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## Spring board

### How's that? Coins

Q. Where can I get information regarding misprinted bills, uncirculated coins, and old coins?

A. There are books available at the Howard County Library with that information, said Rebecca Taylor, reference librarian.

### Calendar Powder-puff

#### TODAY

• The annual Big Spring High School powder-puff football game will be at 6:30 at Blankenship Field. Admission is \$1.

• Westside Community Center will resume its employment skills workshop from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

#### THURSDAY

• The Civilian Conservation Corps is conducting a Historical Exhibit of the first state parks in Texas at the Big Spring State Recreation Area on Scenic Mountain. The exhibit can be seen daily 8 a.m. to noon this month.

• Big Spring Independent School District Board of Trustees will host a public reception honoring Lynn Hise, superintendent of schools, and Dan Crockett, assistant superintendent for business in the Big Spring High School cafeteria/patio from 4-6 p.m.

• Those who have been certified to receive food commodities through the West Texas Opportunities Emergency Food Assistance Program may collect food items at the National Guard Armory on FM 700, from 8:15 a.m. to 2 p.m.

• Bauer Magnet School will conduct its final PTA meeting of the year. Extended day music students will perform. For more information contact Lynn McQuarter at 263-7661, ext. 212.

• Local Chapter of the National Association of Retired Federal Employees will conduct a special pot-luck luncheon meeting at 10 a.m. at the Kentwood Center.

#### FRIDAY

• Dedication of the Salvation Army's new Community Corps Center at West 5th and San Antonio streets will be at 1:45 p.m., with a concert by the Salvation Army Band. Congressman Stenholm and Salvation Army National Commissioner James Osborne will speak.

#### SATURDAY

• Big Spring Humane Society will conduct a tick dip from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the First National Bank, 400 Main. The price for small dogs is \$4 and \$6 for large dogs.

• Big Spring High School Speech and Theater Dept. will conduct a bake sale at the Big Spring Mall from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Proceeds will be used to pay for summer camp.

### Holiday change gains support

Texas senators voted Monday to make May 30, rather than the last Monday in May, the Memorial Day holiday in Texas.

The revised Memorial Day would not take effect, however, until next year, said Morris Wilkes, an assistant to State Senator John Montford.

This year's Memorial Day observance is May 25.

Under the proposed legislation, if May 30 fell on a Saturday, the preceding Friday would be the holiday. If May 30 fell on Sunday, the following Monday would be the holiday.

Sponsoring Sen. Frank Tejeda, D-San Antonio, said veterans organizations and state employees supported his proposal to restore the holiday to May 30, where "it originally was for about 100 years."

Tejeda's bill was sent to the House on voice vote.

## City won't fight water suit verdict

By SPENCER SANDOW  
Staff Writer

The city will not appeal a jury's water bill judgment, and plans to limit, rather than ban, beekeeping, the City Council decided at a work session Monday.

The Council decided in closed session not to appeal a jury's \$148 award to Paul and Jerri Winn for high water bills, City Manager Mack Wofford said.

No vote was taken not to appeal, but that was the Council's general consensus, Wofford said, adding that the matter was discussed thoroughly.

He said he wouldn't be surprised if additional lawsuits were filed by disgruntled

citizens attempting to obtain compensation for perceived unfair water bills.

The City has received two letters in which citizens state their intentions to sue over the issue, he said.

The letters were from Edward L. Akin, 1306 Colby St., and Morris Griffice and Paul M. Garrett of Desert Hills Mobile Homes. Both letters were dated in March.

However, the city has not been served with lawsuit papers, Wofford said.

Contacted this morning, Akin said he hasn't filed yet, but plans to within the next few days. The city's decision not to appeal had no effect on his intent to sue, he said.

Councilman Gary Don Carey said this

morning that he was the only Council member opposing the Council's decision, although he was one of three Councilmen who had voted to award the refunds.

"Carey said he believes the city cannot get a fair judgment on the issue in Howard County, "because too many people feel they got messed around on the water bills." He believes 50-75 percent of the people in Big Spring think the Council was wrong to not issue the refunds, he said.

He said when the Council decides a matter, it should stand firm on the decision.

"Several months ago we took the stand we were not liable," he said. "We need to stick with it. Now we are saying, 'OK, fine, we

made a mistake."

"People are going to start standing in line to get reimbursement," regardless of whether they are entitled, he said.

Russ McEwen, who said he supported the decision not to appeal, agreed a change of venue would be necessary to get a fair judgment.

"I didn't feel comfortable about asking the Wynn's to go through the hardship, the time and the problems" such an action would create, he said.

But he said the decision would not necessarily apply to every case.

"I still feel we were correct" in not granting the refunds, he said.

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### Different drummer

Bernardo Cantu watches carefully as Johnnie Hart taps out a rhythm with a pair of sticks during opening festivities of National Nursing Home Week at Golden Plains Care Center Monday morning. A balloon launch and refreshments were among the activities.

Herald photo by Tim Appel

## Better communication goal of area meeting

The better the representation, the better the communication will be among local organizations, a local leader said at a strategic planning meeting scheduled Wednesday.

"The most important thing is that we have a good representation from each elected body," said LeRoy Tillery, executive vice president of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.

That means more than one person from each governing entity, he said.

Joint city, county and chamber goals will be discussed at the third annual Strategic Planning Retreat to be conducted at 6 p.m. in the East Room of the Howard College Coliseum.

The Chamber is sponsoring the event and Chamber President Troy Fraser will serve as moderator, Tillery said.

The Howard College Board, the Industrial Foundation Board of Directors, school board officials and major employers in Big Spring have been invited to the meeting, he

said. City Council members discussed topics they hope to address at the retreat during Monday's City Council work session.

Councilman Russ McEwen said duplications of services between the police department and sheriff's office could be avoided.

Police Chief Joe Cook, who attended the work session, suggested that jail services, equipment purchases and combined training with the Howard County Sheriff's Office as possible discussion topics.

Council members also discussed the possibility of using a joint computer system, but Cook said it may not be viable.

Cook said this morning that he will be unable to attend the cooperative meeting.

Councilman Johnny Rutherford said combining the gasoline purchases of the city and county might save money.

Officials from each entity are expected to discuss concerns and goals, Tillery said, and the group will decide what concerns can be addressed jointly.

## Concert may break even

Benefit concert coordinator Johnny Rutherford is hopeful that the city will break even on the Kris Kristofferson concert to benefit the Comanche Trail Park renovation, he said Monday.

Figures concerning profits have not yet been determined, he said.

About 2,000 people attended the concert Friday night at the amphitheater, he estimated.

Expenses for the concert amounted to

about \$6,500, although Kristofferson performed without a fee, Rutherford said. However, the city was obligated to cover expenses for the performer's band members.

He believes if the city had had an additional week to promote the concert, it would have been profitable, he said. The concert was announced at a City Council work session about two weeks before it took place.

The date was chosen to fit Kristofferson's touring schedule, Rutherford has indicated

## Six finalists selected in Texas collider race

AUSTIN (AP) — Six finalists — including the local Garden City site — were selected from a pool of 14 contenders for the superconducting, supercollider atom smashing project, with officials expecting to make a final decision this week.

A Dallas-Fort Worth site emerged as the favorite Monday, but the Texas National Research Laboratory Commission said it might submit more than one site in the national competition being conducted by the Department of Energy.

The commission, which is overseeing the state's efforts, selected sites in the Austin area, a region near the Sam Houston National Forest north of Houston, Garden City, Lubbock, and the

Panhandle region near Amarillo.

The massive super collider project, to be completed in the 1990s, would include a 52-mile underground tunnel in which atomic particles would be accelerated and then smashed together to probe the building blocks of matter.

The six finalists today signed an agreement drafted by Sen. Chet Edwards and Rep. Larry Don Shaw asking the Legislature to re-quire the commission to select two or more sites.

Edwards, D-Duncanville, and Shaw, D-Big Spring, were at the center of a battle in the House over how many sites the state should submit.

"I think we have some good sites

for the commission to work on," said Fred Bucy, chairman of the commission's advisory council.

But Bucy told the commission the number of negative aspects of an area would play a larger role in the DOE's site selection than the positive aspects.

"This is a battle right now of minimizing the negative rather than emphasizing the positive," Bucy said.

Each site was considered on the basis of one of eight criteria set by the DOE. Sites were considered on the basis of the area's geology and the ability to tunnel the area, the surrounding environment and the impact of the project on it, utilities, setting and regional resources and conditions.

Areas bidding to be considered for the project were required to submit by May 5 an eight-part proposal outlining what the site offered.

The state research laboratory commission is scheduled to submit Texas' proposal or proposals to the energy department by Aug. 3. Several other states also are competing for the project and Texas is considered running third behind California and Illinois.

"We are here to present our area as the world-class site in Texas for the SSC," said Fort Worth Mayor Bob Bolen. "We'll need a world class site that can match or surpass sites in other states."

Jefferson County Judge Richard LeBlanc criticized the commission

for not allowing all groups to answer questions before the final choices were made. LeBlanc served as co-chairman of the group proposing a Houston-Beaumont site.

"We were convinced we were one of the (top) three," said LeBlanc. "Some of the people we had working with us said we had the best site in the United States."

The Houston-Beaumont site was criticized for possible geological problems.

"We spent \$1.5 million on this report... There is not subsidence, no faults. We proved it to all the engineers and all the scientists," LeBlanc said.

Dr. Richard Swint, one of the

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## Immigration ruling is not tax amnesty

DALLAS (AP) — Illegal aliens applying for residency under the federal amnesty program should be aware that troubles with the Internal Revenue Service may lie ahead, says the executive director of the Washington-based Immigration Reform Law Institute.

"This is an immigration amnesty, not a tax amnesty," the official, Dan Stein, told the Dallas Times Herald. "Aliens who are eligible for amnesty need to be made aware of the big tax issues down the road."

Past employers of illegal aliens could also face headaches in the form of visits from IRS auditors, Stein said.

IRS spokesman Rod Young said Monday that the agency will make no special effort to scrutinize tax records of amnesty applicants. But

if in its regular course of audits and investigations, the IRS discovers illegal aliens who owe taxes, they will be asked to pay, Young said.

Under last year's immigration reforms, illegal aliens who can prove they have lived in this country since Dec. 31, 1981, can apply to become legal residents. In many cases, officials said, work records will be the best proof they have to prove their cases.

By law, information submitted with an amnesty application may not be given to other government agencies, Immigration and Naturalization Service officials said.

"If we determined that any person owes back taxes, we would pursue the collection of those taxes," Young said.



### Appearances count

Naomi Hunt discusses personal appearances during job interviews at an employment skills workshop at the Westside Community Center on Monday. The sessions concluded today.

Herald photo by Tim Appel

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## Experts speculate 1987 farm economy

DALLAS (AP) — Economists are divided over whether 1987 will bring a turnaround in the Texas farm economy.

The state's agricultural receipts dropped an estimated 6.1 percent last year.

Some experts predict a slow recovery, citing promising signs in improved prices for livestock and some crops, cutbacks in plantings that are reducing surpluses and a slowing in the rate of land value decline.

"There's a glimmer of hope that agriculture is beginning to turn around and that there's better days ahead," said Dr. Carl Anderson, a Texas Agricultural Extension Service economist at College Station. "We look to a

reasonable slow recovery — nothing overnight."

But Dr. James Richardson, another extension service economist, said livestock prices could become depressed because dairy price supports have reduced, other farm-price supports will be no greater than last year's, and huge crop surpluses remain.

And many experts believe that Texas farmland values — upon which collateral is based for new farm loans — have yet to hit bottom.

"A lot of farmers aren't going to receive income, and a lot of agribusinesses aren't going to sell fertilizer and seed," Richardson said.

"We've got a lot of surplus stocks out there. We could underplant for several years in a row and we'd still have a lot of surplus stocks."

The latest Dallas Federal Reserve Bank survey shows the largest percentage of farm-bank respondents expect "somewhat better" profitability for livestock operations this year over last, but "about the same" level for cotton, feed grains and wheat.

Anderson, in a just-completed study, estimated that overall gross farm receipts fell to \$9.3 billion last year from \$9.6 billion in 1985. Receipts from beef cattle production and cotton, which together account for more than half of annual farm receipts in Texas, dropped 6.8 percent and 22.3 percent, respectively.

## Two injured from C-City

Two Colorado City residents were treated and released from Scenic Mountain Medical Center after their truck trailers collided head-on Monday night.

Juan Alaniz and Jeffery Woodell, both of Colorado City, were traveling on County Road 14, one west bound and one east bound when their trucks collided, Department of Public Safety Sgt. Frank Woodall said today.

The cause of the accident is under investigation, he said. No citations have been issued at this time, Woodall said.

## Police beat Local man assaulted

A Big Spring man is in stable condition with head injuries at Odessa's Medical Center after he was assaulted, a hospital spokeswoman said this morning.

Robert Dutchover, 1205 Lamar St., told police strangers assaulted him at the Highway 350 and Interstate 20 ball park Friday, Lt. Jerry Edwards said.

However, neighbors said the assault occurred on Lamar Street, he said, adding that police responded to the call on Lamar Street.

Dutchover indicated at the time that he did not intend to press charges, Edwards said.

Someone stole \$764 in baseball equipment from the bed of a pickup owned by Alton Fields, 2108 Carl St., between 7 and 10:30 p.m. Monday, at Bowl-a-Rama.

Thieves in a blue 1973-74 Chevrolet pickup stole a \$250 swing set from Western Auto, 504 S. Johnson St., at 12:15 a.m. Thursday. The theft was reported Monday.

