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### In Austin

Monday was a busy day for lawmakers in Austin. For a legislative roundup, see stories on page 6A.

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## Spring board

### How's that? Super passing

Q. Who has the record for most passes and most passes completed in Super Bowl history?

A. According to the Associated Press, Roger Staubach of the Dallas Cowboys has the record. In four Super Bowls, "Roger the Dodger" completed 61 of 98 pass attempts.

### Calendar Vets

**TODAY**  
• Disabled American Veterans will be represented at the Highland Mall, with officials there from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. to answer questions concerning veteran's benefits.

• The Humane Society will be picking up rummage for their rummage sale May 1-3. Those who have rummage they'd like to have picked up should call Margaret Lloyd at 267-5646; Morris Molpus at 263-3615; or Garner Thixton at 263-4874.

**WEDNESDAY**  
• The Vietnam Wall steering committee will meet at 8 p.m. in the Chamber of Commerce meeting room. The public is invited to attend and view a video about The Wall and the replica which will visit Big Spring Sept. 30-Oct. 6.

**SATURDAY**  
• The Texas Old Time Fiddlers' Association will sponsor the inaugural Crossroads Fiddlers' Contest at the Big Spring Mall. Registration begins at 10 a.m.

• The Cactus Chapter of the American Business Women's Association will host a bake sale at Wal-Mart at 10 a.m. Proceeds are to be used for scholarships.

• Downtown development display boards remain on display at the Howard County Library.

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

### Tops on TV America's Team

The Atlanta Braves host the Cincinnati Reds in a battle of two hot National League West teams. The action starts at 6:35 p.m. on Ch. 11.

• "Houdini," at 11:05 on Ch. 11.

• "Moonlighting," at 8 p.m. on Ch. 2.

### Outside Warm

Skies will be fair tomorrow with temperatures climbing to the mid 80s. Lows tonight will be in the low 40s. Winds today were 5 to 10 mph from the northwest. Tomorrow, winds will be up to 15 mph.

### Mariah fifth in the nation

DAYTON, Ohio — The Howard College Color Guard team, Mariah, ranked fifth in the nation in its division at the national competition last weekend.

There are five divisions, and Mariah competed in Division 2. The team consisted of 12 members.

## Abuse counselor tells 'nightmare'

Editor's note: This is the first of a two-part series.

By EDDIE CURRAN  
Staff Writer

Seven years ago, Rita Fambro and June Kibler stayed drunk. Both could down two cases of beer a day, and both were on a beeline towards an alcoholic's early death.

July will mark seven years since the two met at a rehabilitation center in Amarillo. And now, without a drink since 1980, they have joined forces as counselors at the Scenic Mountain Crossroads Recovery Unit.

Both consider themselves fortunate to be alive today.

Fambro's story might best be described as nightmarish.

Having grown up as a child of an alcoholic, she vowed never to drink. Despite her best intentions and although she avoided alcohol for years, Fambro leaves no doubt: She considers herself to have been sick from the beginning.

"I felt like I was a misfit. I guess most of my early dependencies were people dependencies — feeling like I couldn't make it without certain people in my life. I was pretty much confused. I felt like other people had the answers and I just didn't understand," she says.

She married in her early teens, and soon had twins. Marital problems in 1960, aggravated by an unplanned pregnancy, prompted Fambro to treat her migraine headaches with Darvon. As her use continued, the dosages increased.

She says she polished her manipulation skills to obtain additional prescriptions from her doctors.

"I look at it today as playing the system — using people. Nearly all my life I've been a user of people," Fambro says.

She began neglecting her housework,



Rita Fambro, right, and June Kibler, discuss the day's plans recently at the Crossroads Recovery Unit at Scenic Mountain Hospital. Fambro and Kibler, both recovering alcoholics, are the counselors at the Crossroads.

which infuriated her family. Most of the time, she says, she was either sick or acting sick.

"My mother had prepared me to be sick

because she was always sick. It was something I knew well. I was paralyzed with fear and loneliness and feelings that I was worthless — and I was," she remembers.

Fambro says her husband forced her to find work, something she dreaded because of her fear of people. As it turned out, that

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## Low revenues may prompt city cutbacks

By SPENCER SANDOW  
Staff Writer

In spite of a "bare bones" budget, the city will spend more money than it collects this year, and it can expect even lower revenues next year, Finance Director Tom Ferguson said.

Ferguson spoke at a long-term City Council planning session at the Big Spring Airpark meeting room Monday. Councilmen and officials discussed various city topics from

9 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. A Council meeting has been scheduled for 6:30 p.m. today at the airpark.

Ferguson projects that the city will spend \$95,000 more than it collects this year. The extra money will come from the reserve fund, he said.

The city would have \$200,000 of its revenues remaining, if not for capital expenses, he said. Capital expense items this year, he said,

are renovation of the Municipal Auditorium, the Comanche Trail Park swimming pool, and Dora Roberts Community Center.

If revenues don't increase, taxes will have to be raised, Councilman Harold Hall said. He said the city hasn't raised taxes in four years and has cut spending by more than \$1 million in the last two years, while revenues have dropped.

Personnel Director Emma Bogard said the city has eliminated

10 jobs through attrition.

Councilman Johnny Rutherford commented that "we need to seriously look at benefit reduction rather than pay reduction" for city employees.

City staff revealed that employees receive 15 vacation days, 15 days sick leave, 10 holidays and three emergency days, all paid. City Manager Mack Wofford said it is difficult for department heads to reduce over-

time when employees receive that many paid days off.

Assistant Police Chief Lonnie Smith said that having 15 days vacation presents a hardship for the department. He suggested the possibility of employees working five of their vacation days and receiving compensation.

In spite of the funding shortfall, approximately \$30,000 is needed to complete the Comanche Trail Park

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## Bentsen support sought for SSC

The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce is helping to sponsor a dinner for U.S. Sen. Lloyd Bentsen in Odessa Wednesday with a dual purpose.

Area civic officials plan to thank him for his help with the Stacy Dam project — and seek to reaffirm his support of efforts to bring the superconducting supercollider to West Texas, said LeRoy Tillery, Chamber executive vice president.

The Chamber is co-sponsoring the April 15 program with the Odessa and Snyder Chambers, Tillery said.

Bentson, D-Texas, is scheduled to be at the Ector County Coliseum Building G in Odessa for a 6:30 p.m. dinner program, officials report.

A limited number of tickets are still available at the Chamber of Commerce at 215 W. Third St., and tickets also will be available at the door, Tillery said. Tickets are \$5 each.

Anyone who needs a ride or would like to carpool should meet at the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce no later than 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Tillery said.

Bentson is using the week-long Senate Easter recess to visit nine cities in his home state.

"I look forward to visiting with Texans and hearing of their concerns this week," Bentson told the Associated Press. The chairman of the Senate Finance Committee said he anticipates discussion on trade, energy, agriculture and other issues.

In addition to his visits to Odessa and Midland, Bentson will be in Houston, Amarillo, Austin, San Antonio, Lubbock, Wichita Falls and Denton.

### The tax witching hour draws near

By KERRY HAGLUND  
Staff Writer

Big Spring residents have until midnight Wednesday to mail their tax returns and still meet the April 15 federal filing deadline, Big Spring Post Office Officer in Charge, Charlie McEntire said.

Returns mailed Wednesday evening, however, must be mailed at the federal building at 501 Main in the lobby or outdoor mailboxes to guarantee an April 15 postmark, McEntire said.

Residents should be aware that they might be assessed a penalty for filing a late return even if they are expecting a refund, H & R Block owner Wilma Dobbs said.

For people owing taxes, the penalty is based on the amount of taxes owed. For those who don't owe taxes or expect a refund, a penalty fee of up to \$100 is charged, Dobbs said.

Dobbs said the company has received many tax-filing questions.

Most questions involve what constitutes an employee business expense, she said and added that questions about automobile use for business purposes are common.

"We always have a big last minute rush ... there are so many people that procrastinate," she said.

Dobbs recommended that those who cannot meet the Wednesday deadline file Form 4868 for an automatic extension. Those owing taxes, however, must send a payment or a late penalty charge will be assessed, she said.

Form 4868 extends the deadline to August 17, according to the Internal Revenue Service.

## Hospital gets time to reply to Clinic suit

Scenic Mountain Medical Center has been granted an extension until April 24 to file an answer to a Malone & Hogan Clinic lawsuit, the hospital's lawyer said today.

The lawsuit was filed March 16 in the Northern District Court.

Barry McNeil of Dallas, representing Scenic Mountain Medical Center and National Healthcare Inc., the hospital's parent corporation, said he hasn't prepared an answer to the complaint.

The suit was filed by Tyler A. Baker and names Malone & Hogan Clinic, Laurie Brown, M.D. and Papparo Adusumilli, M.D. as plaintiffs.

It claims the hospital is trying to prevent it from opening an outpatient surgery center by refusing to allow Brown and Adusumilli the right to practice at the hospital.

The clinic recruited the two doctors to practice radiology and anesthesiology at the outpatient center. But because the clinic couldn't provide sufficient business for the doctors, they applied for admission to the hospital medical staff and were denied, the suit contends.

The suit charges that the hospital had granted an exclusive anesthesiology contract with Dr. N.K. Reddy and an exclusive radiology contract with Dr. Max Wolf.

The suit contends that the reason for denying the contracts was to maintain a monopoly of services in the Big Spring area.

That intent was clear, according to the suit, when the hospital offered to forego its exclusive anesthesiology contract and to extend staff privileges to Dr. Brown in return for the clinic's agreement not to build an outpatient surgery center.

## Candidates to have second interview

The Big Spring School Board completed its first round of superintendent interviews Monday, and Board President Bill Brooks said this morning the Board will have a second round of interviews before selecting a new superintendent sometime next week.

The search began after Lynn Hise announced his retirement after this year.

Six candidates were interviewed between Thursday and Monday and Brooks said that number has been narrowed.

"We have decided that we need to ask some more pointed ques-

tions, so we're going to have some follow-up interviews next week," Brooks said.

"In other words, we've zeroed in on some items," Brooks said.

The six candidates the Board interviewed are all from Texas. They are: Big Spring Assistant Superintendent Bill McQuary;

Dr. Carl Craighead, superintendent at Booker; Dr. Don Crockett, superintendent at Pittsburg; Robert M. Glover, assistant superintendent at San Marcos; H.J. Fuller, superintendent at Muleshoe; and Dr. Bill Walker, assistant superintendent at Odessa.

# Minyard to buy 24 Safeway stores

DALLAS (AP) — Minyard Food Stores Inc. has joined other grocery store chains in purchasing 24 grocery stores in Dallas, Tarrant and outlying counties from Safeway Stores Inc. Safeway recently announced plans to close its 141-store North Texas division based here but said it had commitments from other food retailers to buy more than half the stores. Minyard executives would not specify the exact locations of the stores until deals are finalized, but Liz Minyard, vice chairman of the Coppell-based chain, said that 12 units are in Dallas County, nine in Tarrant County and three in outlying counties. In a full-page newspaper ad Monday,

Safeway lists 41 stores and its Garland distribution center in a campaign to seek buyers. The ad said the properties were "immediately available for sale or sublease including fixtures, equipment and merchandise inventory." "Safeway is motivated to enter into agreements by April 24, 1987," the ad reads. It then gives a telephone number to call. So far, other grocery chains that have agreed to buy Safeway units include Kroger Co., which is acquiring nine stores; Cullum Cos. Inc. (owner of Tom Thumb), which is buying 10; Brookshire Grocery Co., purchasing seven; and Furr's Inc., acquiring 14.

The closures have prompted concerns by union officials about the fate of current Safeway employees. Some Safeway buyers have said current employees will have to apply for jobs along with other applicants. Minyard employees will be transferred to fill positions at the former Safeway stores, said Ms. Minyard. The chain also is accepting applications for new employees to fill vacancies. Ms. Minyard said it is not yet known how many additional workers will be needed. Representatives of Safeway and the union are scheduled to meet Wednesday to discuss the future of current employees.

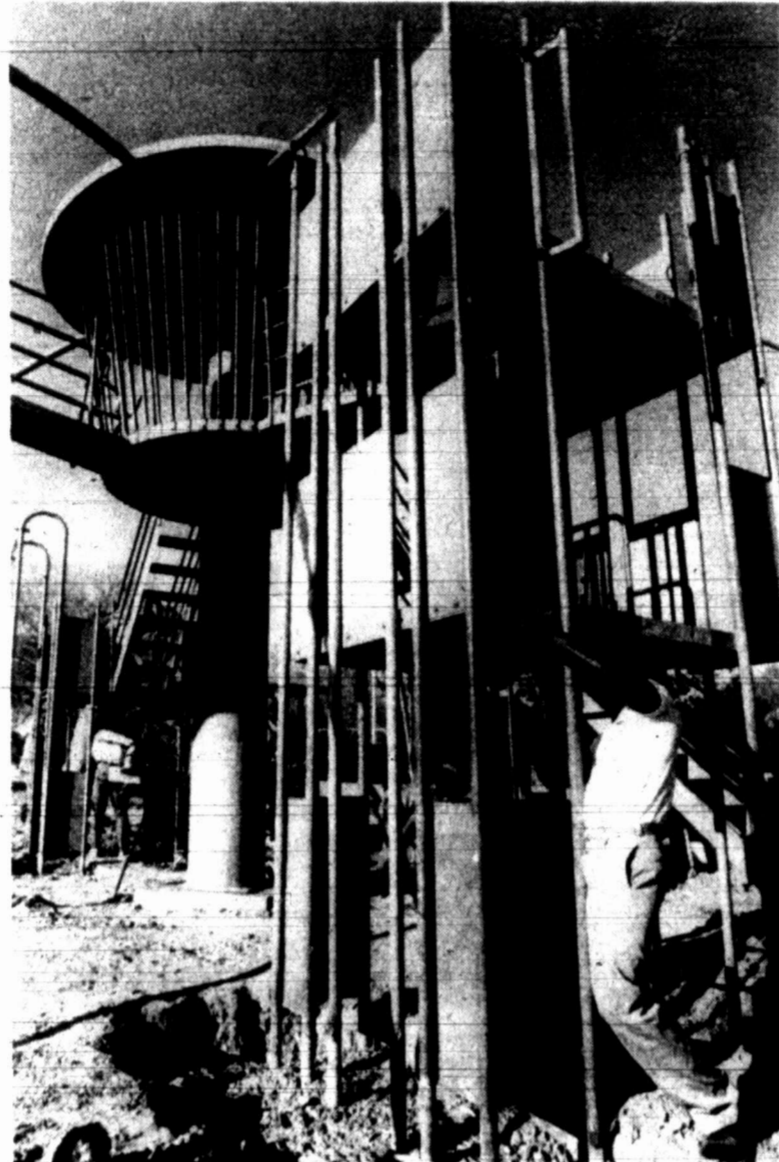
## Police beat

### Thieves take jewelry, food

Thieves broke into the residence of Jo Hughes, 2900 Lawrence St., between 6:30 and 10 p.m. Monday and stole a \$200 color television, \$200 cash, 15 necklaces valued at \$100, a jewelry box and an unknown amount of silver coins. • A \$400 pair of diamond earrings, an \$800 diamond drop pendant on a chain, and a \$200 Big Spring High School class of 1987 ring with a ruby stone were stolen from the residence of Patsy Smith, 611 Holbert St., between 9:45 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Sunday. • A \$25 portable black and white television, silverware, chicken and pork chops, and three rolls of toilet paper were stolen and a door jam damaged at the residence of Ricky Miller, 1209A S. Scurry St. between 6:30 and 10:30 p.m. Monday. • Thieves stole a \$400 gas powered lawn edger from a storage shed at the residence of Will O'Brien, 1610 Main St., at an unknown time. • A \$275 trailer owned by Debra Lush of Vealmore was taken from Green Acres Nursery, 700 E. 17th

St., between 6:30 p.m. Saturday and 9:45 a.m. Monday. • Vandals broke nine lights and a taxiway directory at McMahon-Wrinkle Airport between 7 a.m. Friday and 7 a.m. Monday, foreman Ben Douglas told police. • An assortment of hand tools were stolen and a wooden door damaged at Signs West, 611 E. Second St., between 2 p.m. Sunday and 8:45 a.m. Monday, owner Don Robertson told police. • Theft charges were dropped against Trina Dianne Henderson, 25, 1202 Stanford St., according to a spokeswoman for County Attorney Tim Yeats. Henderson was arrested Sunday on a warrant for a misdemeanor theft that occurred Nov. 23, 1985, the spokeswoman said.

The charges were dropped because of the case's age, she said, explaining that after that amount of time, witnesses are often difficult to locate, and it would cost too much to locate and subpoena them.



**Putting it together**  
Big Spring Federal Prison Camp inmate Rodney Jackson tightens bolts on the children's playground Tuesday morning at Comanche Trail Park. The "metal monster" was recently removed and set-up approximately 150 yards south of its former location to make room for the expansion of the softball field.

## Sheriff's log

### Anton man turns himself in

Santos Duren Jr., 32, Anton, surrendered himself at the Howard County Sheriff's Office Monday on a charge of delivery of a controlled substance. He was transferred to Midland to board a bus for the Texas Department of Corrections. • Mike Moreno Ortega, 29, 603

Bell St., was arrested Monday on a warrant on revocation of probation on a charge of unlawfully carrying a weapon on licensed premises. • James Noble Burns, 50, Ackerville, was placed in custody on a driving while intoxicated felony judgment. He is to serve two days.

## Counselor

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move contributed to her abuse. She landed a job in a hospital, and eventually worked as a nurse in surgery. She discovered drugs were easily available in the hospital. However, frequent and excessive absences prompted her termination. Her drug and alcohol use increased until, in 1974, 90 percent of her intestines had to be removed. She says she bled to death on the operating table, but was brought back to life. "I think your final goal in addiction is death. When you can't accept reality you don't really want to be a part of the world," Fambro explains. Her next step may have been indicative of a death wish. She coaxed her husband to sneak Darvon into the hospital, despite her belief that the drug had destroyed her stomach.

Fambro continued using Darvon after dismissal from the hospital, but legislation made the drug more difficult to obtain. Desperate and suffering from withdrawal, the next step of her addiction occurred while attending a party celebrating the birth of her grandson. That's when she took her first drink, a shot of tequila. She remembers well the morning after — outside a liquor store, waiting for another drink, suffering from the shakes. "That's when I did my replacement. I replaced one drug with another — it's called cross-addiction. I was drinking up to two bottles a day the first year, and my husband didn't even know it," Fambro says. When her husband finally discovered her habits, he took away her keys and cut off her money in an effort to keep her from

drinking. Alcoholic friends came to her aid, including one who went so far as to have a taxi driver deliver beer and liquor to the Fambro home. She says it was not an unusual day when she consumed two cases of beer or two fifths of liquor. Realizing she had a problem, she entered a detoxification program. She survived the detox program 10 times in one year before hospital personnel decided to refuse her participation. She considered Alcoholics Anonymous, but her husband told her, "If you think you're going to embarrass me by going to AA, you're crazy." She says she drank more as a way of battling her husband. When beer or liquor wasn't available, she drank aftershave, cologne and other high alcohol content household products.

"I was in a middle-upper class family, and I was pretty much kid row. It was survival. It comes to the point to where you drink to live. It's hard for somebody to understand — who hasn't been there. "That's when I called AA. I couldn't have cared less what my family thought." She drank on and off for a year while attending AA. It was the summer of 1980 when she entered the Panhandle Alcoholics Recovery Center in Amarillo, where she met Kibler. She hasn't had a drink since July 15, 1980. In tomorrow's Herald, read about Kibler and learn how she and Fambro's experiences help the pair treat others with addictions, through the Scenic Mountain Crossroads Recovery Unit.

