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Spring board

How's that? Sentence

Q. What was investment banker Dennis Levine's sentence last week after he was found guilty in an insider-trading scandal trial heard in a White Plains, N.Y. courtroom?

A. Levine was sentenced to serve four concurrent two-year prison terms and fined \$362,000. He was charged with securities fraud, tax evasion and perjury from evidence gathered by Assistant U.S. Attorney Charles Carberry.

Calendar Deadline

TODAY

• Today is the deadline for \$5 reservations for the March 4 Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce quarterly community luncheon, featuring Howard County longhorn. Call 263-7641 to make reservations.

• The Forsan Band will sponsor a Spaghetti Supper with entertainment from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Admission is \$4 per adult, \$2 children under 12. The funds will be used to sponsor the band to competition in Corpus Christi.

• Volunteers trained by Internal Revenue Service employees will assist in preparation of 1986 tax returns from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Spring City Senior Citizens Center, Building 487, in the Big Spring Industrial Park. Call 267-1628 for more information.

• The Moss PTA and students will begin selling candies from Cherrydale Farms for their spring fund raiser. Sales end March 9.

• The Howard College Theater Department presents "The Real Inspector Hound" and "The Sandbox" at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday at the Howard College Auditorium. Tickets are \$4 for adults and \$3 for students and senior citizens.

SATURDAY

• Early Cars of Big Spring and Big Spring Rod & Custom will host a car show from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. at the Howard County Fair Barns. Admission is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children.

• The NAACP will have an ethnic food festival and art exhibition from noon to 4 p.m. at the county fair barn.

• Howard College Dental Hygiene Clinic will hold an open house for Childrens Dental Health Week from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and will include games, activities and free toothbrushes.

SUNDAY

• The Crossroads Drug Recovery Program will host an open house from 2 to 4 p.m. on the second floor west wing of Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• Early Cars of Big Spring and Big Spring Rod & Custom will host a car show from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. at the Howard County Fair Barns. Admission is \$4 for adults and \$2 for children.

MONDAY

• Anyone interested in auditioning for SWCID's spring play should call Liz Wolter at 267-2511. It will be an original play with deaf and hearing characters. The last day to register for auditions is March 6.

TUESDAY

• A mini circus to benefit the Humane Society will perform at 7:30 p.m. at the Big Spring High School auditorium.

THURSDAY

• The American Continental Circus will perform at 4:30 and 8 p.m. at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

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.

Crawford given ten-year probation

By SCOTT FITZGERALD
Staff Writer

Preston Crawford was handed ten years of probation sentence for voluntarily killing 19-year-old Jimmy Yanez in November, 1985, according to 118th District Court jury decisions announced Thursday and early this morning.

He is also ordered to pay a \$10,000 fine, jurors decided.

The six-woman, six-man jury began deliberating on the trial verdict at 11:10 a.m. Thursday, arriving at the voluntary manslaughter decision more than five hours later.

After hearing testimony from 11 character witnesses who testified on behalf of Crawford, they deliberated again from 6:30 p.m. Thursday and arrived at a punishment decision approximately 15 minutes past midnight this morning.

The jurors opted for placing Crawford on probation rather than requiring him to serve a prison sentence anywhere from two to 20 years.

The voluntary manslaughter verdict jurors initially decided upon was part of a final charge that contained three other options.

Jurors could have elected to convict Crawford of involuntary manslaughter, criminal negligent homicide or a death by accident ruling that would have cleared him of any charges.

"This was a very complicated case from a technical standpoint," Prosecutor Rick Hamby said this morning.

Although appearing disappointed but respectful of the jury's punishment decision, Hamby said the numerous hours they deliberated proved "they worked hard."

"The most difficult element or what worried me most was proving the voluntary manslaughter charge," Hamby said. By definition of the law, voluntary manslaughter is harder to prove than murder, he added.

District Judge James Gregg, who read the charge to the jury, elaborated this morning on legal definitions that said complicated the case.

"You prove involuntary manslaughter along the same lines as murder, in that it is an act that is knowingly and intentionally committed," Gregg said.

However, the actual killing differs in that "it is caused under the immediate influence of sudden passion arising from an adequate cause," the judge added.

A voluntary manslaughter charge is normally to the defendant's advantage, Gregg said, in that it is a lesser felony than murder.

Complications for the prosecution arises, the judge said, since the prosecutor must prove that voluntary manslaughter was committed.

Crawford was initially charged with murder after his arrest by Big Spring police hours after the shooting. However, a grand jury reduced the charge to voluntary manslaughter after convening twice.

This week's jury analyzed testimony from 10 individuals, including Crawford. The

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Defendant Preston Crawford, right, is accompanied by his wife Janet to the 118th District Courtroom Thursday afternoon while the six-man, six-woman jury was deliberating on the verdict. He was convicted of voluntary manslaughter and received a 10-year probation sentence.

Emergency plan update first finished in Texas

By SPENCER SANDOW
Staff Writer

Howard County and its municipalities are more prepared for an emergency, now that the emergency management plan update is complete, the county's emergency management coordinator said this morning.

The plan, the first in Texas to be complete, is finished just in time for Severe Weather Awareness Week, Hal Boyd explained.

The week is sponsored to encourage Texans to be aware of severe weather problems such as tornadoes, floods, flash floods, hail and severe thunderstorms, he said.

The emergency management plan was updated at state direction to include such natural disasters, as well as hazardous

chemical spills and public unrest, he said.

The plan previously was designed for invasion, war or nuclear attack, Boyd explained.

Procedures are outlined and responsibilities of the various local agencies, such as the police, fire, sanitation and public works departments, are defined in a book form. Each department has extra details in its plan "annex," he said.

The plan lists businesses and residences located in flood plain areas, and lists places where a hazardous materials emergency could occur, such as Cosden refinery or the railroad.

A list of communications equipment and personnel, including police, the Department of Public Safety, the Big Spring

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Area residents discuss possible Collider effects

By KERRY HAGLUND

West Texans who love their rural way of life are concerned that locating the world's biggest atom smasher near their homes might adversely affect the quality of life they cherish.

St. Lawrence and Garden City area residents aired those concerns at a community informational meeting on the proposed Superconducting Super Collider project Thursday night.

About 50 people attended the St. Lawrence meeting, said LeRoy Tillery, executive vice president of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.

"Just the vastness of it (the project) sounds scary," Tillery said today. "I think we left the meeting with a very good feeling; everyone was satisfied."

Residents living at or near the proposed site brought legitimate concerns to the meeting, said John Taylor, president of the Colorado River Municipal Water District.

"It was a matter of answering questions and dispelling rumors," Taylor said.

Residents wanted to know what effects the project would have on existing structures, land, ground water and existing oil fields, Tillery said.

From what is known, the project wouldn't disturb existing structures, homes or oil wells, Taylor said.

"They don't want people moving in and disturbing their lifestyle," he said.

Only land where the tunnel must be dug would be disturbed, Tillery said.

He said he answered questions about displaced dirt by explaining that the Highway Department has expressed an interest in using the limestone for roadbed. The limestone also could be used to fill low lying areas and be stored until needed, he said.

Groundwater that farmers rely on for irrigation wouldn't be affected by the project, the two men said.

The SSC may require as much as 2,000 gallons of water a minute, Taylor said, but he noted the water would be available via a pipeline to be built by the CRMWD.

Both men said they don't know all of the criteria that must be met if the SSC is located in West Texas. But they said they are providing information to area residents as it becomes available.

Effect on oil prices considered before arms deal

By WILLIAM GARLAND
Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — Oil pricing policy by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries was one of seven long-term considerations in sending U.S. arms to Iran, according to a White House memo contained in the Tower commission report released Thursday.

The internal memo, dated June 11, 1985 from two high-level White House officials to former National Security adviser Robert C. McFarlane, showed that eventual influence

on oil pricing was considered before the first plane loads of arms went to Iran.

The memo, part of the report from the Tower commission headed by former Sen. John Tower, R-Texas, provided the first evidence that an effect on oil prices was taken into account by the Reagan administration prior to the arms transactions.

"Iranian moderation on OPEC pricing policy" was one of seven long-term objectives listed in the 1985 memo.

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Several noted petroleum industry analysts have said the arms shipments have been a factor in raising oil prices since last year by strengthening Iran within OPEC, as well as in Iran's ongoing war with Iraq.

However, the memo apparently indicated U.S. interest — prior to the crash in worldwide oil prices — in maintaining lower oil prices than the extremely high prices that were advocated by Iran in mid-1985.

The White House memo, a key document

in describing rationale for the arms sales, listed four "immediate United States interests" in supplying arms to Iran, as well as seven "longer-term goals," the commission report said.

Among the chief short-term objectives listed in the memo were limiting opportunities for the Soviet Union in Iran and "maintaining access to Persian Gulf oil and transit through the Gulf of Hormuz," through which most oil passes en route from the Middle East.

Bullock urges overhauling sales tax base

Austin Bureau

AUSTIN — State Comptroller Bob Bullock on Thursday urged lawmakers to breathe new life into what he called an old and tired state tax system.

Overhauling the system, Bullock told the Texas Senate, would put the state on the road to fairer taxes and also would help sagging state coffers by injecting \$3.3 billion more revenue for the 1988-89 budget period.

Bullock's plan would expand the sales tax base to include most professional, personal and business services and restructure the franchise tax by shifting the tax burden from heavy industries to retail and wholesale concerns.

By expanding the sales tax base, Bullock said, the state could afford to lower the state sales tax rate from 5.25 cents per \$1 to 4.5 cents per \$1.

Sen. Grant Jones, D-Temple, said Bullock's idea of expanding the sales tax base "is something we've got to do, whether we do it this session or postpone it."

The best point about the comptroller's plan, he said, is that it will allow the tax structure to reflect

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Sing it loud

Mrs. Veva Gene Williams, right, a teacher at the Big Spring Independent School District Kindergarten Center, directs some of her students through songs they have learned for Public School Week. A performance by the children is scheduled for 7 p.m.

March 5 during the PTA meeting planned in the cafeteria of the facility. A complete report on the activities of local schools will be in the Sunday edition of the Herald.

Herald photo by Tim Appel

Clements' plan cuts career ladder

AUSTIN — Gov. Bill Clements' proposed budget could cut by \$1,000 a year the extra money teachers get for doing an outstanding job, according to a plan laid out Thursday by the governor's top budget aide.

Under current law, the state pays for an annual pay raise of at least \$1,500 for teachers who progress on the career ladder. Bob Davis, Clements' director of budget and planning, told a House education subcommittee the governor wants to cut the minimum to \$500 a year.

The move would add up to a \$165 million savings for the state in 1988-89, and many districts

would avoid the pay cuts by finding other money, Davis said.

"It is not our anticipation there would be a reduction in money going to teachers," he told reporters.

Asked if \$500 a year is sufficient reward for outstanding teachers, Davis said, "There probably is no monetary level you can say is adequate reward for outstanding teachers."

Charles Beard, president of the Texas State Teachers Association, told the subcommittee the governor's plan would cause pay cuts.

"The way we see it, and the way my simple

math works, is that when you go from \$1,500 down to \$500 that amounts to a \$1,000 cut in pay for over 50 percent of the teachers in this state," Beard testified.

TSTA is not satisfied with the current appraisal system used by school districts to determine which teachers get career ladder money.

"Our message on the career ladder is either fix it or do away with it. The problem is that in all the proposals we keep hearing, no one has proposed to do away with the career ladder and put the money back into funds that would go to teacher pay in this state," Beard said.

Sheriff's log

One man released on bond

Howard County sheriff's deputies released Phillip D. Rodriguez, 28, of Lamesa from county jail Thursday morning on \$1,000 bond. He was arrested on unlawfully carrying a weapon.

Police transferred Tommy Charles Brown, 30, 1002 N. Main No. 9, to county jail Thursday morning after he was arrested on a grand jury indictment for aggravated assault. He was released on \$5,000 bond.



Still for sale

Don Ramsey cleans the Mitsubishi Diamond jet owned by the State of Texas. "The Jet" as it is called, may be the best known, most controversial item on the state government inventory. Clements has been unable to fulfill his pledge to sell the \$3.1 million airplane. Senators are discussing what to do with the jet.

Pancake supper scheduled

The Coahoma Lions Club will have a pancake supper from 5 to 7:30 p.m. March 3 at the elementary school cafeteria, to benefit Shele Reid, who underwent brain surgery at Houston's M.D. Anderson hospital, according to member Bill Read. Cost will be \$3, with preschool children eating free, he said.

Emergency

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Amateur Radio Operators Club and local radio stations, is provided.

Nancy Brownfield, assistant emergency management coordinator, said that if electrical power was lost, the radio operators would be a communication boon.

Other private sector agencies that would provide help during emergencies are part of the plan. The Red Cross and the Salvation Army are listed, as are hospitals, nursing homes, ambulances and funeral homes.

Boyd said additional ambulances could be called from surrounding communities if necessary.

KBST radio station is designated the official emergency broadcast station, Brownfield said.

Public schools also play a role in the recently approved plan. The public school transportation director is also coordinator for emergency evacuation, she said.

Other local supplies and equipment, owned by the private sector, could be utilized if the governor declares a state of emergency, Boyd said. He cites bulldozers and grocery stores' food as examples.

Crawford

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thrust of the evidence centered on recounting the details and events leading to and immediately after the shooting in the 800 block of West Fourth Street.

Both Prosecutor Rick Hamby and Crawford's attorney Robert Moore entered several photographic exhibits as evidence. Many of the photographs detailed the interior of the car in which Yanez, Ruben Gonzales and Crawford traveled when the shooting occurred. Other photographs detailed injuries Crawford suffered when he fell out of the car during the shooting.

Hamby also used car seats as floor exhibits to show how the persons involved were positioned moments before and during the shooting.

Sales tax

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the economic activity in the state.

In Texas these days, that's more service than just the oil and gas industry, which the old system taxed so heavily, Jones noted.

"It's unfair to have any segment of the economy carrying a heavier portion of your tax burden than other activities," he said. "Why should one segment of the economy be taxed heavily, whereas other sections of the economy that are, in many instances, doing more business be relatively untaxed?"

However, pushing a new tax on those who have not been taxed before will be difficult, Jones said. "But I think most people realize from an equitable point of view that the tax structure ought to reflect what's happening in the economy."

The Texas Senate also responded to Bullock's appearance by naming a subcommittee to begin hearings on the proposal next Thursday. Regardless of the Senate subcommittee hearings, all tax bills must originate in the House.