Ida Trevino, 703 S. Lancaster St., told police that someone stole a \$270 check from her former residence at 1407 Virginia St., forged her name and cashed it at Kwikie's store, 510 Lamesa Highway, between April 1 and 12 p.m. Monday.

Geronimo Antonio Ponce, 25, of El Paso was arrested at Interstate 20 and Highway 87 Monday night on two warrants for possession of a controlled substance.

Lithia Parras Ayala, 30, 409 S. Benton St., was arrested Monday on a warrant for assault by threats.

Joann Trevino, 22, and Mary Anna Olivares Trevino, 20, both of 1002 N. Main St., were arrested Monday on warrants for simple assault.

## School board to fill post

The Big Spring School Board will go into executive session at its regular meeting Thursday night to hear Assistant Superintendent Bill McQuary's recommendation for his replacement, said Superintendent Lynn Hise.

McQuary will replace Hise as superintendent this summer.

The Board will meet at 6 p.m. in the Board Room at the high school. In other business, the Board will:

- Hear the Advisory Board's recommendations concerning teachers to be placed in Level II of the career ladder.
- Consider contract renewals for teachers hired after Nov. 1, 1986.
- Hear bids for the removal of asbestos materials from the school grounds, which will be done this summer.

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## Wet wait

Stephen Durrant, 16, left, and David Forster, 21, hang onto a bus stop sign as they manage to keep their sense of humor during flooding in Linsmore, Australia, Monday. Nearly nine 112 inches of rain fell in a 48-hour period causing flooding which claimed at least three lives.

## Junior high bands sweep awards

Bands from Runnels Junior High and Goliad Middle School swept honors Saturday in competition at the 12th annual Snyder band festival.

The junior high band took Sweepstakes Award honors for the fifth consecutive year, Big Spring Band Director Ricky Mitchell reported today. Members of the Runnels band also won 66 medals in solo and ensemble competition.

A sweepstakes award is earned when the band receives a Division I (superior) rating in both concert and sight-reading performances, Mitchell explained.

The Goliad beginning band and the Goliad advanced band won trophies for superior performances and 86 individual solo and ensemble medals.

The beginning band received a division I rating in concert performance and a division II (excellent) rating in sight-reading. The advanced band received a division II rating in concert performance and a division I in sight-reading.

Individual medals were received for solo and ensemble performances that earned a division I rating. For Goliad, the 86 medals

won is an increase over the 54 medals won in the same contest last year, Mitchell said.

Pat Daniel is the director of the Goliad bands, while Steve Waggoner is director of the Runnels band.

The following Goliad students received division I ratings in solo and ensemble performances:

- Sixth grade — Dee De McDonald, Ralae Horn, Shawna Nichols, Melisa Robles, Jennifer Booth, Jeanette Bustmante, Elizabeth Cantu, Kara Coleman, Mary Loya, Emily McKenzie, Jermain McMillan, Steve Meek, Christy Webb, Elizabeth Lopez.

- Also, Edward Mendez, Kristen Sevey, Teri Chester, David Franco, Heather Knous, Hayley Oliver, Kim Pairett, Gene Rogers, Melissa Birrell, Sharon Farmer, Kevin Billings, Carvell Nguyen, Cody Simmons, Adria Calvio, Drew McEwen, Cissie Leyva, Melissa Shelton, Becky Tedesco and Rachel Harland.

- Seventh grade — Melissa Demers, Moises Luna, Amy Parrish, Gena Grizzard, Shane Higgins, Jana Jones, Courtney Logan, Jennifer Suggs, Rocky Ortega,

Larry Fish, Becky Soza, Kristine Krueger, Leticia Hilario, Mark Wilson, Maria Trevino;

- Also, Teri Daniels, Shawn Williams, Sonia Calvio, Tina Crane, Tonya Boucher, Charles Myers, Stefan Balderach, Travis Sinclair, Troy Dixon, Paul Martinez and Christy Wingert.

The following Runnels students earned division I ratings in solo competition:

- Lori Chambers, Mimi Regaldo, Pam Ferguson, flute; Charlene Rodrigues, Lawana Musik, Sarah Ziebell, Ros Smith, clarinet; Roman Ortega, Johnny Lozano, J.P. Shanks, Bonnie Cone, Ben Deleon, saxophone; John Paul Stevenson, Joe Pierce, Jeff May, Branden Allmon, Tim Osmulski, Susan Paradez, Mike Schaefer, Mike Powell, Christy Stewart, cornet.

- Also, Jennifer Gregory, Shawn Settles, horn; Lori Burgess, trombone; Heidi Richardson, baritone; Pat Gonzales, tuba; D.J. Tedesco, Melinda Johndrow, Naquai Horn, percussion; Mike Powell, Heidi Richardson, Pat Gonzales, Johnny Lozano, Charity Stewart, J.P. Shanks, Ros Smith, piano.

## Sheriff's log

## Four to Huntsville from county

Four Howard County inmates were transferred to Midland Monday to board the Texas Department of Corrections' bus for Huntsville.

They are James C. Hayes, 24, 1002 N. Main St., who pleaded guilty to burglary of an automobile April 24 and was sentenced to three years; and Ronald Dale Mathis, 25, 1511 Oriole St., whose parole was revoked in April after a charge of assault.

Also transferred was Steven Edward Norman, 28, Amarillo, who pleaded guilty April 27 to unauthorized use of a motor vehicle and was sentenced to four years, and pleaded guilty to theft over \$750 May 1 and was sentenced to

four years. The fourth man, Adam Vela, 26, 1104 N. Bell St., pleaded guilty April 24 to unauthorized use of an automobile and was sentenced to five years.

- James Ray Begley, 48, 3622 Dixon St., was released Monday on a \$1,000 bond. He was transferred from the police department after being arrested on suspicion of driving while intoxicated.

- Dwight D. Johnson, 31, Palastine, was released on a \$1,000 bond after being transferred from the police department. He was arrested on suspicion of driving while intoxicated.

- Jimmy Lee Sanders, 42, Sweetwater, was released on a \$1,000 bond via Sweetwater. He was arrested on a Howard County

warrant of revocation of probation stemming from a driving while intoxicated charge.

- Don L. Brooks, 20, 1300 Johnson St., was released from the county jail after serving 13 days, and being given credit for one day previously served and one day as a trustee. Brooks was arrested April 28 on a driving while intoxicated judgment.

- Douglas Anthony Daniels, 22, Abilene, was released on a \$1,000 bond after being transferred from the police department to the Howard County jail. He was arrested Friday for possession of a controlled substance under 2 ounces.

## Mother tries to understand attack

HOUSTON (AP) — A mother who suffered multiple gunshot wounds and whose husband was fatally shot after an argument with their 10-year-old son remained hospitalized today and tried to make sense of the Mother's Day tragedy.

"I just want to know what happened," said Mary Ann Simon, recovering from bullet wounds allegedly inflicted by her son. "He's not violent."

On Mother's Day, the boy became angry after being told by his parents to stop playing in an outdoor apartment complex sandbox and come indoors.

Police say the boy then pulled a family .38-caliber handgun from

beneath the cushions of a living room loveseat and started firing.

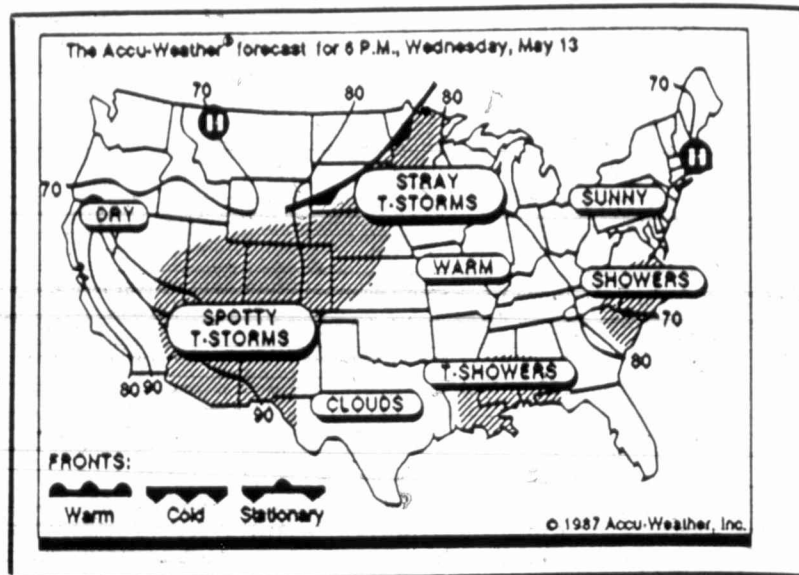
The boy's father, Edward Simon Sr., 45, was pronounced dead at the scene after receiving a bullet wound to the head. Mrs. Simon, 47, suffered wounds to the chest, abdomen and legs before staggering outside and crying for help.

"He just started pulling the trigger. He wouldn't stop," Mrs. Simon

said Monday from Ben Taub Hospital, where she was listed in good condition. "I said, 'Hey, Michael. Don't do that. Stop!'"

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## Council

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ing the refunds, he said. Carey indicated, however, that the Council may fight future lawsuits on high water bills.

In the bee matter, Council members indicated they would favor an ordinance regulating hive owners by requiring a permit, which would be granted under similar conditions as temporary mobile home or livestock permits.

A permit would be granted for a limited number of hives within a

given area, if neighbors don't object and "if there are no problems," Councilman Johnny Rutherford said.

City Attorney Hardy Wilkerson said he can study limits other cities have placed on beekeepers.

An ordinance to that effect is expected on a future agenda, but the Council is not scheduled to address the matter at today's 6:30 p.m. meeting at the Airpark conference room.

## Collider

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organizers of Paris' bid, said he wasn't surprised by the results of the cut.

"We knew that it might be a political decision rather than actually picking the best area for the collider," he said.

"It's natural for every regional group who worked their hearts out to be disappointed," said Peter Flawn, commission chairman. Flawn denied accusations that the decision making was "rigged."

"That's why we wanted to go through this in public so everyone could see no deals were made," he said.

Although the Panhandle site was not the one at the top of the list of six, Larry Milner, Amarillo Chamber of Commerce president, said he thought the Panhandle site still had a chance since the commission may pick more than one site.

"This is sort of like the Kentucky Derby and we're in the last quarter (of a mile). The last one can always come up," said Milner.

## Texaco shareholders ponder firm's status

DENVER (AP) — Texaco Inc. shareholders at the company's annual meeting today had the opportunity to question company officials about Texaco's financial condition and rumors of a looming takeover attempt.

Texaco officials estimated about 1,000 shareholders would show for the late morning gathering, the first since the company filed for protection last month under Chapter 11 of the federal bankruptcy law.

The White Plains, N.Y.-based oil giant said it was forced to seek protection because its continued existence was being threatened by its inability to resolve its multibillion-dollar legal dispute with Houston-based Pennzoil Co.

In November 1985, a jury ruled Texaco had interfered improperly with Pennzoil's intended merger with Getty Oil Co. and had acquired the company itself.

The judgment awarded to Pennzoil amounted to about \$10.35 billion when Texaco filed for bankruptcy protection on April 12.

At today's meeting, Texaco officials were faced with trying to calm investor concerns about the company's prospects for continued good health under protection of the bankruptcy court.

They also had to deal with widespread, unconfirmed speculation that Australian investor Robert Holmes a Court and Texas oilman T. Boone Pickens may be

planning a bid for the company, either separately or together.

Texaco stock was down \$1.50 a share to \$36.50 in active New York Stock Exchange trading before the meeting began.

Monday on Wall Street, Texaco was the most active NYSE issue, rising \$2.50 to close at \$38 per share, with more than 9.5 million shares changing hands.

Friday's volume in Texaco's stock totaled more than 7 million shares, as the stock rose by \$1.87 1/2.

Before the meeting, Texaco officials steadfastly refused to comment on the takeover rumors or on speculation that they might make an announcement regarding the dispute with Pennzoil.

In conversations late Monday and early today, sources close to the company said they had no indication of any such development.

At the end of 1986, Texaco said it had 278,321 shareholders holding 242.3 million shares of common stock. The company earned \$725 million, or \$3.01 per share, on revenue of \$32.6 billion in 1986, down from 1985 net income of \$1.23 billion, or \$5.11 per share, on sales of \$47.5 billion.

In the latest quarter, Texaco earned \$118 million, or 49 cents per share, on \$8.5 billion in sales, compared with a profit of \$328 million, or \$1.37 per share, on revenue of \$9.6 billion in the same period last year.

## Deaths

### Elton Kelley

Elton Kaye Kelley, 45, Las Vegas, Nev., formerly of Big Spring, died at 3:44 p.m. Friday, May 8, 1987 in Las Vegas, after being hit in the head with a golfball.

Services will be at 3 p.m. Thursday, at Myers & Smith Funeral Home Chapel, with Dr. R. Gage Lloyd, retired Presbyterian minister, officiating. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

The body will be at Myers & Smith Funeral Home from 8 a.m. Thursday, until the time of service.

He was born June 3, 1941 in Big Spring, and graduated from Big Spring High School in 1961, where he was an outstanding baseball player.

He attended Howard College and served in the United States in Army in Korea from 1963-1965.

While he was a student he was employed at Bowl-A-Rama in Big Spring, and later became a professional bowler.

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He had won numerous bowling tournaments and championships including the Nevada State Championship.

He was a Presbyterian.

He is survived by one daughter, Stacey Kelley of Las Vegas; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Kelley of Big Spring; several aunts, uncles and cousins.

## Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Rosewood Chapel

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BIG SPRING

Harmon Boothe, 69, died Sunday. Services will be Wednesday at 10:00 A.M. at the First Baptist Church Chapel. Graveside services will be Wednesday at 4:00 P.M. at the Evergreen Cemetery in Ballinger, Texas.

O. C. Phillips, 75, died Sunday. Graveside services will be Wednesday at 2:00 P.M. at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

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# Nation

By Associated Press

## Brunei money found

WASHINGTON — Congressional investigators have accounted for the missing \$10 million that the sultan of Brunei donated to the Contra rebels at the request of the Reagan administration, the chairman of the Senate Iran-Contra committee announced today.

Sen. Daniel Inouye, D-Hawaii, said the \$10 million was placed into the wrong Swiss bank account, apparently by mistake, and the bank involved has filed criminal charges seeking the return of the funds.

"We have determined that the \$10 million was transferred into the account of an individual at Credit Suisse (bank) and that this individual withdrew the funds," Inouye said before former National Security Adviser Robert McFarlane resumed his testimony at the morning session of joint House-Senate hearings on the Iran-Contra affair.

"Money was apparently transferred to this individual's account by mistake," Inouye said.

## Makeup artist guilty

NEW YORK — A 25-year-old model, her face scarred from a razor blade attack, sat in the front row as the man convicted of arranging her slashing was sentenced to the maximum five to 15 years in prison and fined \$5,000.

After makeup artist Steven Roth received the sentence Monday, model Marja Hanson was asked if she thought the sentence was just.

"What is just?" she replied. "How can you pay for something like this?"

## Two get new hearts

BALTIMORE — Surgeons removed a healthy heart from a cystic fibrosis patient in order to give him a heart-lung transplant, then implanted his heart into a patient awaiting a donor, a Johns Hopkins Hospital spokeswoman said today.

The operation apparently marked the first time that a heart from a healthy person was used in a transplant, said spokeswoman JoAnn Rogers. It also was the first time that lungs, a delicate organ, had been removed from a donor's body and shipped from one hospital to another for such surgery, she said.

## CBN donations drop

VIRGINIA BACH, Va. — The Christian Broadcasting Network has suffered a dramatic drop in donations and may have to cut its budget because of the highly publicized actions of fellow evangelists, says the Rev. Pat Robertson.

"People in America, the evangelicals, have just been stunned" by revelations about the marital infidelity of the Rev. Jim Bakker and the poor financial management of Bakker's PTL Club ministry, Robertson said Monday.

The publicity has "cost this ministry \$10 million," said Robertson, who founded CBN.



Iverson Justice, a victim of the coal slump, and his wife and son make ends meet by selling second-hand wares along U.S. 52 in southern West Virginia. Justice is among those who think a proposed nuclear waste disposal site would help the local economy.

# Nuke dump

## West Virginia counties hope for site

IAEGER, W. Va. (AP) — Along U.S. 52, where down-on-their-luck West Virginians hawk everything from used bedspreads to second-hand clocks, there's talk of salvation from the bonds of poverty — a nuclear waste dump.

Proposals to open a nuclear disposal site arouse a chorus of objections in most communities. But in McDowell County, where the jobless rate is estimated at 36 percent, things are so bad that local officials are actively recruiting such a facility.

For those miners who still have jobs and are willing to risk cave-ins and black lung disease for a weekly paycheck, a potentially radioactive work site doesn't look all that bad.

"I know of coal miners who would leave the mines to work in a place like this," said Mike Goode, the county clerk and Wyoming County Economic Development Authority chairman. "Jobs are so scarce and the economic situation is so bad that people here are willing to take anything."

The project has its opponents, including U.S. Sen. Jay Rockefeller, D-W. Va. Rockefeller says the stigma of a nuclear disposal site would repel economic development, not attract it, and he says technological demands would require the hiring of highly skilled workers from out of state, not unemployed coal miners.

But along U.S. 52, those concerns are of little merit to the unemployed.

"I'm in favor of it," Iverson Justice said from his roadside stand in McDowell County. At 44, Justice is another casualty of the bottom dropping out of the coal mines.

"I got crippled up in the mine and they wouldn't let me go back," he said.

A few times a week, Justice parks his pickup truck at the side of the road along the Tug Fork River and, along with his wife and son, hawks saws, slightly used bedspreads, and wooden Indians and Virgin Marys.

Justice said he will try to hang on to his family can remain in their home near Hurley.

At another makeshift roadside stand, just across the line in Mingo County, another former coal miner, Woody Sutphin, has thrown in the towel.

"I don't want to leave but I'm going to have to," Sutphin said as he puffed on his pipe and offered to sell a visitor a used clock or perhaps some second-hand auto brake lights.

Sutphin, 55, of Iaeger also favors plans to lure a nuclear fuel rod repository to the area.

"If they go by government specifications, it'll be safe," he said.

Sutphin has been unable to find work for six months. He said he will receive his final unemployment check next month.

"In the past five years, I've been on unemployment more than I worked," he said.

# World

By Associated Press

## Elections called fraud

MANILA, Philippines — President Corazon Aquino's candidates headed for a near sweep of the Senate according to unofficial returns today, but right-wing opponents branded the congressional elections a fraud.

Election Commissioner Ramon Felipe today challenged opposition parties to substantiate their charges of systematic cheating.

"There was no failure of elections, but I think some losers would like to have a failure of elections," he said at a news conference.

## Attacker kills seven

PEPINGEN, Belgium — A man shot and killed seven people — including five members of one family — in attacks today at two farms in this hamlet outside Brussels, police said.

Police were searching for the gunman, who fled in a car, said state police spokesman Lodewijk De Bolle.

The man first fatally shot five people and seriously injured a sixth at a farm in Pepingen, eight miles outside Brussels, said Emiel Van Keerbergen, a fire department spokesman.

A state police officer, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said those killed in the initial attack were two grandparents, aged 90 and 84; their 46-year-old daughter and 53-year-old son-in-law; and their 20-year-old grandchild. Another grandchild, 24, was reported seriously wounded.

The gunman then spotted a woman and her 3-year-old child walking nearby and followed them home and killed them, De Bolle said.

Police said they knew of no motive for the attacks.

## Peres to ask elections

JERUSALEM — Foreign Minister Shimon Peres said today that Israel's coalition government is stalemated over a proposed Middle East peace conference and he will ask for early elections if a compromise is not reached this week.

Peres also said he would go forward with a weeklong trip to the United States starting Wednesday and will discuss his views of an international peace conference with Secretary of State George P. Shultz.

## Navy patrols increased

SEOUL, South Korea — South Korea has increased its naval patrols because of growing Soviet naval operations in the Sea of Japan, the military said today.

"The number of Soviet ships moving to and from Vladivostok and Cam Ranh Bay (in Vietnam) has increased recently," a military statement said.

The Soviet Union normally has one or two naval ships operating in the Sea of Japan at one time, but recently increased the number, the statement said.

# Barbie trial begins second day

LYON, France (AP) — The trial of Klaus Barbie, the twice-convicted Nazi war criminal who escaped justice for more than 40 years, resumed today with the reading of official documents, to be followed by the first extensive interrogation of the defendant.

Barbie, an SS lieutenant who was Gestapo chief in Lyon between 1942 and 1944, is charged with crimes against humanity for arresting, torturing and deporting French Jews and Resistance members to Nazi death camps.

"It is like a circus," defense attorney Jacques Verges said, describing the trial which has brought hundreds of journalists to this southeastern French city known as the capital of the World War II Resistance. "It is a very dangerous show. It is a lynching."

Barbie maintains he is not guilty of the charges. He says his job during the war involved the legitimate German fight against Resistance members.

"By killing an old man, some French are trying to think that they are heroes," Verges said. "I think this trial is a sad thing, futile."

Although Verges referred to "killing" his client, there is no death penalty in France.

The 73-year-old Barbie, who has spent four years in a French prison, appeared alert and attentive as his trial opened Monday in a specially built courtroom in the 19th-century Palais de Justice.

Presiding Judge Andre Cerdini was to begin questioning Barbie today, first seeking verification of personal and biographical facts outlined in documents prepared by investigating Magistrate Christian Riss.

Barbie has been sentenced to death twice in absentia by military tribunals, but the sentences have expired during his more than 40 years on the run.

Most of Monday's session was taken up with formalities, including the selection of a nine-member jury and six alternates, the roll call of witnesses and civil parties to the case and the reading of the various court orders sending Barbie to trial in the Lyon Assize



Handcuffed Nazi war criminal Klaus Barbie has his head down as he enters the Lyon, France, courtroom Monday where he will face trial on charges of crimes against humanity.

smiled and chatted with his defense attorney and French-German interpreters in the packed courtroom filled with more than 800 reporters, civil parties to the case, lawyers, court officials and spectators.

It was the first time he was seen in public since being expelled from Bolivia and returned to France on Feb. 5, 1983. He has been held in St. Joseph's Prison.

Throughout the long reading of the court orders, Barbie watched the clerk at the microphone or the crimson-robed court president and his two associate judges, only occasionally turning toward the spectators. He showed no emotion.

Barbie spoke only briefly in court, identifying himself as Klaus Altmann, the name he used during his four decades in South America. That sparked a brief dispute involving State Prosecutor Pierre Truche, Charles Libman, one of the civil party lawyers, and defense attorney Jacques Verges.

Truche said there was no dispute that the man in court — whether he called himself Altmann or Barbie — was the man accused of crimes against humanity.

In brief questioning, Barbie sometimes answered the judge directly in French and at other times spoke German through the interpreter.

Among other things, Barbie is charged with sending to death camps 44 Jewish children and seven adults from a children's home in Izieu, 47 miles east of Lyon; arresting 86 Jews in 1943 at the Lyon headquarters of the General Union of the Israelites of France; and sending out the last rail convoy from Lyon to the death camps, carrying about 600 Jews and Resistance members.

More than 300 police officers have been assigned to security duty during the trial, and two doctors are on duty in the courtroom.

As many as 15 different routes have been worked out from the prison to the courthouse for the daily convoy, and officials said arrangements have been made for Barbie to spend the night in the court building should it be necessary.

Court.

He was brought into the courtroom in handcuffs and installed in a defendant's box walled off by a sheet of glass.

Cerdini allowed photographers and television cameramen about 20 minutes to record the beginning of the trial. Although pale and somewhat drawn, Barbie appeared in good spirits and occasionally

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# Opinion

## Soviets display racial prejudice

Guess who recently suggested that America solve its racial problems by establishing separate states for blacks.

No, not the Imperial Wizard of the Ku Klux Klan. Not the Fuehrer of the American Nazi Party either. Nor yet the top man of a black separatist group.

Give up? It was Mikhail Gorbachev, leader of the Soviet Union and defender of the communist faith overseas.

His suggestion shocked visiting U.S. congressmen. Since then U.S. and Soviet diplomats have been acting as if the Soviet leader never said it. Perhaps understandably they don't want to disturb arms control talks.

Nevertheless, it's hardly surprising that a Soviet boss would think in such terms. There are 200 different languages and dialects spoken in the Soviet Union and 170 official recognized ethnic or racial groups.

Russians, which is to say Slavic Caucasians, account for only half of the Soviet population but dominate the political power structure, though the leaders assert that the so-called 15 Soviet "republics" are joined in a federation of free and equal peoples living in harmony with one another.

Gorbachev's belief that the United States could legally create separate states for blacks or any other racial group reveals a colossal ignorance of the U.S. Constitution. Worse yet, it indicates that if the U.S.S.R. had the same percentage of blacks as does the United States, Gorbachev would enrole a separate "republic" for blacks.

## Mailbag

### Bees action prompts rabbits idea

To the editor:

The dreadful-killer-bee scare at City Hall makes me grateful that we have a Council that bravely faced up to this nightmare and put aside all petty concerns about streets and water mains, deep craters swallowing school buses, broken dams, and inaccurate water meters.

This forward profile is bound to demonstrate to the SSC folk (or any others looking to locate industry hereabouts) that being uninformed and small-minded just ain't to be

found around here.

But I would sleep just a little better if they would invite another big thinker — Jimmy Carter — to come give them some advice on how to actually cure that terrible bee problem. Carter should know all about such horrors. After all, he was menaced by a mean rabbit that swam all the way to his rowboat and tried to climb on.

Come to think of it, maybe rabbits need to be banned.

BUD BAKER  
1755 Purdue St.

### Asks advice on infidelity

DEAR DR. GRAHAM: I am crushed because I have just found out my husband has been unfaithful to me. When I confronted him with it he just laughed and said he didn't care if we got a divorce. He even said he may continue his relationship with the other woman (who is also married). I can't believe what is happening to me, but is there anything I can do? — Mrs. T.T.

DEAR MRS. T.T.: What your husband is doing is foolish, because he will never find true and lasting happiness in this kind of relationship. After all, if this woman is willing to break her present marriage vows, what assurance does he have she won't sneak around and be unfaithful to him in the future? But more than that, he is committing sin in the eyes of God, and God holds him accountable for what he is doing.

What can you do? First, regardless of what your husband does, determine right now that you will rebuild your life on Christ, make your commitment today. He knows the heartache you are feeling, and He wants to help carry your burden because He loves you.

"Cast all your anxiety on Him because he cares for you" (1 Peter 5:7). Pray also for your husband, that he will see that he is doing wrong, and will repent and commit



Billy Graham

his life to Christ as well.

Then ask God to help you be the best, most loving wife you can be to him. Perhaps you need to step back and examine your marriage. Have you allowed little hurts or criticisms to build up across the years?