# Lottery: State must spend to earn

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas could reap more than \$600 million from a lottery, but would have to spend at least \$20 million to organize it, state officials told a House committee. The House Committee on Urban Affairs held a hearing Monday on bills that would allow voters to decide if the state should have a lottery and how it should be run. John Moore, a member of state Comptroller Bob Bullock's staff, gave committee members two sets of figures and reminded them the amount of revenue made from the lottery is contingent on many variables. "Any one variable, inconsequential as it

might seem, could affect hundreds of millions of dollars of revenues," Moore said. Moore's economic analysis staff estimated the state could net \$658 million during 1988-89, if the lottery is operating within 90 days of voter approval, he said. If the state waits another month, it would probably only net about \$620 million, Moore said. "Both of these projections assume the amendment authorizing the lottery is approved by the voters at the Aug. 8 uniform election day," he said, adding that the projections also assume licensing agents, committing money

and letting printing contracts begins the next morning. "Lottery revenue projections can vary widely because of the timing of startup, because of delays in gaining space for a lottery headquarters or because of changes you might make in the legislation you have before you," Moore said. Rep. Ron Wilson and Rep. Larry Evans told committee members about \$20 million would have to be spent to activate the lottery. But the Democrats from Houston said the state would make up the expenditure in little time.

# Governor signs 'private prison' bill into law

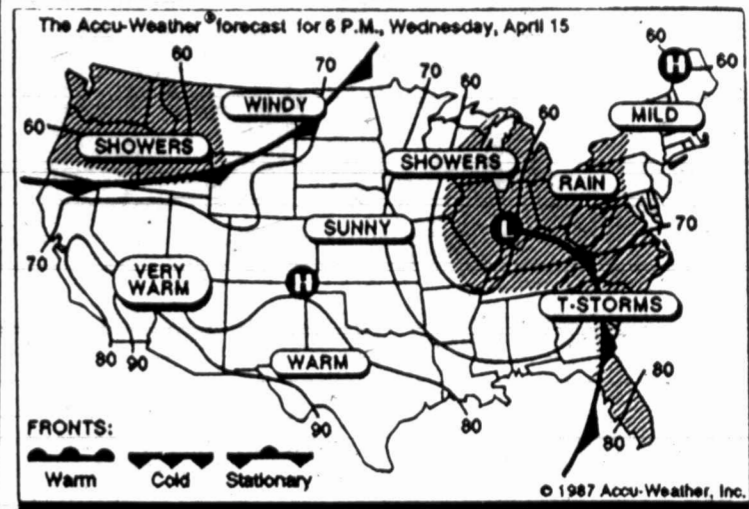
AUSTIN (AP) — Legislation to allow private construction and operation of prisons in Texas has been signed into law, Gov. Bill Clements announced today.

Clements and Al Hughes, chairman of the state Board of Corrections, said the new law will give the state another option for dealing with the overcrowding crisis that this year has repeatedly closed the 26-prison system to new admissions. The new law allows the Texas Department of Corrections to contract with private companies and counties for construction and operation of minimum- and medium-security prisons. Clements noted that the facilities built under this plan must meet all state standards, as well as court-ordered requirements of the long-standing lawsuit against the prison system. The state prisons currently hold 37,980 inmates, 395 below the court-allowed population limit. That

limit has forced TDC officials to stop accepting new prisoners on 11 occasions this year. Hughes said he hopes that bids can be obtained by Aug. 31 for construction of up to 2,000 new prison beds. The corrections board chairman called the law "an important step to begin us on the long road to getting our population problem in hand." Sen. Ray Farabee, D-Wichita Falls, said that while the new law won't solve the all the crowding problems, it should help. "It's not an answer, but it is an alternative and one of the tools that I think will be helpful to meet the increasing need for corrections facilities in the state of Texas," Farabee said. Hughes said the new law is

"somewhat of an experiment," since it could make Texas the leader in contracting to private entities the operation of prisons. The 2,000 beds that could be built would be "probably close to the total amount of privatization of all other states combined," Hughes said.

## Weather



### Forecast

West Texas: Skies are mostly sunny Wednesday, becoming fair tonight. Lows tonight will be in the mid 30s in the north to near 40 in the southeast and mid 40s in the far west to near 50 along the river. Highs Wednesday in the 80s.

### State

An intense low-pressure system brought strong winds to North Texas and the Panhandle today and some gusts to near 45 mph raced across the Red River Valley. The system, stalled over northern Oklahoma, prompted west to northwest winds at 15 to 30 mph across the Panhandle and northern sections. Northeast breezes prevailed in the Trans-Pecos. The rest of the state had mainly north to northwest winds at 5 to 15 mph. High winds in Waco on Monday blew out windows in an elementary school and blew a roof off a house, but no injuries were reported, officials said.

## Tax district to pick auditor

Members of the Howard County Consolidated Tax Appraisal District will appoint an auditor for the District's 1987 audit at a 1 p.m. Wednesday meeting. Members will meet in the conference room of the Courthouse annex at 317 Main St. Members also will request permission to purchase two push-button phones. Because wiring and phone jacks are in place, the cost should be relatively inexpensive, chief appraiser Gene Pereira said. Members are expected to give approval of bill payments, the appraisal district report, the financial report and the minutes from the District's March 11 meeting. The public is welcome to attend meetings and speak to the board, Pereira said.

## City budget

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and amphitheater renovation, Rutherford said. Concession stands, fencing and restrooms at the amphitheater can be finished for \$20,000, and the park for \$10,000, he said. Rutherford said he could arrange for more concerts to raise the money, or the city could enact cost saving ideas presented by Public Works Director Tom Decell. Decell's ideas included consolidating the park management and tennis caretaking offices and eliminating programs that are not cost-effective, he said. Councilmen expressed favor of a suggestion to charge \$5 a night for overnight camping at Comanche Trail Park, which is currently free. Rutherford said the city could raise \$10,000 a year from the fees. Councilman Russ McEwen suggested the city purchase a computer for the finance department, due to possible savings as a result of new product lines introduced by IBM and subsequent reductions in prices for other computers. Rutherford suggested purchasing a computer for the parks department to establish a data base of those participating in community events over the years. The police department in-house computer system software is lacking, Smith said. Police have been advised to continue feeding it infor-

## Deaths

### Charlie Sullivan

Services for former Big Spring resident Charlie Lee Sullivan, 61, were to be at 2 p.m. today. He died Monday April 13, 1987 after an illness, and a heart attack. Services were planned in El Paso and he was to be buried there. He was the son of the first judicial district judge of Big Spring, Judge Charlie N. Sullivan, who was instrumental in the new courthouse construction and ruled in 1955 on the first statewide integration test of Texas public schools, family members reported. Charlie Lee Sullivan moved to El Paso in the late 1940s. He was the manager of Bennie's Trading Post and was married to Eleana Almeida in 1950. Survivors include his wife, Eleana; three sons, Charles, Richard and Robert, and one daughter, Sandra, all of El Paso; a sister, Mildred L. Denton, St. Louis, Mo. formerly of Big Spring; and several nieces and nephews.

### Mrs. Schultz

The Loop Baptist Church. She died at 5:30 p.m. Sunday, April 12, 1987 at Brownwood Regional Hospital after a brief illness. She and her husband were married in Seagraves October 6, 1939. She was a homemaker and a member of the Early Texas First Baptist Church. She lived in Zephyr during the past 18 months. She is survived by her husband, D.D. Smith, Zephyr; two sons, David, San Angelo and Jerry of Floydada; two daughters, Terrissa Smith, Big Spring and Malinda Shackelford, Rogers; one brother, J.D. Bennett, Lamesa; two sisters, Laverne Phillips and Alice Babb, both of Dallas, and four grandchildren.

### Marie Smith

Services for Marie Smith, 68, mother of a Big Spring resident, will be at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at

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# Nation

By Associated Press

## Immunity bill vetoed

OKLAHOMA CITY — Gov. Henry Bellmon shot down the so-called "Make My Day" bill, saying the legislation granting immunity to homeowners who use deadly force against intruders would enable killers to escape justice. "The only people this bill 'makes the day' for are potential murderers and their defense attorneys," Bellmon said in vetoing the measure Monday.

State law allows a person to use reasonable force necessary for self-defense or protection of property, the Republican governor said in his veto message.

"To go beyond that by allowing killing for slight personal injury is contrary to standards of civilized society."

The bill, patterned after a Colorado law, would have given homeowners immunity from criminal prosecution and civil liability if they injured or killed intruders. It was opposed by state prosecutors.

## Light streaks seen

LOS ANGELES — A bright light streaked across skies in the Southwest, prompting scores of calls to government agencies, but officials were at a loss to explain the phenomenon.

The object, which authorities said could be a meteor, was seen from Arizona to California and south of the Mexican border, according to reports that started coming in shortly before 9 p.m. Monday.

"It was described as something on fire, like a ball of fire in the sky," said Martha Pfrommer, a dispatcher with the California Department of Forestry in Riverside. "Apparently everybody was reporting it as a plane crash."

Beth Kilgore, a spokesman for the North American Air Defense Command in Colorado Springs, Colo., said the light did not result from any man-made object such as a satellite or missile.

## Tornadoes injure four

GREEN FOREST, Ark. — Tornadoes and high-speed winds ripped apart a mobile home park, injuring four people, and peeled the roof off an elementary school filled with children in rural northwest Arkansas.

The storm Monday afternoon appeared to have cut a 300- to 400-yard wide swath through the Old Race Track Mobile Home Park four miles north here, said Carroll County Judge Jack Beeson, who surveyed the damage.

A man and woman in their 20s and a 3-year-old boy were admitted to Carroll County General Hospital at Berryville, said administrator John Johnson. Another man was treated at the hospital and released. The hospital refused to disclose the conditions of those admitted.

Beeson said it appeared five trailer homes were destroyed and an additional eight damaged.



Firefighters work at the scene of a 707 cargo jet that crashed Monday night in a wooded field south of Kansas City International Airport. Three bodies have been recovered and there are reports that a fourth person may have been on board the plane. The aircraft was trying to land in mist and fog when it came down about two miles short of the airport.

# Plane crash

## Four die, cargo jet explodes

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — A cargo jet crashed and exploded in a huge ball of flame, killing all four people aboard, while trying to land at Kansas City International Airport in mist and fog, officials said.

The four-engine Boeing 707, en route from Oklahoma City to Fort Wayne, Ind., smashed into a pasture about 1 1/2 miles southwest of the airport Monday night.

The Buffalo Airways Inc. plane appeared to have been improperly approaching the runway, said Robert Raynesford, a spokesman for the Federal Aviation Administration.

The bodies of three crew members and a passenger were recovered from the wreck, according to the Platte County Sheriff's office and Harold Knabe, a city Fire Department spokesman. There were no injuries on the ground.

The crash occurred shortly before 10 p.m. "I went outside and saw a gigantic ball of flame that was twice as high as the highest trees in the area," said Steve Rose, an airline mechanic who lives less than a mile from the crash site.

Rose and another man drove to the wreck and began searching for survivors as the plane burned. "We ran up and down the side of the plane," Rose said. "The windshields in the cockpit were intact, but we could see there was no movement."

The plane continued burning an hour after the crash, said Charles Fisher, a deputy fire chief. The heat kept ambulance crews away as firefighters battled the

blaze. Ten or 15 small explosions rattled the airplane, witnesses said.

At the time of the wreck, visibility from the runway was 6,000 feet and cloud cover was 100 feet, Raynesford said.

"I believe the tower tried to alert him that he was starting to fly a little low, then the target disappeared from the radar scope," Raynesford said.

"The plane was making a normal instrument approach to the airport," he said. "Somewhere between 9:55 p.m. and 10 p.m. we couldn't see them on the (radar) scopes anymore."

The victims' names were not released. City Aviation Director Delbert Karmeier identified the cargo as "general freight," but said there were unconfirmed reports the plane also was carrying at least one container of kerosene.

The plane was owned by Buffalo Airways of Waco, Texas, and leased to Fort Wayne-based Burlington Air Express of Fort Wayne, said a Buffalo Airways spokesman in Oklahoma City who refused to give his name.

The plane left Oklahoma City around 8:10 p.m. and stopped in Wichita before heading to Kansas City, the spokesman said.

The fuselage of the aircraft, which crashed just south of a creek, broke into two or three pieces. An engine and a wheel went into the creek.

# World

By Associated Press

## Five more sent home

VIENNA, Austria — Five Marine guards have been sent home from the U.S. Embassy in Vienna on suspicion of having had "social contact" with East Europeans during previous assignments in the Soviet bloc, an embassy official said today.

The official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the five left Vienna on Sunday. All served in Eastern Europe before coming to the mission in the Austrian capital, but the official refused to specify the countries involved.

Some U.S. Embassy spokesmen in the East bloc, reached by telephone from Vienna, indicated no Marines had been withdrawn from those posts so far in what appears to be a widespread investigation of mission security.

Sgt. Clayton Lonetree, one of the two Marine guards accused of espionage after fraternizing with Soviet women while serving in Moscow, was working at the U.S. Embassy in Vienna when he was arrested in December. Some Western reports have alleged Lonetree divulged plans of the U.S. Embassy in Vienna to Soviet security agents before his arrest.

## Bank, office bombed

LIMA, Peru — Leftist guerrillas killed two police officers, bombed a bank and a state office building and burned a city hall in separate incidents reported Monday.

A powerful bomb exploded before dawn Monday outside a branch of the Puna branch of Banco de Credito, the country's largest private bank, blowing out the door, shattering windows and damaging furniture and the bank's computer, police said. Puno is about 600 miles southeast of Lima near the Bolivian border.

The initials of the Tupac Amaru Revolutionary Movement, an urban pro-Cuba guerrilla group active in Lima and other coastal cities, were painted on the bank's walls, police said.

## Shultz meets Gorbachev

MOSCOW — Secretary of State George P. Shultz today renewed the invitation for Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev to go to Washington for a superpower summit, but the Kremlin leader said "generally without reason I do not go anywhere, particularly to America."

At the start of a meeting with Gorbachev in an ornate hall at the Kremlin, Shultz delivered a letter from President Reagan containing the invitation to Washington.

"You're welcome to come," Shultz said. "I have a letter from the president and it says so."

Shultz met for more than seven hours Monday with Shevardnadze, and a U.S. official said alleged KGB bugging of the U.S. Embassy was the first item of discussion.



A group of journalists tours the area near the airport in Tripoli, Libya, April 19, 1986, four days after American planes bombed suspected terrorist facilities in the country. In the foreground is what Libyan officials said was an unexploded American 500-pound bomb.

# Libya one year ago: The raid that said terrorism has a cost

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. raid on the Libyan cities of Tripoli and Benghazi succeeded in curbing but not curing terrorism, Defense Secretary Caspar W. Weinberger said today on the first anniversary of the attack.

"I think the raid was unfortunately necessary, but I think that it did carry the message that it was intended to: that terrorism has a terrible cost attached to it," Weinberger said in an interview this morning on ABC-TV's "Good Morning America."

American warplanes dispatched from England and from two Navy aircraft carriers spent about 12 minutes over Libya that night, dropping an estimated 100 tons of bombs on five suspected terrorist facilities.

Some of the bombs missed their mark, killing civilians. One Air Force F-111 and its two-man crew were lost.

But most of the bombs found their targets. And in the process, the United States signaled its allies and enemies alike that under certain circumstances — with evidence in hand of responsibility for terrorist actions — it would

unleash its military might.

Much has changed in the year since the raids were conducted. President Reagan, who rode a wave of public acclaim for ordering the mission, later was embarrassed by the disclosure of a "disinformation campaign" against Libya using the U.S. news media. He now stands damaged politically by the continuing Iran-Contra arms affair.

The Pentagon's attention increasingly has been diverted to the troubled Mideast, where more Americans are now held hostage by terrorists in Lebanon, and to the Persian Gulf, where Iran and Iraq continue fighting a bloody war. Libya's strongman leader, Col. Moammar Gadhafi, no longer appears so strong. But that is ascribed to a recent devastating military defeat at the hands of neighboring Chad.

The administration, however, still views the Libyan air raids as a major success, an action that at least temporarily threw Gadhafi and his government into turmoil and prevented a new spate of terrorism.

"I think without any question for

quite a long time the terrorism acts dropped off very substantially," Weinberger said on ABC. "I don't think anyone ever felt that it cured the problem or anything of that kind."

The attack of April 14 — because of the time difference, it was 2 a.m. on April 15 in Libya — had been preceded by other military successes by the United States, including naval operations across Libya's so-called Line of Death at the rim of the Gulf of Sidra.

But the bombing raids were different. It was not suggested there was a need to protect freedom of navigation on the high seas. The motive was retaliation, to make Gadhafi "pay a price" for his sponsorship of terrorism, as Weinberger has put it.

Although Gadhafi's home was damaged in the attack, killing an infant daughter and injuring two sons, Weinberger today repeated the administration's assertion that it had no intention of killing Gadhafi himself.

"There was no attempt to do that," Weinberger said. "That was one of these myths that develops afterward."

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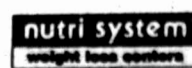
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# Opinion

## Polio researcher joins AIDS fight

Jonas Salk, who developed the first polio vaccine and founded the research institute that bears his name, is engaged in the war against AIDS as well.

Salk played a central role in ending a bitter patent dispute between teams of French and American scientists claiming credit for discovering the virus that causes AIDS. And he's focusing his attention on the daunting bioethical issues raised by the AIDS crisis.

The settlement, in which France and the United States are accorded an equal share of the patented AIDS blood test, was announced at the White House by President Reagan and French Prime Minister Jacques Chirac. The agreement stipulates that 80 percent of the royalties will go to a new international AIDS research foundation.

Salk said his yearlong semi-diplomatic effort involved contact with Dr. Robert Gallo of the U.S. National Cancer Institute and Dr. Luc Montagnier of the Pasteur Institute of France, among others. The result is that everyone involved in research is now free to devote time and energy to battling AIDS, not each other.

Salk also is urging stronger and more focused leadership in developing an AIDS vaccine as quickly as possible. "Where is the Basil O'Connor of AIDS?" he asked at a recent meeting of leading AIDS researchers from around the world.

O'Connor is the lawyer who organized the March of Dimes as the principal group financing research that produced a polio vaccine.

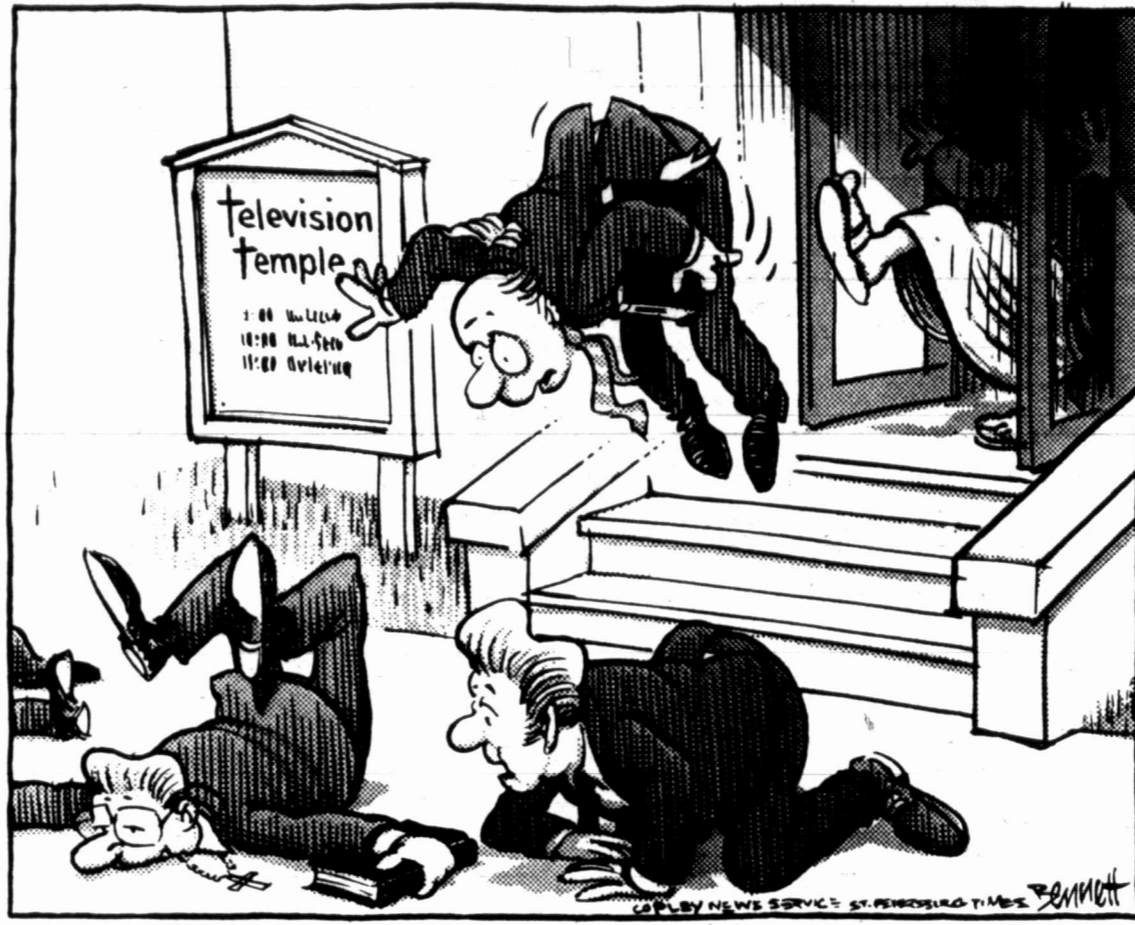
It may be that the leadership and direction Salk is seeking can come these days only from the federal government, primarily because the government plays a more prominent role in financing research than it did when the battle against polio was being waged.