Rep. Stan Schlueter, D-Killeen and chairman of the House tax-writing committee, has introduced legislation similar to Gov. Bill Clements' plan to extend for two more years temporary sales and gasoline taxes, which were set to expire Sept. 1. That proposal would raise \$2.9 billion.

Clements has set \$2.9 billion — \$400 million less

than Bullock's plan — as the cap to new revenue flowing into state government.

By expanding the sales tax, 150,000 businesses would be added to the tax rolls, according to Bullock staff members. That would include services such as attorneys, accountants, real estate agents, automobile repair, taxi cabs, electricians, data processing and security companies.

Food, medicine, hospital and doctor's fees would remain exempt from the sales tax. Also exempt would be childcare, agriculture, commercial and residential sales.

With the state facing massive deficits due to the decline in oil and natural gas, Bullock said the state needed to collect taxes in growing industries.

Bullock said the 80-year-old franchise tax "penalizes companies with heavy investments in Texas."

Tom Pollard, of the revenue estimating division in the comptroller's office, said more than 50 percent of consumer purchases in Texas are for services. However, that sector pays only 5 percent of the sales tax, he said.

The Senate subcommittee appointed to begin hearings on Bullock's proposal includes: Richard Anderson, D-Marshall; Roy Blake, D-Nacogdoches; Grant Jones, D-Temple; Bob McFarland, R-Arlington; Hugh Parmer, D-Fort Worth; Tati Santiesteban, D-El Paso, and Bob Glasgow, D-Stephenville.

Homestead law changes proposed

AUSTIN (AP) — Lenders are backing proposals to allow people to borrow against their homes because they see those houses as ripe for picking, a consumer group member says.

The state's 147-year-old Homestead Law "has kept people in their homes through the Depression, through all the economic ups and downs we've experienced in the last 100 years," Brad Wiewel, spokesman for the Texas Consumers Association, said Thursday.

"Now bankers ... have come together to change it. Lenders just see Texas homes as right for the picking," he said.

Wiewel joined elderly citizens groups in a Capitol news conference to protest the proposals.

"Our Texas forefathers had the wisdom to put into the Constitution a safeguard that protects the home

and family, and it has served us well," said Charlotte Flynn, spokeswoman for Gray Panthers of Austin.

Texas is the only state that bars homeowners from taking a second mortgage on their homes. The Homestead Law also bars foreclosure on homes for delinquent property taxes, unpaid home improvement loans or unpaid debts.

Sen. Bob Glasgow, D-Stephenville, and Sen. Cyndi Krier, R-San Antonio, are sponsoring a proposed constitutional amendment that would allow homeowners to borrow against the home's equity.

If approved by lawmakers, the plan would be placed on a statewide ballot.

"We are not anti-business or anti-banking," said Everett Anshutz, spokesman for the American Association of Retired Persons.

"We are pro-people and we believe that the arguments put forward by the opponents of our current Homestead Law are extremely weak."

Earlier this week, Ms. Krier said current law only allows equity to be used for home improvement loans, but not other types of loans consumers may want.

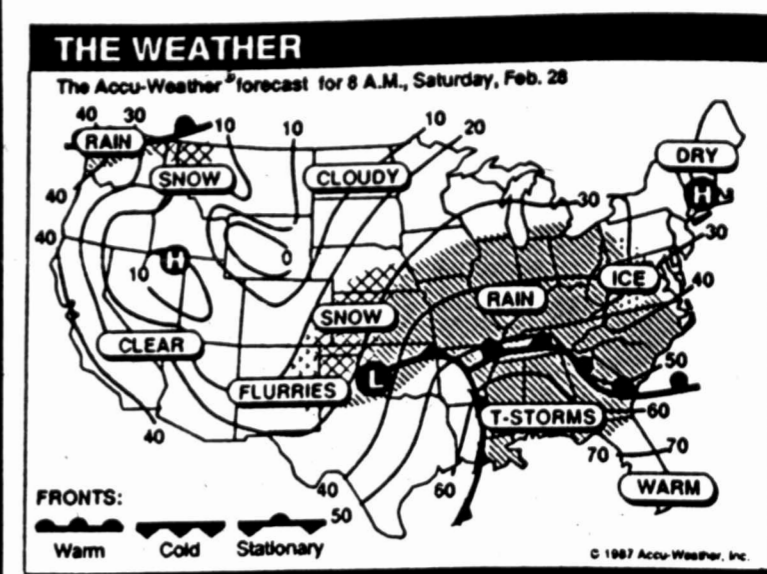
Glasgow said the bill includes protection for consumers with an absolute limit of 80 percent of the appraised value of the house applicable to loans. He said borrowers would be required to retain a \$10,000 equity above all loans.

Home equity loans could not be made if the house had an appraised value of at least \$50,000, the senators said. And if a person is 65 at the time of the loan there could be no foreclosure unless both spouses died.

Markets

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CHANGE	from close	30%	140%	160%
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American Airlines	58%	2%	140%	28%
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Atlantic Richfield	68%	45	140%	64
Bethlehem Steel	8%	10%	140%	2%
Chevron	49%	42%	140%	69%
Chrysler	46%	28%	140%	34%
DuPont	100	18%	140%	15%
Enersch	20	115%	140%	35%
Energas	14%	50%	140%	15%
Ford	76%	57%	140%	3
Firestone	37	22%	140%	26%

Weather



Forecast

West Texas - Decreasing cloudiness far west tonight but mostly cloudy elsewhere. Scattered showers and thunderstorms east of the mountains tonight, changing to snow Panhandle and South Plains late. Fair far west and Big Bend Saturday. Decreasing cloudiness elsewhere with widely scattered mainly morning showers. Highs Saturday 40s panhandle and south plains to the 50s south.

State

Dense fog lowered visibility to near zero over a vast area of North Texas early today, prompting the National Weather Service to issue a travelers advisory because of hazardous driving conditions.

There is a chance of some snow over the Panhandle and South Plains late tonight and the wet weather is expected to continue through Saturday over most of the state.

Fog and drizzle covered most of the state early today except in extreme West Texas where skies were clear.

Widespread showers and a few isolated thunderstorms were reported at dawn over the Panhandle and South Plains, extending into the Permian Basin and Concho Valley. A few scattered showers formed offshore in the Gulf of Mexico off the Texas coast during the early morning hours.

Forecasts called for cloudy skies with scattered showers and thunderstorms possible statewide through Saturday except in far West Texas where the precipitation was expected to end this afternoon.

Lows tonight will be in the 30s and 40s in West Texas, the 30s and 40s in North Texas and in the 30s in the Hill Country and the 40s and 50s over the rest of South Texas.

Highs Saturday will be in the 40s and 50s in West Texas and North Texas and in the 60s and 70s in South Texas.

Police beat

Woman forcibly robbed

A Big Spring woman was forcibly restrained and robbed by a stranger Thursday night at her home.

Louise Cunningham, 1902 Donley St., was taken to Scenic Mountain Medical Center, complaining of back pains, after she was robbed between 9 and 9:30 p.m. Thursday, according to police reports.

Stolen were a \$7,500 Rolex gold watch with diamonds, and Cunningham's purse, containing two sets of car keys, \$15 and a checkbook.

Equipment valued at \$3,000

was stolen from the Comanche Trail Park Boy Scout Hut between 3:10 p.m. Wednesday and 7:30 a.m. Thursday. The equipment, owned by the City of Big Spring, was being used by federal prison camp workers for the park renovation.

David Charles Hartman, 25, 411 Lancaster, was arrested at 400 S. Gregg St. Thursday at the scene of a minor accident, on suspicion of driving while intoxicated and failure to maintain financial responsibility. He was transferred to county jail and released on \$1,000 bond.

Deaths

Shelby Parnell

Shelby D. Parnell, 69, 3202 Cornell, died Wednesday, Feb. 25, 1987, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center after a sudden illness.

Services will be at 11 a.m., Saturday, Feb. 28, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home, with Rev. Johnny Robertson, pastor of Wesley United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Trinity Memorial Park.

SHELBY PARNELL He was born July 25, 1917, in Johnsonville. He married Carleta Elliott in a double ceremony on Dec. 8, 1945, in Stephenville.

They moved to Big Spring in 1957, moving from Ranger.

He was a radio operator in the Army during World War II, lost his right arm while in the service, and met his wife in the hospital.

He owned and operated a radio and TV repair shop in Ranger until 1957.



Robison of Gonzales, La., and Mary Parnell of Glenrose; three brothers, Jerry Parnell Sherman, Quain Parnell of Stephenville, and Bill Parnell of Eustace; seven grandchildren; one great-granddaughter.

Pallbearers will be Bob Smith, Ray Fortson, Sam Vess, Leon Stockton, Dave McMeekan and Joe Bell.

Ruby Scott

Ruby Scott, 82, 1905 Wasson Rd., died Thursday, Feb. 26, 1987, at her home after an illness.

Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 28, at Mount Olive Memorial Park, under the direction of Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home, with Rev. Lee Butler, retired chaplain, officiating.

She was born March 26, 1904 in the Elbow community.

She had lived in Dallas most of her life, and worked at Baylor Hospital for 48 years as a nurse.

She moved back to Big Spring in 1977, and was a member of the First Baptist Church in Dallas.

She is survived by one brother, Rev. C.D. Scott of Torrance, Calif.; and one sister, Geneva Blair of Warika, Okla. She was preceded in death by one sister, Ellen Tamplin, Feb. 3, 1987.

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

Ruby Scott, 82, died Thursday. Graveside services will be at 10:00 A.M. Saturday at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Shelby D. Parnell, 69, died Wednesday. Services will be at 11:00 A.M. Saturday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow in Trinity Memorial Park.

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By Associated Press Condoms given away

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. — College students on spring break happily accepted free condoms and safe-sex pamphlets handed out Thursday by a clergyman who hopes to halt the spread of AIDS.

"I'm going to use mine tonight," said Pete Gallagher, a visitor from Miami Beach. A condom was taped inside each of the 5,000 leaflets Monsignor Fred Tondalo and his four volunteers passed out to spring break vacationers along the popular beachfront stretch known as the strip.

"We're dealing with it from a public health perspective. It is a sexual problem. We're trying to stop an epidemic," said Tondalo, director of the Center One-Anyone In Distress clinic and a reverend with the Reformed Orthodox Catholic Church, which is not affiliated with the Roman Catholic Church.

Four shot at health club

WICHITA, Kan. — A gunman walked into a fitness center and opened fire with a large-caliber pistol Thursday night, killing one man and injuring three other people, police said.

"He was just standing in the middle of the room — shooting people," said a witness, Tim Freed, 20, who was getting out of the whirlpool.

The assailant was still being sought late Thursday night. Police said they had not determined a motive, and they would not release the name of the man who was killed.

Lt. Mike McKenna said one of the victims, identified as Lynn Nicholson, 35, was listed in serious condition at St. Joseph Medical Center with a stomach wound.

Warranty proposed

CANTON, Conn. — The school superintendent, tired of complaints about the quality of public education, wants to offer employers something they can understand: an unconditional warranty with every graduate.

"I came up with the idea because I believe in what we're doing. Why don't we stand behind the product?" asked Superintendent C. Frederick Kelley, who proposed the plan to the Board of Education on Thursday night.

The board took no immediate action on the proposal, which met with objections from some parents who said it treats youngsters like used cars.

Kelley had proposed that written guarantees be issued to all graduates of Canton High School certifying their mastery of reading, writing and mathematics.

The guarantees also would say graduates have passed fitness tests in running, swimming and throwing; can read music and operate a computer; know the basics of early child care; understand the requirements of responsible U.S. citizenship, and have performed community service.

Pit bulls

Owner convicted for death of boy

DECATUR, Ga. (AP) — A man whose three pit bull terriers mauled a 4-year-old boy to death has received a five-year sentence from a judge after being convicted of involuntary manslaughter.

"This child met the most horrible death imaginable," said Superior Court Judge James Weeks on Thursday as he sentenced Hayward Turnipseed, 25. "It's difficult to get out of mind."

Weeks sentenced Turnipseed to five years in prison and five on probation for the death of Billy Ray Gordon Jr. He could have received 10 years in prison.

The jury deliberated about 2½ hours before returning the guilty verdict Thursday.

Billy was killed Nov. 21, 1986, while trying to run from the animals. An 11-year-old girl with him escaped injury by falling to the ground and remaining motionless, police said.

District Attorney Bob Wilson in closing arguments conceded that Turnipseed did not intend for the boy to be killed, but said the dogs were allowed to get loose despite repeated complaints by neighbors.

"I'm sorry it happened," Turnipseed told Weeks before hearing the sentence. Turnipseed dabbed his eyes with a handkerchief while hearing the verdict.

Defense attorney Donald Samuel reminded jurors that police had issued no citations in previous complaints from neighbors, and that neighbors had purchased pit bull puppies from Turnipseed.

Although he said he could "make no excuse for the dogs," which he said had gotten loose about 12 times in the past three years, Samuel said Turnipseed could not be blamed for their action. He noted that the dogs had never killed before and had not been trained to kill.

In his sentencing, Weeks stipulated that Turnipseed could have no pets during the probation period.

The three dogs were taken to the Decatur County animal shelter



Hayward Turnipseed shuts his eyes and bites his lip Thursday as he was convicted of involuntary manslaughter in Decatur Superior Court in Decatur, Ga., in the death of a 4-year-old boy mauled to death by Turnipseed's three pit bull terriers. Judge James Weeks sentenced him to five years in prison and five years on probation and stipulated that he could not have pets during the probation period.

shortly after the boy's death, and one of the dogs has since died of natural causes. Wilson said the other two were kept alive only for the trial and would be put to death within the next couple of days.

World

By Associated Press Eight protest policy

MIAMI — Eight Americans, including two Roman Catholic priests, arrived in Miami late Thursday night after being expelled from Honduras, where they protested at the U.S. Embassy over the policy of backing Nicaraguan rebels.

Three of the group members were taken into custody by U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service agents here when they refused to give their names.

All eight arrived in the United States without passports, which they were forced to leave behind in Tegucigalpa, the capital of Honduras, said the Rev. Jim Sinnott, a Maryknoll priest.

"They chose to not cooperate and take the consequences (to show) solidarity with the prisoners in Central America," Sinnott said of the three who were taken to the Krome Avenue Detention Center.

