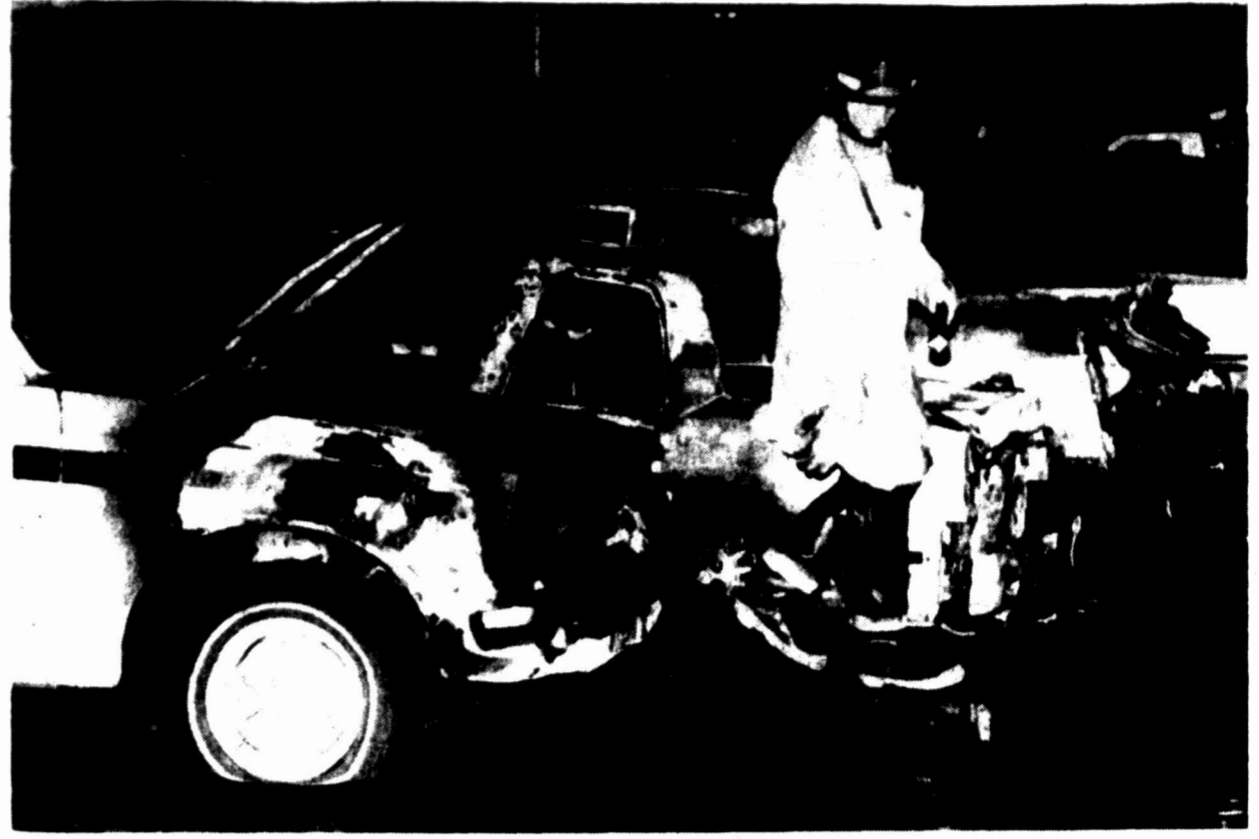
Explosion kills company president

TEXARKANA (AP) — An explosion ripped through a luxury automobile, killing the president of a drug company and injuring his wife and 10-year-old daughter, police said.

Police spokesman Earl Cox said the explosion occurred Monday evening in the parking lot of Walsh Lumpkin Drug Co.

Federal bomb experts and local authorities today were going through the wreckage in attempt to determine the cause of the blast that killed Daryl Crouch, 36. Injured were Rebecca Jan Crouch, 35, and their 10-year-old daughter, Sandra.

The late-model Mercedes exploded shortly before 7 p.m. Monday in front of the drug company, located on State Line Avenue, which divides Texas and Arkansas, Cox said.



A Texarkana firefighter inspects some of the four totaled cars after a bomb exploded in one and caused the others to ignite. The president of a drug company was killed and his wife and daughter injured in the explosion. He was in the car when it exploded in the parking lot of Walsh Lumpkin Drug Co., Inc.

"We have evidence technicians going through the car right now looking for any evidence of foul play," Cox said.

The company distributes and sell pharmaceuticals as well as health and beauty aids.

Witnesses said the concussion jolted buildings in the area.

"It shook us pretty bad. We thought we were on fire," said Lorrann Abies, who works at the Taco Tico restaurant on the Arkansas side of the street.

She said a passer-by removed a woman from the car.

"She was on fire with a little blaze on her. She tried to get back into the car to pull the man out, but they wouldn't let her," she said.

Another witness, Beverly King, said she heard the explosion and saw the cars burning.

"All I could think of do was start praying, 'Lord Jesus, I hope there was nobody in any of those cars,'" she said.

Investigators at the scene said an explosive device appeared to have been attached to the car.

FBI agents secured the area as federal investigators with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and

Firearms were called in from Dallas to investigate the blast.

A spokeswoman at the Wadley Regional Medical Center in Texarkana, Texas, said Sandra Crouch was admitted with burns to her face, hands and back, and was in fair condition and stable late Monday night. The spokeswoman said Mrs. Crouch was released after

receiving treatment for burns to her face and forearms.

Three cars parked near Crouch's vehicle were also demolished in the blast and a fire that followed.

Crouch, a member of the Texarkana Airport Authority, was the son-in-law of W. Pearson Walsh, owner of the pharmaceutical distribution company.

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Herald staff members and community leaders will share visions of the positive developments occurring in Crossroads Country! Don't miss this spirited inquiry into the potential for growth and expansion in industry, agriculture, recreation and the arts. Including special reports on the Highway 87 project, the co-generation plants and the proposed SSC site.

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Howard tames Bulldogs

Massie leads Queens

By STEVE BELVIN
Sports Editor

The Howard College Hawk-Queens got good floor play from their guards and some strong inside play from post player Stefanie Massie to whip the Clarendon Lady Bulldogs 73-58 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference play Monday night at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

Howard guards Leslie Gooch, Pam Franklin and Terri Powell ran the offense and keyed the defense. That, and a 27 point, 14-rebound performance for Massie was simply too much for Clarendon to overcome.

Massie keyed things from start to finish. She kept a cold-shooting Howard in the game during the early going, hitting three of her first four shots. Howard trailed 10-6

seven minutes into the game. She put Clarendon out of its misery late in the second half when she scored off two nifty feeds from Powell. That put Howard ahead 61-48 with five minutes left. Massie played that well the entire game. She was 13 of 17 from the floor to go along with two steals and one blocked shot. While Massie was racking up the points, freshman Gooch and sophomores Powell and Franklin were dishing out assists and collecting steals. Powell, Howard's leading scorer, scored four points, 10 below her



Howard College Hawks guard Dennis Rhodes (3) penetrates the middle of the Clarendon Bulldogs' defense in Monday night basketball action at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. Defending on the play is Clarendon's Darin Russell (24) and Tommy French (34). Rhodes scored 31 and the Hawks soared to a 144-88 win.

Hawks go berserk; score 144 points

By EDDIE CURRAN
Staff Writer

The Howard College Hawks started Monday night's game against Clarendon like a drag racing car, and instead of providing some resistance, the Bulldogs just laid some grease on the track.

When the Hawks finally came to a halt, they had humiliated the Bulldogs 144-88 in a game in which they broke the 100-point barrier with 12:54 remaining in the game. Ex-Hawks coach Harold Davis, in attendance, said the 144 points was not a Howard record. He said the Hawks scored in the 170s in a game in the early 70s.

After last Thursday's loss to Odessa in which five Hawks' post players grabbed just seven rebounds, Howard coach Larry Brown took drastic measures. He started four guards and one forward.

"They're just better. If I had a fifth guard I'd use him. We had better speed, and we weren't getting any rebounds with our big guys anyway," Brown explained.