Also, scientists usually follow guidelines set by the government in taking the steps in research that lead to the marketing of a successful vaccine. But scientists and manufacturers are complaining of mixed signals from the government about what the guidelines are.

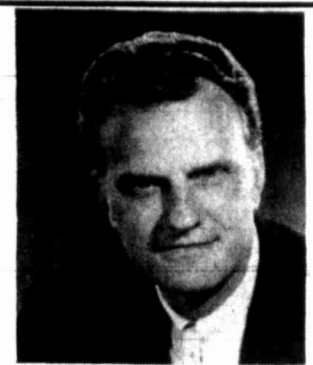
Guidelines would seem to be more important than ever because potential developers of an AIDS vaccine are feeling pressured by the public health emergency posed by the AIDS virus, which has spread around the world.

The lack of the luxury of time that researchers would like to have. They need help with perplexing questions about testing, about liability and about distributing an AIDS vaccine, if one is marketed. The questions must be addressed immediately.

We echo Dr. Salk's call for leadership in the fight against AIDS, and we are pleased that his wisdom and experience are focused on the life-and-death questions that AIDS poses.



"...Who is that guy and why does he keep calling us 'money changers'?"



Billy Graham

## Loneliness a problem for writer

DEAR DR. GRAHAM: I have been so disappointed by people that I have built a wall around myself so I won't be hurt anymore. I just don't allow myself to get close to other people now. The problem is, I am desperately lonely and know I need other people, but I am still afraid to allow people into my life. How can I get out of this dilemma? — P.L.

DEAR P.L.: There is only one way to get out of your dilemma, and that is to begin — step by step — to reach out to others. Otherwise you will only become more and more isolated — and more and more lonely.

And God wants you to reach out to others, not just for your own sake but for their sakes as well. Even your experiences of being hurt by others could make you a valuable friend to those who are lonely, because you will be sensitive to them and will do all you can to avoid hurting them or using them selfishly.

More than that, God will help you overcome your hurts and your reluctance, if you will turn your life and your burdens over to Christ. How can you reach out to others? First, pray that God will give you some people who will be real friends — and ones you can be a true friend to also. Then become involved in a church where Christ is preached — not just attending Sunday morning worship but becoming active in a Bible study or other activity where you will get to know people (as well as grow spiritually).

Realize that lasting friendships do not happen overnight; they take time to grow. In addition, remember that you have to show love toward others if you are to expect them to show love toward you. "A man that hath friends must show himself friend" (Proverbs 18:24, KJV).

And when people disappoint you or fail to live up to your expectations, remember Christ loves you with a love that never fails. "I have loved you with an everlasting love." (Jeremiah 31:3).

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## Republicans 'sacrificed' to support Reagan veto

By JACK ANDERSON and DALE VAN ATTA

WASHINGTON — Two Republican senators braved the wrath of their constituents to make impassioned pleas for President Reagan in his dramatic but futile effort to sustain his veto of the \$87.5 billion highway bill.

Their impromptu eloquence in the closed, last-minute caucus of Republican members didn't change the minds of any of the 13 GOP rebels, but it surely made them squirm.

Perhaps it was the historic surroundings that inspired Sens. Robert Dole of Kansas and Pete Domenici of New Mexico. The meeting was held in the opulent old Senate chamber that once rang with the heated arguments of Daniel Webster, Henry Clay and John C. Calhoun.

The vaulted, painstakingly restored, semi-circular room was the scene of Senate debates from 1810 to 1859, and the subjects that drew such memorable sparks were basic and important: the direction the young republic would take and whether the Union would survive at all.

In such a setting, even an \$87.5 billion bill was historical small potatoes — or, more accurately, pork. But the tension was as great in its own way as it was during the debates over slavery and states' rights.

No one present was moved to emulate Sam Houston, the serapic Texan who used to divert himself during less stirring sessions by whittling wooden hearts of pine and tossing them up to the ladies in the gallery.

The pressure on the recalcitrant 13 was enormous, according to one of the rebels. He said the tug of loyalty to president and party vs. the demands of his constituents made him feel split in two. "It was an extremely charged atmosphere," he said. When he spoke to the president, he said, he was



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more nervous than at any time "since high school."

With Vice President Bush in the elegantly canopied senate president's chair, minority leader Dole led off the debate, low-keyed but forceful. "This issue has been totally politicized," he said. "I hope we can help the president."

Reminding his colleagues that President Reagan is responsible for the Republican Party's return to health and respectability, Dole said: "He picked a lot of us off the street. He made us chairmen and leaders."

Then Reagan spoke, calmly, not threatening — and without notes. "I didn't veto the bill to make a point," he said. "I vetoed a bad bill." He emphasized his support for an alternative, scaled-down version and concluded with a plaintive question: "How far can I go laying into Democrats if we can't stand together on this one?"

Three senators took their turns at the podium to tell the president, without rancor, that there was no way they could vote to sustain his veto. Pete Wilson of California was protecting a whopping \$840 million appropriation for construction in his state; Arlen Specter was determined to save \$670 million for Pennsylvania.

Sen. Larry Pressler, whose state of South Dakota got only \$81

million, told Reagan he sincerely believed the bill was a good one.

Then Pete Domenici of New Mexico rose. Pausing for effect, he looked directly at the president and said: "You're too nice." He turned to the president's chief of staff, Howard Baker, once a popular colleague, and repeated: "You're too nice."

Domenici had plenty of reason to vote against the president. The 55 mph speed limit, repealed by the bill, was anathema to his constituents. (In fact, New Mexico became the first state to raise the limit to 65 mph, within hours after the highway bill's passage allowed it to do so without losing federal road funds.)

But Domenici was supporting the president instead, and he told the president — and the 13 rebels — why. "No one else will say it, but I will," he said. "They owe it to you."

"You made us chairmen," he told the president. "Never in my wildest dreams did I think this would happen." Then he looked at his colleagues, and said, "This ought to be an easy one."

It was after Domenici's emotional appeal that the president looked around and told the assembled senators: "I'm begging for your vote."

Other members spoke up for the president, and the closed-door session then adjourned for a smaller caucus across the hall in Dole's office, where Reagan and a few supporting senators tried once more to change the 13 rebels' minds.

No GOP senator was exactly happy about his vote, even those who stuck by the president at their peril. "A lot of the guys voting to support the president were making sacrifices," a sympathetic rebel remarked. "They were jumping off the cliff."

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

## Televangelist scandal useful lesson

By STEPHEN CHAPMAN

Few recent events have brought so much satisfaction to so many people as the public embarrassment of television evangelist Jim Bakker. Nothing is so agreeable as to have one's suspicions confirmed, and outside the ranks of their followers, suspicion of electronic preachers is rampant.

It is a rare person who can see hypocrisy exposed and not feel the pleasant glow of moral superiority.

The exposure Bakker's "sexual encounter" with a 21-year-old woman is only the latest embarrassment afflicting the televangelists. Oral Roberts told viewers that if they didn't donate enough money to a fund-raising campaign, God would show His displeasure by killing him.

Cartoonists, comedians and ordinary Americans have had endless fun ridiculing Bakker and Roberts. Why do these episodes evoke such glee among so many?

Evangelical and fundamentalist Christians, many of whom make up the audience for religious programs, will doubtless blame the



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reaction on secular America's hostility to religion. They're about half right.

Most of the people enjoying Bakker's humiliation couldn't have picked him out of a line-up before the scandal broke, but knowing that he was a TV preacher was enough to incriminate him.

His susceptibility to the charms of a pretty woman is taken as proof that Christians, for all their talk about morality, are no better than anyone else. Roberts' crass appeal

seems to prove that his real mission is not propagating the gospel but enriching his empire. By undermining the moral authority of their religion, these evangelists confirm hostile unbelievers in their unbelief.

The reaction is unfair. Christians are prey to the same vices and weaknesses that plague everyone else, and most of them don't hesitate to admit it. Divine forgiveness, after all, lies at the heart of the faith.

Jesus noted that the proper Christian attitude is not "God, I thank thee that I am not like other men," but "God, be merciful to me a sinner." And anyone with moral standards is doomed to come up short. Only those who have none are assured they will never fail.

The reaction, however, is partly understandable. Moral behavior may evoke admiration among outsiders, but self-righteousness does not. No would rejoice at Mother Teresa's downfall.

Some of the faithful, including some electronic ministers, radiate a patronizing smugness toward non-Christians, and even to those Christians whose faith doesn't con-

form to a "born-again" model. This holier-than-thou air becomes more threatening the more these evangelists take an active role in politics.

But some of these defects are mostly the fault of the medium, and evangelists hardly can be expected to shun such a powerful tool, leaving it entirely to secular broadcasters. Whatever their faults, they clearly enrich the lives of their viewers. They also strengthen the faith of those who watch, many of whom get too little spiritual nourishment from churches.

At their best, the electronic ministries serve to amplify the Christian message to the world, prodding people to place the needs of others and the demands of morality above selfish concerns.

That is one reason they are resented by so many. The Bakker and Roberts episodes hinder that mission, but they don't stop it. They also dramatize the danger of self-righteousness and the value of self-scrutiny, a lesson useful for skeptics as well as believers.

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**PHILADELPHIA TODAY**  
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**CONFEDERATION TODAY**  
The weather continued fine in New York. Congress was not in session.

The New York Assembly ordered bonds stolen from Henry Ludenton returned to him. Ludenton was a former member of that legislature.

News of Benjamin Franklin's appointment to the Federal Convention reached Massachusetts. The Massachusetts Centinel wrote:

"Reasonably is it to be expected, says a correspondent — that the deliberations of the sages and patriots, who are to meet in Convention at Philadelphia, next month, will be attended with much good — An union of the abilities of so distinguished a body of men, among whom will be a FRANKLIN and a WASHINGTON, cannot but produce the most salutary measures. These last names affixed to their recommendations (and it is to be hoped that this will be the case) will stamp a confidence in them, which the narrow-soul'd, antifederal politicians in the several States, who, by their influence, have hitherto damn'd us a nation, will not dare to attack, or endeavour to nullify."  
Franklin transmitted to his

counterpart, the governor of Connecticut, a copy of the Pennsylvania Assembly act confirming the rights of Connecticut claimants to land in the Wyoming Valley in Luzerne County. This was a rare act of bilateral cooperation in the Confederation.

**DELEGATES TODAY**  
George Washington's weather was cloudy in the morning but it cleared at noon and blew fresh. The mercury was 62 at morning, 74 at noon, and 68 at night.

Work continued on remodeling at Mount Vernon as Gilliss Polk's letter to the general details:

"George Diggers Esqr. of Prince George's County, Applied to me to procure for you, one thousand feet of flooring plank, to be precisely 24 feet long when dressed, and to be clear of Knots and Sap, a hard Saying this; however I undertook it, and with difficulty have procured it, nearly answering the description, (after Sawing about twice that quantity) it is not Perfectly clear of Knots, but believe Your Carpenter may find one Side of Each plank to answer Very well, the thickness was not mentioned to me, I have thought proper to have it Sawed Inch and half, apprehending that to be Sufficiently thick."

Caleb Strong, of Northampton, Mass., received a plea from James Perry, a suspected Shaysite, asking to be released on bond if he could be tried in Northampton County. Perry was ready to put Easton furnace into blast, if he could not be present to start this process in the spring and thus pay his creditors, he would "have twenty writs laid on me."

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# Lifestyle



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## Son's daily visits drive mom out of home

**DEAR ABBY:** Our son, 26 years old, married three years, is attending college full time. The college is located near our home. He and his wife live in a small but very nice mobile home. She works. Now the problem: Our son comes to our house every day for lunch, which I have to make. Then he goes back to school for classes, and returns here to lift weights and exercise in our basement. (He hasn't space for his exercise gear in his mobile home.) He plays loud rock music (nerve-racking to me) while exercising.

He is a sensitive and well-meaning person, and he would be hurt if he knew how much I resent this daily intrusion on my privacy.

Abby, each day I fix his lunch, give him a hug, then go "somewhere" just to get away from all that racket. I feel as though I'm being driven out of my own home. My husband says if we say anything to him, he'll be hurt, but close friends say I'm foolish for putting up with it. What do you say?

**IMPOSED UPON**  
**DEAR IMPOSED:** I say tell your



Dear Abby

son you love him, but his daily routine — lunching and exercising to loud music in your home — is more than you can handle. The alternative is to keep quiet and let your resentment grow and fester, which in my view would be a sorry choice.

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**DEAR ABBY:** While standing on a corner in downtown St. Paul one afternoon, I saw a man in a brown car. He was the best-looking man I have ever seen. I don't know what

came over me, but I smiled at him, and when he smiled back at me I thought I was going to faint! I got on the bus thinking I would never see this man again, but I was wrong. I saw him five days later in a shopping mall. This time he was not alone and neither was I. We looked at each other. He didn't smile this time, but I know he remembered me.

I cannot get this man's face out of my mind. He is the image of the man I have always dreamed I would marry.

Abby, do you believe in love at first sight?

**HAUNTED IN MINNESOTA**  
**DEAR HAUNTED:** No. But I believe in physical attraction at first sight. You were bowled over by the appearance of this man because he fit the physical description of your preconceived dream man. If to you "physical attraction" means "falling in love," then you have indeed fallen in love.

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**DEAR ABBY:** My lady and I were introduced last year by mutual friends, and our relation-

ship has grown to where we are seriously discussing marriage.

While we both appear to be in above-average physical condition due to our respective ages, plus the fact that both of us have lost our spouses to cancer, the suggestion that we have complete physicals appeared to be in order. Both her doctor and mine concluded that we would probably be around for some time to come.

I am in my 60s, she is in her 70s, and that is her only concern impeding a total commitment on her part. My view is that even if we were to receive a revelation that one of us would be gone in five years, I would rather spend those years with her in loving marriage than to remain apart. Neither of us would consider a "live-in" arrangement.

Your views would be appreciated.

**YOUNG AT HEART**  
**IN PASADENA**

**DEAR YOUNG:** If you need someone to say "Go for it," you've written to the right person. All good wishes, and do not waste another precious day.

## Achalasia a tightening of the sphincter muscle

**DEAR DR. DONOHUE:** I have been diagnosed as having achalasia of the esophagus. All I am told is that I will have to eat more slowly and avoid alcohol. I wonder if you know much more about this problem and treatments if it doesn't improve, which it doesn't seem to be doing. — Mrs. R.O.

Achalasia (ACK-a-LAY-zee-uh) is a narrowing or tightening of the sphincter muscle that guards the entrance to the stomach, at the lower end of the esophagus. It's called the lower esophageal sphincter (LES). Its normal function is to permit food passage and at the same time prevent stomach contents from splashing up into the swallowing tube.

One of the consequences of poor



Dr. Donohue

LES function is the familiar heartburn, which really is nothing more than the irritation of esophageal tissue by caustic stomach acid contact. In achalasia, the same muscle

may tighten too much and actually prevent easy passage of food. A sign of that is a most uncomfortable sensation and chest pain.

In addition to the sphincter muscle problem, there may also be a loss of normal contractions in the other esophagus muscles. Normally coordinated as waves of muscle action from top to bottom, in achalasia they may become haphazard so that even fluid intake is difficult.

You've received the essential advice for anyone with this. You have to eat more slowly and avoid emotional stress at mealtimes. Soft food is usually well-tolerated. But if you emphasize a soft diet you should take care that it includes all the needed nutrition.

Perhaps this approach will not be enough to resolve the problem. If not, the doctor will turn to other answers. Sometimes medicines in the anti-cholinergic class are tried. They act at the nerve-muscle level to ease such problems. Even nitrates (yes, the same drugs used for angina) can be tried.

If medicines fail, the surgical option remains, as for example balloon dilation of the trouble area. Give the conservative therapy a good try and see if you can't handle it that way. In medicine it's usually best to try to handle problems by first doing those things you can do for yourself. (And it's cheaper).

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.

## Latest hair style

Stylists and salons say the newest looks in hair — longer lengths in flowing curls or soft waves — are romantic and feminine.

## Death of a pet like losing a family member

By COUNTRY LIVING  
A Hearst Magazine

The death of a pet often is like losing a member of the family — and the mourners go through some of the same stages as when a beloved person dies.

The trouble, according to an article in the April issue of Country Living, is that society doesn't accept the depth of grief that accompanies the death of a dog or cat.

"I've found that owners grieve for their pets as intensely as if a human companion had died, with one complicating factor: It's still not widely acceptable to be upset by an animal's death," said Dr. Jamie Quackenbush of the University of Pennsylvania, who has counseled hundreds of bereaved pet owners.

One reason the death of a pet is so painful lies in the fact that the pet's death has a profound effect on

the intimate rhythms of its owner's life.

"Much more than the end of a life has occurred. Your pet may have symbolized certain things to you — a companion, a reason for being, comfort, security. Those may seem to disappear when he dies," Quackenbush wrote in his book, "When Your Pet Dies."

The difficulties of a pet's death are multiplied by the fact that there are no established customs to help overcome grief — there's no funeral, no acceptable time of mourning, no standard words of comfort for friends to speak.

There are steps you can take to recover from a pet's death.

First, admit you have lost someone important and irreplaceable. Grief deepens when it is unacknowledged.

There are predictable stages of grief in pet loss, as there are for

humans, starting with disbelief. You can't believe this is happening to your pet. Making final arrangements for your pet may help you take in the fact that the animal is dead or dying.

You may want to bury your pet yourself, but be sure to check with local officials to be sure it is legal.

There are about 500 U.S. pet cemeteries, used by about 2 percent of pet owners. The Association of Pet Cemeteries offers referrals to places that meet its requirements.

Many people arrange for disposal through their veterinarians or local sanitation department. Cremation is another alternative.

The second stage of grief is anger, often against the veterinarian for not spotting a terminal disease in its early stages.

There is also anger at the pet for leaving you. Guilt is common among people who euthanize a suffering pet, even if the decision was an act of mercy.

Depression sets in during the third stage of grief — its symptoms include loss of appetite, insomnia, apathy.

To ease the pain, get rid of your pet's food dish, bed and toys. Alter your routines so you won't be reminded of your pet.

Most important, talk about what you're going through. Some veterinarians now offer counseling to clients who have lost pets. Seek out sympathetic friends.

It's especially important to share your feelings with other members of your family, particularly children who may be confronting the reality of death for the first time.

## Drugs halt heart attacks

By NYU MEDICAL CENTER

New drugs are now available to halt heart attacks in progress, limit damage to heart tissue and save lives, according to physicians at New York University Medical Center.

"If given within the first three hours of a heart attack, these medications allow the cardiologist to intervene effectively," said Dr. Frederick Feit, assistant professor of medicine specializing in cardiology. "This makes it more important than ever that anyone experiencing potential heart attack symptoms seek medical attention early," he stressed.

Two medications, tissue plasminogen activator (TPA) and streptokinase, have been shown to dissolve the blood clots that cause heart attacks.

TPA, the most recently discovered agent, is a substance

that occurs naturally in humans, and scientists are now able to create large quantities through genetic engineering. TPA is currently undergoing clinical trials to determine how it can best be used.

In the early 1980s, streptokinase, another clot-dissolving drug, was tested and shown to be effective. "However, TPA is more potent; in seven out of 10 patients, it will halt the progression of a heart attack in less than one hour," said Feit, who has been the principal investigator on several research trials for these drugs.

