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Onions

Texans are growing onions claimed to be sweet enough to eat like an apple. Story on page 2.

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Spring board

How's that? Helen Keller

Q. When did Helen Keller begin to understand words?

A. One hundred years ago Sunday, on April 5, 1887, Anne Sullivan achieved a major breakthrough with her blind and deaf pupil, Helen Keller, by teaching her the spelling of the word "water" in the Manual Alphabet.

Calendar Carnival

TODAY

• The Girls' Softball Association will sponsor a benefit mini-carnival and round-up at the Ray Anderson Complex from 1-6 p.m. Prizes, booths, and games are planned, as well as team registrations.

• Big Spring High School Choir Boosters is sponsoring a garage sale at the high school choir room from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and a car wash at Cousin's convenience store, 400 Gregg St., from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

• The Elks' annual auction to benefit the crippled children's Hospital in Luling will be conducted at the Elks' Lodge on FM 700 beginning at noon. Items range from screen doors to dolls, donated by local merchants.

• The Lone Star District of Boy Scouts will have its annual Scout-A-Rama in the Highland Mall from 1 to 4 p.m.

• A rabies vaccination for cats and dogs will be conducted at the Coahoma Fire Station from 9 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Fees are \$3 for rabies shots and \$7 for distemper and parvo shots.

• The Park Inn is sponsoring a car wash from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at Walt's Chevron on Wasson Road, and a chili cook-off on Saturday begins at noon, with judging at 5 p.m. Proceeds will benefit the fight against multiple sclerosis.

• The Senior Citizens' Center, Industrial Park Building 487, will have a cleaning day from early morning until the grounds and building are clean. Volunteers should bring lawnmowers, hoes, rakes and cleaning supplies. Free coffee, tea and a surprise will be supplied.

SUNDAY

• Clocks should be advanced one hour to conform to daylight saving time.

• A multiple sclerosis benefit fish fry at the Park Inn on Wasson Road will begin at 7 p.m.

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MONDAY

• The water will be off Monday, April 6, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in these areas of the city: everything west of Ayford Street, from northwest 10th Street to the south Service Road of Interstate 20; everything northwest of the intersection of U.S. 87 and the north service road of Interstate 20. This is necessary to allow the new lines to be placed in service.

• Registration for new students at Bauer Magnet School, grades 1-5, will be Monday from 8 a.m. to noon in the principal's office.

• Comanche Trail Ladies Golf Association begins its season at 5:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Vietnam Wall Committee will meet at 8 p.m. at the Chamber of Commerce meeting room.

THURSDAY

• Couples golf begins at Comanche Trail golf course, with 5:30 p.m. opening.

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.

Projects to boost local involvement

By SCOTT FITZGERALD
Staff Writer

Four downtown projects expected to emerge within 1 to 1½ years should provide impetus for private property owners to get involved with Main Street Inc., said Downtown Coordinator Teri Quinones.

City Planner Robert Lima will recommend several funding mechanisms to finance 18 projects to revitalize downtown Big Spring at 3 p.m. April 10 in the Cactus Room at Howard College.

Approximately 275-300 people received invitations to the presentation, Quinones said. The public also is invited.

Downtown steering committee members have been working on four projects that could be completed within 1 to 1½ years, Quinones said.

The projects are a proposed park next to the county courthouse annex at Fourth and Main streets, a railway plaza at First and Main streets, an initial incubator business expected to encourage downtown retail activity, and a proposed fountain plaza park on property now used as a Chamber of Commerce parking lot.

"Yes, it's going to be affordable," Lima said about implementing his three-fold plan.

A major advantage in decreasing revitalization costs is the fact most structures are already in place, Lima explained. For example, a building in need of face lifting would merely need its aluminum siding removed, he

said. Though he declined to reveal costs, Lima said funds would come from the public, private and mutual private-public sectors.

Tax break options are being analyzed to add incentive for private property owners to participate in the redevelopment, Quinones explained.

In a tax increment financing plan, for example, a governing body, such as the city, would lend property owners money to improve their properties.

Owners would use the funds to increase the full market value and property appraisal. Entities which receive the additional tax revenue would then cooperate to pay back the lender.

Another tax break option being considered would be to freeze the assessed value of a property before it underwent improvements, Quinones said.

Major cities that have implemented the tax increment financing plan have had a better record of success with redevelopment than cities that encouraged freezing assessed property values, she added.

The downtown steering committee is also considering a revolving loan program, Quinones said.

The committee would act as a lender to a property owner. His payments on the loan would be lent to another property owner, she added.

City election today

Polls are open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. today in Big Spring for the City Council and school board election, districts 1 and 3.

Coahoma, Colorado City, Forsan and Stanton also are conducting council and school board elections today.

For the Big Spring City Council election, citizens in district 1, precincts 101-W1, 201-W1, 301-W1 and 401-W1 should vote at the Northside Fire Station; those in precinct 102-W1 should vote at the Kindergarten Center on Airbase Road.

Citizens in district 3, precincts 202-W3 and 302-W3 should vote at the 18th and Main Street Fire Station; and those in precinct 303-W3 should vote at the Wasson Road Fire Station.

For the school board election, citizens in district 1, precinct 101-W1 should vote at the Northside Fire Station; and those in precinct 102-W1, except for the Big Spring Industrial Park, should vote at the Kindergarten Center on Airbase Road.