Arias visits Mexico

MEXICO CITY — Costa Rican President Oscar Arias, opening a two-day state visit, said Thursday that Mexico and Costa Rica face similar problems "in a world that is increasingly hostile and unjust."

Amid a schedule tightly packed with receptions, flag-raising, exchanges of gifts and other symbolic activities, Arias was to spend two hours talking with President Miguel de la Madrid during the visit.

The two leaders were expected to discuss efforts for peace in Central America as well as bilateral issues, including Costa Rica's \$100 million debt to Mexico, according to Arias' spokeswoman, Lidiette Brenes.

Mexico and Costa Rica are both closely involved in efforts to negotiate peaceful solution to Central America's armed conflicts. Mexico is one of the four nations in the Contadora Group, which has been trying to arrange a regional peace treaty since January 1983, while Arias has recently proposed a 10-point plan for peace.

Ortega: U.S. invading

MANAGUA, Nicaragua — President Danie Ortega said Thursday that any U.S. naval blockade of Nicaragua could only be a prelude to an invasion.

"A naval blockade would mean the United States is taking off its mask of hypocrisy and would be saying to the world 'We do not agree to a peaceful solution,'" Ortega said in a speech in the village of Masaya, 20 miles southeast of Managua.

He was referring to a column by syndicated American journalists Roland Evans and Robert Novak that appeared in U.S. newspapers on Wednesday.

The columnists said U.S. National Security Adviser Frank Carlucci is "cautiously moving toward serious consideration of... a naval quarantine" of Nicaragua.

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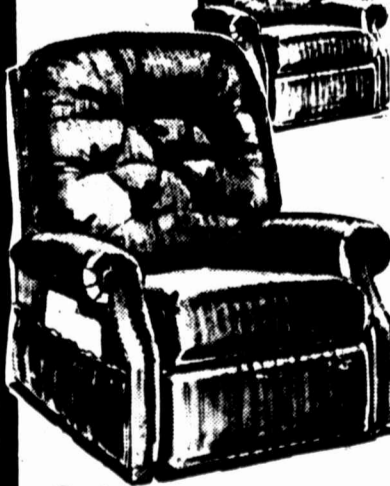


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Opinion

Reporting AIDS a public service

The headline of a national tabloid proclaimed that Liberace had AIDS. But the doctor who signed his death certificate said the entertainer died of heart failure.

Who was right — the doctor or the tabloid? There was a time when that question might have gone unanswered — when the doctor's judgment would have gone unchallenged.

But in California, Riverside County Coroner Raymond Carrillo intervened and in the process, triggered a debate over whether doctors are accurately reporting the deaths of AIDS victims.

In Liberace's case, Carrillo ordered an autopsy, then he announced that Liberace had indeed died of AIDS-related pneumonia. Other doctors, with patients not so famous as Liberace, must have flinched. How many of them have concealed AIDS cases by calling it something else on death certificates?

The Riverside coroner correctly put doctors on notice. They have a moral and legal obligation to tell the truth on death certificates. The whole truth.

We understand a patient's desire for confidentiality. But doctors must consider AIDS as a public health threat.

Doctors who lie on death certificates may do the patients a favor, but they do the public a major disservice.

AIDS not disease of America only

Now that the threat of an AIDS epidemic has reached the Soviet Union, less is being heard from Moscow about how the disease is a result of Western decadence. Soviet officials now have to face the fact that homosexuality and drug abuse, long touted as Western shortcomings, occur in the workers' paradise as well.

The number of AIDS cases in the Soviet Union is below that of the United States. But Soviet health officials have briefed party leaders about the disease and urged preparations for its spread.

The spread of AIDS from country to country — despite the efforts of health authorities to control it — is a deadly threat to mankind.

It is a serious enough threat to warrant cooperation by researchers in the Soviet, the U.S. and other nations to find ways of preventing or treating the disease.

Mailbag

Local couple opposes deregulation

To the editor:

We read with interest, and anger, the *Big Spring Herald* article headlined "Group proposes truck deregulation," which appeared in the Tuesday, Feb. 17, issue.

We were interested in the article because we are employees of the Texas trucking industry, and we were angered by the article because the statements made were misleading and even incorrect, and because we do not believe trucking deregulation will be in the best interest of the state.

It was stated in the article that it is cheaper to ship picture frames from Taylor, Texas, to Illinois, than it is to ship those picture frames from Taylor to Palestine, Texas. An example for shipping those picture frames: 600 pounds from Taylor to Chicago, costs \$33.69 per hundred, which comes to \$202.14. And 600 pounds from Taylor to Palestine, at \$9.30 per hundred, comes to \$55.80.

We are not accountants, but our arithmetic indicates that the intrastate price is cheaper. This holds true, for the most part, for all intrastate rates, as compared to interstate rates. Intrastate rates in Texas generally are from 35 to 50 percent cheaper than interstate rates.

The bill being sponsored by Kent Caperton, Chet Edwards, Hugo Berlanga and Bill Hammond would bring about lower intrastate rates in Texas. But only for about two percent of the state's shippers — those who are large enough and ship large volumes of freight. They will be able to dictate prices to motor carriers, and the rates would be less than what is now charged.

However, the other shippers would receive the maximum rates, and the maximum rates continual-

ly will escalate, because of the lower prices demanded by the large shippers.

Ninety-eight percent of the shippers in the state are small shippers, located in small towns. They will be discriminated against. They will pay higher freight rates and get possibly less service.

Economic development will not be stimulated by this bill. It will be hindered, especially in the small towns of Texas, like Big Spring. Trucking deregulation will have an adverse effect on Big Spring and other small towns. Only the large towns will be able to attract businesses in the future, if trucking deregulation occurs.

Today, Texas has one of the best transportation systems in the United States. We should not let it be destroyed by a few people who are greedy and who will benefit at the expense of others. We only have to look at the few other states that have deregulated their trucking systems.

The results have been horrible. So bad, in fact, that California is in the process of deregulating its intrastate trucking industry; Ohio has postponed its trucking deregulation; and other states are seriously considering reregulation of their trucking industries. It's been said before that "if we don't learn from history, we are doomed to repeat it and suffer the consequences."

We hope Texas is smart enough to learn from history. The simple fact is that regulated trucking works for the State of Texas. It works for everyone, and not just a select few, as does deregulated trucking.

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Countertrade becoming new trend in world market

By JACK ANDERSON and DALE VAN ATTA

WASHINGTON — For most Americans, the word "barter" conjures up a vision of explorers swapping colored beads and other trinkets with innocent natives for ivory, furs or precious gems.

For tax dodgers, barter is the foundation of an underground economy that trades one service for another — dental work for plumbing repairs, perhaps — with no cash changing hands and attracting the attention of the Internal Revenue Service.

On the international scene, barter has a fancy name — countertrade — and it involves a lot more than colored beads or a new swimming pool. Barter is big business. Unfortunately, the U.S. government has been slow to pick up on this growing trend in international trade, and as a consequence is being left out in the cold, stubbornly insisting on cash deals.

If countertrade were as small a part of international trade as it was a decade ago, this might not be so serious. In 1976, countertrade accounted for a mere 2 percent of the world's total trade of about \$1 trillion.

Now it's a different story entirely. Even the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, made up of industrialized nations that would like to discourage the barter system, estimates that countertrade now accounts for anywhere from 5 percent to 10 percent of world trade.

At the high end of the estimates, a Commerce Department cable we've seen suggests that country-to-country barter agreements now cover at least 25 percent of total world trade. In fact, according to the cable, "if crude oil barter and other types (such as arms deals) are included, countertrade-related trade should exceed \$1 trillion in 1986." In other words, the



Jack Anderson

equivalent of all world trade just 10 years earlier.

The estimates are just that, of course, because many participating governments — like Iran's — don't want to disclose their barter arrangements. "The best barter deal is the one you don't hear about" is an industry maxim.

What's so attractive about barter? It helps a country preserve its foreign exchange reserves, assures a stable supply of essential imports, expands exports and makes transfers of technology easier.

For whatever reason, barter is growing despite behind-the-scenes U.S. opposition. A separate Commerce Department study showed that in 1984 alone, at least 100 countries ordered state-owned or private companies to engage in barter agreements. It has become an essential ingredient of world trade.

One such deal that actually made it into the headlines — mainly because of the Reagan administration's vain attempt to sabotage it — was the Soviet natural-gas pipeline to Central Europe. The customer governments provided equipment, labor and financing for construction of the pipeline, in return for a guaranteed amount of gas once it

became operational.

Although officially neutral on the subject, the U.S. government actively tries to discourage barter agreements. U.S. representatives on international economic bodies argue against the booming countertrade trend. And the IRS understandably makes life difficult for U.S. merchants involved in international barter deals.

Our sources believe it's time for the government to rethink its position. Shunning barter agreements means turning our backs on a rapidly growing portion of world trade. And there's the American heritage of bartering expertise to consider, too: Manhattan island was acquired by canny Dutch settlers for \$24 of junk jewelry.

ARMS DEALERS WALKING: There's been a lot of speculation that embarrassment over the White House arms sales to Iran will lead the government to drop its prosecution of U.S. and Israeli military men who tried to do the same thing.

Sources close to one case tell us it will soon be quietly dropped. But the reason isn't just the Iran/contra scandal.

The indictment charged that weapons sold to Israel were to be diverted to Iran. And that, defense attorneys maintain, is not a crime that can be prosecuted in the United States, since any illegality would have taken place outside the country — and involved weapons already belonging to Israel.

UNDER THE DOME: Congressional insiders who remember the Watergate hearings have a new subject of speculation as they gather in the salons and saloons of Capitol Hill: "Who will be the John Dean of the Iran/contra scandal?"

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

Catastrophic care 'flawed remedy'

By STEPHEN CHAPMAN

Medicare has grown enormously since its creation in 1965. Its trust fund faces a huge long-run deficit which threatens to bankrupt Social Security. Part of this costly program has to be paid for out of general revenues.

So last week the Reagan administration, which is supposedly dedicated to reducing the size of government and relying more on the private sector, proposed to expand it.

The plan would offer catastrophic health care coverage to the elderly, with their out-of-pocket expenses limited to no more than \$2,000 in any one year. The problem — the far older Americans have of being financially devastated by a major illness — is a real one. But the administration has chosen a flawed and misleading remedy.

It is easy to exaggerate the problem. Some 70 percent of the elderly already have private insurance with catastrophic protection. Another 15 percent, the poorest, are covered by Medicaid. Only a small portion of the retired population is vulnerable to the threat this plan is designed to eliminate.

Those who worry about it have a simple, free alternative: getting their Medicare-funded treatment through a Health Maintenance Organization, as the government now allows. Most HMOs offer full coverage of catastrophic ailments.

up by the taxpayers at large.

Given the political appeal of keeping premiums low, Congress has refused to make retirees pay for all they get. The same temptation will exist here.

If the administration were truly resolved to keep the plan "budget neutral," it could have found a better way. It could have revamped Medicare benefits, with other types of coverage reduced in order to pay for this new protection.

Or it could have required Medicare beneficiaries to buy private insurance, sparing Congress the responsibility for the premiums and thus the urge to manipulate them for political purposes.

This is a government solution to a problem that is at least partly the creation of the government. Private policies designed to supplement Medicare are forbidden to offer the sort of coverage that the administration proposes to offer. They are required to cover most of that first \$2,000 in deductible and co-insurance payments.

As a result, these policies cost more than they would if insurers could offer catastrophic coverage alone. That puts them out of the reach of some retirees, inducing the government to step in.

A better answer is to allow private insurers greater flexibility in meeting the needs of the elderly. Those who want full coverage against all expenses would still be

free to buy it. Those who want only a guarantee that they won't be impoverished by a serious illness, however, would be able to buy that.

The popular appeal of the administration plan grows partly out of the belief that Medicare covers nursing home care, which it doesn't. For most older Americans, this is probably a greater financial danger than catastrophic illness. Some members of Congress criticized Reagan's plan precisely because it fails to provide for these expenses.

But shouldering them would cost the federal government upward of \$20 billion a year, for something that few retirees ever need. (About 6 percent of those aged 75 to 85, and about 25 percent of those older, are in nursing homes.)

Here, too, private insurance can provide an adequate shield. Several companies now offer nursing home coverage, and the growing elderly population will attract more. Congress should resist the impulse to offer nursing home benefits, at least until the private sector has shown whether it can meet the need.

The administration deserves credit for opposing the greater expansion being discussed in Capitol Hill, but not for its own defective proposal. It is a textbook example of how not to deal with an economic problem, and one whose damage will long outlive this administration.



Garry Mauro

Crops cater to Asian community

By GARRY MAURO

Texas Land Commissioner Near Tomball is a 62.8-acre farm leased from the Texas General Land Office that is introducing a number of new crops to Texas that cater to a rapidly growing Asian community in the Houston area, as well as providing jobs for Cambodian refugees now in Texas.

The two-year-old lease, arranged by State Rep. Senfronia Thompson, the Texas Agriculture Department and the Land Office, has provided jobs for Cambodian refugees, who were primarily farmers in their homeland. And the lease has put to work the surface of a state oil lease near Tomball.

Called Cambodian Gardens, this non-profit corporate project is bringing new crops like lemon grass, bok choy, bitter melon, Chinese long beans, luffa, fuzzy squash, tamaric and finger hot peppers, among others, a dozen crops in all.

They also grow a number of spices and seven varieties of mint. The farm is completely organic — no chemical fertilizers or pesticides are used — and all work is done by hand, although they have just obtained a tractor.

Houston's Asian population has grown from 51,000 in 1980 to an estimated 185,000, and demand for these crops has grown steadily. Cambodian Gardens delivered about 500 pounds a week last year and this year is delivering about 2,500 pounds of produce a week to Houston area grocery stores and one Chinese wholesaler on a year-round basis.

Leasing this land for the use of Cambodian refugees has served the people of the area well, providing jobs for Cambodians with more planned in the future, providing new crops for the state and bringing in money for the state from a little used piece of state land.

In this manner, the Land Management Division of the Texas General Land Office is finding new ways to make money from the land assets of Texas as well as bringing innovative new crops to Texas, crops until now imported. At the Land Office, we're using our resources to solve tomorrow's problems today.

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Lifestyle

Non A-Non B Hepatitis still a mystery

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: Will you please say something about non A-non B hepatitis? If people with it continue to be carriers, does that mean they will be for life? What ways can they give it to others? — Mrs. C.T.



Dr. Donohue

I had better explain what we mean by non A-non B hepatitis for the benefit of other readers.