Until their advent, cardiologists were limited in their ability to save heart muscle from dying due to lack of blood supply from the blocked artery during a heart attack. "TPA is ushering in a whole new era of cardiac intervention," said Feit.

## Planter's Garden Club elects new officers

New officers are Fannie Wilkerson, council president; Adele Tibbs, vice president; Doris Guy, treasurer; and Edna Womack, secretary.

Tibbs presented a program "Exotic Edibles are Altering America's Diet and Agriculture." She stated that scores of exotic Asian and Latin American fruits,

as well as vegetables, herbs, spices and even a dozen mushrooms are now entering the American food chain. Already our supermarket shelves carry myriad items few of us have ever seen before.


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damentals of the produce industry. Scientists and entrepreneurs are now scouring the globe not just for different strains of wheat, but for surprising new fruits and vegetables that with modern transportation can be marketed worldwide," Tibbs said.

Next meeting is May 6 with Fannie Wilkerson as hostess.

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State By the Associated Press

### Chickens against an ostrich

AUSTIN (AP) — Senators took exception to being called "prairie chickens" by Gov. Bill Clements, although one said there are worse things.

"I would a lot rather be a prairie chicken than an ostrich with his head in the sand," Sen. John Montford, D-Lubbock, said Monday.

Montford said he knew about prairie chickens because they raise them in West Texas.

In an interview with the Associated Press last Friday the Republican governor said liberal Democratic senators remind him of prairie chickens thumping the ground during breeding season.

Clements accused the senators of trying to turn the debate over state finances into a partisan brawl because of their opposition to Clements' no-new-tax stance.

Sen. Hugh Parmer, D-Fort Worth, made a personal privilege speech saying Clements "used this attack to once again put himself forward as the great defender of the people against taxes."

Parmer said Clements' efforts to hold 1988-89 spending to current spending levels is faulty because \$36.9 billion for the last two years is not the same as for the next two years.

Parmer said there have been inflation increases, population growth and extra state spending for 1988-89 caused by the prison overcrowding litigation and other court matters.

Referring to his experience with the prairie chicken, Montford said they "are tenacious. They are not afraid to stand up and fight for what they believe. They are protective of their domain."

After the session Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby said he agreed with both the senators.

## In search of abortion votes, senators drop consent item

AUSTIN (AP) — Senators shopping for support for their abortion bill have dropped a provision requiring pregnant minors to get parental consent for abortions.

The bill, as amended Monday, would ban abortions after the fetus has reached "viability," something that would be determined by the attending physician.

Sen. Judith Zaffirini, a co-sponsor, said the viability issue is controversy enough for the abortion bill.

"We realized that the issue of parental consent and the issue of viability are two weighty matters which should be considered separately, each on its own merits," she said.

Co-sponsor Sen. Ted Lyon, D-Mesquite, said the parental consent provision was removed because "I'm a political realist and I realize that with that provision in the bill I do not believe I have a chance of passing that out of this committee."

A separate bill on parental consent might be filed, but Ms. Zaffirini, D-Laredo, said, "I doubt the

possibility of its passage during this session."

But she is convinced the viability bill can win legislative approval.

"If a person aborts a fetus that could live outside the womb, that is murder, plain and simple. ... I do not believe that many intelligent, responsible people could agree to abortions under such conditions," she said.

The Senate and House committees on state affairs held separate hearings Monday on similar abortion bills. Neither committee took any action.

House sponsor Mike Millsap, D-Fort Worth, changed his bill Monday to require minors to get permission from only one parent, instead of both. But he said the parental permission section is a vital part of his bill.

"To deny a parent the right to give consent to surgery on their minor daughter that could scar them physically or emotionally for the rest of their lives is simply destructive of the family unit. It goes against every principle regarding the sanctity of the family. No

one should have the right to do this to my daughter or to the daughters of any Texan," Millsap said.

The bill was attacked by Sarah Weddington, an Austin lawyer who successfully argued the Roe vs. Wade case that led to the 1973 U.S. Supreme Court decision striking down state laws against abortion.

Ms. Weddington pointed out that state statistics show that in 1986 there were only six abortions in Texas involving women beyond the 24th week of pregnancy. She told the House panel that some of those probably resulted from late-pregnancy tests that showed severe problems with the fetus.

Texas is one of nine states that allows abortions at any stage of pregnancy.

D. Dave Kittrell of San Antonio, representing the Texas Association of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, testified the bill would be "a direct assault on and insult to the good physicians of Texas."

"It makes no provision for gross birth defects and the abnormal fetus," he said.

## Individuals who violate NCAA rules to be liable

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas senators have sent the House a bill that would let Southwest Conference members sue ambitious school boosters who cause NCAA violations resulting in suspensions.

There was no debate or opposition to the measure by Sen. John Montford, D-Lubbock.

"This is the product of a year of research," Montford told the Senate Monday. "We consider this a workable approach to an increasing problem."

Montford's bill would give colleges and universities and their regional associations, such as the Southwest Conference, the right to bring suit against individuals whose actions result in sanctions against schools by the National Collegiate Athletic Association. It passed on voice vote.

Colleges and universities currently have no recourse against boosters who are not associated directly with the schools but bring on the suspensions by their violation of NCAA rules.

"Four of the nine Southwest Conference schools are on probation now, mostly because of these violations," Montford said. "This has caused the loss of ticket revenue and the loss of TV revenue and other costs. This bill would allow civil suits to be filed."

Sen. Gonzalo Barrientos, D-Austin, asked if the bill would cover the board of governors of a university, in apparent reference to Gov. Bill Clements' former role as chairman of the Southern Methodist University board of governors.

"This would allow SMU or the conference to bring suit, but not the board of governors," Montford said. "I would think if this bill had been in effect SMU probably could sue for several millions of dollars."

SMU's football program was suspended for 1987 because supporters of SMU's football team violated NCAA rules by giving money to athletes while the school was on a previous NCAA suspension.

## Handling budget emergencies pondered

AUSTIN (AP) — The House voted preliminary approval Monday to a modified version of a bill, backed by Gov. Bill Clements, setting up a process for handling budget emergencies when the Legislature is not in session.

Despite the changes, Clements called the action "the best birthday present I could have had." Monday was the governor's 70th birthday.

Under the proposal advanced in the House, the governor could submit emergency budget plans to the 10-member Legislative Budget Board, which includes five members each from the House and Senate.

The board would make any changes it deemed necessary and send the plan back to the governor, who could then reject the LBB action. If that happened, the governor could call a special session of the Legislature to

deal with the budget problem.

Under current law, changes in the state budget can only be made by the Legislature.

The measure faces another House vote that would send it to the Senate, which failed to approve a similar bill earlier this year.

"I am confident that the Senate will do what is right for Texas and will do what the House has done," Clements predicted.

The initial version of the House bill, sponsored by Rep. Charles Evans, R-Hurst, would have established a new six-member board, including the governor, to handle budget emergencies when lawmakers are out of town. The Legislature meets in odd-numbered years for 140 days.

Texas voters in 1985 approved a constitutional amendment authorizing so-called "budget execution" authority. Rep. Juan Hinojosa said voters, who previously re-

jected two proposed constitutional amendments on the topic, did not really know what they were approving.

Hinojosa, D-McAllen, said the wording on the general election ballot was "very vague" and talked about "protecting public funds."

Several Democratic House members opposed the proposal as granting increased power to the governor.

"The real answer to the problem is annual budgetary sessions of the Legislature," said Rep. Al Luna, D-Houston.

Luna's motion to table the bill failed 67-77.

After that vote, House Appropriations Chairman Jim Rudd, D-Brownfield, won approval for his amendment that sets up the LBB as the budget review authority.

"Let the governor propose something and let 10 members of the House and Senate on the LBB make the decision," Rudd said.

Evans' motion to table the Rudd amendment failed 57-87. Evans then accepted the amendment, with a modification that bars the LBB from increasing an agency's spending by more than 5 percent or cutting it by more than 10 percent.

The House then voted 76-68 in favor of the amended bill.

Clements had visited the House floor earlier Monday and was aware of the probable outcome, according to Jim Kaster, the governor's top legislative aide.

"It's an acceptable compromise," Kaster said.

Asked about the bill's chances in the Senate, he said, "The senators have bills they're interested in and the governor has bills he's interested in. I feel confident we can reason together with the senators."

### Kemp outlines platform

DALLAS — Republican presidential hopeful Jack Kemp said he plans to campaign heavily in Texas to counter the home-state strength of Vice President George Bush.

"I think Texas — where it is Vice President Bush's home state — there's going to be a lot of support for Jack Kemp," said the congressman from New York State Monday. "I'm going to be in Texas a lot."

"I have never felt uncomfortable in playing in someone else's ball park," Kemp told a group of reporters. "The rules are the same."

Kemp, a former pro football quarterback, said that by the time next year's Super Tuesday presidential primary rolls around on March 8, "I think it could very well be different in Texas."

Kemp, 51, who announced his candidacy April 6, was in Dallas as part of an 18-state tour to garner support for his campaign and to introduce U.S. Rep. Beau Boulter, R-Amarillo, as his state campaign chairman. Boulter also sits on Kemp's national steering committee.

Turner said prison inmates might be called to provide testimony in the hearing on Tuesday.

### Court delays execution

HUNTSVILLE — Just hours before he was to die by injection, convicted killer Anthony Charles Williams was granted a stay of execution until Thursday morning.

The 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans postponed the execution, scheduled early today, so the 27-year-old Williams could appeal to the Supreme Court.

It was third time Williams had been granted an execution stay by the courts.

Williams was 18 when he was convicted of the June 12, 1978 bludgeoning death of 13-year-old Vickie Lynn Wright of Houston.

Williams would have been the third Texas inmate to be put to death this year and the 23rd — more than any other state — since the Supreme Court allowed the death penalty to resume in 1976.

### Paddling bill slapped

AUSTIN — A bill to outlaw corporal punishment got a legislative slap when it failed to win committee approval for Senate floor debate.

Monday's 4-3 vote was not enough to get the bill out of the Senate Education Committee and sent Sen. Craig Washington, D-Houston, out of the meeting in a huff.

"I'm going to let the teachers and the PTA get on (them)," Washington said when asked if he would try to get the two additional favorable votes needed to pass his bill out of committee.

The National Parent Teachers Association, the American Medical Association and the American Bar Association all have adopted national stands against corporal punishment in schools.

Much of the opposition to the bill stems the belief the issue is a local one.

"Any bill that takes away the authority of local school boards to determine its own policies we're against," said James Crow, Texas Association of School Boards governmental relations director.

"The school district should try to find some alternative means of disciplining children than using violence. We believe the violent nature of disciplining children contributes to a violent society," said Sandy Kibby, Texas PTA Legislative chairwoman.

### Two waive extradition

OTTUMWA, Iowa — The two men charged with kidnapping and killing a 12-year-old Ottumwa girl could be back in Iowa today after they waived their extradition rights in a federal court in Texas Monday.

"I'd like to waive my right to get back to Iowa," said Andrew Six.

Six, 22, of rural Pershing, Iowa, and Donald Eugene Petary, 49, of Ottumwa, appeared before U.S. Magistrate J. Michael Bradford for arraignment Monday afternoon in Beaumont, Texas.

"I was wondering how soon we will be getting back?" asked Petary.

The two men are charged with kidnapping and killing Kathy Allen after robbing her father and slashing her mother's throat.

Authorities said the girl was found dead in northeast Missouri.

"Preliminary findings of the autopsy on Kathy Allen indicates death by a single stab wound," Keith Hicklin, the Schuyler County, Mo. prosecuting attorney, said in a statement.

In Des Moines, U.S. Attorney Guy Cook said there's a possibility that the two may be prosecuted in Missouri depending on whether an autopsy shows the stabbing occurred near where the body was found.

## Escort sting a success

DALLAS (AP) — Police posing as escorts aided in the arrests of 21 men who responded to an advertisement for a service, then stumbled into a sting operation, officers say.

"Operation I.M.A.C.," which stood for "I'm A Cop," also netted nine women who called looking for someone to broker their services, said Lt. E.W. Smith of the Dallas Vice Control Division.

The phone number in the ad had belonged to an escort service which went out of business, said Smith. The small ad in a telephone book promised "above average escorts."

Undercover officers manned the phone since March 23, taking calls from prospective clients. Officers told callers the fee was \$60 per hour for someone who would provide companionship and conversation only.

An undercover officer was sent to clients each time, with men requested on three occasions, and a uniformed officer waited outside the door until summoned, the lieutenant said.

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### Police check insurance

EL PASO — Police are setting up checkpoints to catch drivers who register their vehicles across the border to dodge insurance requirements here.

Drivers in Ciudad Juarez, Mexico, just across the Rio Grande, are not required to have insurance when they cross over to El Paso.

So motorists involved in accidents with Juarez-registered vehicles have little chance of collecting damages, said Police Lt. J.R. Grijalva.

"Our traffic division tells us this is the second most numerous complaint we receive," said Grijalva.

The checkpoints began Monday and will continue daily, depending on the availability of officers, he said.

Drivers caught dodging insurance requirements will be issued a citation for the Class C misdemeanor, which carries fines of up to \$200. A repeat offender, if found guilty by a judge, could be jailed for up to six months, he said.

### Lawyers plead for state

HOUSTON — The state has made a good faith effort to improve conditions at its prisons, and should not be fined \$800,500 per day for failing to meet certain court-ordered reforms, attorneys said.

On Monday's first day of a hearing expected to last several days before U.S. District Judge William Wayne Justice, state attorneys presented witnesses who testified improvements had been made in recent months at the prison system.

On Dec. 31, Justice found the state in contempt of an agreement to improve prison conditions. He gave the state until April 1 to comply or face fines of \$24 million a month.

The fines were delayed pending the outcome of this week's hearing.

"The state is in substantial compliance," special assistant attorney general F. Scott McCown said. "What we're asking the court to do is vacate those fines."

William Bennett Turner, attorney for inmate plaintiffs in the case, disagreed.

"They are not delivering the necessities of life — like clothing, plumbing, heating," Turner said. "There are a number of issues."

"State has shown they can be motivated by the expressed threat of fines to do things in short order that they reluctant to do without fines," Turner said.

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# Bosworth bypasses NFL draft

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — While it may have appeared that Brian Bosworth's decision to forego the National Football League draft was made long ago, the Oklahoma linebacker's father says that is not the case.

"When I talked to him Sunday he was still very much undecided about what to do," Foster Bosworth said Monday night from his Irving, Texas, home. "I guess he just decided there are other avenues to approach."

By not notifying the NFL in writing by the Monday deadline, Bosworth automatically became ineligible for the regular April 28 draft. The two-time All-American can participate in next summer's supplemental draft or can return to Oklahoma for his

final year of eligibility.

Bosworth said Monday morning that he was still undecided about what decision to make. Repeated attempts to reach Bosworth at his Norman, Okla., residence later Monday were unsuccessful.

"I kind of got an inkling of what he might do Sunday when we didn't sit down and draft anything up," the elder Bosworth said. "If it's a plan, it's his own plan. I am not telling him what he should do or needs to do. He is his own man and can make up his own mind."

The NFL said Monday that it had not heard from the linebacker, either.

"We don't have anything, and it has to be in

writing," said Joel Bussert, director of player personnel for the NFL. "A phone call would not be sufficient."

Had he heard from Bosworth at all?

"No," Bussert said late Monday afternoon, shortly before his office closed.

Bosworth, 6-feet-2 and 240 pounds, was expected to be one of the first five players drafted. His reluctance to enter the draft centered mainly on his wish not to play for the Indianapolis Colts or Buffalo Bills, who have the second and third picks, respectively.

The Tampa Bay Buccaneers, who pick first, will take Miami quarterback Vinny Testaverde. The Heisman Trophy winner has already signed a contract with the Buccaneers.

While Bosworth can avoid being chosen by the Colts or Bills in the regular draft, there is still a good chance a poor team will get him in the supplemental draft.

In that process, Tampa Bay will get to toss 28 slips of paper into the hopper. Indianapolis will get 27, Buffalo 26, etc., with the Super Bowl champion New York Giants getting one slip of paper.

Names will then be pulled from the hopper to determine order of the draft.

If Bosworth returns to school, however, it probably won't be to play football. Oklahoma Coach Barry Switzer has said Bosworth will not be back, and the linebacker has not taken part in spring drills.

## Phils hurler nearly pitches no-hitter

By The Associated Press

With former St. Joseph's pitcher Jamie Moyer on the mound for the Chicago Cubs, Philadelphia fans were ready for the first no-hitter ever at Veterans Stadium.

"That's the first time I got booed for getting a hit in Philadelphia," the Phillies' Juan Samuel said after his leadoff single in the ninth inning broke up Moyer's no-hit bid Monday night. "I knew he was going for the no-hitter. I tried not to be over-anxious."

A walk and a single followed, and Lee Smith came on to get the save in the 5-2 Cubs victory.

"I felt good, but I just wanted to get off to a good start," Moyer said, who pitched his first major-league game last June 14. "I was thinking a little bit about the no-hitter in the seventh and eighth innings, but I was more concerned about winning the game."

On Samuel's hit, Moyer said, "I was a little upset with myself. I got the ball up a little and I think he was looking for it up. It's a guessing game and he guessed right."

Moyer struck out a career-high 12 while walking six.

Cubs Manager Gene Michael said he had no second thoughts on lifting Moyer.

"He was tired. He threw 150 pitches," Michael said. "Sometimes he tries to be a little bit better than he had great stuff tonight."

The Cubs scored their first run in the first inning when Andre Dawson hit his second home run of the season of loser Don Carman, 0-1.

Bob Dernier gave the Cubs a 3-0 lead with his first home run of the year.

The Cubs scored their final two runs in the seventh off reliever Tom Hume with the help of an error by Schmidt, his first in 64 games.

**Reds 7, Braves 2**

ATLANTA (AP) — Eric Davis had three hits, including a tiebreaking double in Cincinnati's two-run fifth inning, pacing the Reds to a 7-2 victory over the Atlanta Braves.

Davis' grounder over the third base bag ignited the Reds to their fifth victory in six games.

All eight Reds' starters got at least one hit, with Tracy Jones also getting three hits and an RBI double.

Bill Gullickson, 2-0, allowed six hits, including Ken Griffey's solo homer, in seven innings.

**Cardinals 8, Pirates 4**

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Jack Clark and rookie Jim Lindeman hit homers and Willie McGee had a three-run triple as the St. Louis Cardinals used a pair of four-run innings to beat the Pittsburgh Pirates 8-4.