Those in district 3, precinct 301-W1, and in

ELECTION page 2A

Resolution of budget troubles questioned

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. Bill Clements says state government eluded "a terrible problem" when the attorney general said the Legislature may carry this year's \$1 billion budget deficit into the next two-year spending period, but Rep. Larry Don Shaw, D-Big Spring, disagrees.

"If we had had to address that \$1 billion shortfall between now and Aug. 31 ... I don't know what we would have done," Clements said after Attorney General Jim Mattox issued his ruling Thursday.

Had Mattox ruled that the deficit

must be paid off by the end of the fiscal biennium, lawmakers would have been forced to raise \$1 billion in taxes in only a few months or see state government grind to a halt.

Shaw said that despite the attorney general's decision, Mattox blasted the Legislature for creating a deficit, indicating it was a Constitutional responsibility not to do so.

"I'm disappointed," Shaw said of the ruling, adding that a long-term deficit would be harmful.

However, he doesn't believe the situation will occur. The com-

ptroller must certify that available revenues exceed planned expenses, and in the governor's budget plan, they don't, he said.

Despite Clements' claim that his plan offers a balanced budget, the plan actually calls for a \$900 million deficit, Shaw said.

Shaw said he anticipates future bills prohibiting a deficit. However, the deadline for bills during this session has passed, he said.

But Mattox's decision only postponed things, officials said.

"Jim Mattox's decision ... turns the heat down on the pressure

cooker, but we must not think that the goose isn't still cooking," said Treasurer Ann Richards.

House Speaker Gib Lewis, D-Fort Worth, said Mattox offered good and bad news, since the \$1 billion debt still must be paid off during the 1988-89 fiscal period.

"It gives us a little breathing room. That's about the only thing you can say," Lewis said.

"The good news is, we're not going to have to cut back in education spending, (prison construction or social programs)," Lewis said. And, government won't be "at a

standstill, which would have happened if the attorney general's ruling had been otherwise.

"The bad news is ... we're \$1 billion short. We're going to have to either make up that \$1 billion or we're going to have to make \$1 billion cuts," Lewis said.

Mattox's legal opinion was in response to questions from State Comptroller Bob Bullock, who wondered whether carrying the \$1 billion debt from 1986-87 into the 1988-89 budget period would violate the Texas Constitution's pay-as-you-go provisions.

Mom asks teacher license be revoked

PORT ARTHUR (AP) — The mother of an 18-year-old who says he wants to marry his 40-year-old former teacher contends their relationship violates teacher ethics.

"I believe my son is a victim," says Sherry Pate. "I want to take whatever legal action I can."

Mrs. Pate's son, Todd Colletti, and his former teacher, Marty Sims, became engaged on Christmas Eve. They have been living together since shortly after Jan. 23, when Ms. Sims resigned from her Port Arthur teaching job.

The pair say they just fell in love. "People cast me as a child molester and him as someone who doesn't know his own mind," said Ms. Sims, a divorcee and grandmother, with three children of her own.

"It's beyond my comprehension how we can be persecuted for loving," Ms. Sims said.

Ms. Sims worked five years for the district, teaching data processing after gaining her teaching credentials in 1984.

Colletti and Ms. Sims say their romance became "physical" in December before they announced their engagement.

Mrs. Pate claims Ms. Sims violated a teacher code of ethics which bars teachers from becoming involved romantically with students, noting the pair announced the engagement a month before Ms. Sims resigned from her teaching job.

State education officials say Mrs. Pate has been told she may file a complaint with the state education commissioner.

"There would be a full investigation," said Texas Education Agency spokeswoman Terry Anderson.

Mrs. Pate also has requested an investigation into whether child abuse may have been involved.



Herald photo by Tim Appel

Explosives detonated

Public Works Director Tom Decell and Airpark Manager Hal Boyd look at the remains of a lead tube that was exploded Friday afternoon in a pit south of town. The tube, found behind the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center Friday morning, was thought to contain nitroglycerin.

Road repair, student winners highlight news

A Howard County commissioner's recent trip to Austin has reaped benefits for Knott residents plagued by flooded conditions on FM 841.

Within a week or two, West Texas Roads Inc. crew members are to begin laying a three-foot base of caliche material to raise approximately 2,000 feet of FM 841 that runs through Knott, said Mike Chetty, resident engineer with the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation.

Week in Review

The state road has been blocked since September as a result of the summer's torrential rains.

The \$66,000 job was awarded to West Texas Roads Inc. last week, Chetty said. After the caliche is applied, the road will be open to traffic, he added.

Two Big Spring residents, both students at Scenic Mountain Medical Center, were part of a winning team this week.

The three-member team took first place at an educational tournament at Midland College Tuesday against two other teams from the X-ray technology schools at Midland and Odessa Colleges.

The team of Cheryl Carroll and Tommie Parrott, both of Big Spring, and Randy Gavin of Arlington, won a \$500 cash prize.

The money will be used by the Center's school, said Vivian Gordon, the school's program director and team coach.

Enrolled at the Center's school of radiologic technology, the three will graduate in September.

Big Spring's water and street improvement program, started in 1982, should be complete within 60 days, Public Works Director Tom Decell said.

The city will have replaced 20 to 25 miles of water lines all over town and improved as many streets, he said.

The water lines were replaced because they were too old or too

small, he said, noting some were original lines installed when a subdivision was built.

The last phase of the project, now in progress, includes installing two new pressure planes, designed to provide greater water pressure. One will serve Highland South and the other the Indian Hills and the Capehart Addition, he said. The city already has three pressure planes.