It worked, to say the least. After Dennis Rhodes pulled up on a fast break and hit a jumper to give Howard a 9-2 lead at the 17:20 mark, this is what happened:

Bruce Mitchell tipped in a rebound, and the Hawks' press forced a turnover. Kevin Bradsher tipped in a rebound, and the Hawks' press forced a turnover. Bradsher grabbed the loose ball and scored, and the Hawks' press forced a turnover. Robert Barley tipped in a rebound, and the Hawks led 17-2 at the 15:57 mark.

The game never was in doubt. The only questions were: How many points? And how many highlights? There were lots of both, and Bradsher and Rhodes garnered more than their share.

Bradsher's stats read like a week's work for a great player. The 6-1 sophomore had what's called a triple-double — he scored 45 points, grabbed ten rebounds and abused the Bulldogs with ten steals. He canned six of nine three-pointers to account for 18 of those points.

"Oh, it was a lot of fun. Shooting it up, making it, that was a lot of

WJCAC Standings

Here are the men's standings in the WJCAC. Season record is listed first, followed by conference record.

New Mexico	21-2, 9-1
Midland	22-1, 9-1
South Plains	17-4, 7-2
Howard	12-10, 5-4
Odessa	14-7, 4-4
Clarendon	6-11, 2-6
Western Texas	7-13, 2-6
Frank Phillips	8-14, 1-7
N.M. Military	4-18, 1-8

MONDAY'S RESULTS
South Plains 95, NMJC 85; Midland 94, NMJC 48; Howard 144, Clarendon 88.

THURSDAY'S GAMES

Western Texas at Frank Phillips, NMJC at Howard, Odessa at Midland, Clarendon at NMJC

fun," said a laughing Bradsher, who was surprised and happy to hear about his triple double. The only thing Bradsher did wrong was to miscalculate his jump on a second half dunk.

"I went up in the air and said, 'Oh no, I'm too far!' Bradsher said. His dunk thundered off the back of the rim and ricocheted past the foul line. An earlier slam fared better.

Following a fancy reverse layup by Sam Williams, Bradsher stole the ball on the break and blasted past two Bulldog defenders like O.J. Simpson racing to daylight. Bradsher cocked the ball and jammed home a thundering dunk, putting the Hawks up 41-19 with 9:24 left in the half.

Rhodes, meanwhile, was having a pretty fair game himself. The way Rhodes played, Spud Webb would be begging for comparisons. The Hawks' 5-6 point guard scored 31 points, handed out 12 assists, skied for seven rebounds, and hounded the Bulldogs for eight steals. Rhodes had more energy than a truck-load of Eveready Energizers.

"It was fun — we all made it fun. Coach told us not to let up so we kept playing the 'D,'" said an excited Rhodes afterwards. "We had a hard practice last night. Coach had us holding bricks and playing defense and shuffling our feet — it made us realize to keep our hands up, that's why we got a lot of steals

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Sports Briefs

Lady Steers gunning for crown

If the Big Spring Lady Steers beat second place Snyder tonight at 7:30 p.m. in Big Spring, then the District 2-4A girls championship is theirs. The Lady Steers would be four games ahead of Snyder with three games to go.

Though Big Spring beat Snyder 55-34 in their first meeting, the Snyder girls have since caught fire, winning their last seven games to move into second place. Their last loss was to Big Spring. The Snyder girls are 17-8 overall and 9-4 in conference.

The Lady Steers are 21-4 and 11-1. Coach E.C. Carmichael is urging Big Spring fans to come watch the Lady Steers' bid for the championship.

If Big Spring wins, it will be the first girls district basketball championship in the history of the school. The last district basketball championship was won by the Steers in 1958.

The junior varsity girls begin 6.

Steers to battle Snyder Tigers

The Steers will be playing in Snyder while the girls are playing in Big Spring. The Steers are 16-9 overall and 8-3 in district, while Snyder is 15-10 and 8-3 and in fourth place behind Andrews, Lamesa and Big Spring.

That game starts at 7:30 p.m. after the JV game which begins at 6.

Snyder defeats Runnels

The Runnels girls team lost their fourth basketball game of the season, dropping a 31-30 decision to Snyder Monday night.

According to coach Kari Eggleston, after leading 22-16 at the half, her team was plagued by cold shooting a turnovers in the second half. "At one time in the second half, we committed 11 straight turnovers," said Eggleston.

Pam Gill led Runnels with 11 points and nine rebounds. Kerry Burdett scored 10 points. Runnels, 11-4 for the season, will close out its season Thursday, Feb. 12 vs. Greenwood in Greenwood.

C-City, Coahoma boys split

COAHOMA — Colorado City and the Coahoma junior high boys split wins Monday night in Coahoma.

Coahoma won the seventh grade game 30-29. Brent Elmore scored 11 points and Mark Arguello added eight. Coahoma is 8-3 for the season.

Big Spring drops soccer match

The Big Spring Steers soccer team dropped a 1-0 decision to Midland Lee Sunday in Big Spring after a Lee player blocked a would-be Steer goal with his hand, reported Big Spring coach Skip Russey.

When a Lee player stopped the attempt by Terry Murphy, Big Spring was awarded with a penalty kick, but not a goal. The Steers are now 1-3-1.

Defensively, Russey said Doug Jackson, Eric Cisneros, John Wofford, Thane Russey and goalie Sumatikumar Sand played well. Also, midfielders Jeff Needles and Bobby Hernandez had good games, Russey said.

Queens' quarter

By DON STEVENS
HC Queens coach

Roller Coaster basketball. Inconsistency. Up and down play by the Queens have haunted this team throughout the season. When we play we are very good, when we don't we are very bad.

Such was the case in Odessa last Thursday, we were very bad. We shot a meager 29.7 per cent from the floor (19 of 64), 38 per cent from free throw line (5 of 13) and missed missed easy layup shots, while turning the ball over 23 times. A performance that ensured defeat.



DON STEVENS

In our critical matchup last night with Clarendon, a must-win situation for us, we again struggled for the first half. I felt we still felt the effects of our poor play against Odessa. At halftime we talked about how we needed to relax, loosen up and play hard. We promptly went out and scored 48 second half points to put the game away.

Last night's win should help us develop more confidence and provide the motivation to go into Thursday night's home game

against a dangerous New Mexico Junior College team. Stefanie Massie returned to her old form last night, with good help from Carolyn Willard, Trena Jackson and Leslie Gooch.

We were perfect from the free throw line in the second half, an eight for eight performance.

Be at the coliseum Thursday night for an exciting run-and-gun game between the fleet, jack'em up New Mexico team and the Queens.

Falcons give former coach second try

SUWANEE, Ga. (AP) — The Atlanta Falcons today named defensive coordinator Marion Campbell as their new head coach, ending a six-week nationwide search that began after the firing of Dan Henning.

Campbell, 57, who returned to the Falcons last season as defensive coordinator, is back for his second try as Atlanta's head coach. He was fired in 1976 after compiling a 6-19 record in parts of three NFL seasons.

Team owner Rankin Smith Sr. told a news conference that Campbell was signed to a four-year conference, but he declined to disclose terms of the deal.

"We talked a great deal about hiring a name coach. This guy here is a name coach," Smith said in presenting Campbell to about 50 reporters. "The very best man for the job was here all the time."

"He has the head coaching experience we wanted, already has a very capable defensive staff intact, knows our personnel extremely well and showed a great ability to utilize that personnel, while gaining the respect of our players and fans with his performance last season," Smith added.

Henning, who had a 22-41-1 mark in four seasons as Atlanta coach, had just completed his best season with the Falcons — 7-8-1 — when he was fired Dec. 22.

Campbell said the Falcons approached him Sunday about the job and offered it to him Monday night. He said he did not hesitate to accept.

"I chose to come to Atlanta last year when



The Atlanta Falcons have announced that Marion Campbell, the team's defensive coordinator, will be the team's new head coach.

I had several other alternatives and have been impressed by the good, young nucleus of players on this team," Campbell said. "Every set of circumstances is different and I'm excited to get an opportunity again as head coach of the Atlanta Falcons."

Campbell was the Falcons' head coach from 1974-76. He took over in the middle of the 1974 season when the team fired Norm Van Brocklin and had a 1-5 record. The Falcons were 4-10 in 1985 and 1-4 in 1986 before Campbell was fired, being replaced by then-General Manager Pat Peppier.