We have lab tests to tell whether hepatitis (liver infection) is caused by either the hepatitis A or the hepatitis B virus. In other liver infections thought to be virus-caused but not showing the presence of either the A or B virus, we use the term non A-non B hepatitis. At our present state of knowledge, it has to be left that way.

We aren't sure whether this third type of hepatitis is caused by one or many different viruses. All we know, in fact, is that it isn't one of the major two with which we are quite familiar.

We don't know yet if the carrier of the non A-non B hepatitis will be a carrier for life. We'll need many years of experience with it to tell for certain.

It is clear that the person with this newer hepatitis can develop a chronic liver infection from it. Whether that means for life is not known.

The non A-non B type, whatever

stool. It went away, but now it's back. Along with it I have bad abdominal pains and lower back pains. It gets hard to sleep. Could this be colorectal cancer? What about the test kits you can get to test for it? Are they good? — A.H.

It would be comforting for you but really useless to list all the non-cancer causes of blood in the stool — hemorrhoids, fissure, bowel inflammation and all the rest.

You don't need a do-it-at-home test kit. You are referring to the colon cancer test kits that are available in pharmacies. They detect hidden (occult) blood, blood cells that are so small you cannot see them with the naked eye. You could actually see your blood. The kit will add no information for you, A.H.

Instead of leaping to frightening conclusions, you should be making an appointment with your doctor. He can find the cause, and cancer is only one of many things for which he'll be looking. The earlier that is found, if it is there at all, the more effective will be the treatment.

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: My wife has told me about chest pains. She says they are not angina. I am enclosing separately a list of seven medicines she's taking. She has been seeing a well-known heart

doctor in this area and he once told her she has a nervous heart. Any help or information will be appreciated, as we are desperate and don't know what to do about the pains. — J.M.

Your wife has an impressive list of drugs there. I get the idea that she is being treated for the angina she says she doesn't have. That, of course, is heart-related. She needs a 24-hour heart monitor test. That should determine the cause of pain and any irregular heartbeats.

I don't know what the term, nervous heart, could mean. If your wife isn't getting help from her present doctor, I suggest she find another, even if he turns out to be less well-known.

Is angina pectoris dangerous? Is there a cure? If you would like to learn more about this heart condition, write to Dr. Donohue, in care of the Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 11210, Chicago, IL 60611, for a copy of his booklet, "You Can Control Angina." Enclose a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope and \$1.25.

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

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Moss PTA plans spring fund raiser

The Moss PTA met Feb. 24 for the group's regular meeting. Mrs. Richard Wright, president, said that plans for their spring fund raiser were discussed and finalized. The PTA and students will be selling confectionary and gourmet goodies from the Cherrydale Farms products.

The sale will begin Feb. 27 and end March 9. Moss, principal of the school, stated that support of this project will be greatly appreciated.

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Area briefs

Sewing machine course offered

The Continuing Education Department at Howard College is offering a course in Sewing Machine — Self-Service and Troubleshooting. This course is scheduled for Feb. 28 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., with an hour off for lunch.

Cost of the course is \$25. Oscar Corral, sewing machine mechanic, will be the instructor.

Participants will shown how to make adjustments and prevent costly repair bills on the machines.

Sewing techniques such as: how to make button holes, blind stitch, monograms, and have more machine control on different fabrics will also be taught.

Anyone who uses a sewing machine professionally or personally realizes that the equipment must work correctly in order to eliminate a great deal of wasted time and effort. This course is a necessity for drapery makers, upholsterers, alterations specialists, and professional seamstresses who rely on the sewing machine as means of income.

For more information, contact Howard College at 267-6311 extension 315.

Stress topic at Homemakers Club

Hazel McCrary presented a program on "Stress can be good for You," at the Feb. 24th meeting of the Center Point Extension Homemakers Club.

The group met at the home of Ireba Griffith and Fannie Kent was the co-hostess.

Seven members and one guest, Zay Birrill, attended the meeting.

Three cakes were brought for the Big Spring State Hospital birthday party.

Games were played and Zay Birrill and Hazel McCrary won the prizes. Next meeting will be at the KOAH Center on March 10 with Cleo Eggleston and Florence Rhoton, hostesses.

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The use of contraceptives promotes health, not sin

DEAR ABBY: I used to think you gave pretty good advice for the most part, but you fail our young people when you advise them to use contraceptives for premarital sex.



Dear Abby

We know that premarital sex is wrong, just as we know shoplifting is wrong. So, do you think it's OK to say, "Shoplifting is against the law, so if you're shoplifting, come to me and I will tell you how to keep from getting caught?"

You tell people if you drink, don't drive. Abby, people aren't supposed to drink in the first place, so why not just tell them not to drink instead of saying, "If you're going to drink, don't drive?"

About sex for unmarried people: When you advise them to use contraceptives to keep from getting pregnant or catching a disease, you are giving them permission to have sex and helping them get by with it by telling them how not to get pregnant or diseased. You might as well say, "Although you're not supposed to have sex, go ahead and have fun, kids — but don't get caught." I would like an answer.

UPSET IN INDEPENDENCE, MO.

DEAR UPSET: One of the most powerful urges inborn in the human animal is the sex drive. Nature intended it to ensure perpetuation of our species. It is not comparable with the temptation to swipe a candy bar or a T-shirt.

A great many young people are having sex, with or without permission. So in the interest of saving lives, they should know how to prevent pregnancy and disease — particularly since AIDS is incurable. Denying them such information

will not stop them from having sex; it will only leave them ignorant and vulnerable to a life-threatening disease. Wake up. What people don't know can not only hurt them, it can kill them.

DEAR ABBY: My husband is recovering from a severe heart attack. "Sol" must lose 40 pounds, and his doctor has told him that he may not smoke or drink any more.

Sol is very unhappy about these orders, and his frustration is compounded by comments from his friends. One said, "After my heart attack, I went back to drinking, smoking and eating, and it didn't do me any harm." Another said, "You're on a 1,200-calorie diet! Why, I eat that much for breakfast."

Then there are those who invite us for dinner and insist that my husband have a second helping of pie topped with ice cream. Sol knows he shouldn't have it, and so do they, but they tempt him anyway.

Abby, I love my husband and want him to live, but all these so-called friends are undermining his efforts to regain his health. He can't afford another heart attack, and I don't have the courage to tell them off in front of Sol.

What can I do?
WORRIED WIFE
 DEAR WIFE: Are these so-called friends ignorant or malicious? If they're ignorant, educate them. If they're malicious, find new friends.

DEAR ABBY: I've read letters in your column from nearly every segment of society. How about giving some space to an ex-bank teller? That job ranks No. 1 for the most abused employees in the working world. Of all bank employees, the tellers have the most contact with the public, making us the most vulnerable for extortion, kidnapping, etc., yet we are the lowest on the pay scale.

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A DISGRUNTLED EX-TELLER

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Home test kits help couples become parents

By NYU MEDICAL CENTER

A new type of home test kit has facilitated counseling treatment of couples hoping to become parents, according to an infertility specialist at New York University Medical Center.

The kits, used to determine the time of ovulation — the release of an egg by the ovary — suggest the most auspicious time to attempt conception and are replacing older, less reliable techniques.

"These kits permit self-testing for the LH surge," said Dr. John R. Quagliarello, associate professor of clinical obstetrics and gynecology and director of reproductive endocrinology at the medical center. "They are far more convenient than temperature

charting, and our studies show they are also more dependable."

By more accurately predicting ovulation, he noted, the test can help a woman attempt to achieve pregnancy, whether by sexual intercourse or by artificial fertility.

Ovulation, the NYU physician explained, is triggered by the pituitary gland's secretion of luteinizing hormone (LH), which is detectable in the bloodstream, but only via expensive assays which would require daily visits to the physician's office. The hormone also appears in the urine within hours, however, where it can be detected with the aid of the test kit.

Laundry offers magic touch to customers

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — "The Amazin' Silko" stepped in front of his audience and greeted them. Neatly dressed in a midnight-blue tuxedo, he proceeded to pull cigarettes out of the air.

Facing the attentive audience, he raised his right arm and turned over his empty hand, and the cigarettes appeared from behind his fingers.

Around him, the washers were spinning through their cycles. The dryers were whirling the bath towels and shirts.

Silko's real name is Bill Brown, and though he is comfortable working in the world of shadows and illusions, his audience thinks he has a clean act.

Brown is the house magician at

the Triangle Coin Laundry. Every few months, Brown does a half hour show in the middle of the laundry room.

Why have a magician perform in a laundry?

"Basically, doing laundry is boring," said Steven Chasen, 35, the manager of the business, which is family owned. "Anything to get people to enjoy it is worth trying."

The response of the customers runs the gamut. There are those who freeze-frame while folding their underwear or pouring the fabric softener.

"Others are nonchalant and try not to act surprised," said Chasen.

Chasen said he got the idea of bringing entertainment into the Triangle from a trade magazine.

About six years ago he read about a business in Texas that held square dances, so he tried out the idea in Omaha.

One of his customers, he learned, was a square dance caller and he brought in a band. After six months Chasen had to stop because the dancers' heels made a mess of his floor.

Then he brought in a rock 'n' roll band but a music union wanted him to pay them for having the band play. He gave up that idea.

Chasen found out that Brown, who works at the laundry as a steam presser, was a retired magician, and the performances began.

Brown, 59, had been a performing magician for 25 years before retiring.

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New pastime

Bo McHugh, an employee of the Hassayampa Inn in Prescott, Ariz., tries to clear a path to his hotel after more than 26 inches of snow hit the area in the last two days Thursday. It represented the greatest snowfall in 21 years for the area, officials reported.

State

By the Associated Press

State seashell sponsored

AUSTIN — Lawmakers hope to lure tourists to Texas beaches by casting as bait a seashell indigenous to the Gulf Coast.

Sen. J.E. "Buster" Brown, R-Lake Jackson, and Rep. John Willy, R-Angleton, announced Wednesday their sponsorship of a resolution that would designate the Lightning Whelk as the state shell. The measure also is co-sponsored by legislators whose districts include coastal areas.

Designating the shell as a state shell, "will be one more opportunity for Texas to promote our beaches across the United States."

"I think it's time we recognize our coastal waters, which provide so much of the recreation and tourism for the state," said Willy.

J.H. McIver, president of the Brazosport Museum of Natural Science, said the shell is one of the few that opens on the left side. The shell gets its name from colored stripes on the outside that reminded its discoverer of lightning bolts, McIver said.

The species recently was chosen to appear in the Shell Collection of U.S. postal stamp books.

Officials arrest sergeant

AUSTIN — A technical sergeant stationed at a California Air Force base has been arrested on charges of killing and attempting to rape a Bergstrom Air Force Base civilian employee who was beaten to death earlier this month.

Tech. Sgt. Gerald I. Mobley, 34, is accused of killing Cynthia Torres, 25, who worked as a cashier at the Non-Commissioned Officers Club.

Mobley was arrested Tuesday at George Air Force Base in Victorville, Calif., where he is based, said Bergstrom spokeswoman Maj. Wanda Whitney.

Whitney said Mobley was on temporary duty at Bergstrom at the time of the attack.

Torres, who was beaten and strangled, later died at Brackenridge Hospital.

Mobley, charged Wednesday with murder and attempted rape, was arrested by special agents from George Air Force Base after a joint investigation by the Austin Police Department and Bergstrom's Office of Special Investigations. He is being held at a confinement facility at Edwards Air Force Base in Edwards, Calif., and will be tried in a military court, Whitney said.

Slatton said Austin authorities will retain the right to try Mobley in a civilian court after the court-martial.

Oil firm to ban smoking

AMARILLO — A no-smoking policy will take effect this summer at the Amarillo headquarters of Mesa Limited Partnership, company officials have announced.

"We are adopting this policy primarily for the benefit of the majority of Mesa employees who don't smoke," John Durkin, manager in charge of employee fitness at the firm, said Thursday. "We want to eliminate the unnecessary health risk posed by smoking in our offices."

The ban, to take effect July 1, will prohibit smoking only at the Amarillo headquarters of Mesa, the nation's largest independent natural gas producer. It has a total of 623 employees, but the smoking ban will apply only to the 388 employees at the headquarters.

The no-smoking policy is part of the company's efforts to promote healthy lifestyles among Mesa employees, said Paul W. Cain, president of the firm headed by T. Boone Pickens Jr.

Mesa is sponsoring a smoking-cessation class for its 388 headquarters employees and their spouses, Durkin said.

Law firm donations probed

AUSTIN — About \$400,000 contributed to eight Texas Supreme Court justices last year came from political action committees and members of law firms involved in the landmark Texaco-Pennzoil lawsuit, published reports say.

Attorneys and law firms representing Pennzoil Co. contributed at least \$315,197 to the justices while Texaco Inc. attorneys and other law firms contributed about \$72,700, according to campaign records examined by the Austin American Statesman and The Texas Defender, a legal trade weekly.

The contributions, compiled from records on file with the Texas Secretary of State, were legal and the contributors have given to Supreme Court campaigns before the Texaco-Pennzoil case, which has not yet reached the state Supreme Court.

"Texaco makes noise about everything," Pennzoil lead attorney Joe Jamail told The Associated Press Thursday. "The problem they have is their lawyers contributed to the same judges that I did. They keep complaining about contributions to judges. How do they expect judges to run for office when our laws say that's the correct procedure?"

In 1985, a state district court jury in Houston awarded Pennzoil \$10.53 billion because of Texaco's interference in a planned merger between Pennzoil and Getty Oil Co.

Killer may get new trial

HOUSTON — A convicted killer who has served the most time on death row in Texas could get a new trial and go free until the outcome of that trial because of a Supreme Court ruling, the prosecutor in the case says.

Robert Excell White, who has been on death row since Aug. 26, 1974, probably will get the new trial because he was examined by a psychiatrist without his attorney's approval, Collin County District Attorney Tom O'Connell says.

White, 49, was convicted of capital murder and sentenced to death for the shooting death of a 73-year-old grocer and two customers during a robbery in McKinney.

O'Connell told The Houston Post the new trial is likely because in a similar case, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled the psychiatric procedure violated a defendant's constitutional rights.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Texas Utilities Electric Company (TU Electric), in accordance with the rules of the Public Utility Commission of Texas, hereby gives notice of the Company's intent to obtain a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity for the proposed Falcon-Seaboard Cogeneration 345 kV Loop, as described below.