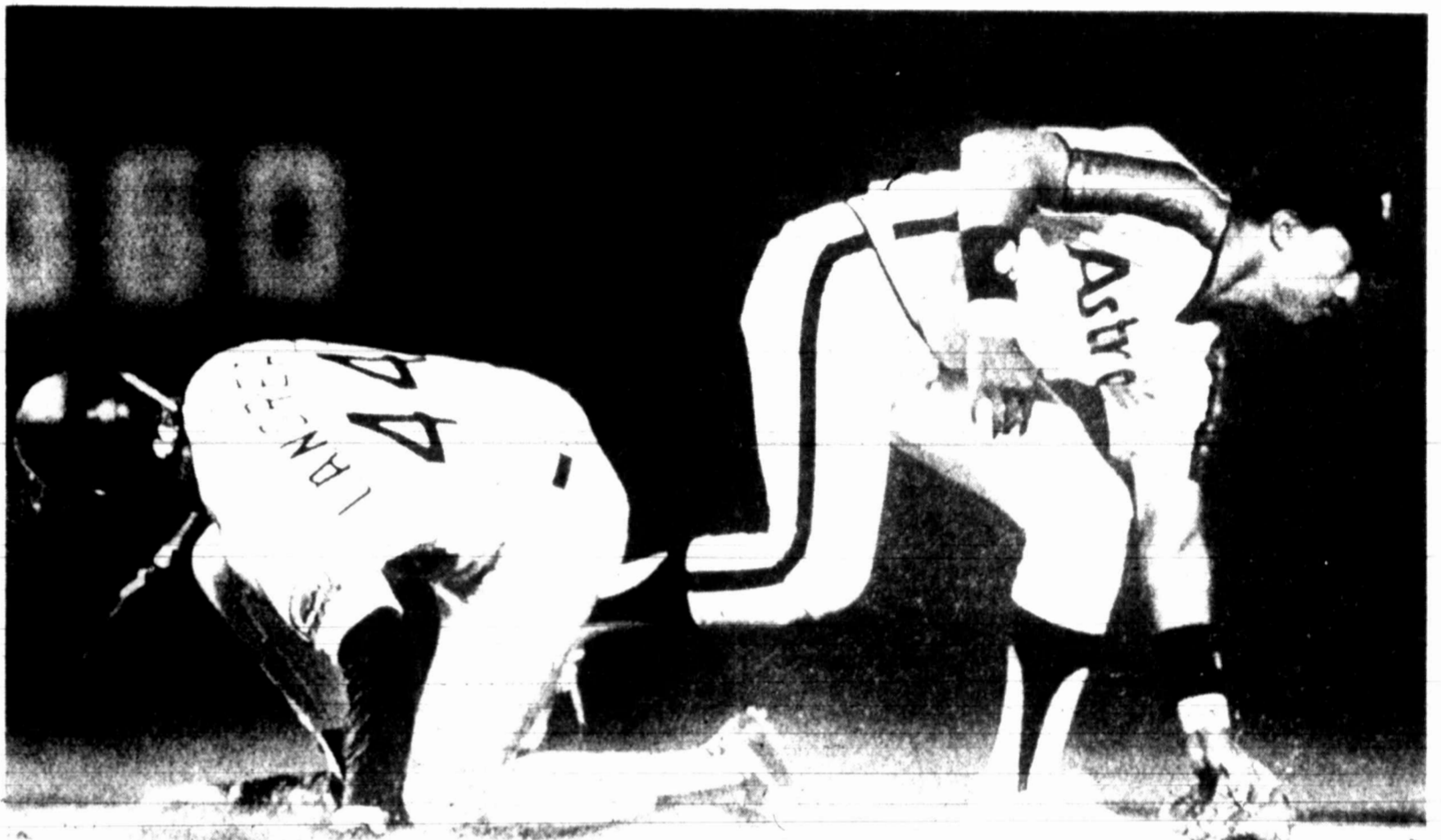
The Pirates led 1-0 after five innings on Johnny Ray's RBI single in the first as Doug Drabek, 0-1, limited St. Louis to two hits.

But Tommy Herr hit an RBI double in the sixth, Clark followed with his second homer of the season and, one batter later, Lindeman hit his third.

Danny Cox, 2-0, allowed six hits and three runs over six innings for the victory.

**Dodgers 4, Astros 2**

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Tracy Woodson hit his first major-league homer and Brian Holton, another rookie, pitched five innings in relief



Los Angeles Dodgers runner Ken Landreaux (44) slides safely into second on a stole base as Houston Astros shortstop Bert Pena fields the ball behind the bag during first inning action Monday night at Dodger Stadium. The Dodgers won the game 4-2.

Thompson hit a grand slam to highlight a four-homer attack as the San Francisco Giants, overcoming a record homer binge by San Diego, beat the Padres 13-6.

The Padres established a major-league record when the first three batters in the bottom of the first inning — Marvell Wynne, Tony Gwynn and John Kruk — hit homers off San Francisco starter

Roger Mason. Twenty-five times in baseball history a team had gotten homers from its first two batters in a game.

Thompson, who had five RBI in the game, overcame that homer barrage by himself with his grand slam in the seventh inning.

Bob Melvin, Will Clark and Jeffrey Leonard also homered for San Francisco.

# Making baseball history

## Four decades ago Robinson broke color barrier

By JOHN NELSON  
AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — In the spring of 1947, the Brooklyn Dodgers traveled to Chicago overnight by train to play the Cubs in their first meeting of the season.

It was to be a special game, one in a series of firsts. Jackie Robinson, a college-educated black man, was in a Dodgers uniform, playing baseball and changing the face of America.

Robinson already had become the first black man to play in the major leagues, starting at first base for the Dodgers at Ebbets Field on April 15, 1947 — 40 years ago Wednesday.

When the doors were closed at Wrigley Field, there were more than 47,000 in a ballpark meant to hold about 38,000.

"The place was packed," Cubs outfielder Phil Cavarretta recalled, "and in those days, you know — I don't mean to be degrading — but black people very seldom came out to our games. This particular day, when Jackie was there with the Dodgers, the place was packed, and over half of them were black people."

This was a special day for black Americans in Chicago, just as there had been special days for blacks throughout the country during Robinson's first tour of the National League in 1947. Only later would all of America fully realize how special these days were.

"They cheered for this man like he was the late Babe Ruth," Cavarretta said. "When he came to bat, fielded a grounder or stole a base, there was thunder in the stands."

Jack Roosevelt Robinson, the grandson of slaves, was born in Cairo, Ga., on Jan. 31, 1919, the fifth and last child of Mallie and Jerry Robinson, a plantation worker. Jerry Robinson left home for good when Jackie was 6 months old, and Mallie took the family west to Pasadena, Calif., the next year.

They moved into an all-white section of northwest Pasadena, living in a two-story house on 121 Pepper St. It was there that Robinson first heard the word "nigger," and it was there that he learned how to fight back within the context of the games he would play later at UCLA and in major league baseball.

"Jackie was emotionally volatile," said Rachel Robinson, who married Jackie on Feb. 10, 1946 and was with him when he died on Oct. 24, 1972 of complications from a lifelong fight with diabetes.

"He was always ready to take action. Maybe volatile isn't the right word, but he had a strong emotional reaction to things. He could fight



JACKIE ROBINSON  
...one of best to ever play game

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back very easily, as he did at UCLA. He knew all the techniques for fighting back within the structure of the sport he was playing.

"Early in his career, the major stress he was under in baseball was not to react."

Robinson's days at UCLA, where he was a standout football player and track star, and the time he spent barnstorming with a racially mixed baseball team were two things in Robinson's past said to have intrigued Dodgers' General Manager Branch Rickey.

Already a pioneer in the areas of minor leagues and talent scouting, Rickey was ready to blaze another trail. He wanted to get a black man into baseball, and as World War II began to work its changes on the world, he felt the time was right. He also felt that Robinson's history, his ability to operate in an all-white world, would serve him well as he broke baseball's color barrier.

"At the end of the 1945 season, Mr. Rickey called Jackie over," remembered Roy Campanella, who would join Robinson in the majors in 1948 and catch for the Dodgers for 10 years. "We were staying at the Woodside Hotel in Harlem, and we were playing a big league All-Star team in Newark that night."

"Jackie had gone over to the Dodgers office, and he told me all about it. Charlie Dressen was managing the All-Star team, and he asked me if

I'd come over the next day, and that was the first I heard of it."

Under the guise of putting together an all-black team he would call the Brooklyn Brown Dodgers, Rickey had signed the major league's first black ballplayer. He met with Robinson in his Manhattan offices for three hours, calling him every name that his strict Methodist upbringing would allow. It was a test, and Robinson passed.

Robinson would play one year for the Dodgers' International League team at Montreal before joining the Dodgers in 1947.

"All of us who played with or against him are so respectful of him," said Hall of Famer Monte Irvin, who broke into the majors in 1949 with the Dodgers' crosstown rival New York Giants. "We knew what he had to go through. A lot of us experienced the same things."

"They called us nigger. 'You're not gonna make it,' they said. 'Coon, shine,' they called us. Anything derogatory," Irvin recalled.

While Robinson was the trailblazer, the experiences of other early black ballplayers closely paralleled those of Robinson.

"You knew you had to go play someplace," Campanella said. "You'd be there on time, play, shower up and then go find a black hotel. You couldn't stay with the team. You did what

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## Sports Briefs

**Pruitt makes all-state team**

Big Spring Lady Steers basketball player Teresa Pruitt has added another honor to her long list of awards.

Pruitt, a 5-8 senior forward, has been selected to the Texas Sports Writers Association All-State Third Team. Pruitt, who's going to South Plains Junior College on a basketball scholarship, averaged 23 points and 12 rebounds per game while leading the Lady Steers to the District 2-4A championship.

Cheryl Owens, a 5-8 forward from Sweetwater, was also named to the third team. Owens averaged 20 points and 10 rebounds while leading her Mustangs to the runner-up spot in District 2-4A.

Also making the TSWA All-State team was Borden County guard Kelli Williams. The 5-5 senior guard was named to the 1A second team. Williams, who led Borden County to the 16-A district title, averaged 20 points per game for the Lady Coyotes.

This is the second consecutive year she has made the all-state team.

**Grady girls win district track meet**

PLAINS — The Grady Wildcats girls track team captured the District 1-6A track meet Saturday afternoon by scoring 108 points.

The Wildcats were led by first place finishes by Shelli Terrell in the long jump, triple jump and 100 meter hurdles.

Complete meet results in scoreboard on 3-B.

**Steers travel to Andrews tonight**

The Big Spring Steers will be in District 2-4A baseball action tonight when they take on the Andrews Mustangs at 7 in Andrews.

The Steers, 4-0 in district play and 8-10 overall, are coming off a 4-1 win over Monahans Friday. Timmy Gutierrez and James Thompson combined for a four-hitter in the game. Aaron Allen blasted a three-run homer in the game.

**Hawks host LCC for two games**

The Howard College Hawks will host Lubbock Christian College in a double-header Wednesday afternoon at Jack Barber Field beginning at 12:30 p.m.

The Hawks, 29-5 overall and 13-3 in conference play, are coming off a three game sweep over Northwood College this weekend. In that series, Howard banged out 52 hits, including eight home runs, while scoring 41 runs.

**Cameo softball tournament**

Cameo Energy Homes is sponsoring a men's slow-pitch softball tournament May 1-3 at the softball field at Comanche Trail Park.

Entry fee is \$100 per team. The first three finishers will receive an individual and team trophies. The first five team will receive team trophies. There will also be awards for all-tourney, MVP, big stick, golden glove and sportsmanship.

**Westbrook volleyball tourney**

WESTBROOK — The Westbrook Baptist Church is sponsoring the Westbrook Invitational Volleyball Tournament April 30-May 2.

There will be men's and women's and mixed divisions. For more information, call Joyce Chambers at 728-8662, or Diane Petty at 644-2551.

# Michael J. scores another 50

By The Associated Press  
Michael Jordan doesn't have to score 50 points to impress Chicago Bulls Coach Doug Collins.

When Jordan did just that Monday night, his seventh 50-point game of the NBA season and second in two nights, Collins found other things to be pleased about.

"In my estimation, he's the greatest player in the NBA right now," Collins said after the Bulls beat Milwaukee 114-107. "He came back at the end of the game and got the big rebound, stepped in and made the free throws and dished for a dunk. There's not much more I can say. His performance speaks for itself."

Jordan's performance virtually assured that he will become the second player in NBA history to score 3,000 points in a season. Jordan needs 37 points, his single-game average, in Chicago's last two games to join Wilt Chamberlain, who had more than 3,000 three times, in that exclusive club.

Jordan said his main concern late in the season is getting the Bulls into sixth place in the Eastern Conference, the highest playoff spot they still can attain.

"If I get it, I get it," Jordan said of his chase for 3,000. "My 50 points is not as big a factor as us getting the respect we deserve."

Elsewhere in the NBA, it was Philadelphia 113, Washington 105; Atlanta 102, Indiana 101; Detroit 120, New York 100; and Sacramento 123, San Antonio 118.

Jordan had 16 fourth-quarter points, made 16 of 31 field goals and 18 of 22 free throws and had nine rebounds as the Bulls improved their record to 40-40, a half-game behind sixth-place Washington and a half-game ahead of Indiana.

"We knew when we went in that if we wanted to win 41, we'd have to win one on the road," Jordan said. "We're still fighting for the seventh spot and now we're up a half-game. This was a great victory."

Jordan scored 16 points in the fourth quarter as the Bulls outscored the Bucks 36-24 to overcome an 83-78 deficit after three quarters. Jordan's steal and basket with 8:02 left gave the Bulls the lead for good at 88-86.

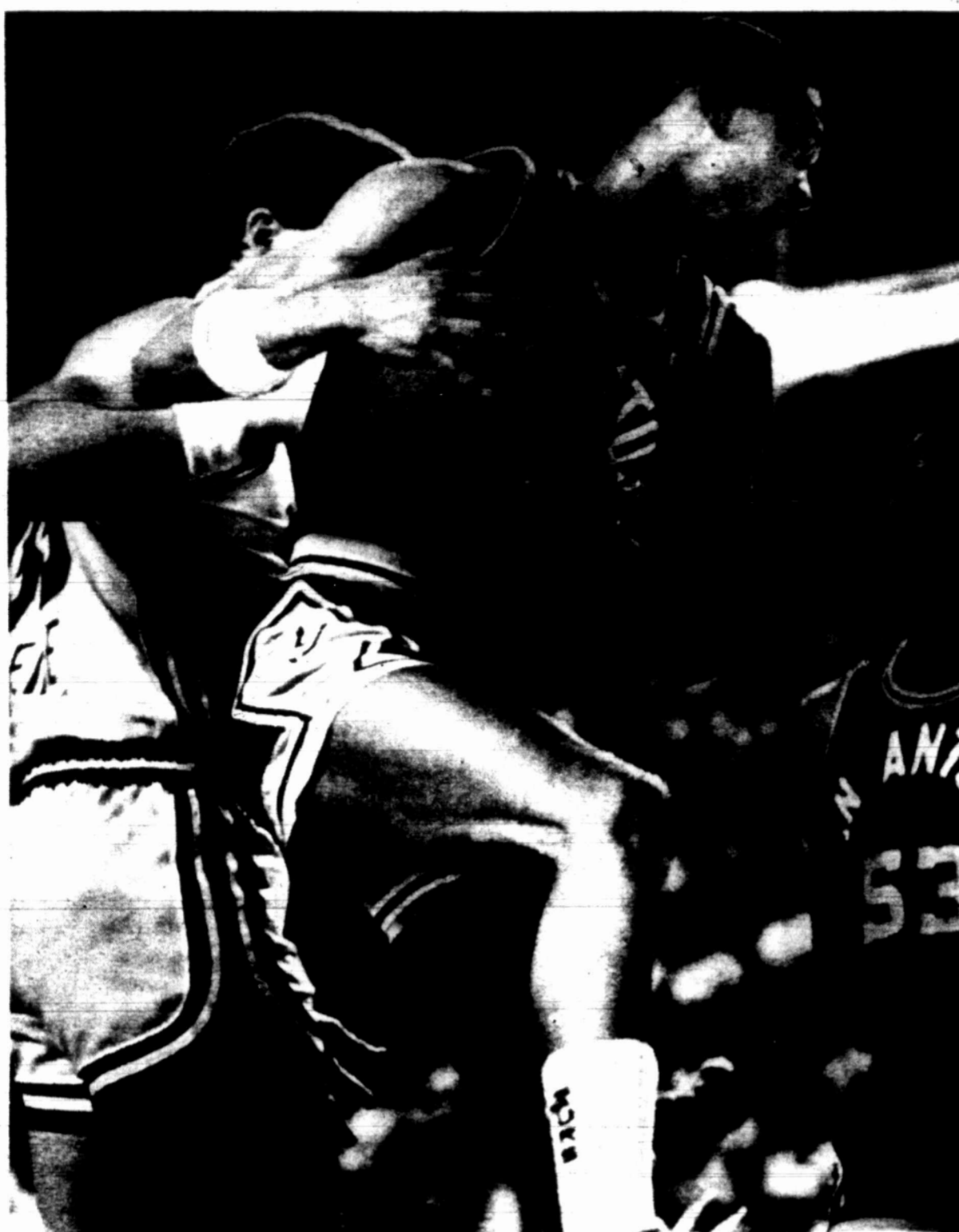
Jordan later scored six points during an 8-0 streak that extended a one-point lead to 102-93 with 2:45 left. Then he added five free throws in the final 19 seconds to seal the victory.

"It was team play, not just one individual," Jordan said of the fourth quarter. "We didn't fold at all. We kept our poise."

Charles Oakley added 22 points and 19 rebounds for the Bulls, while Terry Cummings had 24 points and Rickey Pierce 20 for the Bucks.

**Hawks 102, Pacers 101**  
Atlanta, trying to earn the homecourt advantage in the first three rounds of the playoffs, pulled within a game of Boston in the Eastern Conference standings as Dominique Wilkins scored 28 of his 34 points in the second half against Indiana.

The Hawks, who won their seventh straight game, trailed by nine points in the second quarter,



San Antonio Spurs guard Anthony Jones (11) pulls down a rebound between Sacramento Kings center Joe Kleine (left) and Spurs center Artis Gilmore, during fourth quarter action Monday night.

but they got within six at halftime and closed the deficit to 75-72 after three periods.

Wilkins had 14 points in each of the last two quarters, including two free throws that put the Hawks ahead by four with less than two minutes to go. Indiana pulled within one point on a basket by Wayne Tisdale with 35 seconds left, but Antoine Carr's basket and Kevin Willis' free throw gave Atlanta a 102-98 edge.

Tisdale had 19 points for the Pacers, who had won their previous eight home games.

**Pistons 120, Knicks 100**  
Detroit beat New York for its 50th victory, only the second time in franchise history the Pistons have won that many.

Adrian Dantley scored 30 points and Isiah Thomas added 21 for the Pistons. Dantley had nine points as they increased an eight-point

half-time lead to 94-75 at the end of three quarters by outscoring New York 32-21 in the third period. Detroit, which won 52 games in 1973-74, went on to lead by as many as 24 points in the fourth quarter.

Gerald Wilkins led the Knicks with 27 points and Bernard King had 19 in his first start in more than two years.

**76ers, 113, Bullets 105**  
Cliff Robinson scored 22 points and Maurice Cheeks added 15 points and a season-high 19 assists as Philadelphia clinched fifth place in the Eastern Conference by beating Washington.

A basket by Robinson completed an 8-0 run and gave the 76ers a 105-93 lead with 2:16 remaining in the game. Washington got no closer than seven points in the final two minutes.

Jeff Malone led all scorers with 24 points, while Moses Malone added 18 for the Bullets. David

Wingate scored 18 for Philadelphia, including 12 in the second half, as the 76ers placed six players in double figures.

Julius Erving scored 17 points, leaving him 62 short of the 30,000 mark for his pro career with three games to play.

**Kings 123, Spurs 118**  
Reggie Theus had 28 points and 10 assists and Otis Thorpe added 22 points as Sacramento handed San Antonio its 10th consecutive loss, extending a club record.

The Spurs tied the game 116-116 with 1:16 left when Anthony Jones, who scored 24 points, hit his second 3-point basket.

The Kings scored twice in the next 52 seconds on baskets by LaSalle Thompson and Theus before Harold Pressley's dunk sealed the outcome.

Walter Berry and David Greenwood paced San Antonio with 27 points apiece.

# Cooper comes back to power Brewers

By The Associated Press  
The Milwaukee Brewers had been playing well enough without him, but they got some help from Cecil Cooper anyway Monday night.

Cooper, who had been on the disabled list for the first six games of the season, came back to knock in two runs, including the game-winner, as the undefeated Brewers posted their seventh straight victory with a 6-3 decision over the Baltimore Orioles.

"I got a little antsy, but I didn't want to be a jinx," Cooper said. "It was a funny feeling, sitting and watching everyone contributing."

Cooper twice hit the first pitch to drive in the runs, the second sacrifice fly coming with the bases loaded in the eighth inning to snap a 3-3 tie. The streak is the best start in Brewers' history.

"It was a funny feeling, sitting and watching everyone contributing," said the 37-year-old designated hitter.

Cooper had been placed on the disabled list in spring training after pulling a muscle in batting practice.

After Cooper's second sacrifice fly snapped the eighth-inning tie, Dale Sveum followed with an RBI double to give the Brewers a 5-3 lead. Paul Molitor capped Milwaukee's scoring with an RBI single in the ninth, his second RBI of the game.

The winner was Chris Bosio, 2-0, the third Milwaukee pitcher, who allowed three hits over the final 3 2-3 innings.

**Yankees 11, Indians 3**  
NEW YORK (AP) — Willie Randolph drove in five runs with four hits and emergency starter Charles Hudson pitched a three-hitter as the New York Yankees won their home opener with an 11-3 decision over the Cleveland Indians.