He moved to Philadelphia as defensive

coordinator in 1977 and helped the Eagles to a Super Bowl appearance in 1981. When Dick Vermeil quit as the Eagles' coach following the 1982 season, Campbell became head coach.

Campbell compiled a 17-29-1 record at Philadelphia in three seasons — his best mark a 7-9 record in 1985 — before he was dismissed.

He returned to the Falcons last season as defensive coordinator where he helped transform a defense that had finished 28th in the league the year before to seventh.

The Falcons' search for a head coach included some well publicized rejections.

The Falcons first sought Vermeil, now a CBS-TV commentator, who turned them down and recommended UCLA Coach Terry Donahue. But Donahue also rejected the offer.

Last week, the Smiths attempted to get permission to talk to Bill Parcells, coach of the Denver Broncos, this year's losing Super Bowl team. The newspaper said the Smiths used an intermediary to ascertain whether Reeves would consider leaving Denver to become general manager and coach of the Falcons, but Reeves sent word he was not interested.

Rebels regain number one ranking in AP poll

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP) — Las Vegas, the town that makes its living on losers, is in a frenzy over a real winner, the Runnin' Rebels of Nevada-Las Vegas.

The Rebels, 21-1, returned to the No. 1 spot in the Associated Press college basketball rankings on Monday after being knocked out two weeks ago. UNLV returned when Notre Dame knocked off last week's No. 1 team, North Carolina, 60-58 while the Rebels were lacing then-No. 18 Auburn 104-85 on the road.

About 1,000 UNLV fans gathered at the airport to welcome the team home.

"Weren't we great? We were great!" UNLV Coach Jerry Tarkanian told the roaring crowd. "This was one of the best games in UNLV history."

Residents of the city which caters to tourists are talking about becoming tourists themselves during the last week of March, when the NCAA Tournament finals are staged at New Orleans. But Tarkanian says it is a bit early to begin talking about the Final Four.

"I think we have to be lucky to get there," Tarkanian said. "I think any team is going to have to be lucky to get there, except maybe North Carolina. We still have nine more games to play. Our kids don't even talk about the Final Four."

Tarkanian hedged when asked whether this team was his best ever. After all, his 1977 team went to the Final Four.

"I've never had a team that could go into Auburn and win the way the kids did Sunday. On that day, they were the best I've ever

coached," Tarkanian said. "But check with me at the end of the season and I can tell you then."

"Without a doubt they're the hardest working I've had. They play hard and they work hard."

The hard work was rewarded with 48 first-place votes and 1,243 points from a nationwide panel of sportswriters and broadcasters who gave UNLV a second trip to No. 1. The Rebels were first for six weeks before losing a one-point game at Oklahoma, opening the way for Iowa and then North Carolina to make one-week appearances atop the pile.

This week, UNLV, 21-1, easily outdistanced Indiana, 17-2, which jumped from fourth to second with 10 first-place votes and 1,181 points. Nevada-Las Vegas broke the 100-point mark in each of its three victories last week, beating Pacific Coast Athletic Association rivals Fresno State 106-58 and Cal-Irvine 114-103 before battering Auburn.

North Carolina, 18-2, dropped to third with four first-place votes and 1,148 points. The Tar Heels must play the next two weeks without senior scoring leader Kenny Smith, who underwent arthroscopic knee surgery last weekend. Smith scored a career-high 41 points in his last game before the surgery, a 108-99 victory over then-No. 14 Clemson.

Iowa, 19-2, fell from second to fourth with 999 points and one first-place vote after a 100-92 loss at Michigan on Saturday.

DePaul, the only Division I team besides Nevada-Las Vegas to have just one loss, jumped from eighth to fifth with 935 points.



Going for two

Howard College Hawks' forward Bruce Mitchell (34) puts a shot up over Clarendon's Darius Jones (42) in action at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum Monday night. Howard won the game 144-88.

Herald photo by Eddie Curran

SMU football program's fate is drawing closer

DALLAS (AP) — The NCAA is expected to notify Southern Methodist University officials today that the fate of the school's football program will be decided at a Feb. 13-16 hearing in San Diego, the faculty representative says.

Lonnie Kliever said Monday night he expects school officials will be told they will appear before the NCAA Committee on Infractions meeting in San Diego, he said. "I'm certainly optimistic that we will be appearing before the infractions committee and that's what we've wanted all along. It's been a long, difficult and arduous business but it has been well worthwhile."

NCAA enforcement director David Berst said he couldn't confirm SMU will get a hearing in San Diego, but he said university officials would be notified of the decision today.

SMU officials have postponed hiring a football coach and athletic director while waiting for the committee to rule on allegations against the school.

Berst said last week he did not know if investigators could complete the case in time for presentation in San Diego. If the case were not completed in time for the San Diego hearing, it could not be heard until committee hearings scheduled for April 11-12 in Kansas City, Mo., or

April 22-24 in Hilton Head, S.C. The investigation into SMU's football program began after former linebacker David Stanley said he received \$25,000 to sign a national letter of intent with SMU and was paid \$750 a month while playing for the school.

Stanley also said he was paid after SMU was placed on probation in August 1985 for recruiting violations.

The football program could be suspended for up to two years if the school is found guilty of additional violations.

NCAA officials also are investigating a report that senior tight end Albert Reese was supplied a rent-free apartment by an SMU booster banned from associating with the football program.

Berst said SMU officials cooperated with the NCAA to try to get the investigation completed in time.

"This was our joint investigation that we committed our full cooperation with the NCAA," Kliever said. "It has been entirely an amiable and cooperative venture. There has been a lot of communication between the university and the NCAA."

Texas Tech's football program, accused by the NCAA of 36 violations, was also scheduled to appear before the committee in San Diego.

America's Cup could end tonight

FREMANTLE, Australia (AP) — The fairy tale appears to be almost over.

Just 3½ years ago, 16 million Australians went on an emotional binge when Perth's Alan Bond uprooted the America's Cup from the United States, where it had dwelled like a religious icon at the New York Yacht Club for 132 years.

Today, the Australians may be drinking one last binge of toasts to the Cup — and crying in their beer as they do.

San Diego's Dennis Conner touched off both binges — one when he lost the Cup off Newport, R.I. the other when he sailed his Stars & Stripes to an almost insurmountable 3-0 lead Monday against Australia's Kookaburra III.

The series resumes Wednesday. One more victory and it's California, here the Cup comes.

If the Cup goes, there will be dismay in the streets. But the koalas in the Perth zoo will still be adorable. The Kookaburra, a squawking kingfisher, will still wake the neighborhood at dawn. The tide will come in, and the sun, a national treasure, will surely shine all the day long.

They call Australia the Lucky Country. "It's true. No ghettos. Little poverty. Lots of minerals. No noise from neighbors in its corner of the world down under because there aren't any to speak of."

Aussies like winners. They expect their tennis players to excel and often they do. They just won the Davis Cup. Greg Norman of Australia was golf's leading money-winner last year.

The Australians cricket team just broke a record 15-winless streak in the international test matches. They became a target of catcalls and ridicule.

"I hope that won't happen to us," said Iain Murray, the soft-spoken man who unflappably sails Kookaburra III.

"Aussies get bored with one face winning all the time," said Andrew Darby, a writer from Tasmania. "They'll knock you down if you get too big for your boots. Anyone who achieves great success can expect criticism later even if he's doing the same thing that earned him the success. It's a puzzle."

Bond, a tireless self-promoter, made the Cup a gold mine of publicity. He became a national folk hero.

But then his yacht was beaten this time around. Then he sold his Australia III and IV, proven losers, to a Japanese billionaire to help him win the Cup in 1990 for Japan. This was just before the Cup final began. The price was \$7 million. It was a coup for Bond. But the bloom was off his rose.



Dennis Conner, wearing a "Top Gun" hat foos around with an instant camera as he met with well-wishers at his Stars and Stripes dock Tuesday.

Kevin Parry, Kookaburra's owner and a Perth businessman who is not quite as rich as fellow citizen Bond — but is not worrying where his next spinaker is coming from — is a behind-the-scenes type. He is not generally deemed to be as loveable as a koala.