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Persons who wish to intervene in the proceeding or comment upon action sought, should contact the Public Utility Commission of Texas at 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Suite 400N, Austin, Texas 78757, or call the Public Utility Commission Consumer Affairs Division at (512) 458-0223 or (512) 458-0227, or (512) 458-0221 for teletypewriter for the deaf within 15 days of this notice.

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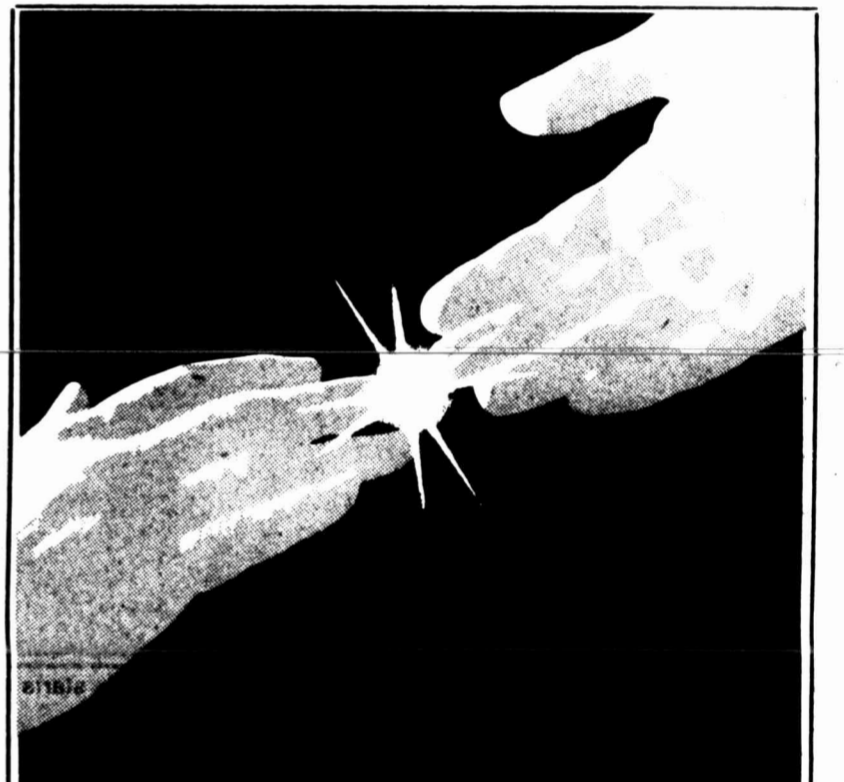


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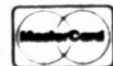
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Robert Heldfond is making cosmetic history with his EB5 Cream. His dream since Pharmacy School has resulted in a wrinkle cream which is enjoying record sales in department stores and is praised very highly among cosmeticians and customers.

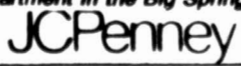
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Leaday: Real home of Stacy Dam



Herald photos by Tim Appel

Leaday's only resident is moving out of the tiny community that will be lake bottom when the Stacy Dam becomes reality. Mary Alice Stephenson, below right, will soon be making her home in Coleman, where Bill, above, one of her four sons, now resides. Although not obviously emotional about moving, she's specific about her opinion of the dam: "They should have called it the Leaday Dam," she says with a chuckle.

By EDDIE CURRAN
Staff Writer
LEADAY — This West Texas community, population one, is scheduled to join Atlantis in the year 1990.

That's the year completion of Stacy Dam is targeted — it is also the year you'll need scuba gear and a weight belt to walk the streets of Leaday.

In 1990, or soon thereafter, Leaday will become lake bottom.

You'll have to travel 35 feet below water to find the birthplace of Mary Alice Stephenson, who celebrated her 83rd birthday in Leaday Sunday.

Although Leaday once had a hotel and a drugstore, she is the community's only remaining citizen.

Tuesday, with help from her son and grandchildren, Mary Alice was putting things into boxes, preparing to move. She has sold her house, she said, and she's moving to nearby Coleman.

Mary Alice doesn't seem to mind having to move. She doesn't seem sad or sentimental when asked about the prospect of leaving her home. However, she does have some opinions on the new dam.

"They should have called it the Leaday Dam," she says with a chuckle.

She also thinks the delay caused by the Concho Water Snake controversy was a bunch of nonsense.

"I shot lots of 'em, just to show people how crazy they are not wanting 'em killed," says Mary Alice, who adds that she used to have a picture of the snake on her wall.

Mary Alice gave birth to four sons in Leaday, and her oldest, James, comes to town each day to open the post office-gas station. Although Mary Alice is the town's lone resident, two other families continue to receive their mail there.

You can buy gas as well as stamps at the post office, although it's only open two hours a day. It's about 30 steps from Mary Alice's house, and across the road from a tin shack and a house with floors that have collapsed. A church, where services are conducted every other Sunday, is about a quarter mile up the road.

Though Mary Alice isn't the type to tell you she's lonely, she would have reason to be. She's been Leaday's only citizen for awhile now.

"It's been five years since Mrs. Creek moved, hasn't it Billy?" she calls to another room.

She'll be moving soon herself, and fish will be the next generation to call Leaday home.

The disappointment doesn't seem to run deep in Leaday, however.

The true sentiment may be that expressed in the post office. When you press your nose to the post office window a red, white and blue banner on the back wall becomes visible.

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Three Lady Steers make all-district

District 2-4A district champions Big Spring Lady Steers headed the All-District team, placing three unanimous selections on the 15-member squad.

Big Spring, which was the only team to have three players on the squad, placed senior forward Teresa Pruitt and junior guards Paige Clawson and Katrina Thompson.

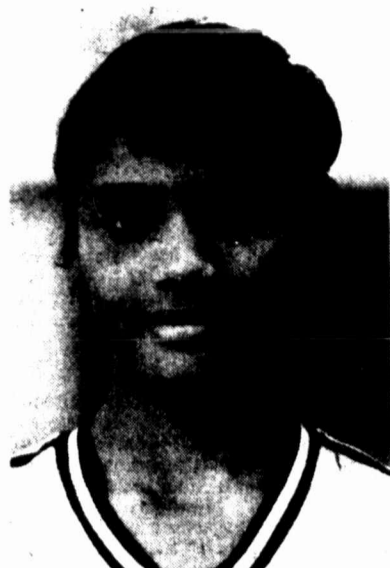
If the district had chosen a Most Valuable Player, the 5-8 Pruitt would have had the inside track. Not only was she a force on offense, with a deadly 10-footer jumper, she also was one of the Lady Steers' top defensive players. Pruitt averaged 23 points, 11 rebounds and four steals per game. Last year she was named to the 4-5A All-

District first team.

Clawson, a transfer from May, was Big Spring's best ballhandler this season. The 5-6 lefty, whose specialty is driving the lane, averaged 11 points, four steals and four assists per game. This makes the third consecutive year she's made All-District. Last year at May she was second team All-State.

The 5-7 Thompson was Big Spring's outside threat and best free throw shooter. From her favorite spot on the court, the top of the key, she averaged 10 points long with three steals and four assists. She was a 75 percent free throw shooter.

The Big Spring Lady Steers posted a 25-5 record under the



TERESA PRUITT
...two-time selection



PAIGE CLAWSON
...third time around



KATRINA THOMPSON
...first time to make squad

direction of coach C.E. Carmichael. The Lady Steers were defeated 67-42 by Canyon in bi-district action.

District runner-up Sweetwater, Andrews, Snyder, Lamesa and San Angelo Lake View each placed two players on the team.

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TERESA PRUITT, BIG SPRING, SR.; PAIGE CLAWSON, BIG SPRING, JR.; KATRINA THOMPSON, BIG SPRING, JR.

Queens nipped at buzzer

By EDDIE CURRAN
Staff Writer

LEVELLAND — Usually, a last second, one-point loss with debatable officiating is a recipe that makes Howard College Hawk-Queens' coach Don Stevens darn mad.

But since Thursday night's 74-73 loss at South Plains didn't mean a thing as far as the final conference standings go, Stevens was able to sluff it off as good practice for next week's regional tourney in Waco.



Howard College Hawk point guard Kenny Jones (33) plays defense against South Plains' Reggie Gibbs during Western Junior College Athletic Conference action Thursday in Levelland. South Plains won the game 112-97.

Hawks drop season finale to South Plains

By EDDIE CURRAN
Staff Writer

LEVELLAND — When you're much shorter, and really not as good, you've got to play your best and get hot from the outside to win.

The Howard College Hawks may have played their hardest Thursday night at South Plains, but they didn't play their best, and they didn't get hot until the end. As a result, the conference's number two team led by as many as 23 and coasted to a 112-97 win over the Hawks.

"We knew we would have to have an extraordinary effort to win," said Hawks' coach Larry Brown. "But we've all been in a kind of shooting slump. I didn't think they (Hawks) quit — they kept battling to the buzzer. I think we just peaked too early."

It was the last game as a Hawk for sophomores Dennis Rhodes, Mitchell Porter, Walter Walker, and Matt Brown. Rhodes, the Hawks 5-6 point guard, played as he'd played all season. He finished with 21 points, nine assists, eight rebounds and four steals, all team highs.

While those four were finishing their Hawks' careers, another Hawk, 5-5 point guard-manager Kenny Jones, did something he'd never done before. Jones dresses out occasionally but rarely plays — his usual duties entail taking care of the players, the stats and the water.

Jones proved Thursday night that he could whip most any team's manager on the floor. The jet-quick freshman scored three points, made an assist, drew a charge and recovered a loose ball. Though disappointed with the loss, Jones couldn't conceal a grin during the Hawks' post game meal.

"I felt like I was back where I grew up," Jones said, and told about playing in the South Plains gym as a youngster on Boys Club trips.

"I played in that gym when I was ten years old, so I felt pretty comfortable. It was pretty exciting get-

ting to play. And it felt great to score in college basketball. I don't know how many more chances I'll have to do that again," Jones said, unable to stop smiling.

Brown also smiled when talking about his manager.

"We were always dressing him out, but tonight I decided I was going to play him. And he did pretty good. He's a hustler," Brown said about his manager.

It turns out Brown needed his manager. With two minutes left, Robert Barley fouled out, the fourth Hawk to do so. With Billy Giggins home sick, the Hawks would have had four players without Jones. As it was, Brown jokingly asked Texans' coach Ron Mayberry to lend him a player.

Women

Here are the women's final WJAC standings. Season record is listed first, followed by conference record.

Western Texas	26-3, 11-1
Odessa	23-3, 10-2
Howard	19-9, 7-5
South Plains	17-10, 7-5
Clarendon	14-9, 5-7
Frank Phillips	9-17, 1-11
New Mexico	8-20, 1-11

THURSDAY'S RESULTS
Western Texas 76, Clarendon 56; Odessa 100, New Mexico Junior College 54; South Plains 74, Howard 73.

Technically, the loss meant Howard and South Plains finished in a tie for third place in the conference with 7-5 records. But since Howard beat the better conference teams, they were assured of the third place seeding in the tournament. For this reason, Stevens said before the game that it was "just a matter of momentum."

Afterwards, Stevens' momentary disgust at the outcome was just that — momentary.

"It was an exciting ballgame, and it was good practice for regionals. We're just going to forget this and think about Waco," Stevens said, though he added, "We should have hung on to that."

With less than a minute to play, the Queens led 71-67, but two last

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Paper ID's SMU's source of money

DALLAS (AP) — Developer and sports agent Sherwood Blount Jr., who was banned from booster activity at Southern Methodist two years ago, was the unidentified source of payments for student athletes cited in the NCAA's probation report, the Dallas Times Herald reported.

The NCAA Wednesday cited the payments as the basis for the harshest penalty ever against a college football program. The NCAA identified the source of the money only as "an outside athletics representative who had been disassociated from the university's athletics program."

In a copyright story Thursday, the newspaper quoted sources close to the SMU athletic department as saying that Blount was the source of \$61,000 in cash payments.

When asked Thursday about the newspaper report, Blount told The Associated Press, "I appreciate that opportunity (to respond), but I have no comment."

He was one of nine boosters barred from SMU athletics in August 1985 when the NCAA stripped the football program of 45 scholarships, placed it on three years probation and criticized alumni involvement in recruiting violations.

Blount said, "I won't comment on that unless you reveal your sources," when the Times Herald told him that sources had identified him as the booster referred to in the NCAA's report.

"Please make sure you're right,

because I hold you personally liable if you print that. If you're wrong, we'll go to court and prove you wrong. Let me tell you this, unless you read it in the NCAA report or you were told by an SMU official, we will look to you and the newspaper as responsible."

The NCAA on Wednesday canceled SMU's 11-game schedule for 1987, limited the team to only seven games in 1988 and cut the coaching staff from 10 to six until 1990, reduced scholarships and prohibited television and bowl appearances in 1988.

The NCAA report did not identify 13 implicated players, but said 10 players who received the illicit payments, which ranged from \$50 to \$725 monthly, completed their eligibility last year or already had left the university. Three other players with eligibility remaining also received money.

A source close to the athletic department said the 13 players cited in the NCAA investigation were paid monthly during the September-to-May school year and not during the summer months.

A source close to the athletic department was quoted by the Times Herald as saying the three players with eligibility remaining are junior Jeffrey Jacobs, junior linebacker Reggie Ballard and sophomore defensive lineman Robert McDade. All three denied receiving any payments, the newspaper reported.

Sports Briefs

Church softballers to meet

The church league men's slow pitch softball organization will meet Monday at 7 p.m. at Highland Lanes meeting room #2. Officers and members will discuss selling concert tickets and the city park project.

Chicano golfers to meet tonight

The Chicano Golf Club will meet to elect new officers Friday at 8 p.m. at the Miller Lite warehouse. All members and prospective members are urged to attend.

Hawks' game postponed a day

The Howard College Hawks baseball double-headers with Hill Junior College in Hillsboro, scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, has been rescheduled for Sunday and Monday, due to wet grounds. If the grounds are still too wet, the games will be played Monday and Tuesday.

Girls region tournament begins

The Region I-2A Basketball Tournament will be tonight and Saturday at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. The opening game will be tonight 6 with Panhandle (27-4) against Wall (25-6). At 8 p.m. Morton (25-8) will battle Reagan County (19-4). The championship game will be at 1 p.m. Saturday.