Have you taken each other for granted, not really trying to help each other or communicate with each other? A good marriage does not just happen. Like a beautiful flower garden, it takes time and work and commitment.

Tell your husband you want to rebuild your relationship, and then do all you can to make your home a happy and loving place.

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## Aquino's cousin rails against unfair commission treatment

By JACK ANDERSON and JOSEPH SPEAR

WASHINGTON — After more than a year of silence, the Howard Hughes of the Philippines has spoken, and what he had to say won't please his cousin Cory.

Eduardo Cojuangco Jr., the reclusive billionaire who controlled the vast San Miguel beer conglomerate, fled the Philippines on Feb. 25, 1986, with deposed president Ferdinand Marcos and his entourage in a U.S. military jet. Cojuangco remains in exile in Southern California while his first cousin, President Corazon Aquino, struggles to keep the Philippines functioning.

As part of an investigation of 28 Marcos cronies, Aquino's Presidential Commission on Good Government has "sequestered" Cojuangco's holdings in San Miguel and his large coconut empire.

Cojuangco's first statement to the American press since his hasty departure has been given to our associate Stewart Harris. In the statement, Cojuangco rails against the commission and the manner in which it has handled his holdings, his family and himself. The commission's behavior, Cojuangco says, has placed him "beneath the years."

"My family and I have been denied our homes, livelihoods and property without specific allegations of wrongdoing, without evidence presented against us and without the mere basics of due process of law," Cojuangco's statement says.

The Good Government Commission has yet to determine whether, like other Marcos associates, Cojuangco profited illegally from his close ties with the former president. A Philippine Embassy spokesman was unable to give details of the San Miguel seizure, but explained that the commission's wide-ranging charter gives it the power to take possession of just about any "ill-gotten wealth."

The commission's broad definition of this term enables it to seize funds accumulated through a host of activities, from fraud to



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monopolistic practices. Cojuangco controlled what is commonly regarded as a monopoly over the Philippine coconut industry.

Whatever his trespasses upon his countrymen, it does appear that he is not being given fair opportunity to address the accusations against him.

Documents provided to us by his Washington-based spokesman, Robert Weigand of Chwat/Weigand Associates, for example, show that Cojuangco was ordered to appear at a March 2, 1987, hearing in Manila to address charges that he "acquired assets and properties manifestly out of proportion to your usual normal income."

The order and a cover letter were dispatched to the Philippine consulate in Los Angeles on March 3 — one day after Cojuangco was due to appear in the Philippine court. The material was not forwarded to Cojuangco's Santa Monica home until March 13, according to the date on the correspondence.

Even as the summons was making its way to Cojuangco, the Aquino government was deciding not to allow him back into the country. The Philippine press reported on March 8 that Aquino had decided in the "national interest" not to issue a new passport to Cojuangco — probably because, like many other Filipinos, she fears his wealth and power could be used to destabilize her fledgling government.

Meanwhile, the Commission on Good Government appears to have given a nod of approval to a scheme cooked up by a San Miguel official to sell shares of the corporation formerly controlled by Cojuangco to an Australian company.

By its own rules, the Philippine government has until August to press charges against Cojuangco or release his holdings to him. The businessman fears there will be little left to release, regardless of whether charges are filed.

Footnote: Cojuangco's spokesman says his client is not nearly as well off as he is believed to be. The cash Cojuangco took when he left the Philippines was combined in a common fund aboard the plane that flew the Marcos party to Hawaii, the spokesman said.

Some of the money was used to pay for purchases of the fleeing Filipinos made at U.S. airbase stopovers along the way, and the rest was confiscated by American authorities at the request of the new Philippines government.

The spokesman added that the former billionaire was so penniless when he arrived in the United States that he had to sell his American thoroughbred racehorse "Manila" for living expenses.

JUDGES IN COURT: Largely overlooked in the outrage over Congress' backhanded approval of a hefty pay raise for itself is the fact that federal judges also got raises in the semi-automatic stunt: \$9,000 a year.

The National Taxpayers Union didn't overlook it, though, and filed suit to reverse the judicial pay raise. Not surprisingly, 12 federal judges have joined the legal battle as "interveners."

They claim that rescinding the pay raise would violate the Constitution, which says judges' salaries "shall not be diminished during their continuance in office." The plaintiffs' lawyers remain confident, however, and believe the case may actually go to trial.

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

## Constitution Daybook

Saturday, May 12, 1787  
PHILADELPHIA TODAY

Weather: 60, wind east, rainy.

A report had reached the city of the travails of the officers and crew of the ship Congress, of Philadelphia. Departing Bordeaux, France, on Oct. 15, 1786, bound for Philadelphia, it encountered a heavy gale on Nov. 17, lost its main mast, and sprung a leak.

Five days later it was abandoned. The crew was transferred to the ship Prince Frederick, of New York. On Dec. 5, in another storm, Prince Frederick lost its main and fore masts and rudder. All 48 men aboard took to boats and were fetched up in the Azores three days later.

There they found the American ship Hetty. Its owner, Duncan Ross, agreed to take the crew to Philadelphia only if payment was made in advance. Mr. Dent, the American Consul, succeeded in convincing Ross to carry the crews to Philadelphia only after threatening Ross with a suit in the Azores courts.

The Pennsylvania Herald



reported an old lady near New Market was attacked last week, being accused of being a witch.

From Walnut Street prison came the report of the execution of Robert Elliot, who had been convicted of burglary.

CONFEDERATION TODAY  
Congress assembled with only six states present, so it adjourned for want of a quorum.

The General Assembly of Connecticut was today debating the issue of sending delegates to the Convention at Philadelphia. Sentiment of the majority seemed to favor Connecticut's attendance while opposing any radical change to the Articles of Confederation.

DELEGATES TODAY  
George Washington crossed the Susquehanna River and dined at Head of Elk. This evening he lodged at the Sign of the Ship tavern in Wilmington, Del. The innkeeper,

Patrick O'Flynn, was a Delaware militia officer in the war.

Count de Rochambeau, commander of the French Army in America during the late war, wrote today to Washington about the terrible crisis of France's finances. The count, with Marquis de Lafayette, was a member of the Assembly of Notables meeting to wrestle with this crisis. The Assembly has recently convinced King Louis XVI that the finance minister should be replaced.

LOOKING BACK  
Jacob Broom

Jacob Broom was somewhat of an anomaly among the delegates to the Convention. He never served in Congress nor did he participate in the new national government. Born in Wilmington, Del., in 1752, he was the oldest son of a blacksmith and wealthy farmer. Jacob followed his father in farming. At 24 he began service in the city government in Wilmington which spanned several decades. Broom then served four years in the state legislature. In 1790 he became Wilmington's first postmaster.



Art Buchwald

## Mobile home is the ticket to diplomacy

By ART BUCHWALD

"May I help you, sir?"

"My name is George Shultz and I'm Secretary of State. I would like a Winnebago, or something like it."

"Were you planning a long trip?"

"No, I want to park it outside the American Embassy in Moscow so I won't be bugged when I'm having a meeting. With all the listening devices planted in our buildings I feel a mobile home is the only safe place to conduct America's diplomacy."

"Good thinking, sir. How big do you want the trailer to be?"

"I would like something practical — a place where I could meet the Soviet Foreign Minister in the daytime, and sack out at night so I could save on my per diem."

"If you'll forgive me for saying so, you need something grander. The Kremlin will not take you seriously if you park outside the embassy in a mobile hutch. As the representative of a super power you should have this luxurious Winnebago which will not only handle a full-blown disarmament conference, but comes complete with airbags for both sides."

"It doesn't look like it holds many people."

"The roof comes out and the back goes down. Believe me if I had to negotiate the future of the Western World, this is the only vehicle I would use."

"What else do you have?"

"We have had a lot of success with this mini-motor home. It's been used several times to work out a durable peace in the Middle East. What makes this one so special is that it self-destructs when the participants fail to come to an agreement."

"I was really hoping for something I can tool around in with Mrs. Shultz to Russian trailer parks."

The salesman said, "I just thought of an RV that you might like. It's called the 'Tara Motor Home' and comes air-conditioned with a CB radio. You can talk to anyone in Washington without leaving your bank."

"Suppose somebody in Moscow overhears me?"

"They can't. Anyone who listens in on you would be violating Soviet law."

"I have to be sure my van is completely bug-proof."

"I guarantee a quiet ride from Omsk to Murnansk."

"Is your Winnebago large enough to have a summit meeting?"

"It's bigger than a summit. You can sleep the Reagans in the front and the Gorbachevs in the back, and still have room to invite 60 people for a state dinner. With this Winnebago we're talking top-of-the-line summitry."

"You make a very convincing case. I think I'll take it. What's the warranty on it?"

"We give the State Department the same warranty on our vehicles that it gives the public on its treaties."

"I warn you, if it's not safe I'm going to bring it back."

"If you're not happy with the Winnebago I have a wonderful alternative for you. It's a Good Humor truck. All you have to do is wear a white hat, white shirt, a black bow tie, and you'll have the Russians eating out of your hand."

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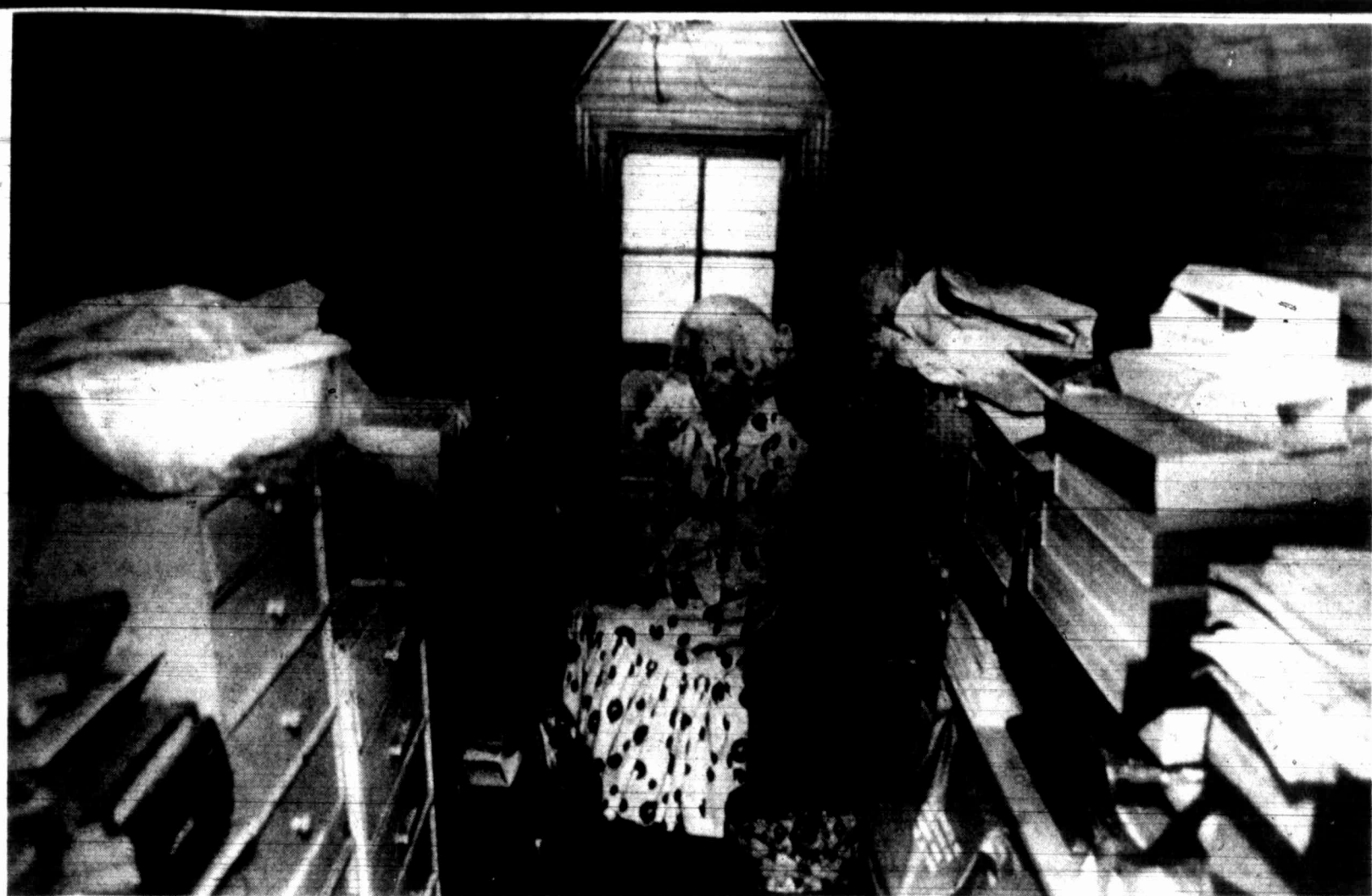
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# Lifestyle



Mary Ray sits in the attic of her Dallas home where she has saved things that have sentimental value to her. Among the memories stored in her attic is a child's toy grand piano, doll beds, her husband's great-grandmother's spinning wheel and boxes that hold her children's baby clothes.

## Family attic holds magic of discovery

DALLAS (AP) — It is just beginning to get hot in Mary Ray's large third-floor attic as she climbs the circular staircase into her past. "My husband always says a plumber must have built these stairs, they're so narrow," she says as she slowly ascends the steps toward the roof. On the way to her destination, she has passed through the elegance of the first-floor living and dining areas, and the cool, comfort of the second-floor bedrooms. But when she reaches the third floor, dust and filtered daylight help create a different kind of atmosphere.