Ninety per cent of Australians live on the coast. Yachting gets far more attention than in the United States. The start of the Sydney-Hobart race the day after Christmas is a media event, live on TV.

So Aussies are well familiar with the winds of change.

But Americans are expected to win the Cup because they always do. Except once. That was a glorious dream come true for Australia.

To lose the trophy hurts. But, said Mayor John Catalini, "we have done very well with the Cup, and we will do very well without the Cup."

By the time Conner was unquestionably on his way to thrashing Murray for the third time Monday, the Aussie spectator flotilla was already heading back to this once shabby, now chic seaport on the Indian Ocean. Bars were jammed with holidayers. It's midsummer here. But no one paid attention to the Cup race on television.

Out in the channel, however, two youths smeared their arms with zinc oxide dyed green and yellow, the national colors, and climbed aboard a buoy to cheer the incoming Kookaburra crew.

Mavs drain Lakers — again Hawks

By The Associated Press
The Dallas Mavericks, after winning their NBA regular-season series against the Los Angeles Lakers, aren't quite ready to proclaim themselves the best team in the Western Conference.

"We know we're good enough to play with any team in the league," guard Derek Harper said after the Mavericks beat the Lakers 133-99 Monday night at the Forum in Inglewood, Calif. "That's as far as I'll go."

"This was probably our biggest win of the season," center James Donaldson added. "It means a lot to know we can come in here and beat them. That should help us in the playoffs should we meet them."

Mark Aguirre scored 27 points for Dallas, which handed the Lakers only their second defeat at home this season. Their other loss was 113-107 to Atlanta on Nov. 25.

In other games, it was Washington 104, New York 98; Denver 140, Los Angeles Clippers 112; and Seattle 108, New Jersey 100.

Los Angeles, which lost the season series to the Mavericks 3-2, went into the game with a 26-0 record when it led at halftime. The Lakers had a 55-50 advantage after two periods against Dallas, but they scored only 18 points in the third period to give the Mavericks the lead.

"We weren't concerned," said Harper, who scored four of his 15 points during a late fourth-quarter run. "We had control of the game, even though they were ahead. We knew that if we stuck to our own thing and slow down their fast break, we'd be in good shape."

"They know from years back that we're going to fight back and not quit," Aguirre said.

Lakers Coach Pat Riley blamed the Lakers' third defeat in five games to poor rebounding. Los Angeles, which still has the NBA's best record of 34-11, has now been out rebounded in eight straight games.

Sonics 108, Nets 100
Seattle handed New Jersey its sixth consecutive loss and 22nd defeat in 24 road games this season as Xavier McDaniel had 35 points and 14 rebounds.

McDaniel and Dale Ellis scored six points each during a 20-4 spurt in the first quarter that gave the SuperSonics a 29-20 lead with 1:49 remaining in the period. New Jersey never got closer than nine points the rest of the game until Leon Wood hit a shot at the buzzer.

Dwayne "Pearl" Washington led the Nets with 21 points and Mike Gminski added 18.

Nuggets 140, Clippers 112
Denver outscored Los Angeles 47-22 in the third period en route to beating the visiting Clippers, 7-38, for the first time in three tries this season.

Lafayette Lever scored 16 of his 23 points and Alex English 14 of his

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and tips." "Bricks, Coach Brown?"

"A friend of mine uses bricks (Maryland coach Bob Wade). He's been known for his bricks, and he's where I picked up that from," Brown said. "Our hands were a lot more active."

"Dennis played a great game. It's incredible, his stats, since the holidays. We have a grading system, and he was plus-49 before the break, and he's been plus-104 since the break," said Brown, adding that Rhodes increased his total by about 30 against Clarendon.

After the 56-point slaughter, it was hard to believe these were the same two teams that battled in December, when Clarendon won by a point. One of the differences was the presence of Walter Walker, who was ineligible first semester and who started last night. Another reason — a healthy Rhodes.

"Rhodes was injured and wasn't playing good. Our point guard has to be effective — as Rhodes goes we go," Brown said.

The Hawks led 71-37 at the half, and it was kiddingly said that they were on a 140-point pace. Nobody really believed it though, until the Hawks scored 14 points in the first 2:30 of the second half.

Once they hit 100, it was just milestone after milestone. For instance, when Bradsher hit his fifth three-pointer, the Hawks had their 120th point. Matt Brown did the honors on points 130 and 140, both with jumpers.

Six Hawks ended in double figures, and everyone played great defense. The way Clarendon handled the ball, you would have thought the Hawks had 10 players on the court. The fans in Dorothy Garrett loved it, and stood and cheered several times.

The win boosted the Hawks overall record to 12-10 and their district record to 5-4. At home, Howard College is 5-0.

Thursday night the Hawks host New Mexico Junior College, who were undefeated in conference play until last night's 95-85 loss to South Plains.

The Thunderbirds are led by Richard Hollis, who's averaging 29 points per game and will play for the Houston Cougars next year. When the two teams met in Hobbs Dec. 8, New Mexico won 107-95.

CLARENDON (88) — Torres 5-2-14; Appleberry 2-0-4; Twynshend 3-0-8; Reagins 2-1-5; Russell 2-1-5; French 12-10-34; Jones 7-2-16; Dawkins 0-1-1; Sagay 0-1-1. Totals: 33-18-88.
At the half: Howard 71, Clarendon 37.

Queens

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average. But she made up for it by passing off nine assists.

Gooch wasn't so bad herself. She scored 11 points and passed off five assists.

Then there was Franklin having her usual night of harrasing opposing ballhandlers. She dealt out four assists and registered five steals.

Post player Carolyn Willandt and forward Trena Jackson also caused the Lady Bulldogs pain. Willandt, coming off the injury list, chipped in 11 points and six rebounds while Jackson scored 16 points.

The freshman from Abilene got hot in the second half, as she and Massie enabled the Queens to pull away. After making only one of six in the first half, she responded by sinking five of six field goals in the second half.

Howard held a 25-22 halftime lead at the half, thanks to 15 points and nine rebounds by Massie.

The Queens made their move to victory during a five-minute span in the second quarter. Howard outscored Clarendon 16-7 to take a

55-40 lead with 9:20 remaining.

But Clarendon gamely fought back behind the inside play of forward Sheila Adams. Clarendon cut the lead to 55-48 with seven minutes left.

Then Howard put the game away on a two-hander jumper by Jackson and two Powell-to-Massie combinations. TClarendon would make no more rallies in the game.

Adams was very productive for the Lady Bulldogs underneath. The sophomore from Monahans made an impressive return to West Texas, scoring 20 points and pulling down 18 rebounds. She got ample help underneath from post player Chiquita Miller, who scored 12 points and grabbed 11 rebounds.

Howard coach Don Stevens said this win should relax the team a little. "We figure the last two regional playoff spots will come down between us, South Plains and Clarendon. Odessa and Western Texas are playing very good right now, so they'll probably get the first two playoff spots. We had to win this game tonight and we did," said Stevens.

"Our play should pick up, we've

got a smile back on our face now. Our guards did a good job of looking inside. We got some good shots. Leslie Gooch played a real good floor game. They tried to double her up but that's just hard to do."

The Queens are 16-7 overall and 4-3 in conference play. Clarendon is 12-7 and 3-3 in conference play. Howard will New Mexico Junior College Thursday at 6 at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

HOWARD (73) — Leslie Gooch 43 11; Pam Franklin 2 0 4; Stefanie Massie 13 1 27; Trena Jackson 6 4 16; Terri Powell 6 4 16; Carolyn Willandt 4 3 11; Brandye Owens 0 0 0; Risa Willard 0 0 0; Trina Allen 0 0 0; Chandra Todd 0 0 0. Totals: 31-60; 11-15; 31 11 73.

CLARENDON (58) — Lori Stephenson 1 2 4; Sheila H 4 20; Chiquita Miller 5 2 12; Pat Jackson 2 2 6; Loretta Garcia 2 2 6; Fran Kotz 0 0 0; Pam Johnson 2 0 4; Stacie French 2 0 4; Cindy Reagins 10 2. Totals: 24-65; 10-21; 58.