Randolph, 4-for-20 this season entering the game, tied single-game career highs for RBIs and hits. He had a three-run-double in the fourth inning that gave the

Yankees a 6-1 lead and a two-run double in the fifth.

Hudson, acquired in the off-season from Philadelphia, made his first American League start after Tommy John came down with a stomach virus and won his second decision without a loss.

He allowed only home runs to Mel Hall in the second inning, Brook Jacoby in the fifth and Joe Carter in the ninth while striking out 10 and walking two.

Dave Winfield homered and Don Mattingly and Ron Kittle each added two-run singles among New York's 15 hits off Greg Swindell, 0-2, and three relievers.

**Angels 5, Mariners 3**  
SEATTLE (AP) — Devon White hit a two-run homer in the top of the 10th inning to lead the California Angels to a 5-3 win over the Seattle Mariners.

Mark McLemore singled for this third hit of the game off loser Edwin Nunez, 1-1. After Brian Downing sacrificed McLemore to second, White hit an 0-1 pitch into the right field seats for his first homer of the season.

Donnie Moore, 1-0, the third Angels pitcher, picked up the win by pitching a perfect 10th inning. Moore had earlier allowed the tying run to score in the bottom of the ninth.

**Oakland, Calif. (AP) —** Reggie Jackson opened an eighth-inning rally with a pinch-hit single and Carney Lansford sent Oakland ahead with a two-run single as the Athletics downed the Minnesota Twins 6-3.

Lansford got his second game-winning hit in two days with the bases loaded with a two-out line drive to center field. It gave him three RBIs for the night and seven in two games for the Athletics, who were winless before Sunday.

Oakland reliever Jay Howell, 1-1, got the pitching victory with two hitless innings. In two previous appearances he gave up five runs in 1 1-3 innings.

# Islanders facing exit from hockey playoffs

By The Associated Press  
The Washington Capitals are playing their best hockey of the season. The New York Islanders are playing their worst and are only one game away from elimination in the Stanley Cup playoffs.

Still, things could be worse as the Islanders prepare to face the Capitals in Game 5 of the first-round NHL playoff series tonight. After all, the Islanders could be playing at home.

"Maybe we should have had the whole seven games of the series on the road," goaltender Kelly Hrudey said in reflecting on the Islanders' two home losses over the weekend that put them on the brink of elimination in the best-of-seven Patrick Division series.

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After beating the Islanders 2-0 and 4-1 at Nassau Coliseum, the Capitals hold a 3-1 lead in the series. The home losses continued a frustrating string of recent poor play at the Coliseum for the Islanders, who are 0-5-1 in the last five home games. The Islanders' only victory in this series was in Game 2 at Washington.

Meanwhile, the Edmonton Oilers and Winnipeg Jets have a chance to wrap up their respective series as first-round action in the Stanley Cup playoffs resumes tonight. The Oilers host the Los Angeles Kings and the Jets entertain the Calgary Flames, with both home teams holding 3-1 advantages in their respective Smythe Division series.

In the other remainingseries, all tied at 2-2, it is the New York Rangers at the Philadelphia Flyers in the Patrick Division, the Toronto Maple Leafs at the St. Louis Blues in the Norris and the Quebec Nordiques at the Hartford Whalers in the Adams.

The defending Stanley Cup champion Montreal Canadiens and Detroit Red Wings have already wrapped up their preliminary series in four straight. The Canadiens swept the Boston Bruins in the Adams Division and the Red Wings knocked out the Chicago Blackhawks in the Norris.

With a 12-1-1 record in the last 14 games, the Capitals have been one of the NHL's hottest teams.

"I think we're playing at a very high level right now," Coach Bryan Murray said. "The thing I am most pleased with is that a lot of our lesser players are getting ice time, and that is giving them time to develop. That is what is really going to help us down the road."

The Islanders, meanwhile, have looked nothing like the team that won four straight Stanley Cups from 1980 through 1983, or even the team that used to manhandle the Caps. The Islanders had eliminated the Capitals three consecutive years before Washington turned the tables last season.

Injuries have been a big factor in the Islanders' lack of success. Eight players on the playoff roster are on the sidelines, including two top scorers, Mike Bossy and Brent Sutter.

Besides the injuries, veteran defenseman Deryk Potvin said the Islanders haven't been playing a "smart game."

"We've been getting stupid penalties. That's our biggest problem," Potvin said. "When you have to kill penalties when you're trying to mount an attack, it just doesn't work. That's what's so frustrating."

"Washington plays a very disciplined style of hockey. As long as they have the lead, they're a good team. When they're behind, they don't play quite the same way."

The Flames, meanwhile, have returned home in hopes of staying off elimination against their toughest Smythe Division opponent of the season. Winnipeg held a 6-2 advantage over Calgary during the season despite finishing third behind Edmonton and Calgary in the Smythe.

While the Jets remain relatively healthy, injuries have ravaged the Flames' defense. Defenseman Al MacInnis missed the weekend series with a charley horse. Jamie Macoun remained in a Winnipeg hospital after suffering a bruised spleen and kidney in Saturday night's game.

Paul Reinhart went down with a gash on his leg Sunday night, but returned to the lineup after some quick repairs.

Calgary veteran Jim Peplinski said the injuries are taking a toll on his team, a Stanley Cup finalist last season.

"When you get down into the finesse part of the game, when you need that touch, guys like Rino (Reinhart) and Al (MacInnis) are really missed," Peplinski said.

Winnipeg's Paul MacLean played Sunday night's game with a football-style mask to protect the 10 stitches he took under his lip when he was hit with a teammate's clearing pass on Saturday. He said the Jets aren't intimidated by the Olympic Saddlelome and the Flames' red-clad fans.

# Packers deal troubled Lofton to Raiders

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) — Wide receiver James Lofton, the all-time leading pass-catcher in Green Bay Packers history, has been traded to the Los Angeles Raiders a month before his scheduled trial on a sexual assault charge.

The Packers announced late Monday that the 30-year-old Lofton, a former all-pro who has spent his entire nine-year career with Green Bay, was traded for a third-round choice in the upcoming NFL draft, plus an undisclosed conditional choice in 1988.

"I'd have taken two first-round draft choices, but unfortunately it

didn't work out that way," Green Bay Coach Forrest Gregg told reporters.

Gregg said he thought the Packers got firm offers from two teams and inquiries from six, but he declined to name them.

The deal started coming together last Friday, Gregg said.

"Other teams were interested in Lofton, but nobody was interested in giving us what we thought would be beneficial to this football team," Gregg said.

Based on what the "market value would bear," the Packers got a fair deal for Lofton, Gregg said.

He said he was determined not to trade Lofton unless the Packers got something that would help the team.

Lofton's attorney, Stephen M. Glynn of Milwaukee, said Lofton and his family were in Hawaii, and "he's not going to be making any comment about (the trade) until the end of the week at L.A. (in a press conference). I talked to him earlier, and that's apparently his view."

Acquiring the 15th pick in the third round of the April 28 draft will give the Packers four of the first 70 players to be chosen, team

spokesman Lee Rummel said. They already had the fourth choice in the first round, third in the second round and a fifth choice in the third round.

Rummel said he knew of no conditions on the trade related to the criminal charge against Lofton.

However, Raiders spokesman Steve Hartman said there were "provisions" in the deal linked with the outcome of the case.

"The trade has been made. But yes, you can assume there are provisions pending the outcome of the trial," Hartman said, refusing to elaborate.

# Robinson

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you had to do. It's always difficult to know you're shunned and couldn't stay with your teammates. We realized we were being given a chance to perform, but we also wanted to prove we were gentlemen off the field as well as on the field."

Campanella vividly remembers the first time he was forced to stay away from his teammates. It was in his hometown of Philadelphia. "We weren't allowed to stay in the Bellevue Stratford Hotel," he said. "I told Jackie, come with me and stay at my folks home in North Philly. We couldn't stay with the team in three towns: Philadelphia, St. Louis and Cincinnati."

In many ways, the Dodgers protected Robinson, especially in spring training. Instead of touring the South, as so many teams did, the Dodgers spent spring in Cuba and Panama, then came north.

"When we were with the Giants," Irvin said, "we went all down through Texas, Alabama, Louisiana, and Jackie hadn't been down there, so we felt the brunt of all that bigotry and hatred. Even though it was a few years later, they hadn't seen a black out there playing with the rest of the guys."

Irvin said black ballplayers learned during their Negro League days that if you couldn't cope with the bigotry of the South, "they'd leave you at home. You'd better stay here 'til we come back," they'd say. "You better stay at home. If you don't want to say yassuh and noshu, if you don't want them to short-change

you or call you all sorts of names — if you can't take that, then you'd better get out of baseball."

Then, in the majors, when the teams went south for spring training, "often times, we would stay right on the train," Irvin said. "We couldn't stay in the hotel with the team. If we could stay on the train, it was OK. But when we couldn't, we'd get off the train, and now the rest of the club goes to a big, fine hotel.

"They leave us at the train station, and we would have to wait until black cabs come and get us. We couldn't even ride in a white cab. If the black cabs are late, we just stand around waiting. Now, here we are, important members of the team, just waiting around with all our bags. Sometimes we'd stand there for a half hour.

"Now, we go to a Negro family's house that the team contacted. They might not be ready for us. Most of the time there's just one bathtub or one shower for all of us. It was a hell of an ordeal."

Through all the slurs, the insults and the degradation, Robinson persisted. He was baseball's first Rookie of the Year. He led the National League with a .342 batting average and 37 stolen bases in 1949. He ended his career in 1956 with a .311 lifetime batting average. He was the first black man to be inducted into the Hall of Fame, in 1962, and he helped change America.

"The significance of Jackie's entry into the major leagues, the fundamentals of the

breakthrough, was that America was alerted to the reality of institutionalized racism," Rachel Robinson said. "We knew it was there — and the color line with it — but I think a lot of people — and good people, too — were not tuned into it."

She recalls riding the train to New York several years ago from her Connecticut home while the play about her late husband, "The First," was still running on Broadway.

"There were these two women on the train. One says to the other, 'Have you seen 'The First?'" She says, "No. It's about Jackie Robinson, isn't it?" And, of course, my ears pricked up. Well, this woman said the play had been a shock to her. She had grown up in a politically liberal family, and she said she had been isolated from prejudice, didn't even know some of these things had existed.

"Somehow, Jackie's story was something she hadn't known about. She was in her 30s or 40s. She had grown up going through schools in Westchester County, and she felt she had been isolated from these things. She had assigned the whole picture of racial segregation to the South.

"I hear that over and over again," Rachel Robinson said. "I hear, 'I didn't know. I didn't understand what all the fuss was about.'"

"I think Jackie's legacy was not just that he made people aware of athletes being excluded, but that there was a lack of opportunities in all areas."

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# Outdoor trails Let's protect our wildlife

By H. BOYCE HALE

During the early 1900s, the future of many species of America's wildlife was in question. Destruction of habitat and commercial exploitation had reduced populations to critical levels.

Concerned sportsman all over America began to support laws to protect the wildlife, and laws to protect our wildlife heritage.

Perhaps the most important of those laws was the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act, more widely known as The Pittman-Robertson Act. It directed that money from a special federal tax on sporting arms and ammunition be distributed to the states for wildlife conservation programs.

This year marks the 50th anniversary of the Pittman-Robertson Act, and the positive effects it has had for wildlife have been remarkable. The money to help wildlife, generated by hunters and other sportsmen through the Pittman-Robertson Act, totaled more than \$1.5 billion. As a result, many species have been rescued from near extinction. And today, many species have populations far higher than at the turn of the century.

For example, in 1900 it was estimated that the U.S. had about a half-million white-tailed deer. Today we have an estimated 12 million. Texas alone has four million. Wild turkeys also have increased from 650,000 to about two million today, according to the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service.

As a reminder of the role that the American sportsman has played to keep wildlife from being destroyed, a National Hunting and Fishing day will be observed on Sept. 26, 1987.

Hunters and fishermen, beware. Regardless of your age, if you fish or hunt any animal or bird, you must have a license. There are no



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personal identification certificate issued by the Department of Public Safety.

It's that time of year when the thoughts of many West Texans turn to water sports and visiting such places as Lake Colorado City.

Lake Colorado State Recreation Area is about 36 miles east of Big Spring. It may be reached by traveling I-20 east to exit 210, then south on Farm Road 2636 for 5.5 miles.

Park Superintendent Bill Griffin reported many visitors come each year from Big Spring, Midland and Odessa as well as other parts of West Texas. A good many others come from New Mexico and a few from states, he added.

A large building, suitable for having family reunions or similar outings is available. The building is equipped with a kitchen, tables, air conditioning and an outside barbecue.

To use this building, reservations must be made well in advance, sometimes as much as a year, and particularly for special occasions such as July 4th or Labor Day. The \$50 fee is payable in advance.

Adjacent to this building are campsites with electricity, and nearby are toilet and shower facilities. Sites with electricity are \$9 and those without are \$6.

A total of 79 sites have electricity, and 53 do not, but each has a shelter.

For boaters and fishermen, the ramp can accommodate four vehicles. And not far from the ramp is a real beach, described as the busiest place in the park during the summer.

For more information write to Park Superintendent, Route 2, Box 232, Colorado City, Texas 79512 or call 1-915-728-3921.

Readers who have information to submit for use in this column may contact H. Boyce Hale, Big Spring, Texas, Box 157-F, Big Spring, Texas 75721; or calling 267-6967.

exceptions. Recently, State Game Warden Wayne Armstrong said, "Even if you hunt or fish on your own property, you must have a license."

"Even if I shoot a rattlesnake, a mad dog or the likes?" I asked.

"Yes," he answered.

"Well, how about a little toddler?" I continued.

"Makes no difference," he assured me.

Not satisfied, I asked, "Wayne, what if a group of disabled children go to Comanche Trail Lake while supervised by adults?"

"If they fish, they must have a license," was his answer.

"How can a group of this nature avoid a confrontation with you?" I wanted to know.

He explained that when any similar activity is planned, the group should contact him several days prior, so he can arrange to be there to issue free licenses to the children.

Adults who assist the children also will need licenses, and Armstrong said he could sell them on the spot.

Texas law also requires that hunters and fishermen 17 years old or must carry a driver's license or

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•3 Days 15 Words or Less \$650

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### TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY 001

SIMPLY DIVINE Highland Mall, Easter Special 10% discount on all shoes, thru Saturday.

SIX KITTENS to give away 8-9 weeks old. Two bottles. Call 263-0356 after 5:00 p.m.

BAR-B-QUE Goats for sale. \$30.00 each \$45.00.

1977 JEEP CJ5 warn winch, Bestop Top. Good condition. 1004 West 4th. 263-7153.

1985 CHEVY CHEVETTE, 2 door hat back, tilt wheel, air, automatic. \$3,250. Call 263-7501.

1985 DODGE RAM, 1/2 ton, V-8, 318, power steering, power brakes, air conditioner, slider window, excellent condition. \$5,975. 394-4699 or 393-5524.

EARN \$75 to \$175 in 12 flexible hours. Write: P.O. Box 425, Colorado City, Texas, 79512.

LICENSED MASTER Plumber \$150.00 hour Commercial and residential. 24 hours. No extra charge. 267-8549.

GARAGE SALE: 2203 Cecilia, Wednesday and Thursday, 8 to 5:00. Miscellaneous.

NICE 1982 GMC 1 ton, dual wheels, 4 speed, power and air, cab and chassis. \$3,250.00 605 West 4th. Big Spring, Tx.

CLOTHES, BAG full, \$2.00; TV's, sewing machine, furniture, jewelry, collectibles, king size bedding, much more. Wednesday thru Saturday, 711 West 4th.

LOST AT Bowl-A-Rama 1988 BSHS class ring. Name Jeff on side, JBC inside. Reward: 263-4888.

### Cars for Sale 011

1978 OLDS 98 Four Door, excellent condition, loaded, 89,000 miles, diesel engine. Call 263-4942.

CAR SHOW, Odessa, Texas, West Texas Street Rod Association, 14th Annual Show, April 11th - 12th.

1986 MERCURY COUGAR Loaded, clean. 267-1128.

HAVE A Car you don't need? Up to \$500.00 cash paid for cars and trucks! Any condition. All calls answered same day! 263-4361.

DON NEWSOM'S IGA fixes party trays 1900 Gregg Street.

1982 CHEVY MALIBU, 70,000 miles, 4 door, runs great. \$2,500 or best offer. Call 267-1703 after 5:00 p.m.

SHADE WINDSHIELDS installed \$110.00 to \$165.00 on most makes in your drive. Factory glass guaranteed installation. Insurance claims. Call 915-333-6930. 915-685-0088 day or night. 7 days.

1980 PONTIAC SUNBIRD, automatic, power and air. This car is in immaculate condition. Nearly new radial tires, only 45,000 miles. 294-4783.

1984 CHEVETTE 2 door, standard trans. 20,000 miles, clean. 905 West 4th. \$2,500.00. 263-7648.

1984 DODGE ARIES Air condition, power steering, extra clean. 1410 East 4th. 263-3557.

1980 Z28 \$2,500.00 Phone 263-1116 after 6:00 p.m.

### Pickups 020

1982 JEEP LAREDO 1/2 ton 4 wheel drive; 1980 Cadillac Eldorado. 263-3444.

1972 CHEVY PICKUP High mileage, but very clean. Call 263-3062.

### Coupons

Money-Saving Coupons every Wednesday

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### SPECIAL FINANCING Ends April 30th

3.9% A.P.R. for 24 Mths.

5.9% A.P.R. for 36 Mths.

6.9% A.P.R. for 48 Mths.

9.9% A.P.R. for 60 Mths.

OR Up To \$600.00 Cash Back On



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500 W. 4th. 267-7424

### Pickups 020

1983 FORD PICKUP automatic, air, power steering, 77,000 miles. 905 West 4th. \$3,250.00 263-7648.

1984 FORD SUPERCAB Loaded. 351 engine, 10,450 miles. Must see to appreciate. Call 263-0829 or 263-1992.

### Recreational Veh 035

RV & MOBILE home parts, supplies and service. D & C Sales, 3910 West 80, 267-5546.

### Travel Trailers 040

29 FT. TRAVEL Trailer, full bath, kitchen, central heat, air condition. 263-3091 or 267-2272.

1982 TRAVEL TRAILER, fully self contain 8X30 been pull 265 miles. Trade for part type trailer less than 50 ft. long. 263-0968 anytime.

### Campers 045

1976 STARCRAFT POP-UP camper with air. \$2,000. Call 263-6468.

### Motorcycles 050

1979 HONDA 400, AUTOMATIC, 2900 miles. Faring, Radio, side and rear boxes, excellent condition. 267-8388.

1980 CB HONDA 125, Excellent condition, license, sticker. \$275.00 267-8364.

1982 KAWASAKI 550 LTD. \$650. Call 267-4891.

1980 Kawasaki 550 LTD; 1982 Yamaha 650 Special low miles, clean. 267-4261.

1983 HONDA 110 3 wheelers, also 1984 Kawasaki 200 3 wheelers. Both in good condition. Call 263-0829 or 263-1992.

### Trailers 065

22 FT. FLAT Bed Heavy duty 3 axle trailer. 263-3091 or 267-2272.

UTILITY TRAILER 6'X12' tilt bed, good tires, new paint. \$450.00 267-7614.

### Oil Equipment 090

FOR SALE: Walker Neer W520 cable tool rig. 8" tools, 7" Bailer. Good condition. Call 263-4595.

### Business Opportunities 150

MOBILE HOME park for sale. Approx. 8 acres of land, 1/2 of the land is under developed. Asking \$45,000; call (915) 756-2075 anytime.

LOUNGE FOR Rent: Furnished with beer box, tables and chairs 263-7648.

MUST SELL: 1 shirt, jacket and cap printing equipment. With supplier. Willing to train. \$4,000. Negotiable. Call 813-792-8831.

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### Help Wanted 270

GOVERNMENT JOBS. \$16,040 — \$59,230 /yr. Now Hiring. Call 805-687-6000 ext. R 9861 for current federal list.

WANTED: SECRETARY with excellent typing and calculator skills, good telephone personality, and problem solving ability. Send resume to Box 1911 Big Spring, Tx. 79721.