Anyone who has ever played in grandmother's attic or plundered through dad's old steamer trunk knows about the magic of a crammed attic. It's partially the possibility of discovery and surprise. It's also the excitement of getting a glimpse of another person's life — like peering into his refrigerator or closet. Attics are quiet, and away from the call of responsibility, which is probably why children have always loved spending time in them.

Mrs. Ray's attic serves as a kind of romantic bridge across the generations of her family. "My daughter and her best friend used to play up here all the time," says Mrs. Ray. "They'd try on old clothes and put on shows. Then those two girls grew up and had daughters who were best friends and they loved to play up here, too."

Mrs. Ray is a saver, and savers have the best attics of all. She isn't a pack rat. But she has saved everything that has sentimental value to her.

There's a child's toy grand piano. Doll beds keep company alongside her husband's great-grandmother's spinning wheel. Inside a big walk-in closet in the attic is her wedding dress, folded neatly in a box with a hand-sewn silk nightgown she made for her wedding night more than 60 years ago.

Other boxes hold her children's baby clothes. Her children's children are grown now, but she still has some of the tiny hats and suits and dresses her own babies wore.

Mrs. Ray stores memories in her attic. Other people buy castoffs at garage sales and fill their attics. Or keep old hat collections, broken appliances, income tax files or neglected golf clubs for that day

when they will surely be needed. Despite the pleasures of attics, they are endangered spaces. Whole generations of Americans may grow up without knowing the delights of a rainy afternoon under the rafters.

Most modern houses don't have large attics. In suburbia, the garage has replaced the attic as prime storage area.

Around World War II, as houses got smaller and roofs and ceilings got lower because of the price of materials and the awareness of heating (and later cooling) costs, attics also began to shrink, said D. Blake Alexander, professor of architectural history at the University of Texas at Austin.

"Today we have bigger closets so we don't need attics as much," said Alexander, who loved playing in the attic of his childhood home in Paris. His own family did what many others did. They made bedrooms out of the attic as the family expanded.

Now growing families living in bungalows in older neighborhoods are also expanding their living quarters up into the attic. "The space is just there for the taking," he said.

Many attics, like Mrs. Ray's, are filled with memorabilia. The contents of others aren't necessarily historical, but they still have a certain appeal.

Take Mike Brown's. He uses his spacious attic to store the 8,000 to 9,000 Christmas lights he uses to decorate the exterior of his Swiss Avenue home each year.

He's also filled it with old-fashioned light fixtures he keeps so that every year or so he can exchange them for the ones hanging downstairs. "I like to switch them around. I'll go to flea markets and buy them and trade them around with ones in the house," he said.

The attic also provides ample space for his collection of old kitchen utensils. Visible in the top of a box in one corner are an old sifter, a grater, a chopper and a wooden mallet.

A huge chest he bought when a Dallas hotel went out of business serves as storage for an assortment of old clothes. There, order reigns in the chaos of the attic. Every drawer has a masking tape label: Socks for brown outfits. Socks for blue and black outfits. Miscellaneous socks. Single socks. Underwear and briefs. Jogging and sweat suits. Sweaters. Imprinted T-shirts.

"Over there are hooks for pegboards," said Brown. "I don't have any pegboards, but I might someday."

"Every time a part comes off something, I toss it up here in a box. Then when I need it again, I know I've got it. I just can't find it in all this mess."

"I've been thinking about cleaning the attic out for about two years. But in the summer it's too hot, and in the winter it's too cold and in the spring I'm out planting flowers. I never get to it," he said.

Jerry Clendening, Brown's next-door neighbor, has already found a use for a lot of the items in his attic. His wife, Verla Mae, who died last year, had saved all the doll clothes she hand-made for her daughter, along with the solid wood doll house and doll furniture her husband made and she decorated. Now their granddaughter, Jessica Ragsdale, is playing with them.

The Clendening's moved all their daughter's old playthings into the attics of each of the four houses they lived in. "I kept asking if she didn't want to throw them away. She said no, they were for her granddaughter someday," said Clendening.

Allyn Robertson, who once enjoyed a reputation as a lover of big hats, kept some of her collection in her Oak Cliff attic long after hats went out of style. "That's the biggest one over there in that box. I'll have to get it out and wear it again along with these," she said, holding up a pair of black and white polka dot shoes in a clear plastic hat box.

She's also kept a bright red evening coat and pink wool coat, just

waiting in plastic for styles to come back around. "The pink one wasn't quite long enough to wear this year," she said. "Maybe next year the hem lengths will be shorter."

On a shelf near the pull-down ladder into the house are three electric coffee percolators. "You'll have to ask my husband why we have those. He bought them at garage sales. I guess he wants them in case the coffeepot breaks in the morning early when all the stores are closed," she said.

When the Historic Preservation League acquired the old F.A. Brown farm home, a pre-1885 structure off Lover's Lane, members had no idea what they'd find in the attic.

It turned out to be full of treasures, the kind history buffs love.

"The people who lived here had the values of the Depression and the thriftiness of the farm. They never threw anything away," said Al Cox, an architect who has been helping catalog the contents of the house. "That makes it perfect for us."

Much of the attic was converted to a large bedroom for the young sons in the family, but what is left is full of revealing relics of the past.

"Look at this old ledger from 1915," said Cox. "The family wrote down all their expenses. High school tuition, \$5. School supplies, 40 cents. Hair cut, 10 cents. Ice, \$1.05."

The entries tell the story of life on the farm. A progression of expenses in 1925 relates to an illness. There are payments to Baylor Hospital, to nurses and drug stores. That kind of record is more revealing than anything in a history book.

Back in a little cubbyhole is a small storage shelf full of old bottles. There's a tiny bottle of violet extract. Other bottles hold Wizard fly spray, Burmashave, typewriter oil.

"Here's an old china pitcher with a broken handle. They couldn't fix it but they didn't throw it away," said Cox.

Also gathering dust in the attic are post card collections, Victorian ceiling fans, lots of broken chairs and beds.

"It's been a lot of fun to look around," said Cox, "and we've only begun to scratch the surface of what's here."

## Area briefs

### Delegates elected for state meet

The Howard County Extension Homemakers Council met recently.

The Centerpoint Club hosted. Four clubs presented reports on their monthly activities. Many do volunteer work and their regular club work.

Delegates elected to the state meeting are Carolyn Reed, City Club; Myrl Soles, Elbow Club; and Frances Mason, Coahoma Club. Mason was elected to the TEHA chairman post for 1988.

Achievement day will be in October and one person from each club will serve on the committee.

Nominating committee for the 1988 council officers is Myrl Soles, Irene Priebe and Frances Zant.

All worksheets are to be sent to Frances Mason, TEHA chairman, in July so she can get them to the District VI Director, Barbara Creagor, for compiling for the state meeting Sept. 22-24 in Fort Worth.

Naomi Hunt, extension agent, presented a report.

An employment skills workshop will be May 11 and 12 at the Westside Community Center from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day.

The workshop is free. Class is limited to 35, so interested persons are asked to pre-register by calling the Extension office, 267-8469.

There will be a leader training meeting "Walk Your Way To Fitness" May 18 at 2 p.m. Each club is to have representatives there to learn about the topic and present the program to their perspective club.

Hunt has been selected to go to Honduras for a seminar. There were only four county position people selected for this honor. She has been training at Texas A&M and at Prairie View College.

There won't be any council meetings until September 1.

### Local piano students to audition

Several local piano students will participate in the National Piano Playing Audition at Howard College on May 12.

Students participating from the class of Mrs. Chester Barnes are Joella Childress, Leigh Corson, Marilyn Corwin, Joanna Hamilton, Shane Higgins, Charlotte Walters, Stacy Slaten, Angela Murphy, Angela Murphy, Lauren Ingraham and Amy Alexander.

Mildred Harris of Garden city will have seven students in the audition. They are Stephanie Beel, Lisa Garrett, Jamie Glass, Wesley Glass, Karla Jones, Kristi Jones and Jennifer Phillips.

All students have registered as candidates for membership in the National Fraternity of Student Musicians, sponsored by the National Guild of Piano Teachers, Teacher Division of The American College of Musicians, of which their teacher is a member.

They will strive for pledges, local, district, state, national and international honors, which the mother organization will confer according to the number of standard classic, romantic and modern pieces.

Judging the auditions is Mrs. Gerald W. Harris of Lubbock.

### Hyperion Club installs officers

The 1955 Hyperion Club met May 5 at the home of Mrs. Carl Small, 1800 Brent, for a luncheon and installation of officers.

Mrs. Dub Moore installed the following officers: Mrs. Clair de Ryke, president; Mrs. Don McDonald, vice president; Mrs. Jay-Cunningham, recording secretary; Mrs. Jimmy Morehead,

corresponding secretary; Mrs. H.C. Ernesting, treasurer; and Mrs. Carl Small, parliamentarian.

Co-hostesses were Mrs. John S. Ritenour and Mrs. C.W. Mahoney.

Gifts were presented to the outgoing officers and to Mrs. Moore. The club adjourned for the summer.

### Nominating committee selected

The City Extension Homemakers Club met on May 8 at the home of Opal Wooten and selected members of the nominating committee for the coming year.

They are Jowili Etchison, Nadine Hodnett and Arlyne Johnston. Rozelle Dohoney served as co-hostess. Visitors were Dorothy Reynolds, Jo Reynolds and Velma

Lloyd. Roll call was answered to 'My favorite thing about spring.'

Etchison presented the monthly council report.

Velma Lloyd presented a program on well-known poems that were studied in school.

The next meeting will be a picnic May 22 at Comanche Trail Park.

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Do not break my spirit with a stick, for though I might lick your hand between the blows, your pa-

would have me learn. Speak to me often, for your voice is the world's sweetest music, as you must know by the fierce wagging of my tail when your footsteps fall upon my waiting ear.

Please take me inside when it is cold and wet, for I am a domesticated animal, no longer accustomed to bitter elements. I ask no greater glory than the privilege of sitting at your feet beside the hearth.

Keep my pan filled with fresh water, for I can't tell you when I'm thirsty.

Feed me clean food that I may stay well, to romp and play and do

your bidding, to walk by your side, and stand ready, willing and able to protect you with my life.

And, my friend, when I am very old, and I no longer enjoy good health, hearing and sight, do not make heroic efforts to keep me going. I am not having any fun. Please see that my trusting life is taken gently. I shall leave this earth knowing with the last breath I draw that my fate was always safest in your hands.

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# Cowboy wrestles way to state

By EDDIE CURRAN  
Staff Writer

Big Spring High School senior Steven Ross has been tackling steers for just a year and a half, but already he's the top ranked steer wrestler in this region.

Ross won the steer wrestling in 10 of the 22 high school rodeos he entered, and he'll represent Region Two in the state finals in Seguin, June 21-27. Region Two encompasses the area from Abilene to El Paso and down to Del Rio. According to Ross, it's the most competitive of the state's 10 regions.

Ross practiced every day with his father Ken during the winter season, but has tapered his practices to every other day until the state rodeo gets closer.

The two practice at a place northeast of town, though they'll soon be practicing next door to their house on Derrick Road, where they're building a small practice arena.

After saddling their horses, Steven herds three steers into the chute, and warms up by running a few steers down on foot and tackling them.

This done, he and his father gallop around the arena to get their horses in gear. Once the neighbor has arrived to open the chutes, it's time to practice.

Up close, it's easy to see that, as Steven puts it, "There's a lot more to it than just jumping from a horse onto a steer."

Steven's father is the hazer. His job is to bolt out of the gate at near the same speed as the steer, and to keep it from veering right away from his son.

On the first try, Steven's horse gets antsy, and doesn't go anywhere. But on the second at-

tempt, with both horses in sync and the steer racing in the middle, Steven shows how to wrestle a steer.

He flies off his horse and hits the steer, with his right hand shooting up and under the right horn, and his left hand coming down on the left horn.

It helps to comprehend the difficulty of Ross's sport if you just consider this: How would you like to get off a horse going full speed, much less onto an animal with horns?

If you didn't break your neck or leg, you might get gored, run over, or, if you're lucky, just be fed a mouthful of dirt.

Neither of these things happen to Ross. He twists the steer's head towards him, and uses all his strength and body weight to bring the confused animal to a thud, with all four legs off the ground.

"It's a lot of excitement, the rodeo life," he says. "It's not like basketball, where the whole team's out there. It's more individual. It's just you and your horse and what steer you draw."

Ross also admits that he gets a little nervous when he's by himself on his horse, waiting for the steer to run.

"It's kind of like a wrestling match. You get real worked up, but you can't get too nervous, or your horse will sense it."

"You have to learn how to use your adrenalin on the Steer. It's like football — you have to really hit that steer," Ross explains.

"It's so fast of a sport, you're going full speed on a horse and the times are like four, five, six seconds. It takes a lot of practice so it'll become second nature, and you can see when it's going that fast."



Big Spring High School senior Steven Ross, practices his steer wrestling technique in preparation for the state high school rodeo finals. Ross has

the event in 10 of 22 rodeos this season.

Herald photo by Eddie Curran

"You've got to really be on top of things, because it could be dangerous," Ross says.

This summer, in addition to the state high school rodeo, Ross will compete on the American Junior Rodeo Association (AJRA) circuit. In fact, the whole Ross family will

go with Steven, although they'll have to leave some of the animals behind.

For posterity's sake, here's an account of the Ross zoo: five horses, two goats, six steers, two dogs, three puppies and four cats. That listing has another purpose: if the Rosses ask you to feed the

animals while they're away, you'll know better.