Sweetwater Rattlesnake Run

The Texas Rattlesnake Run will be March 15 in Sweetwater at the Sweetwater Country Club. The runs will be 10K and two mile. Entry fee is \$8 before March 1 and \$10 on the day of the race. The 10 K run begins at 8:30 a.m. and the two mile run starts at 9. First through third place trophies will be awarded to the top three finishers in each division. For more information call 235-4461. For travel and accommodations write: Rattlesnake Run, 905 East 15th, Sweetwater, Texas, 79556.

Fowler named MVP

COAHOMA — For the third year in a row, Coahoma Bulldoggettes forward Shana Fowler made the 5-3A all-district team, and this year she added district co-MVP to her list of awards.

Fowler led the Bulldoggettes to a 24-6 record, and averaged over 20 points and 10 rebounds per contest. She was also a dead-eye from the foul line, where she hit over 80 percent of her shots.

The Coahoma senior was joined on the all-district team by teammate Shona Drewery, a junior. Drewery averaged eight points and seven rebounds a game. Also from

Coahoma, juniors Nancy Hardison and Jo Hudson, and senior Nancy Cunningham made honorable mention all-district.

Tracy Corn, a junior from Abilene Wylie, shared MVP honors with Fowler.

7-AAA Girls All-District
Stacy Newberry, sr., Merkel; Kate Mathews, sr., Sonora; Marian Shelton, jr., Wylie; Cindi Tate, jr., Wylie; L.D. Guy, so., Clyde; Tammy Harvey, sr., Wylie; Michelle McCleary, sr., Sonora. **SHANA FOWLER, SR., COAHOMA; SHONA DREWERY, COAHOMA; JR., TRACY CORN, WYLIE, JR.**

Astros reliever mad

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston Astros relief pitcher Charlie Kerfeld says Astros General Manager Dick Wagner is more interested in pinching pennies than winning a World Series and that he may walk out of camp.

"There's a stick about 6 feet long, and so far I'm getting one foot of it," Kerfeld said Thursday at the Astros' training camp at Kissimmee, Fla. "He (Wagner) doesn't seem to want to budge for me or Glenn (Davis) or any player with less than three years in the big leagues."

Wagner was attending a meeting in Dallas and unavailable for comment.

Davis, runnerup as the National League's Most Valuable Player last season, currently is a holdout in his contract squabble with

Wagner. Davis and Kerfeld, key figures in Houston's NL Western Division title last season, have less than three years of major league services and are ineligible for salary arbitration.

"Obviously, he's (Wagner) worried more about pinching pennies than he is about winning the World Series," Kerfeld said.

Kerfeld, in his second season in the major leagues, finished with an 11-2 record and 2.58 earned run average last season as a middle reliever.

"I'm not saying I'm bitter, but I'm very disgruntled," Kerfeld said. "Glenn Davis is a NL superstar of the future. There are no more Glenn Davises in the Astros minor leagues and there are no more Charlie Kerfelds either."

HOME 2:00 GUEST PERIOD BONUS

SCOREBOARD

NBA Standings

Table with NBA Standings for Eastern Conference (Atlantic, Central, Midwest, Pacific) and Western Conference (Midwest, Pacific) divisions.

Detroit at Boston, 7:30 p.m. New York at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.

College Hoops

Table with College Hoops scores for various teams including Amherst, Babson, Boston Coll., Castleton, Franklin & Marshall, etc.

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Transactions

BASEBALL American League Kansas City Royals Signed Steve Farr and David Coen, pitchers, to one-year contracts. NEW YORK YANKEES Signed Henry Cotto, outfielder, to a one-year contract. OAKLAND A'S Signed Rick Rodriguez and Tom Dozier, pitchers, to one-year contracts. BASKETBALL National Basketball Association Milwaukee Bucks Acquired Marvin Webster, center, after the New York Knicks failed to match a NBA offer sheet the Bucks had signed him to two weeks ago. PLACED Dudley Bradley, guard, on the injured list. NEW JERSEY NETS Signed Ray Williams, guard, to a contract for the rest of the season. PHOENIX SUNS Signed Dick Van MacLeod, head coach. Named Dick Van Arsdale interim coach. WASHINGTON BULLETS Activated Frank Johnson, guard, from the injured list. Requested waivers for Mike O'Koren, forward. BOXING International Boxing Federation IBF Stripped Michael Spinks of his world heavyweight title for refusing to fight top-ranked contender Tony Tucker. National Hockey League PITTSBURGH PENGUINS Recalled Troy Loney, left wing, from the Baltimore Skipjacks of the American Hockey League. Returned Phil Bourke, left wing, to Baltimore.

IBF takes title away from Spinks

NEW YORK (AP) — In stripping Michael Spinks of his world heavyweight title, the International Boxing Federation may have cleared the way for what promoter Butch Lewis has called a "People's Championship" fight with Gerry Cooney. The IBF on Thursday stripped Spinks of the title for refusing to fight top-ranked contender Tony Tucker in a mandatory defense. Spinks had been scheduled to defend the title in June against the winner of the Mike Tyson-James "Bonecrusher" Smith bout as part of HBO's heavyweight championship unification series. Tyson holds the World Boxing Council title, and Smith is the World Boxing Association champ. Last Dec. 22, HBO obtained an injunction, prohibiting Spinks from fighting Cooney until he had fulfilled his obligations to the unification series. Lewis, however, says he can't appeal

the IBF ruling until the federation's June convention, effectively knocking Spinks out of the unification series. Consequently, Lewis said he would ask his attorneys to go back to Justice Elliott Wilk in New York "and see if we cannot get the injunction vacated, under the circumstances." "If judge Wilk lifts the injunction, I'm then going to pursue Michael Spinks and Gerry Cooney to fight — not for the 'People's Championship' — but for 'The Heavyweight Championship of the World,'" Lewis said. "The only way they can take away the title from Michael Spinks is inside the ring." The action came only one day after the World Boxing Association stripped Marvelous Marvin Hagler of one of his three world middleweight titles, subject to appeal. Hagler, who is supposed to fight Sugar Ray Leonard on April 6, still is the IBF and WBC champion.

In a statement released from IBF headquarters in Newark, N.J., President Robert W. Lee said action was taken against Spinks after a unanimous vote by the IBF championship committee. In the statement, Lee said the vacant title would be filled in an "immediate elimination series" between Tucker and No. 2 contender, James "Buster" Douglas. The winner will defend the title within six months against Carl "Truth" Williams, Lee said. In Las Vegas, where he was promoting the March 7 Tyson-Smith bout, Don King said it appeared likely that the new IBF champion would replace Spinks in the unification series. Spinks won the IBF title on Sept. 22, 1985 with a 15-round decision over Larry Holmes. Spinks since has defended the title twice, including beating Holmes again last April 19 in Las Vegas in a mandatory defense.

Doral Open

MIAMI, Fla. (AP) — First-round scores Thursday in the \$1 million Doral Open Golf Tournament on the 6,939-yard, par 36-72 Doral Country Club Blue Course: Bernhard Langer 34-31-65; Larry Rinker 32-34-66; Tom Kite 33-34-67; Phil Blackmar 31-36-67; Tom Sieckmann 34-34-68; Ken Brown 32-36-68; Lennie Clements 34-35-69.

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Continued from page 1B might do the impossible. Walker scored off a steal, and Porter scored moments later and was fouled. He hit the free throw, and Rhodes hit a three-pointer the next time down. Myron Wright scored to close the gap to 12 points with 5:35 left, but the Texans scored the next six points to seal the win. Though the Hawks had virtually no chance at winning, Matt Brown played fiercely in the closing minutes. Driving relentlessly to the bucket, Brown scored 10 points in the final minutes for his highest output as a Hawk. In the final minute, preparing to shoot a foul shot, the sophomore from Queens, New York had to back off for a moment to clear the

tears from his eyes. "It was just a little too late. It just hurts to go out like this. But you just have to give it all you've got," said a quiet Brown afterwards. Rhodes, who fouled out, played his last game with Coach Brown, for whom he played on two state championship teams at Bryan. "I knew this would be my last game playing for him, but I've just got to look ahead now. But losing those last three in a row, especially when you have a chance for the playoffs, it just kind of hurts," Rhodes said. Walker and Porter closed two-year careers at Howard last night.

"It's bad to end that way, but at least we went down trying. It would have been worse if we went down with no effort," Walker said. Porter said he'll miss playing as a Hawk. "I kind of wish Howard was a four year school. Once you get used to it, then it's time to go," he said. Brown praised the Texans, who he thinks have a chance of winning the regional tourney in Waco. The Texans started five sophomores, all of whom started in last year's regional final loss to Midland. Lorne Joshua led the Texans with 29 points. Freshman Myron Wright scored 20 for the Hawks, and drew four charges. Four charge games are a lot rarer than 30-point

performances. Brown said he expects Wright to be a major force for next year, when his sophomores are gone. "I'm going to miss all of those sophomores. They didn't always play exceptionally well, but they always played hard, I think," Brown said. The Hawks finished the 1986-87 season at 14-14 overall and 7-8 in conference. HOWARD (97) — Rhodes 8-0-21; Porter 3-1-7; Walker 4-0-9; Barley 8-2-18; Brown 4-2-10; Mitchell 1-0-2; Wright 8-4-20; Jones 1-1-3; Martin 3-0-7. Totals: 41-10-97. SOUTH PLAINS (112) — Garror 3-4-13; Gerber 5-0-15; Hayden 3-2-8; Knight 8-2-20; Joshua 11-7-29; Colbert 6-8-20; Mumphrey 0-2-2; McDonald 0-0-0; Johnson 1-0-2; Shelbin 1-0-2. Totals: 38-29-112.

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Continued from page 1B minute calls did them. On the first, the Lady Texans Jackie Drones drove to the bucket, and Leslie Gooch fouled her as she picked up her dribble. Drones continued driving toward the bucket, and scored. The ref, after calling the foul, said that the bucket counted as well. Stevens raved, and later called it "that NBA shot," referring to the NBA policy of continuation — a policy not normally adhered to in the WJCAC. Drones hit the charity shot to close within one. On the next trip down, Stefanie Massie banged in a turn-around jumper in the lane to give the Queens a 73-70 lead with 25 seconds left. Penny Elkins scored on the other end to close within one with 15 seconds remaining, and South Plains called time. Pam Franklin was fouled trying to break the press, and the sophomore from Grand Prairie missed the front end of a one-and-one. The Lady Texans raced down the floor, and with three seconds on the clock, Leona Gerber lofted a 20-footer that Gooch deflected and that the Queens rebounded. A late

whistle indicated that Gooch was being called for the foul, and the Big Lake freshman couldn't believe it. Gerber, a sophomore playing her last home game, canned the two free throws to give the Lady Texans the final margin. A steal on a long inbound pass sealed the win. Gooch finished the game with 16 points and seven assists, including a 14-point first half. Massie, with 26 points and 11 rebounds, appeared to be peaking for the playoffs. When Massie got the ball down low, she pumped, faked, and fought her way to an open shot. "She got a slow start and warmed up," Stevens said. "She was our key player tonight. Gooch had a great first half, and she played a good floor game." The Queens outscored the home team by 12 points from the field, but South Plains hit 13 more foul shots in 18 more tries. The Lady Texans shot 18 of 24 from the line, as compared to five of six for the Queens. Sophomore Carolyn Willandt

also had a strong game, with 15 points and eight rebounds. The Queens finished with a 33-32 edge on the boards. The Queens ended the regular season at 19-9 overall. They'll be looking for their 20th win Tuesday in Waco. "It's going to be a wide open field. I feel like we've got as good a chance to win it as anybody," Stevens said. HOWARD (73) — Gooch 8-0-16; Powell 3-0-6; Jackson 5-0-10; Massie 12-2-26; Willandt 6-3-15; Franklin 0-0-0. Totals: 34-5-73. SOUTH PLAINS (74) — Etchison 1-0-2; Gerber 7-6-20; Dranes 4-3-11; Elkins 5-1-11; Watson 5-2-12; Schilling 6-6-18. Totals: 28-18-74. Halftime: Howard 36, South Plains 35.

PUBLIC NOTICE

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: An open hearing on the 1987-88 Budget for the Senior Citizen's Center is to be held in Building 487 at Airpark at 1:00 p.m. on March 6, 1987. 4089 Feb. 25, 26, 27, 28 & Mar. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 1987

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY GRANTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS, SEALED BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED UNTIL 10:00 A.M. Monday, March 16, 1987, FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE Sale of pinsetters and equipment from the Webb Bowling Lanes located at the Big Spring Industrial Park. BIDS TO BE OPENED AT THE BIG SPRING CITY HALL, BIG SPRING, TEXAS, WITH AWARD TO BE MADE AT A REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE BIG SPRING CITY COUNCIL. BID INFORMATION AND SPECIFICATIONS MAY BE OBTAINED IN THE OFFICE OF THE PURCHASING AGENT, ROOM 105, CITY SENIOR PLACE ADDRESS, J.W. FAYNE, 1608 State Big Spring, Texas, lot 12, block 1, Striping Addition. BY certified letter address to the last name owner at his last known post office address, and effecting made to give said owner notice to correct the unsanitary condition existing on the above described lot(s), which condition has been administratively determined to constitute a menace to the public health; that condition still exists and that after the expiration of ten (10) days from the 20th day of February, 1987, unless sooner done by you, said City will go on said lot(s) and correct the health menace existing on said lot(s), and the cost of said work done and expenses incurred shall be charged against the true owner of said lot(s) and assessed against said lot(s), and a lien fixed against said lot(s) to secure the payment of the expenses incurred by the City. COTTON MIZE Mayor, City of Big Spring, Texas 4084 Feb. 24 & 27, 1987

PUBLIC NOTICE

ADVERTISING AFFIDAVIT WEEDY, UNSANITARY, UNSIGHTLY LOT, ETC. STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF HOWARD TO THE REAL AND TRUE OWNER(S) OF THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY OF THE City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, the last named owner(s) being as follows and post of file address according to the tax roll of said City and to all persons owning or having or claiming any interest in the following described tract or tracts: ELLA AHRELL, 502 Austin, Big Spring, Texas; lot 2-3, Block 50 Original Town Addition, JEAN E. MILLER, Box 802, Big Spring, Texas; lot 7, block 1, Striped Addition, J.W. FAYNE, 1608 State Big Spring, Texas; lot 12, block 1, Striping Addition. BY certified letter address to the last name owner at his last known post office address, and effecting made to give said owner notice to correct the unsanitary condition existing on the above described lot(s), which condition has been administratively determined to constitute a menace to the public health; that condition still exists and that after the expiration of ten (10) days from the 20th day of February, 1987, unless sooner done by you, said City will go on said lot(s) and correct the health menace existing on said lot(s), and the cost of said work done and expenses incurred shall be charged against the true owner of said lot(s) and assessed against said lot(s), and a lien fixed against said lot(s) to secure the payment of the expenses incurred by the City. COTTON MIZE Mayor, City of Big Spring, Texas 4084 Feb. 24 & 27, 1987