Bids will be sought later this year

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Nation

By Associated Press

Webster to face query

WASHINGTON — The Senate Intelligence Committee said Friday that hearings on FBI Director William Webster's nomination to head the CIA will begin next Wednesday, opening the way for public questioning on what role the FBI might have played in the Iran-Contra affair.

One source, commenting on condition of anonymity, said preliminary work by the committee has turned up no evidence that could place Webster's nomination in jeopardy.

However, Webster is expected to face close questioning about what the FBI did — or didn't do — in connection with the secret sale of arms to Iran and possible diversion of some profits to Nicaraguan rebels.

Former hostages speak

WASHINGTON — Three former American hostages in Lebanon called on the Reagan administration Friday to pursue a new, evenhanded policy in the Middle East that eliminates favoritism towards Israel.

The men, who were held in Lebanon at various times over the past two years, also told a conference of Arab-Americans that Arabs have been stereotyped unfairly by some people who believe the ethnic group endorses terrorism.

"We Americans need to change our image" of Arabs, said David Jacobsen of Huntington Beach, Calif. Arab nations, he said, should embark on a public relations campaign to improve their image.

AIDS seen as weapon

PHOENIX, Ariz. — An Army private has been accused of aggravated assault for allegedly having sex with two other soldiers even though he knew he carried the AIDS virus in a case that could influence the battle against the spread of AIDS in the military.

"In a sense, their theory is the AIDS virus is the weapon used in the assault," said Edward G. Rheinheimer, an attorney for Pfc. Adrian G. Morris Jr., who was charged this week by his company commander at Fort Huachuca in southeastern Arizona.

The military said Morris is infected with the AIDS virus but has not shown symptoms of the disease itself. Acquired immune deficiency syndrome kills its victims by destroying their bodies' abilities to combat infections.

Rheinheimer said Thursday the case is a first for the armed forces and will probably result in a court-martial. He said he has advised Morris not to discuss the case with reporters.



The ADM grain elevator in Burlington, Iowa, exploded into a giant fireball at approximately 10:40 a.m. Friday. Five people were reported to be injured and were taken to the hospital. Authorities were still unsure of the cause or outcome of the disaster Friday evening.

Explosion

Grain elevator becomes ball of fire

BURLINGTON, Iowa (AP) — A huge grain elevator on the Mississippi River caught fire and exploded today, blasting the tops off six silos and shattering downtown storefront windows. At least five people were injured, officials said.

"It blew the lid right off," said Charles Gates, managing editor of the Burlington Hawk Eye newspaper.

The newspaper offices are located 350 yards from the 1 million-bushel downtown Archer Daniels Midland elevator, used to store grain for shipment by railroad and by river barge, Gates said.

Jerry Ostendorf, operations manager for the state Office of Disaster Services, called it a major explosion.

"We believe it was caused by grain dust, although we don't have any confirmation," Ostendorf said.

The cloud of smoke from the fire at the 12-silo complex was detected by National Weather Service radar approximately 75 miles away at Moline, Ill.

Five people were taken to hospitals, including elevator manager Jerome Kersten, officials said. Kersten, the most seriously injured, suffered first- and

second-degree burns and possible smoke inhalation, said a spokesman for the Burlington Medical Center.

The terminal employs approximately 15 people, officials said. Authorities said other employees were evacuated before the explosion.

Gates said the blast "was like a 2,000-pound bomb going off" and shattered windows in businesses within a 400-yard radius. He said it came several minutes after newspaper employees notices smoke pouring from the elevator.

The top three-fourths of six 10- to 15-story grain silos at the facility were blown off in the 10:40 a.m. explosion, and some other silos were split down the side, witnesses said.

"Huge flames are billowing out of the elevators and black smoke is pouring across the railroad tracks south along the edge of the river," Gates said shortly after the blast. "Some of the debris from the explosion landed on the roof of the Hawk Eye. We've got people up there extinguishing the burning debris."

World

By Associated Press

Libyan raid hit aircraft

N'DJAMENA, Chad — Libyan jets hit Ouadi Doum in blanket bombing that destroyed or damaged about half the Soviet-made aircraft left behind when Chad's troops routed Libyan forces two weeks ago, a senior French officer said Friday.

The high-altitude raids continued all day Friday.

The officer, who spoke to reporters on condition of anonymity, said the bombing of Ouadi Doum was the reason for French Defense Minister Andre Giraud's warning to the Libyans Friday.

Giraud said in Paris that French military forces may have to intervene north of the 16th parallel, implying they might attack the Libyan bombers.

The French have 2,500 troops and a squadron of Jaguar fighter bombers south of the 16th parallel, which for years served as the unspoken truce line between Chadian and Libyan forces in this former French colony.

Miner families protest

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — About 250 wives and children of black coal miners have moved into men-only hostels in a union-sponsored effort to break a century-old system of separating migrant laborers from their families, officials said Friday.

"They have come to stay," said Cyril Ramaphosa, general secretary of the National Union of Mineworkers. "There could be conflict if they tried to evict those people."

Ramaphosa said 250 women and children had been in hostels near Anglo American Corp. mines since last weekend. He told reporters the protest, which defies mine rules and South African law, would be extended to gold and diamond mines.

Union officials said that in coal mine hostels, one room usually houses four or five men. They said miners without families agreed to move out and sleep elsewhere, so that each miner involved in the protest could have a hostel room for his family.