This summer will be Ross's last to rodeo. He's headed for the University of Texas next year, and they don't have a rodeo team.

"This summer is the end of my career. That's why I want to do well. This is my last chance to ac-

complish something in a high school sport, which I already have, but I want to do well at state," Ross says.

And that's why, while his friends are out practicing baseball, Ross is out jumping on steers with his daddy.



## Lubbock bound

Sheri Myrick, seated, signed a full four year scholarship to Lubbock Christian University Monday afternoon at the high school. Myrick will play both basketball and volleyball for the Chaps next year. She is the daughter of Jerry and Muriel Myrick. From left to right are Jerry Myrick, volleyball coach Elaine Stone, and girls basketball coach C.E. Carmichael. Lubbock Christian University changed its name from Lubbock Christian College this year.

Herald photo by Eddie Curran

## Suns had drug woes over 10 years ago

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP) — Drug use by members of the NBA's Phoenix Suns goes back at least 13 years and includes first-round draft choice Neal Walk, a published report says, citing Maricopa County grand jury transcripts and a former cocaine trafficker.

The Arizona Republic, in today's editions, quoted the trafficker as saying he sold cocaine to Walk "maybe 30 times" during the 6-foot-10 center's final season with the Suns in 1973-74.

Phoenix selected Walk out of the University of Florida in the first round in 1969 after losing a coin flip with the Milwaukee Bucks for the right to choose first in the draft. The Bucks won the flip and took UCLA center Lew Alcindor, now Kareem Abdul-Jabbar of the Los Angeles Lakers.

Walk "would put anybody under the table with any kind of drug," said the former dealer, who claims he stopped selling drugs eight or nine years ago. He spoke on the condition of anonymity.

The dealer said he also sold drugs to two other unnamed Suns. But he said, "out of all of them,

Neal probably had the biggest habit."

He said Walk usually purchased a couple of grams of cocaine at \$75 a gram.

Walk, whose NBA career ended in November 1976 when he was released by the New York Knicks, could not be reached for comment.

Walk, playing in Europe in 1977, was arrested with a teammate in Venice, Italy, involving the possession of 2.5 ounces of hashish, court records show.

Three current Suns — center James Edwards and guards Grant Gondezick and Jay Humphries — were indicted by the grand jury on April 16 along with ex-Suns Garfield Heard and Mike Bratz on charges ranging from possession to trafficking in cocaine and other illegal drugs.

Edwards, Gondezick, Humphries and Heard all pleaded innocent during their April 30 arraignment in Maricopa County Superior Court and their trial has been set for June 22. Bratz still is fighting extradition to Phoenix from Sacramento, Calif., and has not been arraigned.

## Howard signs Tyler guard

Larry Pettigrew, a 6-2, 185-pound off-guard from John Tyler High in Tyler, has signed with the Howard College Hawks, reported assistant coach Scott Horstman.

Pettigrew averaged 23.1 points and 7.7 rebounds per game, and was the MVP of district 13-5A this past season, said Horstman.

Pettigrew was also named the MVP in East Texas by the Tyler Courier-Telegraph, and played in the Texas High School Hall of Fame last month in Waco. He scored 10 points and grabbed four rebounds in that contest, Horstman said.

"He's got range beyond the three-point line," the Hawks' assistant said, "but what makes him really valuable is he's so strong. He can go down and get some rebounds."

"We were excited about getting him out of East Texas, because we were going against eight junior colleges within 50 miles of his home," Horstman said.

Horstman coached at Tyler Junior College for two years prior to coming to Howard. He said he was particularly pleased to steal Pettigrew from his home town school.

## Two arrested in coke death

EL PASO (AP) — The investigation into the death of former Texas-El Paso basketball star Hernel "Jeep" Jackson has resulted in the arrest of a second woman on cocaine charges.

Thelma Apodaca, 24, was charged Monday with delivery of less than an ounce of cocaine. She was held in El Paso County Jail under \$100,000 bond.

Five days earlier, police arrested Michelle Cabrera, 19, on charges of delivering less than an ounce of cocaine to Jackson the night before he died while playing a charity benefit basketball game at Fort Bliss on May 2.

Apodaca's lawyer, Gary Hill, said police allege she supplied Cabrera with the cocaine that later went to Jackson. Cabrera is free on \$500,000 bond.

Jackson, a 23-year-old All-Western Athletic Conference player, died about five minutes into the game.

An affidavit last week by Detective Joe Garcia said police "believed that cocaine was the contributing factor to the death."

Autopsy results were inconclusive about the cause of death, and the county medical examiner said he was awaiting the results of tests on blood, tissue and urine specimens.

## Sonics can eliminate Rockets tonight

HOUSTON (AP) — Seattle Coach Bernie Bickerstaff wasn't in a good mood following his team's final workout before tonight's NBA playoff game against the Houston Rockets.

The SuperSonics lead the series 3-1 and could send the Rockets on vacation with another victory.

But Bickerstaff would have liked a better drill prior to the game.

"It was not a good workout. Maybe we've been reading too many press clippings," Bickerstaff said.

Bickerstaff likes to keep his team humble, professing that the Sonics aren't as good as the Rockets and that they are winning only by playing to the best of their ability.

"We're a little flaky right now," Bickerstaff said. "It's disappointing the type of workout we had. We'll have to do better tomorrow night."

The Sonics will try to keep Houston's Bill Fitch from repeating history in his coaching career.

Fitch's 1981 Boston Celtics team was one of only four teams to win a series after trailing 3-1.

Fitch's Celtics rallied to beat Philadelphia in the Eastern Conference final and went on to beat the Rockets for the NBA title.

"I feel if we can get back to the opponent's home court for Game 6 the pressure will be all with them," Fitch said. "I don't think they want to come here for Game 7."

A Houston victory tonight would return the series to Seattle for a sixth game, on Thursday. A seventh game, if necessary, would be back in Houston on Saturday.

"I've been in this situation twice, and both times we forced it to the seventh game," Fitch recalled. "Our situation now is similar to 1981. We came back from Philadelphia after coming close."

Fitch's 1982 Celtics team fought back from a 3-1 deficit to Philadelphia, before tying the series at 3-3 and losing the seventh game in the Eastern Conference finals.

Seattle blew out the Rockets 117-102 Satur-

day to take a 3-1 lead in the series after Houston won the third game 102-84.

The Sonics just played harder in Game 4, Fitch said.

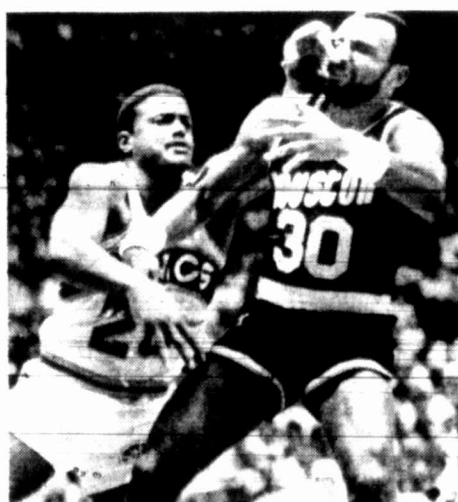
"All forms of aggressiveness were with them," Fitch said. "They played like it was the last time they wanted to play us at their place this year."

The Rockets had poor outside shooting from Robert Reid (3-11) and Allen Leavell (4-12) on Saturday, but Fitch didn't blame the loss on Rockets' guard play.

"I'm anxious for practice to start today so I can explain what you people (media) didn't see," Fitch said. "It wasn't our guard play as much as it was our defensive play."

"The whole theme at this stage is defense. If we play aggressive defense and hold Seattle under 100 points, our chances improve dramatically."

Tom Chambers scored 38 points to fuel the Sonics to within one game of the Western Conference final. Dale Ellis, held to 12 points in Game 3, rebounded with 32 points.



Seattle SuperSonics Maurice Lucas (20) and Houston Rockets Allen Leavell (30) mix it up during NBA playoff action. The Sonics led the series 3-1.

## Starters' playing time, wins escalating for Celts

BROOKLINE, Mass. (AP) — For the Boston Celtics' starters, the playing time is piling up. So are the victories.

Four of them played more than 50 minutes apiece Sunday when Boston took a 3-1 lead in its NBA playoff series against the Milwaukee Bucks. They'll be busy again Wednesday night when the Celtics can clinch the best-of-seven Eastern Conference semifinal.

"We train all year for this," Boston trainer Ray Melchiorre

said after Monday's light practice. "I've been one of the people who felt playing more minutes helps."

"You don't train for a marathon by running two, three or four miles a day," he said. "We're in a marathon and it's what we've been training for."

The Celtics beat the Bucks 138-137 in double overtime Sunday. Larry Bird and Kevin McHale each played 56 of a possible 58 minutes, Dennis Johnson played 54 and Danny Ainge 51. Center Robert Parish

played just 38 minutes, but he fouled out during regulation play.

Johnson doesn't think it's especially difficult to recover from such extended activity.

"I played 50 minutes the night before," he said. "I guess I played OK with 54 the next game."

He had 19 points and 12 assists Sunday after getting 32 points and 14 assists in the previous game.

"Winning's the point," Johnson said. "You go as long as you have to go to win."

Milwaukee Coach Don Nelson is more willing to go to his bench than K.C. Jones, his Boston counterpart. Bucks' substitutes played more minutes than Boston's reserves in three of the first four games.

But the Celtics know how to take a breather on the court.

"Their whole team can walk better than most people can play running hard," Nelson said. "I don't understand it. You say they're tired, then they kick you in the butt."

The last three games have been grueling mental and physical exercises. Boston's 126-124 victory in the second game was decided in the final 30 seconds. Milwaukee won the next game 126-121 in overtime. Then came Sunday's double overtime contest.

"Injuries," Jones said. "That's the total problem."

Forward Scott Wedman was sidelined for all but seven regular-season games. Center Bill Walton is out with foot problems.



# Parker erupts from slump; helps Reds bash champions

By The Associated Press

Dave Parker said he wasn't worried about the slumping Dave Parker. Maybe Reds Manager Pete Rose was.

Parker was in the midst of an 0-for-17 slump when Cincinnati hosted the New York Mets on Monday night. Before the game, Rose found a way to add a little extra motivation for his right fielder, telling him that Mets pitcher Rick Aguilera wasn't particularly complimentary about Parker earlier this year.

Parker said Rose told him Aguilera had said in New York that Parker's bat was slow. None of the writers who cover the Mets said they had head Aguilera say it.

"I needed something to lift me up, and I went into the game thinking about it," Parker said after hitting a double and three singles in the Reds' 12-2 rout of the slumping world champions. "Maybe it was a blessing in disguise. By the way, my manager told me that. Think he was trying to do something? I think it worked."

Cubs 6, Dodgers 3

Hot-hitting Andre Dawson went 3-for-5, including a two-run homer, and knocked in three runs as the Cubs improved their major league-leading road record to 12-4.

Scott Sanderson carried a four-hitter into the ninth inning, but left after consecutive home runs by Ken Landreaux and Bill Madlock and a single by Pedro Guerrero. Lee Smith came in and got his major league high 10th save by getting Mike Scioscia to line into a double play.

Dawson, who also had an RBI single in the

ninth, is batting .407 for his last 13 games and .310 for the season.

Expos 7, Braves 6

Tim Wallach won the game with a 10th-inning homer he felt was coming.

"I was definitely thinking home run," Wallach said of his big hit off Jim Acker. "Every so often you get that feeling that you're going to hit one out. It doesn't always work, but tonight it did."

The Expos won for the seventh game in nine starts and reached the .500 mark for the first time this season. Montreal is 15-15.

The Expos built a 6-2 lead, helped by a three-run triple by Herm Winingham and a two-run homer from Andres Galarraga. But the Braves pecked away and tied it in the ninth on Graig Nettles' RBI double.

"I guess you can find some positives out of our comeback," said Dale Murphy, who hit his ninth homer, in the eighth inning. "But the main thing is we fell short."