HALFTIME — Howard 25, Clarendon 22. Records — Howard (16-7, 4-3); Clarendon (12-7, 3-3)

Individual Leaders
Turnovers — Howard 12; Clarendon 17.
Rebounds — Howard 33; Massie 14, Jackson 7, Willandt 6; Clarendon 42 (Adams 18, Miller 11); Assists — Howard (Powell 9; Gooch 5; Franklin 4); Clarendon (Jackson 2, Miller 2, Garcia 2, Klotz 2); Steals — Howard (Franklin 5; Massie 2); Clarendon (Klotz 3)

2-4A Standings

Here are the standings of the boys 2-4A basketball race. Season record is listed first, then district record.

Andrews	23-3, 11-0
Lamesa	21-4, 9-1
Big Spring	16-9, 8-2
Snyder	14-10, 7-3
Sweetwater	14-11, 5-6
Monahans	10-13, 2-9
Lake View	11-15, 2-9
Ft. Stockton	8-12, 2-9
Pecos	7-15, 1-10

FRIDAY'S RESULTS
Andrews 91, Monahans 56, Big Spring 95, Lake View 74, Snyder 66, Pecos 53, Sweetwater 77, Ft. Stockton 72. (OT).

TUESDAY'S GAMES
Pecos at Andrews, Big Spring at Snyder

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Here are the standings of the girls 2-4A basketball race. Season record is listed first, then district record.

Big Spring	21-4, 11-1
Sweetwater	16-9, 7-5
Lake View	15-11, 7-4
Snyder	17-8, 9-4
Ft. Stockton	15-9, 6-7
Lamesa	10-15, 7-5
Andrews	10-15, 6-7
Monahans	7-14, 2-9
Pecos	6-16, 1-12

FRIDAY'S RESULTS
Ft. Stockton 47, Sweetwater 46, Big Spring 49, Lake View 34; Andrews 65, Monahans 51; Snyder 68, Pecos 39.

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New York 27, 26, 25, 20—98
Washington 24, 23, 27, 30—104

Fouled out—None. Rebounds—New York 59 (Cummings 13), Washington 56 (Bol 7). Assists—New York 25 (Henderson 11), Washington 20 (J. Malone, Williams 5). Total fouls—New York 21, Washington 26. Technicals—Ewing, New York illegal defense. A—8,799.

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L.A. CLIPPERS (112)
 White 0-2 0-0, Cage 5-6 5-6 15, Benjamin 5-12 4-8 14, Valentine 3-16 8-15, Woodson 3-8 2-9, Johnson 2-3 0-4, Dailey 4-9 8-8 16, Kempton 4-7 3-11, Drew 8-18 0-16, Fields 1-5 0-2, Gordon 4-6 1-2. Totals 39-92 31-38 112.

DENVER (140)
 English 11-17 6-6 28, Alarie 8-14 2-2 18, Schayes 2-7 3-7, Lever 10-19 3-3 23, Dunn 2-5 0-4, Hazlik 2-2 3-7, Walker 6-10 1-2 13, Rasmussen 5-8 6-6 16, Evans 4-10 5-5 14, Martin 2-6 4-4 8, Smith 1-3 0-2 2. Totals 53-101 33-37 140.

L.A. Clippers 26, 29, 22, 35—112
Denver 34, 30, 47, 29—140

Three-point goals—Valentine, Woodson, Gordon, Evans. Fouled out—None. Rebounds—L.A. Clippers 49 (Benjamin 11), Denver 63 (Rasmussen, Schayes, Lever 8). Assists—L.A. Clippers 22 (Valentine 7), Denver 37 (Lever 10). Total fouls—L.A. Clippers 30, Denver 26. A—10,725.

At Inglewood, Calif.
DALLAS (103)
 Aguirre 12-25 2-2 27, Perkins 5-7 0-0 10, Doldson 3-4 3-5 9, Blackman 5-12 4-4 14, Harper 7-17 1-2 15, Tarpley 4-8 4-6 12, Schrempf 1-3 4-4 6, Wenington 2-2 1-2 5, Davis 2-5 1-2 5. Totals 41-83 20-27 103.

L.A. LAKERS (99)
 Green 3-9 4-4 10, Worthy 6-14 3-6 15, Abdul-Jabbar 8-15 3-4 19, Johnson 8-15 2-4 18, Scott 8-19 2-3 21, Cooper 2-11 0-0 6, Rambis 3-4 2-5 8, Smrek 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 39-88 16-26 99.

Dallas 27, 23, 28, 25—103
L.A. Lakers 30, 25, 18, 26—99

Three-point goals—Aguirre, Scott 3, Cooper 2. Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Dallas 62 (Donaldson 13), L.A. Lakers 46 (Green 9). Assists—Dallas 15 (Harper 5), L.A. Lakers 32 (Cooper 10). Total fouls—Dallas 14, L.A. Lakers 19. Technicals—Tarpley, Dallas Coach Motta, Dallas illegal defense, Scott. A—17,505.

At Seattle
NEW JERSEY (100)
 B. Williams 6-6 2-4 14, Woolridge 5-10 5-7 15, Gminski 6-14 6-18, McKenna 3-10 0-0 6, Washington 9-18 3-4 21, Turner 3-8 0-2 6, King 1-3 2-5, Coleman 3-4 2-4 8, Wood 2-5 2-7, Mansion 0-1 0-0 0, Engler 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 38-79 23-33 100.

SEATTLE (108)
 Chambers 3-14 3-10, McDaniel 15-24 6-6 35, Lister 5-11 8-15, Ellis 7-19 3-5 17, Young 1-4 2-4, Lucas 4-6 2-2 10, Stansbury 2-3 2-4 7, Johnson 0-2 0-0 0, Phelps 2-5 0-0 4, Sweeney 2-3 0-1 4, K. Williams 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 42-93 22-32 108.

New Jersey 26, 20, 25, 29—100
Seattle 32, 25, 26, 25—108

Three-point goals—King, Chambers, Stansbury. Fouled out—Chambers. Rebounds—New Jersey 51 (Williams 13), Seattle 61 (McDaniel 14). Assists—New Jersey 15 (Woolridge 4), Seattle 18 (Young 7). Total fouls—New Jersey 29, Seattle 29. A—6,132.

0-1 0-0, Weems 3-5 1-2 7, Lester 0-3 2-2 2, Lambiotte 6-9 1-1 13, Kennedy 1-2 0-0 2, Jackson 0-2 1-2 1. Totals 25-66 9-12 62.

DEPAUL (84)
 Golden 1-4 0-2, Greene 7-13 0-2 15, Comegys 3-12 8-9 14, Edwards 5-15 0-0 10, Strickland 5-6 8-9 18, Brundy 7-11 2-2 16, Laux 1-1 0-0 3, Sowell 1-2 0-1 2, Holland 1-1 0-0 2, Tune 0-0 2-2 2, O'Shaughnessy 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 31-66 20-25 84.

Halftime—DePaul 44, N. Carolina St. 27.
 Three-point goals—N. Carolina St. 3-9 (Bolton 3-6, Drummond 0-2, Del Negro 0-1), DePaul 2-4 (Greene 1-1, Edwards 0-1, Laux 1-1, O'Shaughnessy 0-1). Fouled out—Giomi. Rebounds—N. Carolina St. 32 (Shackelford 8), DePaul 50 (Brundy, Edwards 9). Assists—N. Carolina St. 15 (Weems 4), DePaul 19 (Strickland 7). Total fouls—N. Carolina St. 22, DePaul 17. A—13,730.

At Columbus, Ohio
ILLINOIS (82)
 Blackwell 0-2 0-0 0, Norman 5-10 4-5 14, Hamilton 10-16 3-4 23, Wysinger 6-10 1-2 15, Altenberger 5-10 1-2 14, Gill 1-3 2-2 4, Bardo 1-3 4-4 6, Kujawa 0-1 2-2 2, Kunz 1-1 0-0 2, Smith 1-1 0-0 2, Green 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 30-57 17-21 82.