New law riles church

ATHENS, Greece — The Greek Orthodox Church said Friday it will take the Socialist government to court over a law that gives huge landholdings to farm cooperatives and puts laymen in charge of church administration.

Leaders of the state church said they would not comply with the law and might seek union with the international body of Eastern Orthodoxy, which is not subject to Greek law.

The Socialist-dominated Parliament passed the bill early Friday after three weeks of acrimonious debate and street demonstrations. Opposition members walked out in protest, and the measure was approved by voice vote.



A tractor displaying a U.S. and Colorado flag leads a tractorcade on Interstate 225 Thursday morning in Aurora, Colo., as farmers made their way to Denver where they are staging a protest at the Farm Credit Corporation of America.

Farm families form caravan

GREENWOOD VILLAGE, Colo. (AP) — A slow-moving cavalcade of farmers, led by 17 tractors, converged on Farm Credit Center offices here Thursday to protest alleged abuses of the farm credit system they say has led to the highest level of foreclosure in the system's history.

The lead tractor carried American and Colorado flags and banners which proclaimed "Family Farms" and "Parity Express." The cavalcade, organized by the Colorado Coalition to Save Rural America, left a farm east of Bennett earlier Thursday, at the start of a three-day protest over alleged abuses by the farm lender.

They rolled down Interstate 70, past snow-covered farmlands on either side of the interstate route, 40 miles to the credit center offices. "Forebearance, not foreclosure," read a sign held by another man as the farmers and their families reached the credit center, parked and ate a picnic lunch under clear, sunny skies

while listened to speeches by area farmers. There were about six dozen people in the cavalcade, but the crowd nearly doubled in size at the credit center, as protesters waited to hear from spokesmen for the Farm Credit System. Farmer Tom Kuntz of Otis held a big wrench as he spoke.

"I brought a wrench because there are some loose screws up in the building," he said, pointing at the credit center offices. "They say we're bad managers, but take a look at their building. They lost it and had to lease it back, so who's the bad manager?"

Minnesota Secretary of Agriculture Jim Nichols also addressed the crowd.

Three-year-old Timothy Ulmer, whose family farms near Bennet, bore a sign on his back which read "the farm credit system owns my future farm."

Junior Skamek, a farmer from Trenton, Neb., carried a large sign with a picture of a blindfolded

Statue of Liberty. The message read "a foreclosed farmer's view of America."

One man had a pin on his hat that said "Save the family farm. Export Reagan." Another button read "AAM (American Agricultural Movement) is back and boy are we mad."

Another man, sporting a Reagan mask, waved to the crowd while being pulled a hay wagon.

The coalition said it would present a list of demands to the FCA and Farm Credit System leaders, including a call for the resignation of Frank Naylor, chief executive officer of the FCA.

The coalition said it would demand a report of legal and litigation costs of the Farm Credit System by the 12 districts, system-wide implementation of debt restructure, forbearance policy, elimination of differential interest rates, the return of control to local associations and boards and support of the Harkin supply management "Save the Family Farm Act."

ANTHONYS

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SATURDAY & SUNDAY ONLY

<p>\$10 OFF ON HAGGAR (250 Range) SPORT COAT Limit 2 Per Coupon Must Present Coupon</p>	<p>50% OFF ON MONET JEWELRY Must Present Coupon</p>
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Entertainment

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Eddie Rabbitt's life has sparkle again

Top 10 records

- Best-selling records of the week based on Cashbox magazine's nationwide survey.
1. "Nothing's Gonna Stop Us Now," Starship
 2. "Lean On Me," Club Nouveau
 3. "Tonight, Tonight, Tonight," Genesis
 4. "Let's Wait Awhile," Janet Jackson
 5. "Mandolin Rain," Bruce Hornsby and the Range
 6. "Come Go With Me," Exposé
 7. "I Knew You Were Waiting (For Me)," Aretha Franklin and George Michael
 8. "Somewhere Out There," Linda Ronstadt and James Ingram
 9. "Don't Dream It's Over," Crowded House
 10. "The Final Countdown," Europe
- HOT SINGLES**
1. "Nothing's Gonna Stop Us Now" Starship (Grunt)
 2. "Lean On Me" Club Nouveau (Warner Bros.)
 3. "I Knew You Were Waiting" Aretha Franklin & George Michael (Arista)
 4. "Tonight, Tonight, Tonight" Genesis (Atlantic)
 5. "Don't Dream It's Over" Crowded House (Capitol)
 6. "Come Go With Me" Exposé (Arista)
 7. "Sign O' the Times" Prince (Paisley Park)
 8. "Midnight Blue" Lou Gramm (Atlantic)
 9. "Let's Go!" Wang Chung (Geffen)
 10. "The Finer Things" Steve Winwood (Island)
- BLACK SINGLES**
1. "Sign O' the Times" Prince (Paisley Park)
 2. "Looking for a New Love" Jody Watley (MCA)
 3. "Keep Your Eye on Me" Herb Alpert (A&M)
 4. "Stone Love" Kool & The Gang (Mercury)
 5. "Lean on Me" Club Nouveau (Warner Bros.)
 6. "Don't Disturb This Groove" The System (Atlantic)
 7. "I Knew You Were Waiting" Aretha Franklin & George Michael (Arista)
 8. "He Wants My Body" Starpoint (Elektra)
 9. "I Got the Feelin'" Gregory Abbott (Columbia)
 10. "There's Nothing Better Than Love" Luther Vandross with Gregory Hines (Epic)
- COUNTRY SINGLES**
1. "You've Got the Touch" Alabama (RCA)
 2. "Kids of the Baby Boom" The Bellamy Bros. (MCA-Curb)
 3. "Rose in Paradise" Waylon Jennings (MCA)
 4. "The Bed You Made For Me" Highway 101 (Warner Bros.)
 5. "Don't Go to Strangers" T. Graham Brown (Capitol)
 6. "Let the Music Lift You Up" Reba McEntire (MCA)
 7. "Ocean Front Property" George Strait (MCA)