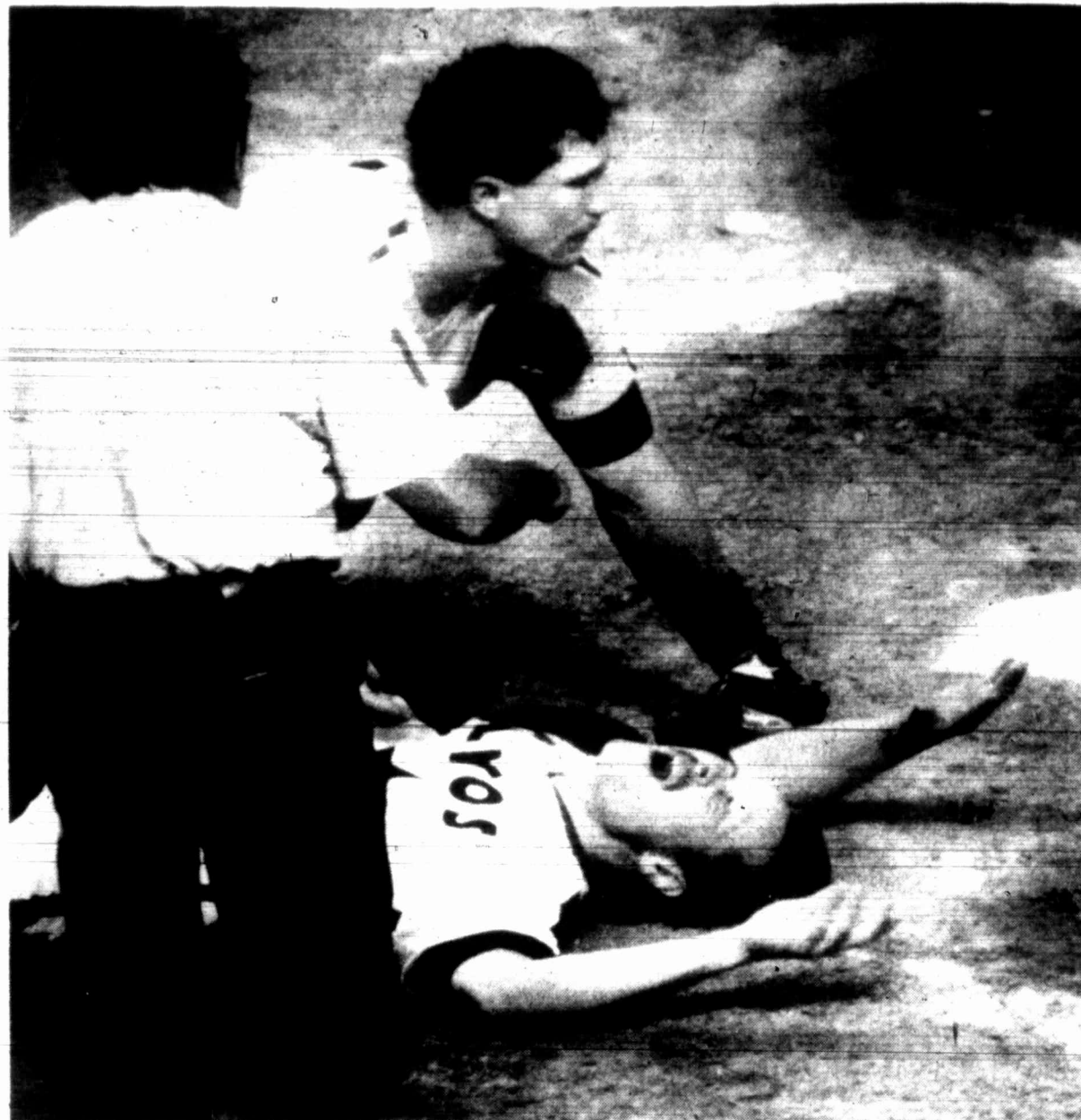
Phillies 7, Astros 6

Juan Samuel hit a three-run homer in the eighth inning, giving Philadelphia the victory. He had a two-run home run in the first as the Phillies won their third in a row.

With Philadelphia trailing 5-3 in the eighth, Milt Thompson reached on a forceout and Jeff Stone got a bunt single before Samuel hit his fourth home run. Mike Schmidt followed with his 11th home run.

Alan Ashby homered for the Astros.

"Three in a row is a start in the right direction," Phils' Manager John Felske said.



Houston Astros first baseman Glenn Davis reacts to being called out on the tag from Philadelphia Phillies catcher Lance Parrish. Davis was thrown out trying to score in the seventh inning.

# New names lead Mariners to first place tie

By The Associated Press

The Seattle Mariners, with a couple of new names, are enjoying a new place in the standings.

Scott Bankhead and Mike Kingery, acquired in a controversial off-season trade, led Seattle

AL

over Roger Clemens and the Boston Red Sox 4-3 Monday night and into a share of first place in the American League West.

The Mariners won their fourth straight game, matching their longest winning streak of 1986, and are off to the best start in team

history at 18-14. Seattle has never finished in the first division in its 11-year existence.

"I'm just enjoying myself with this ballclub," said Kingery, who hit a two-run double in the first inning and singled to set up another run in the fourth.

Bankhead, 5-2, pitched seven innings and gave up two earned runs on five hits. Kingery and Bankhead were obtained from Kansas City during the winter meetings in a deal for Danny Tartabull, one of the best rookies in baseball last year.

Angels 5, Tigers 1

Mike Witt and DeWayne Bruce combined to allow 11 hits and Devon White's RBI single broke a

1-1 tie that led California over Detroit in a rain-delayed game.

Singles by Mark McLemore, Brian Downing and White put the visiting Angels ahead against Walt Terrell, 2-4. California scored three times in the ninth, helped by two errors and a passed ball.

Witt, 5-2, won his third straight decision. He pitched 6 1/3 innings and gave up seven hits, including a home run by Matt Nokes.

Blue Jays 4, Royals 0

Jimmy Key pitched a four-hitter and George Bell and Cecil Fielder homered and drove in two runs apiece as Toronto beat Kansas City.

Key, 5-2, handed the Royals their eighth shutout in 28 games this

season. Key struck out seven and walked none.

Charlie Leibrandt, 4-2, lost for the first time at Exhibition Stadium after four victories.

Yankees 3, White Sox 2

Dave Winfield and Lenn Sakata hit solo home runs in the sixth inning that led New York past Chicago.

The Yankees won for the 12th time in 13 games at home this season. The White Sox, who have allowed 14 homers in four games, lost their fifth straight.

Winfield's 311th career home run tied the score at 2-2. Two outs later, Sakata hit his 25th home run in 7 1/2 seasons. Both homers came against Floyd Bannister, 2-3.

Rick Rhoden, 4-3, allowed eight hits in 7 2/3 innings and Dave Righetti closed for his eighth save.

Twins 10, Orioles 4

Tom Nieto hit a three-run homer and Tom Brunansky and Kent Hrbek added two-run shots as Minnesota had a season-high 14 hits to win in Baltimore.

Nieto hit his first AL home run in the second inning off Scott McGregor, 1-5. Brunansky, who drove in three runs, and Gary Gaetti had three hits each.

Rangers 6, Indians 3

Larry Parrish drove in three runs with a homer, double and single as Texas beat Cleveland in a game called after five innings

because of rain.

The Rangers ended a nine-game road losing streak. The Indians lost for the seventh time in eight games.

Parrish hit a two-run homer, his seventh, to key a four-run second inning against Phil Niekro, 2-2. Parrish's opposite-field homer to right hit the foul screen.

Texas reliever Ron Meridith struck out the only batter he faced and won his first decision. Mike Loynd got his first save.

The game was delayed by rain for 18 minutes in the fourth inning, another 18 minutes in the fifth and called after a 31-minute wait during heavy thunderstorms after the fifth.

# Goaltending is the name of the game

DETROIT (AP) — Who would have thought that goaltending would dominate a series between the high-scoring Edmonton Oilers and those blue-collar grinders from the Motor City, the Detroit Red Wings?

Nobody, that's who. Not Oilers Coach Glen Sather, nor Red Wings Coach Jacques Demers.

Certainly not the goalies: Grant Fuhr of the Oilers or Detroit's Greg Stefan and Glen Hanlon.

The Oilers got the go-ahead goal from Mike Krushelnyski with 1:14 remaining in the second period Monday night and Fuhr made it stand up for a 3-2 victory that gave Edmonton a 3-1 lead in the best-of-seven NHL semifinal series.

Game 5 is Wednesday night at the Northlands Coliseum in Edmonton.

"I just have to keep it up," Fuhr said. "I've had good luck so far. The guys are playing well in front of me."

"Detroit has a good offense, too. They're a pretty good team. If they keep playing like that, good things are going to happen."

Each of the first four games has been a tight, close-checking affair. Detroit won the opener 3-1. The Oilers won the next three by scores of 4-1, 2-1 and 3-2.

"I don't think anybody in their right mind can say we didn't play well," said Hanlon, who made 17 saves in his first start of the series. "I think we showed something to a lot of people."

"I was trying to keep it close to give us a shot in the third period. We had a shot."

But Fuhr, who turned away 22 of 24 shots, was the difference.

With the score tied 2-2, Krushelnyski, who scored only 16



Edmonton's Grant Fuhr (31) kicks away another shot during Monday night's playoff game with Detroit at Joe Louis Arena in Detroit.

goals during the regular season, skated up the left side, took a pass from Wayne Gretzky on the give-and-go, drew Hanlon out and put the puck between the goalie's pads for a 3-2 lead.

Detroit took a 2-1 advantage early in the second period on goals 2:10 apart by Shawn Burr and Gerard Gallant.

Burr hustled for a loose puck at the left point, then fell down mak-

ing a 10-foot shot. As Burr slid on his stomach toward the goal, the puck went off his helmet and between Fuhr's pads for his seventh playoff goal.

Brent Ashton knocked away a pass from defenseman Paul Coffey to Craig MacTavish and Gallant, standing in front of the goal, backhanded it between Fuhr's legs.

Edmonton tied it 2-2 at 5:34 of the

second period when Glenn Anderson scored his 10th goal of the playoffs, a six-foot shot into the short side of the net after pulling Hanlon out.

Dave Hunter put Edmonton ahead 1-0 with his third playoff goal at 17:30 of the first period. Hanlon, fell to his right, kicking away a golf shot by Reijo Ruotsalainen, leaving the net wide open for Hunter to poke in the rebound.

# Lakers hope Sleepy doesn't wake up again

INGLEWOOD, Calif. (AP) — When the curtain goes up on "Showtime" tonight at the Forum, the Los Angeles Lakers hope it's their show and not Eric "Sleepy" Floyd's.

Floyd, the Golden State Warriors' 6-foot-3 point guard, beat the Lakers, known for their flash-and-dash style, with virtually a one-man show in the fourth game of their NBA playoff.

The Warriors' 129-121 victory in Oakland on Sunday kept them alive in the second round of the best-of-seven series, although they trail 3-1.

Floyd scored 51 points Sunday, including 29 in the fourth quarter — an NBA playoff record for one quarter — to rally the Warriors from a 14-point deficit to their eight-point victory.

The Warriors may have gotten a motivational edge because of what their coach, George

Karl, called the Lakers' "arrogance."

"No question, LA's arrogant," Karl said. "We can't deny that. They can't deny that ..."

"Do they have a right to be arrogant? Yes. But their flaunting it went too far and yes, that can be motivating."

"When they dunk it in your face then go around jiving," Karl said, "that's LA."

Said the Warriors' Greg Ballard: "I think they could show a little more class, and some respect for the Golden State Warriors."

Los Angeles Coach Pat Riley even seemed to imply that his team might have lost the fourth game because of overconfidence. The Lakers had won the first six games of the post-season arc seemed to have number seven in the bag before they went to sleep and Floyd came alive in the

final quarter.

Riley said the Lakers appeared to let up after they built a sizable lead and Byron Scott went high for a rebound and was knocked to the floor. Three of his teammates helped him up, then all five Lakers on the court slapped hands as the Warriors' partisan crowd boomed.

"That's when we just stopped executing our offense and our defense," Riley said. "That's when we decided they (the Warriors) were just going to go away, that it would be easy, and we were going home."

"We talk about being a veteran team, but we acted like we've never been there."

He said he told the Lakers after the game, "If you keep barking so much, you're going to get your head bitten off."

## Sports Briefs

### Quarter Horse Classic on May 23

The Quarter Horse Classic will be Saturday, May 23 at the Howard County Youth Horseman's Arena on the Garden City Highway beginning at 8 a.m.

Entry fee is \$10 for open, amateur and youth categories. Maximum \$40 a day fee per horse, per rider, per division according to American Quarter Horse Association rules.

### Softball meeting this Thursday

The Big Spring Men's Industrial Softball League will have a meeting Thursday at 7 p.m. at Highland Lanes.

All coaches and managers are urged to attend.

### Reep qualifies for nationals

Amanda Reep was the lone member of the Sidewinders girls Junior Elite Developmental team to qualify for the second half of the national tryouts.

The tryouts were held in Houston and Reep was the only one of eight from Big Spring that passed the first half of the test. The second part of the test will be in November.

The coach of the team is Linda Perez.

### Yankees late rally beats Ponies

In Major Little League action at the National League field Monday, the Yankees scored six runs in the last inning to overtake the Ponies 12-11.

The game winning hit was a bases loaded triple by Tony Taylor. Taylor also pitched the final three innings and fanned six. Jason Henderson was the losing pitcher for the Ponies.

The Ponies got a two run homer by Clint Kemper and a triple by Brian Sledge.

Talor led the Yankees with a triple and two singles. Brian Martinez, Leal Hubbard and Lonnie Jackson all doubled for the Yankees.

The Yankees are now 3-4 for the season while the Ponies fall to 4-2-1.

### Astros down Angels in LL action

The minor league Astros of the National Little League downed the Angels 11-5 Monday afternoon.

Brant Farris struck out six batters in the two innings he pitched, and earned the win. Farris, Jeremy Miller and Caleb Robertson each had two hits for the Astros. Miller and Robertson both homered in the first inning.

The Astros raised their record to 4-0-1.

### Steers last game tonight

The Big Spring Steers baseball team travels to Pecos tonight for their final game of the season.

The game begins at 7 p.m. The Steers are 10-14 overall on the season.

### BSHS Spring Sports Banquet

The Big Spring High School Spring Sports Banquet will be Monday, May 18 at 7 p.m. at the high school cafeteria.

Larry Brown, head basketball coach at Howard College, will be guest speaker. Tickets are \$8 per person and may be purchased at the high school from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Deadline to purchase tickets is May 13. No tickets will be sold at the door.