OHIO STATE (65)
 Hopson 6-19 7-8 21, France 4-9 2-2 10, J. Anderson 4-5 0-8, Wilson 3-9 3-4 11, Burson 4-10 1-1 9, White 2-2 2-2 6, Lomax 0-0 0-0 0, Wesson 0-0 0-0 0, S. Anderson 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 23-54 15-17 65.

Halftime—Ohio St. 38, Illinois 29. Three-point goals—Illinois 5-10 (Blackwell 0-1, Wysinger 2-3, Altenberger 3-6), Ohio St. 4-12 (Hopson 2, Wilson 2, France 2). Fouled out—J. Anderson. Rebounds—Illinois 24 (Bardo 8), Ohio St. 24 (Hopson 7). Assists—Illinois 23 (Bardo 7), Ohio St. 12 (Wilson 7). Total fouls—Illinois 14, Ohio St. 18. A—12,413.

At Amherst, Mass.
TEMPLE (72)
 Vreeswyk 4-9 4-4 12, Perry 4-6 1-3 9, Rivas 2-9 3-7, Blackwell 0-13 4-4 27, Evans 3-10 4-4 13, Pearsall 2-6 0-0 4, Dowdell 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 25-53 16-19 72.

MASSACHUSETTS (59)
 Brown 5-13 3-4 13, Fernelli 2-6 0-0 4, Chase 4-11 0-2 8, Smith 5-8 3-3 16, Sutton 4-12 4-6, Mosby 1-2 0-0 2, Bailey 0-0 0-0 0, Hicks 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 21-53 10-13 59.

Halftime—Temple 33, Massachusetts 29.
 Three-point goals—Temple 6-12 (Vreeswyk 0-3, Blackwell 3-4, Evans 3-5), Massachusetts 7-14 (Smith 3-6, Sutton 4-8). Fouled out—Blackwell, Fennell. Rebounds—Temple 31 (Perry 10), Massachusetts 33 (Chase, Fennell 8). Assists—Temple 12 (Evans 6), Massachusetts 12 (Fennell 3). Total fouls—Temple 13, Massachusetts 15. A—4,024.

Durham, N.C.
STETSON (59)
 Anderson 6-9 3-6 15, Coachman 3-8 2-2 9, Kuhl 5-7 1-0 18, Johnson 2-5 2-3 7, Barnett 1-0 0-2 2, Stevenson 1-4 2-2 4, Lucas 0-0 0-0 0, Cumbie 1-4 0-2 2, Jenkins 1-0 0-2 2. Totals 20-48 17-25 59.

DUKE (62)
 King 2-5 2-3 6, Ferry 6-12 3-4 16, Smith 2-4 4-5 8, Snyder 2-8 2-2 6, Amaker 1-11 1-2 3, Brickley 2-4 0-4, Nessley 4-5 0-0 8, Abdel Naby 0-0 0-0 0, Strickland 3-6 4-4 11. Totals 22-54 16-20 62.

Halftime—Duke 31, Stetson 27. Three-point goals—Stetson 2-9 (Coachman 1-3, Johnson 1-2, Barnett 0-4), Duke 2-10 (Ferry 1-1, Snyder 0-2, Amaker 0-5, Strickland 1-2). Fouled out—Jenkins, Ferry. Rebounds—Stetson 27 (Barnett 7), Duke 42 (Ferry 11). Assists—Stetson 11 (Johnson 4), Duke 11 (Amaker 6). Total fouls—Stetson 20, Duke 23. A—6,952.

At New York
GEORGETOWN (65)
 McDonald 5-9 4-14, R. Williams 11-27 2-2 26, Gillery 0-1 0-0 0, Bryant 2-4 0-0 4, Tillmon 3-7 3-4 10, Highsmith 1-1 0-1 2, J. Jackson 1-2 0-0 3, Winston 1-1 0-0 2, Smith 0-2 0-0 0, Edwards 1-1 0-0 2, Allen 1-1 0-1 2, Jefferson 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 26-57 9-13 65.

ST. JOHN'S (67)
 Glass 2-11 1-4 5, Jones 5-12 3-4 13, Bross 0-1 0-0 0, Brust 1-4 6-7 9, M. Jackson 10-12 10-12 34, Hempel 0-1 0-0 0, Baldi 2-4 2-2 6, Broadnax 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 28-22-26 67.

Halftime—St. John's 33, Georgetown 32.
 Three-point goals—Georgetown 4-14 (R. Williams 1-1, Tillmon 1-2, J. Jackson 1-1), St. John's 5-7 (M. Jackson 4-5, Brust 1-1, Broadnax 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Georgetown 36 (R. Williams 11), St. John's 33 (Jones 11). Assists—Georgetown 15 (Winston 4), St. John's 12 (M. Jackson 4). Total fouls—Georgetown 21, St. John's 16. A—17,093.

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 Cheyney 92, Lincoln, Pa. 91
 Cortland St. 87, Utica Tech 84
 Daemen 75, D'Youville 57
 Delaware 82, Rider 80
 Drexel 84, Hofstra 78
 Elizabethtown 79, Messiah 78
 Fairmont St. 78, Salem, W. Va. 69
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 Gannon 70, Clarion 47
 Hamilton 99, Oswego 76
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 Juniata 72, Gettysburg 70
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 Kutztown 67, Randolph-Macon 58
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 Lehigh 83, Lafayette 77
 Liberty 79, Davis & Elkins 71
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 Midwest Division
 Dallas 29, 16, 64, 4
 Utah 26, 18, 59, 2 1/2
 Houston 23, 21, 52, 5 1/2
 Denver 21, 25, 45, 7 1/2
 San Antonio 16, 29, 35, 13
 Sacramento 14, 30, 31, 14 1/2

Pacific Division
 L.A. Lakers 34, 11, 75, 6
 Portland 28, 19, 59, 7
 Seattle 25, 20, 55, 9
 Golden State 25, 22, 53, 10
 Phoenix 19, 27, 41, 15 1/2
 L.A. Clippers 7, 38, 15, 27

Monday's Games
 Washington 104, New York 98
 Denver 140, L.A. Clippers 112
 Dallas 103, L.A. Lakers 99
 Seattle 108, New Jersey 100

Tuesday's Games
 Philadelphia at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.
 Boston at Atlanta, 8 p.m.
 Washington at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
 New York at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
 Denver at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
 Golden State at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
 Sacramento at Utah, 9:30 p.m.
 Phoenix at Portland, 10:30 p.m.

Wednesday's Games
 Cleveland at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
 Philadelphia at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
 Seattle at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
 Sacramento at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