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE STATE OF TEXAS Defendant(s) Greeting: You are hereby commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff(s) Petition at or before ten o'clock A.M. of the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being Monday the 2nd day of February 1987, at or before ten o'clock A.M. before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, at the Court House of said County in Big Spring, Texas. Said Plaintiff(s) Petition was filed in said court, on the 29th day of September A.D. 1986, in this cause numbered 31,810 on the docket of said court, and styled: Empire of American Federal Savings Bank Plaintiff(s), vs. Peter C. Hansen, Defendant(s). A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Suit on Note This suit is brought to collect a debt owed on a note executed February 23, 1984 by and between Plaintiff and Defendant. Upon default the note matured and the entire unpaid principal balance of \$2,500 and accrued interest became due. Plaintiff seeks to recover the unpaid principal balance in the amount of \$2,757.01 and accrued interest, prejudgment and postjudgment interest, attorney's fees and all court costs. As is more fully shown by Plaintiff(s) Petition on file in this suit. If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved. The officer executing this process shall promptly execute the same according to law, and make due return as the law directs. Issued and given under my hand and the Seal of said Court, at office in Big Spring, Texas, this 23 day of December A.D. 1986. PEGGY CRITTENDEN, Clerk, District Court, Howard County, Texas By Colleen Barton, Deputy 4082 Feb. 23 & 24, 1987

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PUBLIC NOTICE On Tuesday, February 24, 1987, the City Council of the City of Big Spring, Texas, passed and approved on second and final reading an ordinance which is described as follows: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS, DESIGNATING THE INTERSECTION OF GREGG STREET AND EDWARDS BOULEVARD AS A TIMED TRAFFIC SIGNAL CONTROLLED INTERSECTION, DIRECTING THE ERECTION OF THE PROPER SIGNS, AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION. Thomas D. Ferguson, City Secretary 4080 Feb. 27 & 28, 1987

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PUBLIC NOTICE The successful bidder will be required to submit a Certification of Nonspecialized Facilities prior to award of the contract, and to notify prospective subcontractors of the requirement of such a Certification where the subcontract exceeds \$10,000. Samples of the Certification and the Notice to Subcontractors appear in the specifications. In all areas of employment women and men will be afforded equal opportunity for employment. The employment of women shall not diminish the standards or requirements for the employment of minorities. Minimum wages and labor rates for the construction of the proposed work have been established by the Secretary of Labor. A schedule of labor classifications and wage rates to be paid are included in the specifications and will be made a part of the contract. The bid form shall contain a statement that the prices bid are based on such wage rates. This project is subject to Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action, Minority Business Enterprise Contract Provisions, and other requirements stated in the Instructions to Bidders and other sections of the project specifications and contract documents. Information for bidders, proposal forms, specifications and plans are on file in the office of the Airport Manager, Big Spring, Texas, and at the office of Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc., Consulting Engineers, 4010 Avenue R, Lubbock, Texas 79412. Copies of the Plans and Specifications may be secured from Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc., Consulting Engineers, 4010 Avenue R, Lubbock, Texas 79412, upon deposit of FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00) as guarantee of the safe return of the plans and specifications. The full amount of the deposit will be returned to the Bidder upon return of the documents to the Engineer in good condition within thirty (30) days after the date for receiving bids. CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS By A.C. "Cotton" Mize, Mayor 4085 Feb. 27 & Mar. 6, 1987

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Religion

Cowboy preacher He feels at home in Big Spring

By CARLEEN EVERETT
Lifestyle Editor

The new minister at Baptist Temple says he's a "cowboy at heart."

"I was born with my boots on," Lee Rogers added.

The native Texan was born and raised on a ranch in San Marcos, near Austin, and says he "deeply loves Texas."

"During my first 20 years, I don't know of many days that I didn't ride a horse."

He's especially proud of his 5-year-old registered Paint Mare.

"I broke her myself," Rogers said with pride.

His love for horses is "apparent, but he also enjoys playing racquetball, fishing, deer hunting and spending time with his children.

He and his wife, Barbara, and children, Robin Leigh, 2, and John Will, 10-months, moved to Big Spring on Dec. 21.

The friendly people and slower pace are two things that Rogers likes most about the town.

"People are more like Texans here. Big Spring is warmer than where I'm from... I like a smaller town. My wife and I want to rear our children in a smaller town."

He also is enjoying his new position at Baptist Temple Church and says his greatest love is working for the Lord.

"The congregation has spoiled me. They gave us a West Texas sized pounding that wasn't asked for... it was appreciated."

A pounding is a gathering of friends who give canned goods to newcomers.

Rogers says he felt led to Big Spring. "I felt the Lord telling me to come here. Two or three churches had talked to me, but I felt led here," he explained.

Although Rogers jestingly claims he's "19 and holding," he

quietly admits to being 33.

At 18, he made the commitment to the Lord, he said.

"One Sunday morning at church I felt the preacher was just preaching to me. I went forward and was saved — and then was baptized a week later.

While a senior at Southwest Texas State University, he said he felt the call to preach, but didn't follow it right away.

He taught school for a while and realized that God really wanted him to preach.

"I feel that school teaching one of the highest calling besides ministering, because of the influence we have on people."

"Preaching didn't come easy," said Rogers. "I was a shy teen-ager and became a speech major because I was too shy to speak to people."

Rogers adds that although he felt that God wanted him to preach, he never really felt qualified. He said he always thought "Who am I, Lord?"

In 1981, he graduated from the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary with a master of divinity degree.

His first preaching position was in Hazelhurst, Miss., 50 miles south of Jackson. He also served the third oldest church in Mississippi — Damascus Baptist, where civil war veterans are buried, he noted.

Rogers says he has two goals for the church — to be evangelistic and mission-minded.

"We need to be evangelistic in preaching the death, burial and resurrection, and anticipate the second coming.

"Mission education is very important to me. There are 16 million people in Texas and 8 million are lost, unsaved or unchurched.

"I'm a beneficiary of the Cooperative Program, a united effort to supplement education in Texas, in hospitals and children's homes. Baptist Tem-



Lee Rogers, the new minister at Baptist Temple, and daughter, Robin Leigh, 2, feed and groom his Paint Mare and colt. "I broke her myself," Rogers said with pride. His love for horses is apparent, but he also enjoys playing racquetball, fishing, deer hunting and spending time with his children.

ple can affect the world by cooperative missions.

"As a Baptist, I'm excited about our mission. By the year 2000, we want to preach the good news of Christ to every person on the face of the earth. We have 3,000 foreign missionaries in 107 nations."

Rogers also has participated in foreign mission programs. Four years ago he went to Hon-

duras and did construction work there for a week. In 1985, he went to Oaxaca in Puerto Excondido (the Pacific Coast side of Mexico) and preached two messages in Spanish.

In April he is going to San Luis Potosi.

"It humbles me to go and see the hunger, people living in huts and living on dirt floors. I'm always blessed when I go."

Church news deadline announced

We would be pleased to announce your church news on the Friday Religion page.

Please submit your church news to the Lifestyle department of the Big Spring Herald by Wednesday noon prior to the Friday it is to be published.

Please include a name and telephone number of a local resident who may be called in case we have any questions.

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Wednesday Service 7:00 p.m.

Church briefs

FCA to host Week of Champions

The Stanton FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes) and area churches are sponsoring the "Week of Champions."

Special emphasis will be placed on sports on March 2 with several Texas Tech male athletes who will share their faith.

Jeff Lynn and Lynn Moore, two youth entertainers, will be present on March 5th.

All youth is invited to attend both events at the Stanton High School Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. and enjoy this fellowship time in Christ.

St. Mary's to begin Lent activities

Pre-Lenten and Lenten activities begin next week at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Goliad.

On March 3rd the parish will celebrate for the last time until Easter. There will be a Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper from 6 to 8 p.m.

The 40 days of Lent begin on March 4 — Ash Wednesday. There will be three services of the Imposition of Ashes: 7 a.m., 12 noon and 5:30 p.m. These services have traditionally been used to set the penitential mood, which will characterize the worship at St. Mary's until Easter.

During Lent, St. Mary's will host its traditional Wednesday evening meatless covered dish supper, followed by a speaker.

Scheduled speakers are: the Rev. Robert L. Bonnington, rector of St. Mary's, on March 11; the Rev. Victor Sedinger, pastor at First Christian Church, on March 25; the Rev. Donald Hungerford of Odessa, former Rector of St. Mary's, on April 1; and the final program will be on April 8 with Marie Hall of Big Spring.

Each program will begin with an evening prayer at 6 p.m. and the speakers will begin at 7.

Premarriage workshop March 14

The Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas will host a premarriage workshop March 14 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The workshop is for couples contemplating or planning to be married. It will aid couples in looking at the stages of marriage as well as the commitment, communication, growth, role development and a spiritual value system.

The workshop will be led by the Rev. Norman Godfrey, executive director of the Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas. The Presbyterian minister has specialized in marriage and family therapy for 12 years.

World Day of Prayer to celebrate Centennial March 6

World Day of Prayer celebrates its Centennial on March 6, proclaiming the theme "Come and Rejoice" at the First Presbyterian Church on March 6 at 10 a.m.

A 100-year-old prayer movement of global dimensions, the World Day of Prayer is a worldwide expression of mutual prayer and Christian unity.

Its uniqueness lies in the fact that its expression is found in local communities and its leadership in laywomen of the church.

World Day of Prayer originated in the United States in 1887 as a day of prayer for mission. It has developed into a movement in which Christians in 170 countries

and regions of the world gather each year to observe a common day of prayer.

The same theme and worship service is shared and translated into hundreds of languages and dialects. In many countries, it serves as a catalyst for women to come together as they work to bring about changes in their lives.

An International Committee chosen from each of eight major regions of the world was formed in 1967 to assume responsibility for the global administration of World Day of Prayer.

It was this committee of women who wrote the Centennial worship materials. In May of 1986, the In-

ternational Committee gathered for the first time in the United States, making it possible for participants from all over the world to attend the global celebration of the World Day of Prayer Centennial at Riverside Church in New York City on May 18.

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Pre-Lenten services begin Sunday

The First Presbyterian Church, 701 Runnels, has scheduled special Pre-Lenten Worship services — prior to the beginning of Lent on Ash Wednesday, March 4.

The services will be March 1 at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. and on March 2 and 3 at 7:30 p.m.

Guest preacher will be the Rev. G. Taft Lyon, pastor of Manhattan Presbyterian Church in El Paso. His topic of the series is "Tensions in Christian Doctrine and Faith."

Lyon is noted for his work as pastor in Junction, San Antonio and Houston before assuming the position in El Paso in 1973. He has been involved in overseas missions, the establishment of the International Seaman's Center and the Texas Council of MHMR Center.

The community is invited.

'Alive in Christ' revival planned

East Fourth Street Baptist Church will host a six day revival "Alive in Christ" beginning March 1 and ending March 6.

Services will be conducted March 1 at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. and March 2 through March 6 at 7:30 p.m. Everyday from 12 noon to 1 p.m. the church will have a pot luck, covered dish luncheon and Bible study.

Speaker for the revival is Bill Cathey, associate for Mass Evangelism State Mission Commission Baptist General Convention of Texas.

He is the author of four revival preparation manuals and one crusade preparation manual. Two of the revival preparation manuals he developed have been translated into Spanish.

Cathey conducts church revival preparation workshops all across the United States. He has been listed in Who's Who in Religion in America, Who's Who in the South and Southwest and Who's Who in American Universities and colleges.

Music evangelist and recording artist Marion Warren of Euless will lead the choir all week.

Friday night is "Old-Fashion" night.

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women together into one Christian community of prayer, advocacy and service. It represents a broad spectrum of religious tradition, race, age, economic status and ethnic background and works through a national unit, 52 state units (including Washington, D.C. and Puerto Rico) and 1,800 local units.

World Day of Prayer offerings make possible, in part, the mission of Church Women United including the Intercontinental Grants for Mission program that funds national and international projects in support of the empowerment of women, human rights, justice and peace.

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THE Daily Crossword by Kenneth Witts

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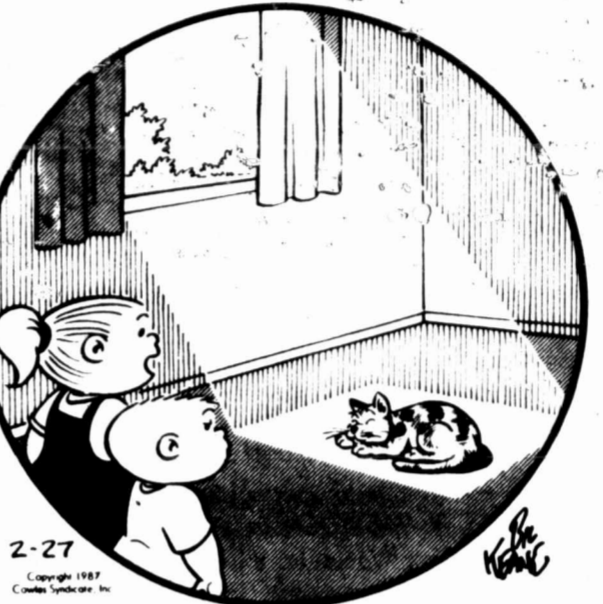
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GENERAL TENDENCIES: You find this is not the day to get involved in new activities. Go along on an even keel and bring your deep-seated urges into expression now.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Quietly eradicate whatever is not good for your plan of existence. Be with those who help you remain calm.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Contact friends who have proven themselves in times of need and show how much you appreciate them.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Avoid allies who are apt to try to limit you today. You can now handle a civic duty you have neglected.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to Jul. 21) It's not a good day to do whatever is annoying to you, so concentrate on releasing tension.