Singer and songwriter Eddie Rabbitt says he is overcoming his grief and "there's laughter in the house again" following the death of his 23-month-old son, Timothy Edward. The boy died in July 1985, less than two days after undergoing a liver transplant.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — There's sparkle in singer Eddie Rabbitt's life once again. "The sun is coming up now. For a couple of years, it was one gray day after another," said Rabbitt, who cut back his career so he could comfort his dying son, Timothy Edward, who died in July 1985 at age 23 months. Born with a bad liver, he had four operations and finally died less than two days after undergoing a liver transplant at the University of Minnesota. "It builds from a slow shock to a big shock," the 42-year-old Rabbitt said. "It was very emotional. You love him more every time you see him."

From the time of Timothy's birth to his death, Rabbitt spent up to four hours a day, six days a week at the Vanderbilt University Children's Hospital in Nashville. He sliced his songwriting, recording and concert work to a minimum. Income from songwriting and concerts dwindled while Timmy ran up \$300,000 in medical bills. And the performer, who sang the hit "Step by Step," found himself taking life day-by-day. "You prepare yourself," Rabbitt said. "You wrap yourself in protection. You always expect the worse and you are relieved when the doctor says, 'Things look a little better this week.'"

Timmy, blond and blue-eyed, learned the song, "Mary Had a Little Lamb" during his ordeal. He walked down the hospital corridors hand in hand with his sister, Demelza, who is three years older. "All I remember is being at the hospital six days a week," Rabbitt said. "Everything else is just a blur. I couldn't even remember what month it was."

Then Timmy died. "Our daughter needed closeness and understanding so we had talks about God and heaven and things like that," Rabbitt said. "To a 4-year-old, it's hard to explain. 'I stayed home a lot. I didn't work a lot. But I didn't care because my family was more important at that point.'"

Rabbitt had established himself as a top country-pop singer with such hits as "I Love a Rainy Night," "Every Which Way But Loose," "Drivin' My Life Away,"

"Step by Step," "I Can't Help Myself," "Suspicious," "Someone Could Lose a Heart Tonight" and "Rocky Mountain Music."

He had done two network TV specials and was the centerpiece of a widely played beer commercial that touted him as much as the brew.

He's gradually resumed his career with a deeper appreciation of life. Lately, he's been doing benefit concerts and public service announcements for Potter's Houses, facilities where the

families of child transplant patients can stay for free. "You realize how delicate life is," he said. "It's there and it's gone. It makes you more serious and makes you appreciate your healthy children and all the children in the world who are healthy and the parents of those who are sick."

"And now I appreciate all the children. Before this, I don't think I appreciated the children of other people. Now I do."

Around town

- NIGHTCLUBS**
- Stallone Night Club, 205 Runnels St., offers country western, disco, rock 'n roll, and Spanish music for dancing. The club is open from 8 p.m. to midnight Friday and 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Saturday.
 - The Heart of Texas Band performs 9 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday at The Brass Nail, south of Big Spring on Highway 87. Sunday is rock 'n roll night beginning at 9:30 p.m. Admission is \$3 for non-members.
- MOVIES**
- The Ritz Theater on 401 Main St. shows Dick Cavett in a third part thriller "A Nightmare on Elm Street III: Dream Warriors," at 7:10 p.m. and 9:10 p.m. A midnight special will be shown tonight, Rated R.
 - Also showing at The Ritz is "Police Academy IV: Citizens on Patrol," at 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Rated PG-13.
 - Sunday matinee times for both movies is 2 p.m.

Top 10 videocassettes

- VIDEOCASSETTE SALES**
1. "Top Gun" (Paramount)
 2. "Jane Fonda's Low Impact Aerobic Workout" (Karl-Lorimar)
 3. "Jane Fonda's New Workout" (Karl-Lorimar)
 4. "Callanetics" (MCA)
 5. "Sleeping Beauty" (Disney)
 6. "Aliens" (CBS-Fox)
 7. "Star Wars" (CBS-Fox)
 8. "Kathy Smith's Body Basics" (JCI)
 9. "Secrets of the Titanic" (Vestron)
 10. "Help!" (MPI)

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- Nervousness-Impotence
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Last Sunday morning at 9:45 Pat Reagan left home!

It wasn't the first time. It happens almost every week. You see, Pat spends Sunday morning with about 10 other kids his age at First Church of God. His parents don't let Pat go off by himself. They take him. Pat loves every minute of it. And his mom and dad love it too. Not just because of the way Pat is growing. But because of the way the church helps the whole family stay closer together. Maybe you should think about leaving home next Sunday morning. If you do, bring the whole family. Sunday Worship 10:50 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. Children & Adult Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Wednesday Adult & Youth Bible Studies 7:00 p.m.