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Washington	21	23	.478
New York	13	32	.289
New Jersey	11	34	.244
Central Division			
Detroit	29	15	.659
Atlanta	28	16	.636
Milwaukee	28	20	.583
Chicago	21	22	.488
Indiana	20	24	.455
Cleveland	18	27	.400
WESTERN CONFERENCE			
Midwest Division			
Dallas	29	16	.644
Utah	26	18	.591
Houston	23	21	.523
Denver	21	25	.457
San Antonio	16	29	.354
Sacramento	14	30	.318
Pacific Division			
L.A. Lakers	34	11	.756
Portland	28	19	.596
Seattle	25	20	.556
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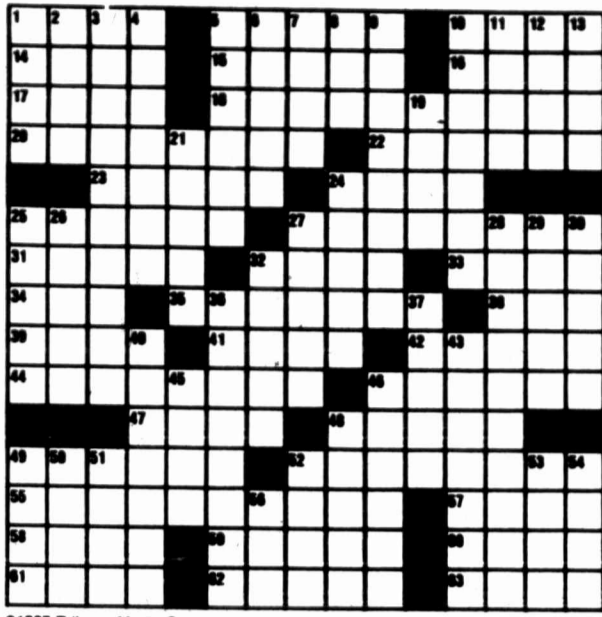
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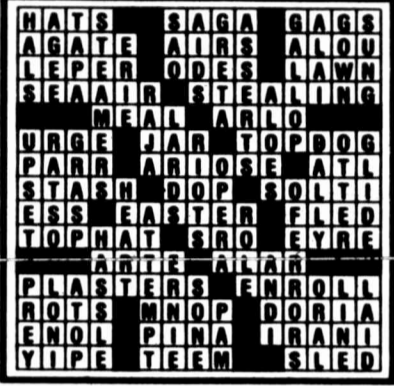
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 - 17 Robert —
 - 18 Response to a sneeze
 - 20 Stricken but not ill
 - 22 Triple crowns
 - 23 Turn inside out
 - 24 It is one
 - 25 Kinds
 - 27 Last
 - 31 "Midnight Cowboy" role
 - 32 Secular
 - 33 Goodbye
 - 34 Psychic Geller
 - 35 More bizarre
 - 36 Poetic
 - 39 Contraction
 - 41 Small lump
 - 42 King beaters
 - 43 Old-womanish
 - 44 Summary
 - 46 Kilns
 - 47 Latvian
 - 48 Motif
 - 49 Playground item
 - 52 Supports
 - 55 He writes summaries
 - 57 — tide
 - 58 Dies
 - 59 Criticize severely
 - 60 Renaissance patron family
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 - 62 Venetian magistrates
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- DOWN**
- 1 Eve's son
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 - 6 Choose
 - 7 Underwriter's concern
 - 8 Heat mess
 - 9 Court decision
 - 10 Occupy
 - 11 Bar drink
 - 12 Diva's song
 - 13 Decays
 - 19 Fifth
 - 21 Antelope
 - 24 Vacuums
 - 25 Drudges
 - 26 — bird
 - 27 Concerns
 - 28 Innate quality
 - 29 Useful old style
 - 30 Slackens
 - 32 Lawful
 - 36 Toward the sunrise
 - 37 Evaluator
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ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Handle the fundamentals of financial affairs. Get good advice from an older person that can be very helpful.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Get your health improved and your appearance made more charming. Be very careful if you drive.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) You can find the right solution to your problems now. Be very romantic with your mate tonight.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to Jul. 21) Contact friends who can give you good ideas for improving your recreational time.

LEO (Jul. 22 to Aug. 21) Bring that fine plan to the attention of the most prominent person you know and gain more prestige thusly.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) You are a stickler for organization, but add new shortcuts now so you can improve your efficiency.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Plan how to best keep your promises. Be more sensible in handling a problematical affair with your mate.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) A stubborn associate will not give you the cooperation you need if you do not show interests in his/her views.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Be more consistent in handling your affairs. Combine your efforts with co-workers for best results.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) If you are more practical you can please your mate now and be happier together.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Study your home and figure out how you want it to be in the future. Plan carefully for renovations.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Get to the bottom of your communications. Exchange ideas and skills wisely and relations become cemented.

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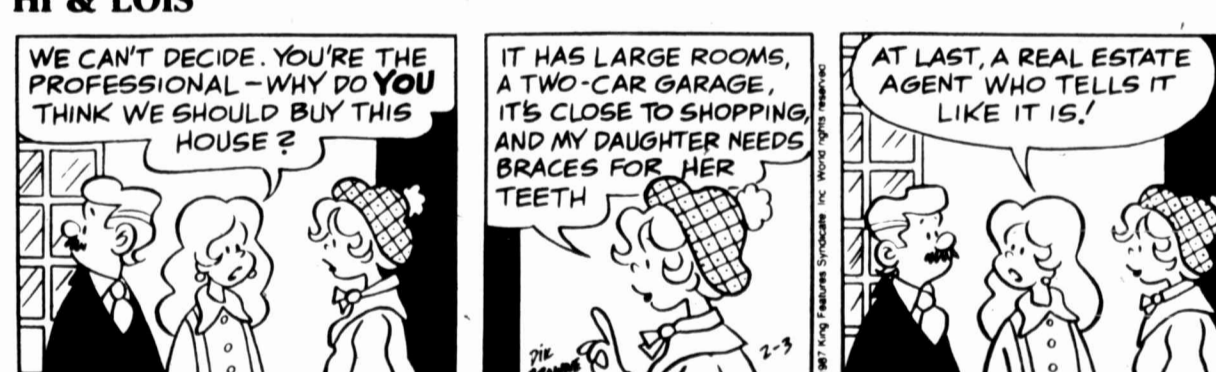
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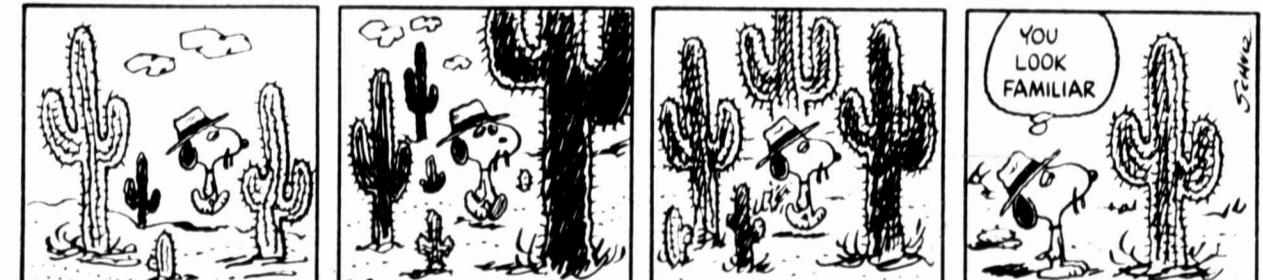
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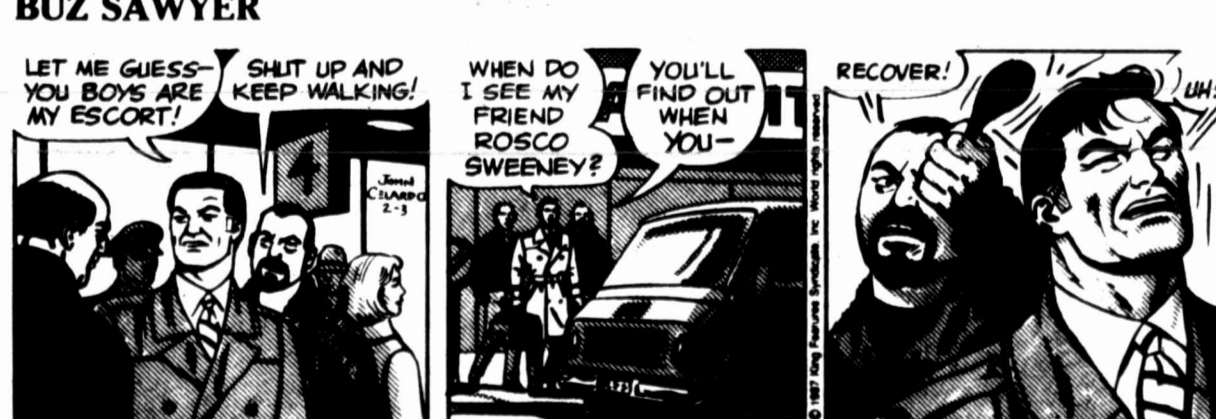
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Lone Star legislative report



BILL CLEMENTS
... address Wednesday

Clements' turn Government without substantial tax increase

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. Bill Clements gets a chance this week to show how he would run state government without — as he has vowed — raising taxes substantially.

Clements' speech to a joint session of Senate and House members on Wednesday should spell out the governor's priorities.

Although Clements' office has not released budget details, the governor has said the state's financial crisis can be solved by cutting spending and not raising taxes "in any substantial sense."

Clements also told business leaders last week that funding for state prisons

must be increased to comply with court-ordered reforms. He said he will try to maintain education funding at current levels.

But he said "other programs will have to be reduced on a priority basis" to make up what State Comptroller Bob Bullock has called a \$5.8 billion budget deficit over the next 2½ years.