LEO (Jul. 22 to Aug. 21) Forget about romance and fun for now and get busy on keeping promises you have made. Keep your car running well.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) An associate can be of great assistance to you at this time. Get your heads together and produce results.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Today is fine for making arrangements for a good time later. Take any health treatments you need.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Put an added touch on whatever you are working on and make it more effective and valuable.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Do something of a progressive nature. Tonight is fine for having guests in and enjoying their company.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Do something different to your home. Some sight-seeing with friends can prove quite interesting.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) You know how to show your finest abilities, so get busy on this. Plan to be with people you like.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) You know how to make your life more interesting now. Do whatever will please your mate the most.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY... he or she will definitely be a modern age product, but it would be wise to teach this one more about conventional, standard principles. Upon reaching adulthood your progeny will be able to communicate with almost anyone, but don't forget about a fine education.

"The Stars impel; they do not compel." What you make of your life is largely up to you!
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GEECH

COULD I SEE A DOCTOR, PLEASE?
WHAT SEEMS TO BE THE PROBLEM?
IT'S MY ASSISTANT. HE TRIPPED AND GOT HIS HEAD STUCK IN A BUCKET.
OH, MY GOODNESS! YOU FILL OUT THESE FORMS AND WE'LL HAVE THAT BUCKET OFF IN NO TIME!
I DON'T WANT IT OFF. I JUST WANT SOMEONE TO SHOW ME HOW TO FEED HIM WITH AN I.V.

B.C.

HOW DO I GET ACROSS TO THE PUBLIC THAT BESIDES HAVING A GORGEOUS BODY, I ALSO HAVE A BRAIN?
I CAN GET YOU A CENTERFOLD LAYOUT IN SCIENCE DIGEST.

ANDY CAPP

IF ONLY YOU'D ASK YOURSELF IS IT WORTH IT?
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DON'T YOU EVER STOP TO THINK?
I NEVER STOP TO THINK WHEN I'M ENJOYING MYSELF - NOBODY CAN DO TWO THINGS AT THE SAME TIME AND DO 'EM BOTH WELL.
HE'S A PERFECTIONIST.

HI & LOIS

AH, THAT'S GREAT OLD MUSIC! SAMMY KAYE, ARTIE SHAW, WOODY HERMAN!
HA! WHAT FUNNY NAMES! SAMMY, ARTIE, WOODY!
WHAT ARE YOU LISTENING TO?
"THE DOORS"

BUZ SAWYER

EXPECTING THE WORST, BUZ DRINKS THE "POISONED" MARTINI...
WELL, WHEN DO I DIE, PRINCE?
HA-HA!
YOU ARE EITHER VERY BRAVE OR STUPID!
NEITHER! JUST BRIGHT! YOU NEEDED THE STAR WAR PLANS MORE THAN MY LIFE!

SNUFFY SMITH

DEAL ME ONE CARD, DOC...
JUST ONE BODACIOUS CARD!!
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I DON'T MAKE HOUSE CALLS!!

WIZARD OF ID

REPEAT YOUR INSTRUCTIONS
"ONE, IF BY LAND... TWO, IF BY SEA"
...BUT, WE DON'T HAVE ANY SEA?
GOOD!
THAT'S WHAT MAKES YOUR PART SO EASY.

GASOLINE ALLEY

Chipper is looking at new cars!
It's all that girl's fault!
What do you mean?
She suggested he buy all new clothes!
And he takes her to expensive places!
I think she's just after his money!
Money? Chipper?

BEEBLE BAILEY

PASS THE SALT
SALT IS BAD FOR YOU
SO IS NOT PASSING IT

PEANUTS

WHERE'S MY BASEBALL GLOVE? IT'S ALMOST BASEBALL TIME AGAIN...
I HOPE HE'S FORGOTTEN HE HUNG ME IN THE CLOSET...
HAS ANYONE SEEN MY GLOVE?
IF HE OPENS THE DOOR, I'M GONNA PRETEND I'M A BAT AND SCARE HIM TO DEATH!

DICK TRACY

TRACY, IT'S SHORT NOTICE - BUT WE MAY BE ABLE TO PULL IT OFF -
GREAT!
SHOULD WE NOTIFY THE FBI OF OUR LITTLE EXPERIMENT?
NO - BUT IF WE PIN-POINT THE LOCATION, WE'LL PASS IT ALONG TO 'EM IMMEDIATELY... UNLESS IT'S NEARBY, IN WHICH CASE I'LL CHECK IT OUT FIRST!

BLONDIE

THAT'S UNCLE JAY THE HUMAN CANNONBALL. THEY'D FIRE HIM RIGHT OVER THE LION ACT.
HE'D BE WITH US TODAY, BUT...
YOU'VE SEEN A PLAYER REACH UP TO INTERCEPT A PASS?
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Outreach Center plans grand opening

A grand opening ceremony is scheduled Sunday, March 8, for the new Outreach Activities Center opened in the city by the Big Spring State Hospital.

The center, located in The Corral building at 611 E. Third St., will be open to the public from 12:30 to 3 p.m. that day, said Jack R. Stovall, director of community programs for the state hospital.

Stovall announced the grand opening Wednesday during Media Day activities at the state hospital, attended by representatives from the *Big Spring Herald*, radio stations KBST and KBYG, and KMID-TV Channel 2.

Stovall reported The Corral basically will be operated as a recreation center for state hospital clients — "We prefer to call them members," he said.

He reported the center first opened on Feb. 5 when five members attended. Since then, as many as 25 have attended, he said.

"But we haven't yet initiated our transportation program," he said, indicating that more will be attending when transportation is available.

The hospital has compiled a list of 103 clients who can benefit from the activities, Stovall said. He added that others who can benefit also are invited, and he noted the center already has served some residents not on the list.

A couple of equipment items still have yet to be installed, including a 20-foot long shuffleboard table, the community programs director reported.

Stovall said movies are being loaned free to the center, which will offer soft drinks, coffee and popcorn. The center also will have dances and monthly birthday parties for all who have birthdays that month, he reported.

The hours that the center will be open have been changed at the request of clients, Stovall said.

The center will be open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 6

p.m. and Fridays and Saturdays from noon to 9 p.m. It will be closed on Sundays and Mondays.

Originally, the plan was to have the center closed on Monday and Tuesday, and open only till 8 p.m. on weekends, Stovall said.

The center's operation is a "first for Big Spring," Stovall said, explaining that the purpose of the center is "to try to prevent re-admissions to the hospital."

He explained the center specifically is designed for outpatient clients living and working in the community who do not have adequate access to social and recreation activities.

In some cases he indicated it's a matter of the member not feeling emotionally comfortable at the various other social activities in the community.

Stovall recalled that The Corral was the last of six sites considered in Big Spring for the center. The other five included

some that were too badly in need of repair, and a couple that drew opposition from downtown businesses.

He said The Corral building then was offered by the mayor at \$500 rent per month, which Howard County Commissioners Court agreed to pay.

Stovall noted the city originally had agreed to pay utilities, which he estimated at \$300 to \$500 per month. But he explained the mayor subsequently volunteered to pay for utilities after the question of a potential conflict of interest was raised over the city paying utilities at a building owned by the mayor.

In other Media Day activities, media representatives were taken on a brief driving tour of the state hospital grounds.

The tour included stops and visits to the inside of three of the hospital's 43 buildings. During a meeting room discussion

afterward, Dr. C.R. Sutton Jr., staff psychiatrist and clinical director, reported that at one time the hospital's patient population was more than 1,000.

That was 20 to 25 years ago, however, Stovall said today.

The two explained that the development of various medications, such as anti-depressants, during the past 25 to 30 years have allowed treatment changes. He said people with emotional illnesses and chemical imbalances now can be treated on an outpatient basis rather than being kept at the state hospital.

Those changes have reduced the average daily patient population at the hospital to its current 329 and the average length of patient stay to 76, he reported.

The hospital spokesmen also reported that 43 percent of the hospital's workload now is substance abuse patients — those using alcohol and drugs.

Texas congressmen say 'oust Reagan'

By JIM CRAIG and PHIL SWANN
Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — Texas congressmen Thursday called for a housecleaning at the White House and criticized President Reagan for maintaining too loose a rein on his top advisers.

The comments came following the release of the report by the Tower commission, the panel headed by former Republican Sen. John Tower of Texas to probe the dealings of the National Security Council and the Iran arms affair.

The commission found, among other things, that the president did not seem to be aware of the way his arms-to-Iran policy was implemented nor the full consequences of his policy.

While the president received a dose of bipartisan criticism from the lawmakers, it was White House Chief of Staff Donald Regan who drew the stiffest complaints.

Several Texans interviewed called for Regan's firing.

"The president has been ill-served, ill-advised and he ought to immediately clean house," said Democratic Sen. Lloyd Bentsen. "He delegated too much and did a poor job of supervising his immediate subordinates."

"He ought to start with Don Regan," Bentsen said of the executive branch housecleaning. The senator said when the president delegates as much as he does, "it's going to get you in trouble. And that is what it has done."

Republican Sen. Phil Gramm was less harsh in his criticism.

"The president made mistakes. The American people understand mistakes. Great people learn from their mistakes. I think that will be the test here," said Gramm.

Gramm, who declined to comment about the future of the chief of staff, said the Tower commission report clearly shows there were personnel problems at the White House.

"Those who were charged to serve the president did not serve the president well," Gramm added.

"I think now it is important that the president respond to the Tower commission report and make those changes necessary to correct our policy as it relates to Iran and to assure that the barn door is closed so that no more horses get out."

Gramm commended the president for establishing the Tower commission, "for giving them total access to his most private file."

"For some reason, he (President Reagan) delegated too much authority to the chief of staff," said

Findings THE TOWER COMMISSION REPORT

"The President made mistakes."
—Commission chairman
John Tower

	A "disengaged" President President Reagan "did not seem to be aware" of how policy was implemented or what the consequences were and "made mistakes." Control was too informal and key advisers including Chief of Staff Donald Regan and former National Security Director John Poindexter were lax.
	Trading arms for hostages The primary motivation for the arms sales was the freeing of the hostages, and not developing a rapport with moderates in the Iran as the White House has maintained. Trading arms for hostages was counterproductive.
	Authorizing arms shipments to Iran The president probably did approve the arms shipments prior to the first shipment on August 30, 1985; his recollection of not approving the shipments until later is probably faulty.
	Was there a White House cover-up? No effort by President Reagan to cover up what happened was found, but Poindexter, Lt. Col. Oliver North and others concealed vital information from other Administration officials and Congress and were obsessed with secrecy.
	Diversion of arms-sales funds Poindexter and, later, CIA Director William Casey knew about North's siphoning off arms profits to aid the Nicaraguan Contra rebels and did not tell the president; Regan probably didn't know until Attorney General Edwin Meese discovered the diversion in late November, 1986.
	Covert operations run from the White House The NSC-run Iran arms operation was unprofessional and suffered from lack of supervision by knowledgeable officials; both Reagan and Regan failed to insist on proper procedures and orderly conduct of policy; proper records apparently were not kept.

Rep. Solomon Ortiz, D-Corpus Christi. "I think it would be better for the country for Regan to leave. I don't think he has done anything wrong, but it would be better for the country."

Rep. Charles Stenholm, D-Stamford, said he thinks the president should return Treasury Secretary James Baker III to the White House as chief of staff. "He clearly did a phenomenal job when compared to Regan," Stenholm said.

"Obviously, we've had a White House out of control in many areas

that's extremely important," Stenholm added.

The West Texas congressman said the president must assume the responsibility for the Iran arms affair.

Rep. Beau Boulter, R-Amarillo, described the president as a "strong leader who has great instincts, who has a wonderful vision of his country" but one who does not want to get involved in details and one who relies on a strong chief of staff.

"That accentuates the need for a chief of staff to make sure the

president is well served and does not get into trouble," Boulter said.

"I have no doubt Regan should go. I always thought Jim Baker did a wonderful job. If he was on the job, this wouldn't have happened," Boulter added.

"More than any one person, it's Don Regan's fault. He apparently wanted to control the operations of the national security staff. The president has not done anything illegal," Boulter said.

"I've said for several months that chief of staff Regan is in the wrong place at the wrong time," said Rep. Steve Bartlett, R-Dallas.

Telephone computer fails

DALLAS (AP) — Hundreds of thousands of long distance telephone calls from Dallas and other Texas areas were blocked for hours Wednesday because of a computer problem, an AT&T spokesman said.

The Dallas area long distance switching system, which is essentially a large computer that switches long distance calls into and out of the 214 Area Code, failed, said Dallas media relations manager for AT&T.

"The machine handles over 500,000 and 600,000 in its busiest hours. It's capable of handling more than that," she said.

The problem began about 9 a.m., was fixed by 2 p.m., but recurred later in the afternoon. At 6 p.m., she said, service was near normal and that no other work on the computer was planned for Wednesday night.

She said the malfunction long-distance calls into and out of the 214 area, but other areas could have been affected indirectly. "Other parts of Texas may have gotten more busy signals than normal simply because during the busy hours of the days, the Dallas switch acts as a backup and would pick up overflow traffic from other parts of the state," Ms. Schwilling said.

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Boy's balloon prompts response from inmate

HOUSTON (AP) — A fifth-grader who joined fellow students to send aloft 900 balloons bearing an anti-drug message received a response from an authoritative source — an inmate who blames his imprisonment on drug abuse.

Eric Boudreau, who attends Holmsley Elementary School, sent the balloon several weeks ago and received in return a page-long letter from 20-year-old Kenneth Hicks.

Hicks, a trusty who rides a horse and watches cattle, found Eric's balloons and the attached card, emblazoned with the "Just Say No" anti-drug message, in a cattle pasture.

"Hi Eric," Hicks wrote back. "I thought I'd write you and tell you a few things."

"No. 1, I am in Sugar Land. I'm in the Central Unit Prison."

"No. 2, the reason I'm in prison is because of drugs."

"No. 3, I was a drug addict and did a lot of drugs and they have really messed my life up."

Hicks, who said his drug use began in high school in Denton County, explained how he took loot from a burglary to a drug dealer for methamphetamines. Conviction on the burglary netted him a 10-year prison term.

"That's what really did it,"

Hicks said of his drug use. "I got hooked on that. When I was on them, I really didn't care about anything."

The students sent the balloons aloft about two weeks ago.

"There were these three balloons with a card attached," Hicks said Wednesday. "I almost rode by, but I decided to see what it was."

Hicks said he carried the card for about two weeks before writing to Eric. He also asked fellow inmates — many whose drug problems resulted in prison terms — to sign the letter. Thirteen did.

"This ain't no place for nobody to live," Hicks said of prison. "If it (his response) made a difference for a few kids, that's what really counts."

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