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Getaway

- COLORADO CITY**
- Colorado City Playhouse presents "Arsemic an Old Lace," at 8 p.m. APRIL 9-11 and APRIL 16-18. Call 728-3921 for reservations.
- MIDLAND**
- The Midland-Odessa Symphony combines the world of dance and great classical masterpieces as internationally acclaimed Tap Dancer Fred Strickler joins the Symphony in their sixth concert of the 1986-87 master season. Performances are 8 p.m. Tuesday at Midland's Lee High School Auditorium and Thursday at Odessa's Bonham Jr. High School Auditorium.
 - The Temptations will perform 8 p.m. tonight at Chaparral Center at Midland College. Opening act will be the legendary Junior Walker and the All Stars. Tickets are on sale at Endless Horizons in Midland and Odessa.
 - Midland Community Theatre presents "Greater Tuna," at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday nights through APRIL 11. For information and reservations, call 682-4111.
 - The Museum of the Southwest is exhibiting "Scenes of Santa Fe," by Edward G. Eisenlohr and "Eliot Porter: Intimate Landscapes."
 - The museum is displaying a light and pastel painting exhibition by Kathleen Cook through APRIL 25. For more information, call 683-2882.
 - The Petroleum Museum is exhibiting Reagan Bradshaw's "Forgotten Texas," a personal collection of photographs through APRIL 12.
- ODESSA**
- The Faculty of Music of the University of Texas of the Permian Basin presents The Per-

- mian Consort in a return engagement performing "Sonare," the sonata in the 17th and 18th centuries at 8 p.m. tonight in the U.T. Permian Basin Performing Arts Center. For more information, call 367-2336.
- Odessa College's Choral Music Department will present its annual spring concert at 8 p.m. Monday in the Jack Rodgers Fine Arts Center Recital Hall.
- Odessa Shakespeare Festival hosts "Shakespeare Live," Thursday through Sunday at the Globe Theatre. For information and reservations, call 332-1586.
 - Art Institute for the Permian Basin hosts Olga Hirschhorn's personal exhibit "A Collector's Eye," through Sunday. The museum is located at 4909 E. University. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and Sundays, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call 368-7222.
- LUBBOCK**
- Graham Chapman, a member of the British comedy troupe Monty Python will lecture in the Texas Tech U.C. Ballroom at 8:15 p.m. Monday.
- ABILENE**
- The 1987 Abilene's Fine Art Festival, formerly the Buffalo Gap Art Festival) will be APRIL 25-26 at the West Texas Expo Center Fair Grounds. For more information call 692-6088, 670-2915 or 673-3108.
- ANDREWS**
- Andrews Senior Citizens Center holds senior dances every MONDAY. Out-of-town guests are invited.

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Bosox, Clemens make progress

WINTER HAVEN, Fla. (AP) — General Manager Lou Gorman of the Boston Red Sox reported "some progress" Friday in contract negotiations to get AWOL ace Roger Clemens back with the club. Gorman said he talked six times Thursday and three times Friday to Randy Hendricks, who represents Clemens with his brother Alan.



Gotcha Randy Martin from Frank Phillips College picks up a calf during the calf roping event during the Howard College Rodeo held Friday evening at the Rodeo Bowl.

Sports Briefs

UGSA carnival this weekend

The Big Spring Girls Softball Association will conduct a two-day benefit and registration effort today and Sunday. The mini-carnival and round-up is scheduled for Roy Anderson Complex from 1 to 6 p.m., with prizes, booths and games planned.

Smokebuster's Golf Tournament

The inaugural Smokebuster's Golf Tournament will be April 25 at the Comanche Trail Golf Course. It is a two-man scramble and one-day shoot out. Tee off time is 9:30 a.m. Entry fee is \$50 per team. The winners in each flight will receive \$250. Second place will win \$200 and third place \$150.

Softball association to meet

The Big Spring Softball Association will have a meeting Monday, April 6 at 7 p.m. at Highland Lanes. All coaches and managers are urged to attend. For more information call Bobby Barber at 394-4929.

Coahoma Little League sign-ups

COAHOMA — The Coahoma Little League will have late sign-ups and tryouts today at 9:30 a.m. at the Coahoma baseball fields. Anyone interested in Senior League play should also be there.

Coahoma UGSA late sign-ups

COAHOMA — Final United Girls Softball Association sign-ups will be April 9 from 6 p.m. until 9 p.m. at the Coahoma Community Center. Players will be drafted after sign-up are concluded.

Cubs trade starting pitcher

CHICAGO (AP) — The Chicago Cubs traded right-handed pitcher Dennis Eckersley to the Oakland A's Friday in a five-player deal. Along with Eckersley, the Cubs sent infielder Dan Roan to the A's for three minor league players, outfielder David Wilder, infielder Brian Guinn and right-handed pitcher Mark Lonette.

Gold

Continued from page 6 3200 meter races. But you couldn't really tell it by judging her performances. Her time of 5:56.92 in the 1600 and 12:55.00 in the 3200 makes her one of the favorites in next week's District 2-4A meet in Andrews.

fractures in both of her legs and missed the entire track season. This season she played volleyball and basketball and has turned into a premier runner in a matter of weeks.

Regaldo agrees with her coach. "When I get to the finish line I get mad at myself," she said. "I say to myself; you could have caught that girl. I'm still strong. Coach Randle has been working me on running the first lap strong. I want to run under a 75 (seconds) and not look back. I want them to run at my pace."

Improvement

Continued from page 6 what's giving him the distance," said Dorsett. "We might change things from week-to-week but James is so intelligent that he's able to pick it up quickly. Plus he's so dedicated. He's worked on his throwing about three hours a day. He's worked harder than any discus thrower I've had."