A bill to ease state prison overcrowding is another major agenda item as the Legislature starts its fourth week.

Arlington Sen. Bob McFarland's bill to expand the pool of "low-risk" inmates eligible for parole and to divert certain non-violent criminals to other

programs will be heard today by the Senate Criminal Jurisprudence Committee.

Clements said McFarland's bill would give the state more flexibility when the Texas Department of Corrections population exceeds 95 percent of capacity, which triggers federal court orders and the Prison Management Act requiring accelerated releases.

In an attempt to avoid contempt fines of almost \$1 million a day beginning April 1, the bill also would earmark \$10.4 million to improve prison medical facilities and hire more doctors, nurses and physical therapists.

Total cost of the bill is expected to be

\$65 million, and funding sources had not been pinned down.

With the state buffeted by financial problems, including its large and growing prison population, House Speaker Gib Lewis said the legislative pressure is more intense than he can remember for the start of a session.

"I've been here for 16 years, and I've never seen a session start off like most sessions end," Lewis said. "We're all under a great deal of stress right now."

"There's a large problem out there. It's a multitude of large problems, and there are just no answers. ... I'm ready to go home right now."

The 140-day session ends June 1.

Need your keys and fresh breath

By MICHAEL HOLMES,
Associated Press Writer
AUSTIN (AP) — A state lawmaker Monday introduced a bill that would allow judges to require convicted drunk drivers to take a breath test each time they try to start their autos.

Rep. Betty Denton, D-Waco, said she believes such a device — now being used in four states — could reduce the number of repeat offenders.

"I think the carnage on our highways has cost us untold millions of dollars in property damage ... and a dollar amount really can't be put on the loss of human lives and the loss to family members," Ms. Denton said.

Ms. Denton said her bill would give judges the option of requiring that the breath-analyzing device be installed in the cars of convicted drunk drivers as a condition of probation.

The device is connected to the auto's ignition. Before the car is started, the driver must breathe into the device to prove sobriety. The probationer also must enter a complicated code into the machine before it can be started, which officials said helps prevent a third party from starting the car for a drunk.

"The use of this ignition interlock system ... can be used by judges as a sentencing alternative," Ms. Denton said.

"I think it is a very innovative measure. It's aimed at getting the drunk driver off the road. It's a protection for the public against the drunk driver and a protection for the drunk driver himself," she said.

She noted that studies repeatedly have shown drinking to be a significant factor in traffic accidents. More than 100,000 Texans were convicted of drunk driving in each of the past two years, she said.

However, overcrowded state prisons and jammed county jails make it impractical to imprison every drunk driver, she said.

"It's easy to say lock them up,



State Rep. Betty Denton, D-Waco, shows how to use an ignition interlock breath analyzer at a news conference Monday in Austin. Denton introduced a bill that could require convicted drunken drivers to use a similar device each time they use their cars.

But ... our prisons are at capacity and our county jails are feeling the same pressures. We have to look at realistic alternatives," Ms. Denton said.

Failing to drive the equipped

vehicle or tampering with the device would be a misdemeanor, she said.

'New constituency' contributes to state woes, says Speaker

By KEN HERMAN,
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — Lawmakers' efforts to remedy the state's problems are confounded by a "new constituency" that wants more but is not willing to spend more, Speaker Gib Lewis said Monday.

Lewis and Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby addressed a conference entitled "Family Health in Crisis," a day-long event organized by the Texas Maternal and Child Health Coalition.

The coalition is pushing for several changes that would expand health care for the poor, including a measure that would offer care to indigent pregnant women who do not now qualify.

"We must convince Texas legislators that pregnant women and children are as important as highways and prisons," said Michael Hudson, director of the Children's Defense Fund in Texas. He said "poll after poll" has shown Texans are willing to pay increased taxes to support health programs. But Lewis told the conference he has seen evidence that indicates otherwise.

"I find a new constituency out there. We have a constituency that is in favor of more money for higher education, more money for public education, more money for human services, more money for highways and more money for prisons and wanting prisoners to spend more time in those prisons," Lewis said.

"But at the same time, they just as strong or stronger are opposing any new taxes. We find ourselves in

somewhat of a Catch-22 where we have to make that decision," he said.

Despite the state's economic problems, Lewis and Hobby expressed optimism that lawmakers will find solutions. Hobby said there is little room to cut.

"It's important to keep an open mind on new, creative ways to save taxpayer dollars, to eliminate duplication, to minimize inefficiency. But our budget has undergone a thorough scrubbing for waste and inefficiency over the last four years. Most of that job has been done," Hobby said.

"Further cuts would go to the flesh and bone of state government, and it would come at a time when more people than ever are dependent on the state for help," he said.

Hobby said the answer is a revamped tax system.

"That may not be the most politically palatable solution, but it's the only one that makes sense," he said, calling for a tax overhaul to "more accurately reflect the economy we have today in which services play a large and growing part."

Many lawmakers are talking about expanding the sales tax to cover services that are now exempt.

"It would be a shameful spectacle if Texas were to balance the budget at the expense of our most vulnerable citizens. If there's a magic way to get more money into our state treasury, I haven't heard about it yet," Hobby said.

Commission designed to stop 'money drain' to border area

By JACK KEEVER,
Associated Press Writer
AUSTIN (AP) — A Senate committee approved a proposal Monday to create a commission to stop the "money drain" from the state treasury to the Texas-Mexico border region.

The proposed Border Development Commission would coordinate economic efforts along the 1,250-mile border, which a witness said has perhaps the highest unemployment rates in the United States.

Sen. Hector Uribe's bill was sent to the full Senate on an 8-2 vote of the Economic Development Committee after a 15-minute hearing.

Prior to approval of the measure, Uribe removed a proposed six-year appropriation but said, "We are hoping the (Senate) Finance Committee will be able to help us."

Supporters estimate the proposed agency would need \$800,000 in state funds over the next two years.

Another amendment would give the governor the authority to appoint all nine members rather than dividing that authority among the governor, lieutenant governor and House speaker. Six of the commission members would be border residents.

Uribe, D-Brownsville, said a task force that studied the border economy "realized that the border is a money drain on the rest of the state, that for every dollar we collect on the border the state pays two in tax revenues."

Former Harlingen Mayor Randy Whittington testified that 1983-84 statistics showed that more than \$1 billion was being spent on the border region per year than was being collected in that region.

"What that means to each of you gentlemen and the districts you represent is that the people you represent have been subsidizing the border year-in and year-out to the tune of \$1 billion or better, and I assume that gap is getting larger and not smaller," Whittington told the committee.

He said unemployment rates in some border counties are as high as 50 percent, and the border also has the lowest per capita income in Texas, as well as one of the fastest growing and most illiterate populations.

"We can no longer afford to let the border be the drain on the state of Texas and the budget that it has been for the last 20 or 30 years. Your constituents should not have to foot the bill for the lack of development and lack of attention to the border," Whittington said.

He also acknowledged there would probably be moves to eliminate agencies rather than to create them this legislative session, but said:

"We can't afford to stick our heads in the sand and continue to ignore the problems along the border. And no agency at the state level is dealing with the border problems today in any sort of a coordinated fashion."

Bill conforms to new federal mandate

AUSTIN (AP) — The Senate approved a bill Monday to comply with a new federal law that requires government employers to send Social Security contributions directly to the Internal Revenue Service.

Before the federal law became effective Dec. 31, state and local government employers paid contributions

through the Employees Retirement System.

In Texas, the Social Security Trust Fund earned \$1.5 million in interest during the fiscal year ending Aug. 31, 1986. Bypassing the state treasury will result in the loss of that income, according to a printed bill analysis.

This revenue loss would be partially offset by the elimina-

tion of a state administrative appropriation of \$488,000 over the next two years.

"Major local entities will see similar losses in depository interest," according to the analysis of the bill by Sen. Ray Farabee, D-Wichita Falls.

Farabee's bill was sent to the House on a 30-0 vote.



Arizona visitor

Former Arizona governor Bruce Babbitt visits with a Texas House member after his recent speech to Lone Star lawmakers in both chambers. Babbitt, a nine-year Arizona governor, is a prospective Democratic presidential candidate.