### NOTICE HOMEWORKERS

Some "Homework Needed" ads may involve some investment on the part of the answering party. PLEASE CHECK CAREFULLY BEFORE INVESTING ANY MONEY.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE Counselor needed at Permian Basin Community Center for MHMR in Odessa. Qualifications: 1 year experience preferred, SADAT Certification or within 12 months of being certified. Applications accepted at 1012 MacArthur Odessa. Only qualified applicants need apply. E.O.E.

### BIG SPRING EMPLOYMENT AGENCY

Coronado Plaza 267-2535

LEGAL SECRETARY — 70wpm typing, previous word processing experience. Salary excellent.

CLERK TYPIST — Good typing speed, previous exp. Salary open.

SUPERVISOR — Food service experience. Need several. Open.

PART-TIME — Several openings available.

### AIRLINES NOW HIRING.

Flight Attendants, Travel Agents, Mechanics, Customer Service.

Listings. Salaries to \$50K. Entry level positions. Call 805-687-6000 EXT. A 9861 of current listings.

R.N., L.V.N., Scrub Tech, positions available. Excellent salary and benefits package. Write or phone for complete details: Mitchell County Hospital, JoAnn Merkel, R.N., D.O.N., 1543 Chestnut, Colorado City, Texas 79512. (915) 728-3431. E.O.E.

HAIRDRESSER STATIONS for rent. For more information call 267-8983.

OVER THE ROAD Driver — van and flatbed. 2 years experience, good driving record. A must. Call between 1:00-5:00. 267-9818.

## SCOREBOARD

### NBA Standings

By The Associated Press All Times EDT

#### EASTERN CONFERENCE

##### Atlantic Division

y-Boston	56	29	709
x-Philadelphia	44	35	557 12
x-Washington	40	39	506 16
New Jersey	24	54	308 31 1/2
New York	24	55	304 32

##### Central Division

y-Atlanta	55	24	696
x-Detroit	50	29	633
x-Milwaukee	48	32	600 7 1/2
x-Chicago	40	40	500 15 1/2
x-Indiana	39	40	494 16
Cleveland	29	50	367 26

##### WESTERN CONFERENCE

##### Midwest Division

y-Dallas	53	26	671
x-Portland	49	30	603 16 1/2
x-Golden State	39	39	500 24 1/2
x-Seattle	36	42	462 27 1/2
Phoenix	33	46	418 31
L.A. Clippers	12	66	154 51 1/2

##### Pacific Division

y-L.A. Lakers	64	15	810
x-Portland	50	29	603 16 1/2
x-Golden State	39	39	500 24 1/2
x-Seattle	36	42	462 27 1/2
Phoenix	33	46	418 31
L.A. Clippers	12	66	154 51 1/2

##### Monday's Games

Philadelphia 102, Indiana 101
Detroit 120, New York 100
Chicago 114, Milwaukee 107
Sacramento 123, San Antonio 118

##### Tuesday's Games

New Jersey at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Portland at Denver, 9:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Phoenix, 10:30 p.m.
Golden State at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.
Utah at Seattle, 10:30 p.m.

##### Wednesday's Games

Cleveland at Washington, 7:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
New York at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Boston at Indiana, 8:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
Houston at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Portland at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

### NL Standings

#### NATIONAL LEAGUE

##### East Division

St. Louis	4	2	667
New York	3	2	600 1/2
Chicago	3	3	500 1
Pittsburgh	2	4	333 2
Philadelphia	1	5	167 3
Montreal	0	5	000 3 1/2

##### West Division

Houston	6	1	857
Cincinnati	5	1	833 1/2
San Francisco	6	2	750 1 1/2
Atlanta	4	2	667 1 1/2
Los Angeles	3	3	375 3 1/2
San Diego	1	6	143 5

##### Monday's Games

St. Louis 8, Pittsburgh 4
Cincinnati 7, Atlanta 2
Chicago 5, Philadelphia 2
San Francisco 13, San Diego 6
Los Angeles 4, Houston 2

##### Tuesday's Games

New York at Philadelphia, (n)
Cincinnati at Atlanta, (n)
Montreal at St. Louis, (n)
San Francisco at San Diego, (n)
Houston at Los Angeles, (n)

##### Wednesday's Games

Pittsburgh (Reuschel 0-0) at Chicago (Trout 0-1)
New York (Fernandez 1-0) at Philadelphia (K. Gross 0-1), (n)
Cincinnati (Browning 1-0) at Atlanta

### AL Standings

#### By

**Help Wanted 270**

**PAK TIME** telephone sales person part time evening hours. 263 7806.

**DON NEWSOM'S IGA** has Tyler #1 roses ready to plant. 1900 Gregg Street.

**FOR DOCTOR'S Office, LVN.** Typing skills and knowledge to file insurance forms. Please send resumes to P. O. Box 1408, Big Spring, Texas 79721.

**LADY FOR Live** in companion and housekeeping for elderly lady. References required. 267 2256.

**NURSING SECRETARY.** 24 hours per week plus diploma required, type 40 w. p. m., neat appearance, good at working with elderly. Contact Linda Johnson, RN, 263 7633.

**KENTUCKY FRIED Chicken** is accepting applications from cheerful, dependable, honest people, who take pride on a job well done. Apply in person at 2200 Gregg.

**COUNTY OF Howard, County Welfare** Indigent Health Care Program is accepting applications for a part-time secretary receptionist. High school diploma or G. E. D. required. Must have typing skills, filing, posting, and must be able to meet the public. Bilingual helpful but not necessary. No phone calls. Come by Room 201, 2nd Floor, County Courthouse.

**Jobs Wanted 299**

**E. Z MOVING** - local, and long distance. Lowest rates in area. 915-489-7413.

**EXPERIENCED TREE Pruning.** Removal. For free estimates call 267-8317.

**MOWING YARDS,** hauling trash, clean alleys and storage. Call 267-7942.

**VENETIAN BLIND Repair.** Clean, new tapes. Free pickup, delivery. Reasonable rates. Phone 263-0365.

**YARD WORK,** house painting, roofing, reroofing, tree's pruned, frame work, remodeling. Call 393-5514.

**R & A SMALL Engine Repair.** Repair, rebuild, buy and sell. Mowers, edgers, etc. After 5:00 pm 263-7533 or 263-4437, 424 Dallas.

**ACE MECHANIC.** Motorcycles, lawn mowers, and small boat motors. Guarantee labor. Reasonable Prices. 263-6110.

**DEADLINE APRIL 15th.** Income tax prepared. Pickup and delivered. 263-1732.

**SITTER DESIRES** employment with sick elderly. Experienced. Do some live-ins, also will babysit. 267-1572.

**SAND SPRINGS Lawn mower** and tiller repair. Will pickup and deliver. Big Spring and Coahoma area. 267-7272.

**I WILL SIT** with elderly or sick in the hospital or at home. 263-2102.

**RE ROOFS AND Repairs.** Free Estimates. Tom's Roofing. 263-0817.

**CAN DO Shredding,** tandem discing and deep breaking. Will do from 1/8 acre to 35 acres. 267-7922 anytime.

**TOTAL LAWN Service.** Experienced. Landscaping, mowing, scalping, pruning, ditches, hauling. Free estimates. 263-4480 or 263-3437 after 4:00.

**COMPLETE LAWN AND Home Service.** Roto tilling, painting, home repairs. Call 263-4816 after 5:30 p.m.

**HOME REPAIR,** doors, windows, locks, cabinet work, formica, floor tile. Quality work and reasonable. Call 267-2611.

**Loans 325**

**SECURITY FINANCE Corp.** Now making Easter loans. \$100.00 to \$300.00 Ask for Maria or Albert. 267-4591.

**SIGNATURE LOANS** up to \$253. CIC Finance, 406 Runnels, 263-7338. Subject to approval.

**Cosmetics 370**

**HOWARD COLLEGE Cosmetology** has hidden 100 Easter eggs all over Big Spring. If you find one and return it the prize inside is yours. Call 267-1104 Monday thru Friday 10-5.

**Child Care 375**

**WILL BABYSIT** in my home. 24 hours per day, 7 days a week. 2 attendants. Call 263-2610 for more information.

**SUNSHINE DAYCARE** Easter Special. Enroll your child from April 9th to April 24th and get your first week at 1/2 price. Newborn thru 5 years. 263-1696.

**Housecleaning 390**

**HOUSECLEANING,** \$5.00 hour. Can work most anytime. Call 393-5296 or 263-7280.

**WILL CLEAN** your home or office. Call 267-5008 for more information.

**Farm Equipment 420**

**STEEL SEA Containers** 8'x8-1/2'x40'. Water proof, varmint proof, dust proof. Requires no foundation. Excellent storage for any use. We deliver. Also a few HI Cube, 8x91/2x40. (915)653-4400 San Angelo, Texas.

**JOHN DEERE Tractor** \$900.00 FarmAll \$700.00 Want to buy 1955-1970 model 2-ton truck. Call 398-5523.

**GOOD, SMALL tractor** and equipment. Call 398-5567.

**Farm Service 425**

**BUY COMMODITY Certificates.** Call Rich, 267-4036.

**FARMER'S REPAIR Center** Route 2 Box 124 Phone 263-4764. Neal McCluskey Tommy Hogan Owners. Old Howard County Airport. Tractors, Cars, Pickups Welding. Big Spring Texas 79720.

**Livestock 435**

**FOR SALE:** Small Bull 1/2 Jersey. 11 months old. 263-8242.

**Horses 445**

**THREE YEAR Old Registered Quarter Horse,** Chestnut Sorrel Gelding, started, gentle, must sell. McDowell Ranch, 398-5547.

**Horse Trailers 499**

**FOR SALE:** totally enclosed Slidham two horse, ramp load trailer. With brakes, lights, storage, escape door, mats, interior pads. Call 263-4595.

**Arts & Crafts 504**

**"PRETTY PUNCH"** Embroidery kits, yard, patterns, instructions. Call 267-8424, 1516 Sunset Avenue, Erma's Pretty Punch.

**Auctions 505**

**SPRING CITY Auction.** We do all types of auctions. Call 263-1831 or 263-0914.

**Dogs, Pets, Etc. 513**

**FOR SALE:** AKC Pekingese male puppies. Call 267-8918 or see at 3908 Parkway, Big Spring.

**READY TO go for Easter!** AKC Registered Siberian Husky puppies for sale. After 5:30, 915-263-7909.

**EASTER BUNNIES** For Sale. White and all colors. We'll be setting with my trailer, Bedco Conoco Station 1910 Gregg, Monday, Friday 10:30 till evening.

**GROWN FEMALE Samoyede,** all shots, never bred. \$600.00 267-7770.

**FOR EASTER:** Poodle puppies and part Persian kittens, for sale. Call 915-263-3076.

**Pet Grooming 515**

**IRIS' POODLE Parlor.** Grooming, indoor kennels, heated and air, supplies, coats, etc. 2112 West 3rd, 263-2409-263-7900.

**POODLE GROOMING** - I do them the way you like them. Call Ann Fritzer, 263-0670.

**RAY'S PET GROOMING,** 18 years experience. Fair prices. Good work. Free dip with grooming. 263-8581.

**Computer Supplies 518**

**FROM APPLE to Wang,** we have them. Gaff Office Supply House, 305 Main, 267-7828.

**Engraving 519**

**ENGRAVING, LAMINATING,** binding, lettering and many other services. YES! Business Services, 305 Main, 267-7828.

**Trophies 520**

**TROPHIES AND engraving** of all types, quick and reasonable. Big Spring Athletics #24, Highland Mall, 267-1649.

**Musical Instruments 530**

**OLD GERMAN Made violin,** excellent condition, good tone quality. \$700.00 267-4694.

**Household Goods 531**

**FOR SALE:** 2 2 bedroom houses. 205 College Street; 301 North 1st, Coahoma. 263-7008.

**LARGE THREE Bedroom house.** With storm cellar, one car garage with store room, 2 blocks from Coahoma School. Call 394-4840.

**FOR SALE by owner:** immaculate 2-3 bedroom, 2 bath in quiet neighborhood with new built in appliances and bookshelves galore. Many extras plus satellite and in ground pool with decks. 263-6466.

**FOR SALE by owner:** beautifully remodeled with all new carpet, new dishwasher, new range, new oak cabinets, mirrored wall, nice yard, convenient location - 1300 College. Over 1,100 square feet. FHA down payment, \$100 pays closing costs. Bargain at only \$27,500, approximately \$270 monthly. See or call Bob Spears, 263-4884, Real Estate Broker.

**Household Goods 531**

**OVER 30 USED refrigerators** and stoves to choose from - Starting at \$39. Branham Furniture, 1008 East 3rd.

**THREE PIECE Living room suite** \$175.00 394-4929 after 5:30.

**WHITE, FROST - FREE refrigerator,** \$199.95; Upright freezer, \$99.95; Chest freezer, \$199.95; Kenmore continuous cleaning 30" gas range, \$189.95. Dukess Furniture.

**Satellite 534**

**CIRCUIT DISTRIBUTING INC.,** 2605 Wason Road, Big Spring, has systems for as low as \$699 installed. Other models available. Decoders and scrambling not a problem. Come See Us!

**Garage Sales 535**

**GARAGE SALE:** 1107 East 3rd. Lots of good stuff!

**GARAGE SALE:** Friday Only! Snyder Hwy. pass Airport Rd. next road on right, 3rd house on right. Baby bed, walker, stroller, rocking chair, sofa sleeper, bedspreads, children's clothes, and miscellaneous. 267-2226.

**Produce 536**

**DON NEWSOM'S IGA** has tomato and pepper plants & for \$1.19. 1900 Gregg Street.

**TOMATOES, PEPPERS, Plants, Onions,** Green Acres Nursery, 267-8929 Open 9-6 Monday thru Saturday, Sunday 1-5.

**Miscellaneous 537**

**KIRBY VACUUMS** on sale. Service on new and old Kirby's. All other makes Royal and Panasonic on sale. Serving Big Spring 20 years, Doyle Rice, 407 West 3rd, Call 263-3134.

**MUFFLERS, TAILPIPES,** and complete dual exhaust systems for most vehicles, only \$129.95. We use quality materials only. Free estimates. Mastercard, Visa accepted. Satisfaction guaranteed. Briggs Welding & Muffler, 501 North Birdwell, across from Hubbard Packing. 267-1488.

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**LAWN GARDEN Fertilizer.** 46-0-0 50lbs. \$8.75 Call 263-8491 or 267-6669. Free delivery. Boy Scout Troop 16.

**HALF PRICE!** Flashing arrow signs \$299! Lighted, non-arrow \$289! Unlighted \$249! Free letters! See locally. Call today! Factory: 1-800-423-0163 anytime.

**LXI RECEIVER, 2 LXI speakers;** oak entertainment center. Call 267-8853.

**9" COLOR TV,** good condition. \$75. Call 263-3782.

**COUNTRY BOX Car,** Knott, Texas, 353-4441. Grand Opening, April 13th, Monday! General Store specializing in Tarkett Linoleum and Holly Tex Carpet. Prices are cheaper out at Country Box Car.

**BEAUTIFUL MAHOAGANY bedroom** suite, poster bed; antique double pedestal dining table, 6 chairs, china hutch. Dukess Furniture.

**GRASS SEED** As of present we are still in ample supply of Grass Seeds, for your CRP acres, for this Spring planting, plus your crop needs. Please contact, Horizon Seeds, Inc. PO Box 886 Hereford, Tx. 79045 or call 806-258-7288.

**Telephone Service 549**

**WHY PAY big bucks** when you can call Circle C Communications for all repair and installation: business and residential. 267-2423.

**J'DEAN COMMUNICATIONS.** Let one service call do it all! Jacks, telephones, residential and commercial. 267-5478.

**Houses for Sale 601**

**GOVERNMENT HOMES.** Delinquent tax property. Repossessions. Call 805-487-6000 ext 1-9861 for current repo list.

**THREE BEDROOM, two bath** on 30 acres. Good water, 3 nice outbuildings, 6 miles South. Consider trade in. \$115,000. Owner finance balance. 263-7982.

**FOR SALE or lease,** 2 bedroom, 1 bath, 802 Edwards. Call 263-3514 or 263-8513.

**MOVING MUST sell,** 3 bedroom, 2 bath, attached garage, carpeted throughout, stove, garbage disposal, ceiling fan. Close to schools, shopping, at over \$51,000, will sell for \$4,000 under appraisal. Owner will help finance qualified buyer. 267-8929 after 5:00.

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**Houses for Sale 601**

**THREE BEDROOM,** large fenced lot. Assumable loan, interested in older travel trailer, covered trailer, lwb campershell for down payment. 605 Douglas, 263-3949.

**ATTENTION VETERANS!** Need a house, but no ready cash? Qualify and get in this 3-2-2 brick, corner lot, with fireplace, central heat, refrigerated air and 0 closing cost. 30'. Call McDonald Realty, 263-7615 or Joyce at home, 267-7835.

**ECONOMY SMALL cottage,** 3 acres, water well, \$10,000. West Walter Road (Midway). 263-4420.

**JUST OUTSIDE city limits** near Kentwood School, 3 2 2 brick near Coahoma kitchen on 1/2 acre - Nice ERA Reeder, 267-8266, or Joyce, 263-1738.

**NEAT, CONVENIENT,** new carpet, 3 bedrooms plus hobby room, Kentwood School, 30's. ERA Reeder, 267-8266, or Joyce 263-1738.

**NEW LISTING in Kentwood:** Three bedrooms and 2 1/2 baths with lot of living space! Home and yard in excellent condition. Central heat and refrigerated air. Call Marjorie Dodson, ERA-Reeder, 267-8266, or 267-7760.

**COAHOMA! POOL!** Relax and enjoy this beautiful 3-2-2 brick near Coahoma FHA loan! 70's. ERA Reeder 267-8266. Lila 267-6657.

**FOR SALE:** low equity and assume payments of \$306 per month. 2 bedroom, central refrigerated air, in Parkhill. Call Marjorie Dodson, ERA Reeder, 267-8266 or home 267-7760.

**COAHOMA BY Owner:** Large two bedroom on 5 lots. Storage building, concrete ceiling, fenced. Take up payments. 267-3905.

**409 SOUTH 1ST Coahoma,** furnished, 2 bedroom, separate garage and storm cellar. \$1,000.00 below tax appraisal. Midland 682-7121; Coahoma 394-4340.

**NEAT CLEAN, 3-2-2.** Water well, storage building, storm cellar, all on 1.87 acres. Below appraisal price. 263-2415, 267-7537.

**Lots for Sale 602**

**CORNER LOT** For Sale 122X169 some trees. 1700-06 East 6th. \$5,000.00 Call 393-5515.

**Business Property 604**

**WAREHOUSE** AND paved yard - fenced, for sale. Call 263-2415 between 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

**Acreeage for sale 605**

**LOTS - ACREEAGE** for sale. Call 267-5546.

**FOUR ACRE tract,** Tubbs Addition, excellent location. Good water well, septic tank, deep lot. Call 263-2381, 263-1506.