Where most of the throwers Weaver has been competing against have been throwing since the seventh grade, this is only Weaver's second year of throwing. Last season he started out throwing, but a failed course put him on the sidelines for the last six weeks of the season.

"I thought I wasn't big enough so I didn't throw the discus until last year," he explained. "But I'm finding out that a lot of it is technique. If I had it to do all over again, I would have started throwing in the seventh grade."

Coach Dorsett says Weaver is a competitor that excels under pressure. "He's the type of kid that likes to throw last so he'll have something to shoot for. A lot of throwers will choke once they get behind."

Weaver was fourth going into the finals with a throw of 145. After the first throw in the finals he had dropped to sixth place and things were looking gloomy. But the talented senior bounced back by throwing 149 on his next-to-last throw, moving him into fourth place. On his final throw he unleashed his 155-3 toss, giving him the bronze medal.

"My last throw felt real good when I released it. I got good height on it. It all goes back to technique. You can feel it when you get off a good one."

He'll be hoping to get off a few more "good ones" today on his home turf.

NBA Standings

Table with columns for Eastern Conference (Atlantic, Central, Pacific) and Western Conference (Midwest, Pacific) showing team names, wins, losses, and percentages.

Table of various athletic events including Pole Vault, 400 meter hurdles, and Collegiate Women's Division events with names of athletes and scores.

Table for Boys' High School Division events including 400 meter run, 3200 meter run, and 400 meter hurdles.

Table for American League baseball standings showing teams like Minnesota, Boston, Baltimore, and Kansas City with their respective records.

Baseball

Table for National League baseball standings showing teams like St. Louis, San Francisco, Cincinnati, and Philadelphia with their respective records.

Table for Greensboro Open golf tournament showing scores for various players like Danny Edwards, Gibby Gilbert, and Mark Hayes.

Greensboro Open

Table for Texas Relays showing events like Triple Jump, 50-yard dash, and 100-yard dash with winners and times.

Texas Relays

AUSTIN (AP) — Here are summaries of Friday's final events in the 60th Texas Relays: Collegiate Men's Division Triple Jump—1. Mark Triplett, Arizona, 51-9. 2. Johnny Washington, Texas, 51-6. 3. Joe Green, Ohio State, 50-6. 4. Yemi

Pregnancy information advertisement for Planned Parenthood of the Permian Basin, Inc., located at 709 Johnson, Big Spring, TX. Phone: 263-8351.

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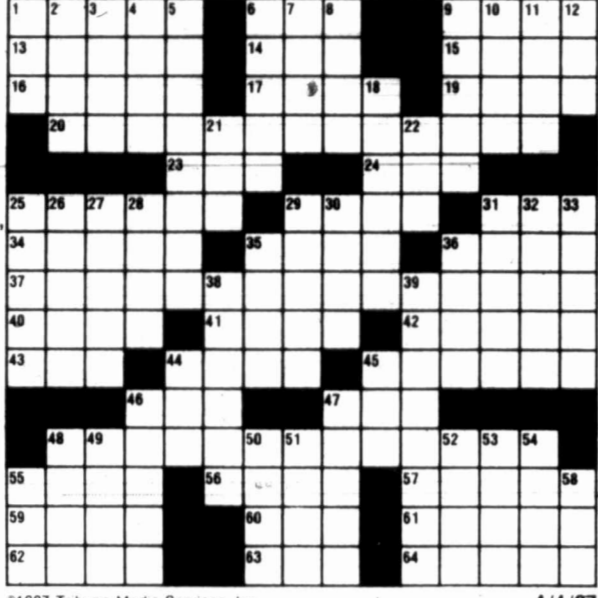
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COMICS Page

THE Daily Crossword by Sidney L. Robbins

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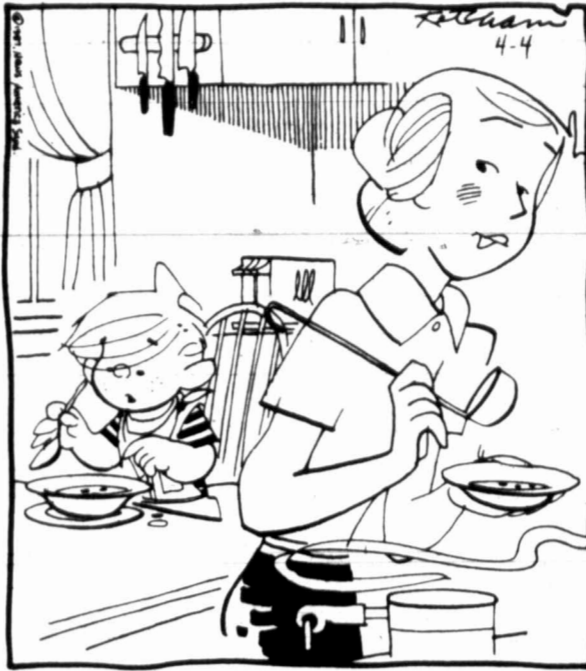
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Your Daily HOROSCOPE from the CARROLL RIGHTER INSTITUTE

SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 1987
GENERAL TENDENCIES: You can sleep late today as long as you don't have other obligations or studies to attend to. Be very objective about whatever comes up to test you.
ARIES (March 21 to April 19): You can have a fine time at home today if you are more thoughtful of your family. Keep a cheerful manner.
TAURUS (April 20 to May 20): Whatever may arise today requires good common sense. Try not to say anything that will disturb your mate.
MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21): Try not to get into confining work today. Discuss the future with some friends, even if by telephone.
LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21): Concentrate on the highest concepts possible. Be with the person you love the most instead of casual friends.
VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22): Concentrate on how best to gain your personal aims. Make plans to see your friends only in the daytime.
LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22): It's not a good day for serious study. Be on the alert for some good opportunity to get ahead.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21): Get into more modern philosophies if you want to accomplish more. Steer clear of a financial discussion.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21): Study ways for operating on a more practical level. Spend no time with grouchy friends.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20): Don't argue with one who is close to you and your mate. Contact outsiders and learn from them.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19): Although you usually see pals over the weekend, it is best to plan the coming week's activities instead.
PISCES (Feb. 20 to March 20): Be with congenials today since you should not have any outside duties to perform. Be happy with your loved ones.
IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY... he or she, should be taught that it takes time for things to happen. A good family member here, but at the same time will like to have more action and get into public affairs. Be sure you give as fine an education as you can. There is bound to be travel in this lifetime.

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

MONDAY, APRIL 6, 1987
GENERAL TENDENCIES: You will have considerable ingenuity and resourcefulness today. Use it to get out from under any problem facing you. Make progress in home interests and property matters.
ARIES (March 21 to April 19): Do whatever will most please your family. Wait until evening before you invite friends into your home.
TAURUS (April 20 to May 20): Contact those with whom you have to decide important matters. State your terms, but listen to theirs too.
GEMINI (May 21 to June 21): Get rid of an indeltness and be free from worry. Use your own good judgment today.
MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21): You may find it difficult to get conditions set up as you want them, but persistence brings results.
LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21): Go after private aims wisely and they will be easy to attain. Gain your mate's devotion and be happier together.
VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22): Do not be depressed because a trusted friend is unable to help you work out a problem at this time.
LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22): Get into civic interests and show that you are an A-1 citizen. Show your gratitude to a bigwig if he helps you.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21): A delay may occur in some course of action you have started, but this gives you a chance to make needed repairs.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21): Look into news outlets. Go after the data you need and put it to use. Be energetic and happy.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20): If you want to have a better understanding with a nose partner, be more willing to give explanations.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19): Study into regular activities and see how to become more efficient. Do something about a troublesome co-worker.
PISCES (Feb. 20 to March 20): You have doubts about a pleasure you have planned, but as the day passes your enthusiasm returns.
IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY... he or she, will want everything in fine order and show hard to attain this, so be encouraging in this so that your progeny will not get discouraged. Although one who will deliberate a good deal, the energy here is great. A most conscientious person in this chart.

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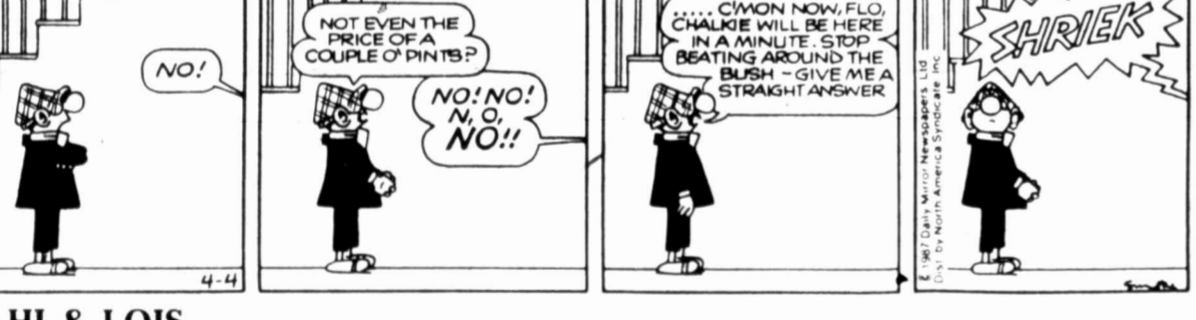
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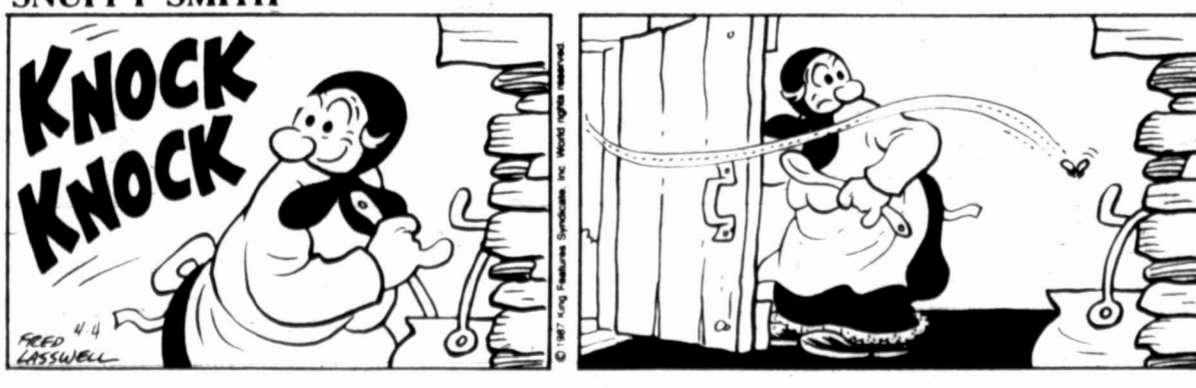
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