**Resort Property 608**

**LAKE COLORADO City,** 3 bedroom, 2 bath, large living area, chain link fence. Deeded lot. 915-728-3386.

**Manufactured Housing For Sale 611**

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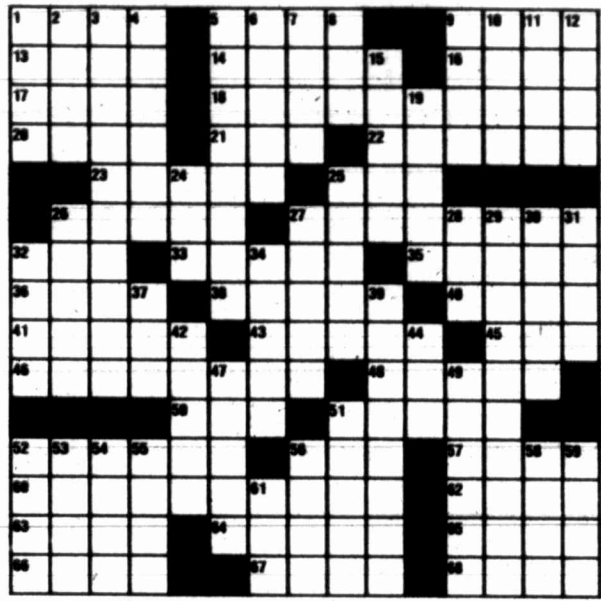
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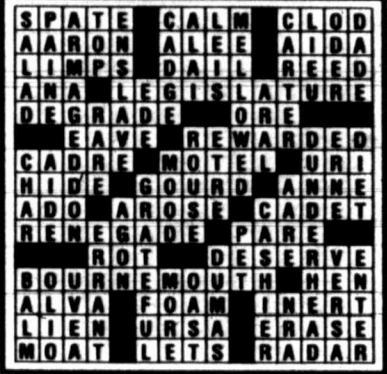
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Applies lightly
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  - 13 Concerning
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  - 16 Centroll of music
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  - 18 Tropical fish
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  - 41 Acidifies
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  - 51 Cupid's ammo
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  - 56 Rainbow shape
  - 57 Open
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- DOWN**
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  - 9 Gr. pitcher
  - 10 Hemingway epithet
  - 11 Old style
  - 12 — Porsena (legendary king)
  - 15 Ready
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  - 30 Singer Adams et al.
  - 31 Legal paper
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ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Don't renege on any promises you have made. Your mate is in an excellent mood and you can be most happy together.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Do something that will soothe a worried partner. Avoid that outside matter that could force confusion.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Get your work nicely scheduled so that no friction can arise with co-workers. Enjoy your fine hobby tonight.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to Jul. 21) You may feel frustrated in handling creative work, but persevere and all goes well for you.

LEO (Jul. 22 to Aug. 21) Keep out of arguments at home and then plan to entertain friends there. Keep the conversation light and fun.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Say or write nothing that could be detrimental to your best interests. You can meet a fine new contact tonight.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Plan how to handle finances more wisely. An expert may not give you the right advice, so double-check it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Your efforts are finally paying off now on some project. Be happy with your friends and family tonight.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Steer clear of a person you know who wants to do something you don't approve of.

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AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Be very careful in handling worldly affairs. Take care you do not disturb influential people now.

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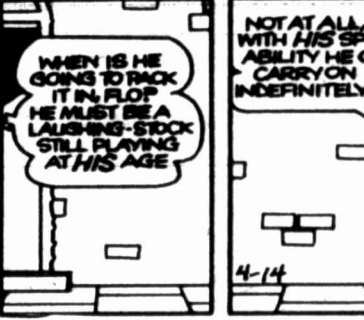
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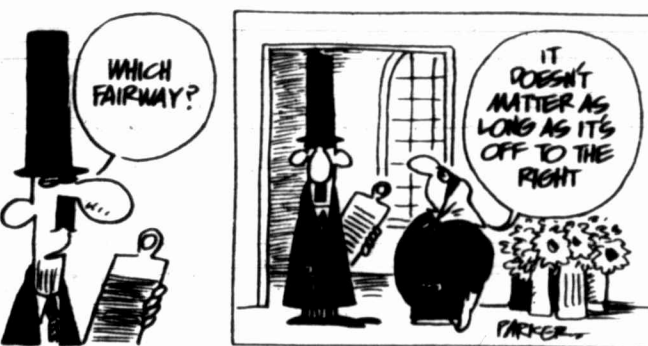
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# Building yachts challenges pair's abilities

BROWNSVILLE (AP) — For Bob Mitchell and Peter Sachse, dreams of life on the sea began early.

Sachse remembers sitting on his grandfather's lap as a 4-year-old and drawing his first pictures of ships. By the age of 7, Sachse had learned to sail.

"Designing and building ships always seemed like a natural thing for me," said Sachse, a native of West Germany. He was born in Hamburg, that nation's largest seaport.

Mitchell realized as a teen-ager his destiny lay with the sea.

"By the time I was 25, I had been around the world 25 times," Mitchell said.

The sons of shipbuilders and naval engineers, the two men have followed the paths of their fathers and grandfathers and have each spent more than 20 years building and designing ships.

Sachse and Mitchell roamed the world — wherever their projects took them. "The nature of the business is to be on the move," Mitchell said.

Perhaps the thrill of the wanderlust isn't completely gone for Sachse and Mitchell, but the two men have decided to cast their lot in Brownsville and build what they call their fantasy boats — multimillion-dollar yachts.

"The net worth of a typical client would be \$25 million — minimum," Mitchell said.

"What we're after is people who have the inclination and money to move up."

It was a year ago that Sachse and Mitchell established their yacht-building firm in a shell of a warehouse along the waters of the Port of Brownsville.

Each detail, each part of a yacht is examined and then checked again. It takes months to build such a vessel, and attention to detail is not requested, but demanded.

"We're boat builders and craftsmen, not manufacturers," Mit-

chell said. "We have to offer a high level of excellence."

The scene of busy workmen brought on by multimillion-dollar orders are what Sachse and Mitchell had in mind when they left the world of commercial shipbuilding more than a year ago.

It was a case of two craftsmen looking for new challenges that would test their collective knowledge and abilities.

Mitchell had spent two decades overseeing the construction of large commercial ships, and says it had gotten to the point where he could build the vessels in his sleep.

As an independent naval architect, Sachse had designed dozens of commercial vessels in a career that spanned more than two decades.

The two men had met several times over the years and decided a few years back to get together in Houston and build their fantasy boat.

"We had both had a fast-moving life," Sachse said. "We looked at each other and realized we weren't youngsters anymore."

"It all started as a hobby project," Mitchell recalled. "But then we said, 'To hell with it. This is what we should be doing for a living instead of working.'"

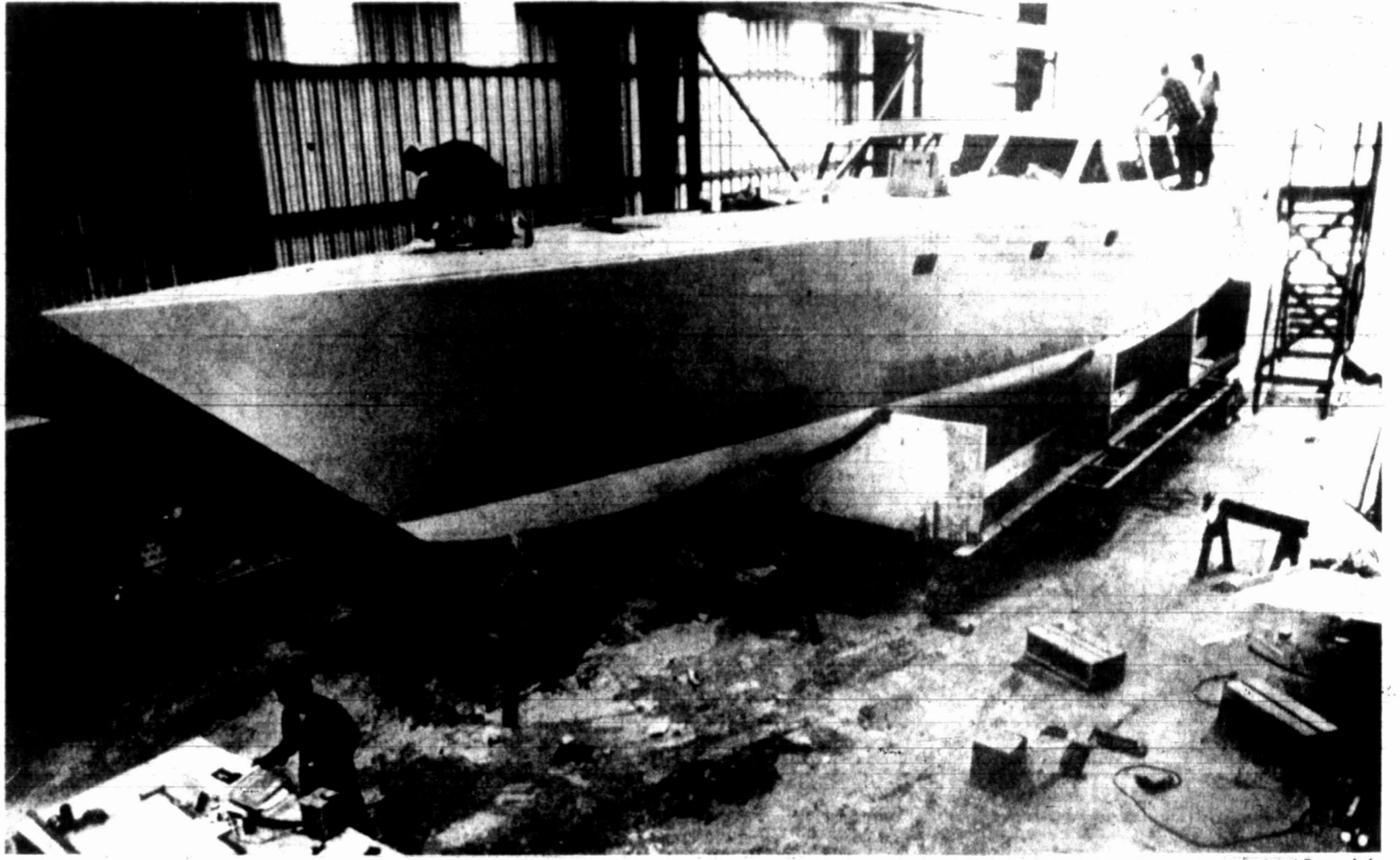
Sachse and Mitchell looked over the Gulf Coast for a site that would fulfill their ambitions. They quickly ruled out Florida because of the high costs of waterfront property.

At the Port of Brownsville, Sachse and Mitchell liked what they saw.

The Valley offered the climate, labor availability and low overhead costs that Sachse and Mitchell were hoping to find.

A year ago, the two men set up their yacht-building business at the port. Sachse says there are only 10 U.S. companies besides his own that offer custom-designed and hand-built yachts — and no others in Texas.

The company's first project was



A 78-foot sail boat undergoes construction at the Sachse Marine Ltd. building warehouse in Brownsville recently. For Bob Mitchell and Peter Sachse, sons of shipbuilders and naval engineers, the two men

have followed the paths of their fathers and grandfathers and have each spent more than 20 years building and designing ships.

a 78-foot Fiberglass yacht, and its second is a 91-foot-vessel.

The largest motor yacht built in recent U.S. history was 134 feet long, Mitchell said.

"We're getting up to the major leagues in a real hurry," Mitchell said.

Mitchell foresees the time when Sachse Marine will build three to four yachts a year. Undertaking that kind of construction would

mean expanding the company's workforce to 75-90 people.

"We're gearing up," Mitchell said. "We're grooming people for foreman's jobs. We've hired some real good people here in the Valley."

Michael McGrath of Los Fresnos is one of Sachse Marine's 20 craftsmen who has the kind of all-around skills required to build a yacht.

McGrath has a carpentry background, but the business of building a yacht requires a workman to have abilities that range from welding to electrician skills.

"It's challenging and so different from regular construction," McGrath said. "There're always a lot of things going on at the same time."

It takes intensive training, hard work and patience to learn how to master the contours and complexities of yacht building. Its gains are hard-earned.

"The hardest thing is that you have to deal with curves that move in different directions," Mitchell said.

"We're honestly enjoying it," Sachse said.

# Bankruptcy judge's humor not lost on Texaco case

By MARLENE AIG  
Associated Press Writer

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (AP) — The stakes are in the billions of dollars, but don't expect U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Howard Schwartzberg to handle the Texaco case — the largest bankruptcy filing in U.S. history — without humor.

"Putting three kids through college, I'm certainly an expert on bankruptcy," said Schwartzberg, a 16-year veteran of the federal bankruptcy system who presides over the Southern District court in White Plains.

It came as no surprise that he would preside over the Texaco case: Texaco

Inc. is headquartered in nearby Harrison, and Schwartzberg says he felt it was just a matter of time before the company sought court protection in its battle with Pennzoil Co.

But the exact timing was unexpected. Schwartzberg, his wife and another couple were dining in a White Plains restaurant Saturday night when a Texaco attorney located him.

"He just wanted to know where I was," Schwartzberg said.

At 11 a.m. Sunday, as Schwartzberg sat on his back porch reading *The New York Times* when a Texaco corporate counsel and three lawyers from the Manhattan

firm of Weil, Gotshal & Manges appeared with a foot-high stack of legal papers.

The papers detailed how Texaco, the eighth-largest U.S. industrial company, was filing for protection under Chapter 11 of the federal bankruptcy code.

At issue was whether Texaco would be forced to post bond of more than \$10 billion while it appeals a \$11.1 billion judgment awarded by Texas courts, which found that Texaco interfered with Pennzoil's takeover of Getty Oil Co.

When the lawyers appeared with their papers, Schwartzberg — who does not golf, but lives in a house overlooking the 11th hole of the Hampshire Country Club

— suggested some unorthodox ways to settle the case.

"I suggested they might like to have Bob Hope — he's a spokesman for Texaco — and Arnie Palmer — he does commercials for Pennzoil — have a shootout on the 11th hole," Schwartzberg said. "They didn't laugh."

Nor did they laugh when he suggested that Hope and Palmer each get into a golf cart fueled with a quart of Getty Oil and race to the finish.

Schwartzberg's humor, however, does not detract from the seriousness of the case. The judge was concerned about the

timing of hearings: "I'm on trial now, so we're playing it by ear now," he said.

Publicity isn't new to Schwartzberg. He was the judge when the Westchester Premier Theater filed for bankruptcy in 1977; his concern over missing tickets brought in the FBI and led to federal grand jury indictments alleging organized-crime connections and fraud.

Born in Paterson, N.J., the 57-year-old judge says he prefers to consider himself a native of Brooklyn, where he was raised. He graduated New York University Law School and earned a master's law degree from NYU.

# Texaco joins others by seeking Chapter 11 protection

By JAMES F. PELTZ  
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Texaco Inc. joins Manville Corp. and A.H. Robins Co. in seeking the haven of bankruptcy court not because it is broke, but because it wants protection from a potentially huge liability that could cripple its future.

As Manville has shown, however, reorganizing under Chapter 11 of the federal bankruptcy laws does not necessarily provide quick or easy relief.

Texaco is solvent, just as Manville and Robins were when they filed. But Texaco petitioned for Chapter 11 protection Sunday because it faces a judgment of \$11.1 billion that a Texas court awarded smaller Pennzoil Co.

The judgment stemmed from Texaco's alleged interference in Pennzoil's proposed 1984 merger with Getty Oil Co., which Texaco acquired instead for \$10.1 billion.

Texaco is appealing, but in the meantime is required by Texas law to post a bond equal to the damage amount. Texaco contends the bond would bankrupt the company and says the mere prospect of having to pay the bond already has strained

the company's relationship with its suppliers and lenders.

Although it has \$9 billion in cash or assets readily convertible to cash, Texaco decided the only way to protect its business was to freeze Pennzoil's claim, and the claims of all its creditors, by filing for Chapter 11 protection.

Under Chapter 11, a company is free to operate but is protected from creditors' lawsuits while it works out a reorganization plan to pay its debts.

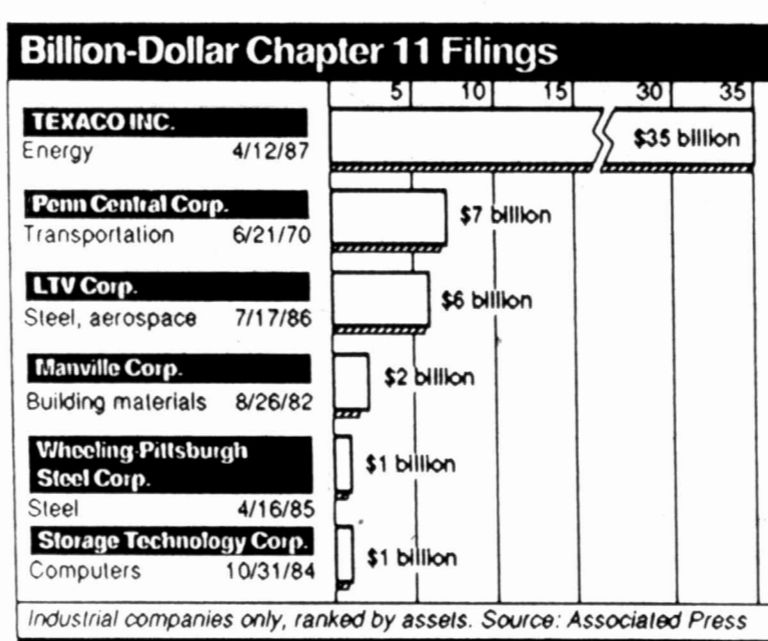
Most companies seek bankruptcy court protection because they are running out of money. But on Aug. 26, 1982, Manville took the novel step of filing for Chapter 11 even though it was healthy.

The Denver-based Manville sought protection because it faced thousands of lawsuits alleging death or disease among workers who were exposed to Manville's asbestos products.

The company believed it could use Chapter 11 to efficiently and quickly work out a plan to settle the claims in one forum.

But nearly five years later, Manville remains in Chapter 11.

Manville now has a plan with



This graphic lists the biggest U.S. industrial companies to file for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection, ranked in terms of assets.

which it hopes to emerge from Chapter 11 within a year. But analysts say it will be a costly burden for Manville for years to come.

Robins took a similar step Aug. 21, 1985. The Richmond, Va.-based pharmaceutical concern sought bankruptcy court to settle a flood of litigation relating to alleged health

problems caused by its Dalkon Shield intrauterine birth-control device.

Twenty months later Robins has yet to submit its reorganization plan to the court, partly because of delays caused by an unsuccessful takeover bid by American Home Products Corp.

Dean Gandy, a Dallas lawyer and former bankruptcy judge, said the Manville and Robins cases are not comparable to Texaco's in many respects.

In Manville and Robins, the potential liability involved thousands of current and future claims, compared with just one — Pennzoil's — in Texaco's case, he noted.

The amount of Pennzoil's claim also is clearly identifiable, while Manville, Robins and their respective creditors and claimants have wrestled to devise an equitable payment for each of the claimants. Yet despite the clear-cut nature of Texaco's potential liability, it by no means faces an easy solution in bankruptcy court, Gandy said.

First, Pennzoil is likely to argue that Texaco is much too wealthy to be invoking the court's help and

ask that Texaco's petition be thrown out, he said.

Failing that, Pennzoil might again seek help from Texas courts to begin seeking Texaco assets to enforce its judgment, he said, noting that bankruptcy courts "bend over backwards" not to interfere in state law.

Even if Texaco keeps Pennzoil at bay and enters Chapter 11, it faces complex problems.

Texaco's secured creditors can be expected to argue otherwise.

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# San Antonio Planning for annual Fiesta hoopla

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Grandstands are being placed in front of the Alamo, parade entries are being finished and residents are keeping an eye on the weather.

The nation's 10th largest city is gearing up for Fiesta, the annual hoopla that includes food, fun, and remembrance of the Texans who died during fighting against Mexican troops in the battle for Texas independence.

The celebration began in 1891 and more activities are added each year. Inclement weather also has been a frequent visitor to past celebrations.

This year more than 4 million people are expected to take part in the nine-day celebration that begins Saturday, a day later than usual because of the Christian observance of Good Friday.

Marlene Pedroza, executive vice president of

the Fiesta Commission, said more than 150 events are planned and more than \$90 million is expected to be pumped into the area economy.

"If Fiesta wouldn't take place, San Antonio would really feel it," Ms. Pedroza said. "There really is something for everyone. We actually do not have one major event because it depends what you want to see."

The celebration kicks off on Saturday with the release of 5,000 balloons in front of the Alamo.

The city virtually will shut down Friday, April 24, for the now-famous Battle of the Flowers parade through the downtown area.

"The schools will be closed and some businesses will be closed," Ms. Pedroza said. "Our entire city just gets involved. It's a time that all San Antonio looks forward to."

Cultural events, two other street parades, a

river parades, sports tournaments also are part of the celebration, which ends April 25, Ms. Pedroza said.

The Fiesta's beginnings date back to 1891, when President Benjamin Harrison was supposed to be honored at a parade on April 21 of that year.

He was in San Antonio to celebrate San Jacinto Day, commemorating the Texans' victory over Mexican troops in 1836.

Because of bad weather, however, the parade was postponed to April 24. Since then rain and hail have dampened, but not halted, the celebration.

The Battle of Flowers parade was dubbed so after riders in the 1891 parade began throwing flower decorations at each other to mark the end of the festivities, officials say.

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