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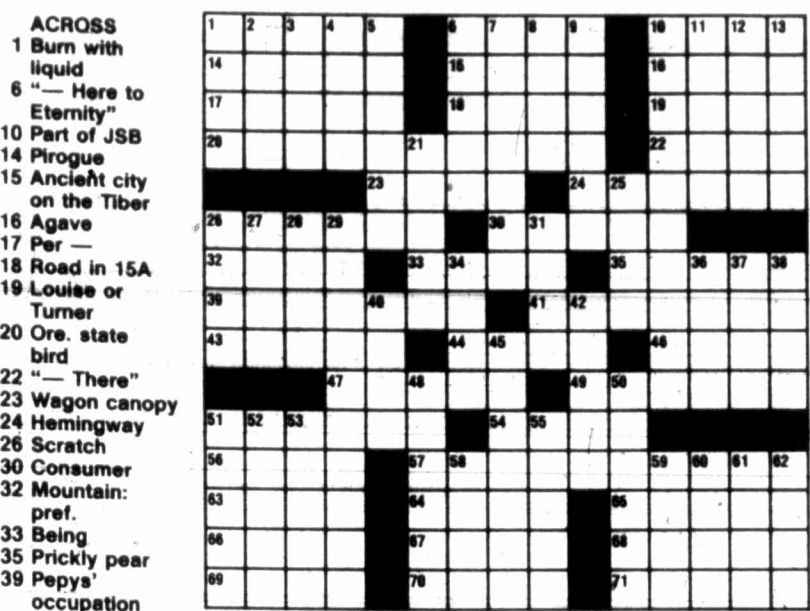
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- 1 Burn with liquid
  - 6 "— Here to Eternity"
  - 10 Part of JSB
  - 14 Prologue
  - 15 Ancient city on the Tiber
  - 16 Aave
  - 17 Par —
  - 18 Road in 15A
  - 19 Louise or Turner
  - 20 Ore, state bird
  - 22 "— There"
  - 23 Wagon canopy
  - 24 Hemingway
  - 28 Scratch
  - 30 Consumer
  - 32 Mountain: pref.
  - 33 Being
  - 35 Prickly pear
  - 39 Pepys' occupation
  - 41 Observances
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  - 44 Atop
  - 46 Insect
  - 47 Indian
  - 49 Dresses carefully
  - 51 Decline
  - 54 Rake
  - 56 Calendar event in 15A
  - 57 Wyo. state flower
  - 63 Submerged
  - 64 TV Cartwright
  - 65 Blood carrier
  - 66 Behold in 15A
  - 67 Grafted: Her.
  - 68 Carnivorous mammal
  - 69 Vaccinator
  - 70 Bridge player
  - 71 Fragrant oleoresin

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#### Yesterday's Puzzle Solved:



- DOWN**
- 1 Filmflam
  - 2 Rattan
  - 3 Indian coin
  - 4 Clamorous
  - 5 Kick down-stairs
  - 6 Ruffle
  - 7 Spins
  - 8 Heb. measure
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  - 26 Cipher
  - 27 Diva's song
  - 28 Kind of beer
  - 29 — state (Nebraska)
  - 31 Flying prefix
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  - 55 Beginning
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**GENERAL TENDENCIES:** Today's full moon brings you the opportunity to delve into whatever practical matters require your attention. Use considerable diplomacy if you make any changes.

**ARIES** (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Worldly talks are required today if you are to take advantage of the good aspects. You are full of energy now.

**TAURUS** (Apr. 20 to May 20) A clever associate has wise ideas for gaining quite a few assets, so be helpful and get your share of them.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 21) Even if the work you have to do is not very much fun, get at it early and be done with it.

**MOON CHILDREN** (June 22 to Jul. 21) Plan your time more intelligently and you can devote your hours between your mate and friends.

**LEO** (Jul. 22 to Aug. 21) Many situations arise to help you know better where you stand. If an argument arises, don't enter into it.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) The full moon can bring you good ideas. You can add to your present set-up and make real progress.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) You have ideas that need to be expressed in practical terms if you are to get the financial backing you need.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) An associate may not agree with you now, but you can persevere and convince him, or her, and get fine results.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Try not to let some personal matter stand in the way of the duties ahead of you.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Try to give a party that will help your mate and your friends come to a better understanding.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Get civic and credit affairs handled. Postpone entertaining at home until a better day and time.

**PISCES** (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) You have fine ideas for becoming more skillful at your work. Be very courteous with others today.

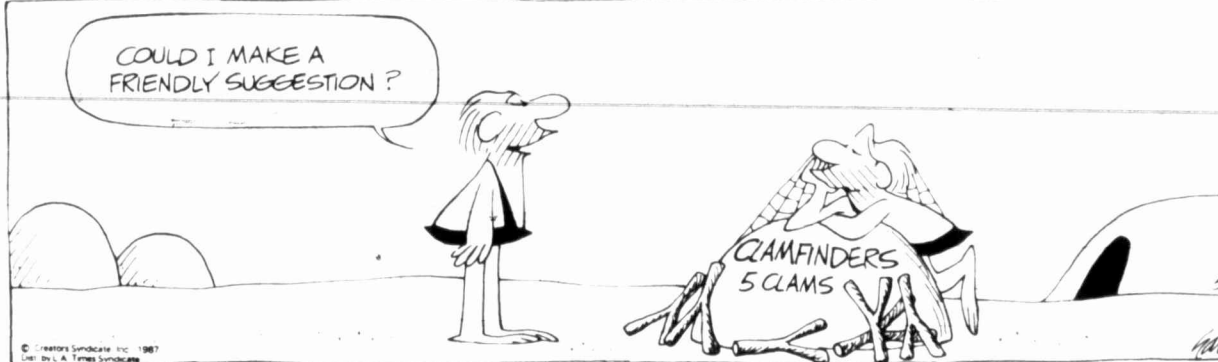
**IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY** ... he, or she, is apt to jump from a practical activity to a personal one and not accomplish very much of either, so teach this one the importance of perseverance. This will bring your progeny much success. Also teach this child to listen to others.

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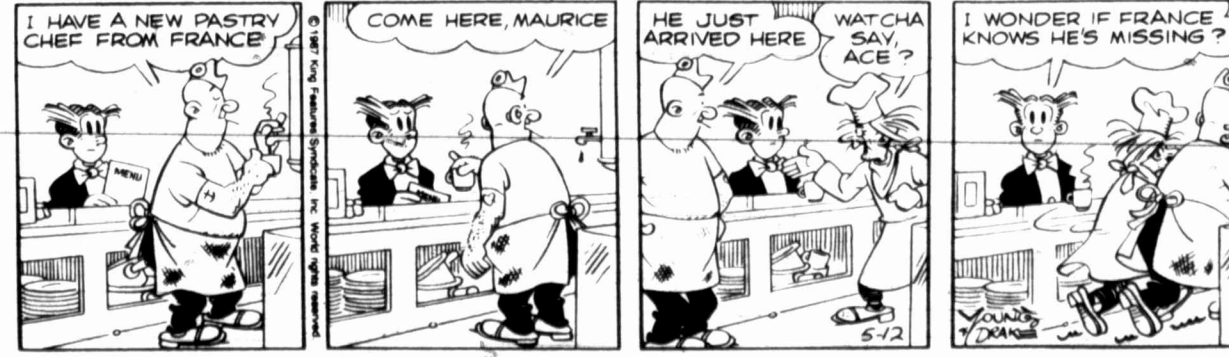
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## Ground water committee approved

AUSTIN — A bill that would create a committee to recommend ways to protect Texas' underground water resources has been approved by the Senate.

"There is a lot of hesitancy and a lack of knowledge in the regulation of ground water," Sen. Tati Santiesteban, D-El Paso, said Monday.

He said committee members would be appointed by the lieutenant governor, House speaker and governor, with the governor naming the chairman.

The committee would examine underground aquifers, as well as landfills.

"This is long overdue — we should have done it 10-20 years ago," said Sen. Gonzalo Barrientos, D-Austin.

"We were going to propose legislation actually regulating ground water but that is a very touchy issue in all parts of Texas," Santiesteban said.

His bill was sent to the House on voice vote.

## Anti-hazing bill 'gutted' by Senate

AUSTIN — The Senate refused to accept House amendments to Barrientos' anti-hazing bill and adopted Barrientos' motion to appoint a conference committee Monday.

"The House literally gutted it," Barrientos said.

The House removed a provision, 82-63, that allowed jail terms for people who fail to report hazing incidents.

Barrientos said in the last nine years, 40 students in the United States have died in hazing incidents.

## House busts drug tax proposal

AUSTIN — The House has busted an East Texas lawmaker's plan to curtail illegal drug traffic by taxing it.

In a 46-92 vote, Rep. Billy Clemons' plan to collect a \$3.50-per-gram tax on marijuana and \$200-per-gram tax on other illegal substances was killed Monday.

Clemons, D-Pollock, said the tax could mean \$50 million a year for the state, but some House members said they thought it would legalize marijuana and illegal drugs.

The tax would be paid by Texans who make or buy the drugs, or bring them into the state.

Dealers would have to get tax stamps from the state comptroller. Anyone caught with illegal drugs that did not carry the tax stamp would face 10 years in prison and a \$5,000 fine. That penalty would be in addition to the sentence for possession of illegal drugs.

The comptroller would not be allowed to tell police who bought tax stamps for illegal drugs.

Rep. Paul Moreno was among those who feared the bill might legalize marijuana and other illegal substances.

"Mr. Clemons, if I was you, I'd postpone this bill ... because, my God, you are going to have one heck of a re-election campaign with this thing. It sounds as though you're legalizing the sale of pot," said Moreno, D-El Paso.

## Health budget proposal 'devastating'

AUSTIN — Proposed budgets by the House and Senate for the state health department would eliminate 649 jobs, the department said Monday.

"Jobs will be lost and basic public health services, so often taken for granted, will be jeopardized, especially in the House version of the (appropriations) bill," state health commissioner Robert Bernstein said.

As an example, Bernstein said in a statement that the House's pro-

posed health department budget would mean that, next year, 38,000 Texas children could not be adequately immunized against potentially fatal diseases.

Dr. Frank Bryant, chairman of the state health board, said the proposed budget would have "devastating effects on the agency's ability to fulfill its mandate to protect the health of all Texans as if the most stringent measures proposed by the House and Senate are enacted."

## Credit card disclosure bill OKd

AUSTIN — The Senate Economic Development Committee approved a bill Monday that would require credit card companies to disclose interest rates on the application or written solicitation for a credit card.

Carol Barger, director of the Southwest Office of Consumers Union, said bank credit card interest rates available to Texans range from 10.5 percent to 19.8 percent.

"The banks' conspiracy of

silence' has prevented the marketplace from operating effectively and permitted the major banks to overcharge with high interest rates," Ms. Barger told the committee.

Under Sen. Hugh Parmer's bill, the application would also have to explain when interest begins to accrue and whether there is an annual fee or fee for exceeding the credit limit.

Parmer's bill was sent to the Senate on a 6-0 vote.

## Winning chef to cook for legislators

AUSTIN (AP) — An award-winning Dallas chef was honored by the Texas Senate on Monday and committee members were promised a sampling of some of his food dishes.

The Senate sponsor of the resolution honoring Victor A.L. Gielisse said the chef would prepare a meal for the senator's committee.

Sen. Tati Santiesteban, D-El Paso, said the diners would be members of his Natural Resources Committee and their guests. They would be joined by members of the House Natural Resources Committee.

Monday night's dinner, according to the resolution, was presented by the Texas Shrimp Association in conjunction with the Texas Restaurant Association.

Gielisse, chef and co-owner of Actuelle Restaurant, recently won the gold medal at the American Seafood Challenge in Charleston, S.C.

His final award-winning meal "included such Texas-influenced dishes as farm-raised catfish with red pepper sauce, gingered black beans, and Texas gulf shrimp mouseline," the resolution said.

## Late-term abortion bill may pass

AUSTIN — Authors of Senate and House abortion bills said today they were optimistic that legislation concerning late-term abortions could be passed within the next few days.

A bill by Sen. Ted Lyon, D-Rockwall, is scheduled for debate Thursday, Lyon said at a news conference. And Rep. Mike Millsap, D-

Fort Worth, said his similar measure was set for House debate Monday.

"The odds are excellent," said Lyon, "although you can never be assured of passage of such a controversial subject."

Millsap said he had more than 80 co-sponsors of his bill, including Speaker Gib Lewis.



U.S. Sen. David Pryor, D-Ark., holds a chart showing the workings of the Farm Credit System at a news conference in his Little Rock office Monday. Pryor is introducing legislation that would cut \$45 million from the System's budget and lower the interest rate to farmers.

## Farm credit legislation subject at conference

LITTLE ROCK (AP) — Legislation co-sponsored by Sen. David Pryor, D-Ark., is aimed at cutting the Farm Credit System's expenses by about \$45 million a year, and Pryor says he expects strong opposition from the system.

Pryor said at a news conference Monday that the two pieces of legislation also could help farmers by providing more credit at lower rates. The senator said the bills probably will receive Agriculture Committee hearings this summer and could become law by October.

State Sen. Jack Gibson, D-Parkdale, a banker, and John Currie of Wilmot, a banker and farmer, also attended the news conference and spoke in favor of the proposals.

The Farm Credit System consists of 37 banks nationwide divided into 12 districts. The system includes 12 federal land banks, 12 intermediate banks, 12 cooperative banks, plus a central bank for the cooperative banks, said Currie, a member of the St. Louis District Federal Land Bank board, which serves Illinois, Missouri and Arkansas.

The system's work is carried on through local associations, such as local federal land banks and production credit associations, Currie said.

Pryor, Currie and Gibson said bureaucrats have taken over the system, which should be controlled by the farmers. The system's deci-

sions no longer serve the best interests of farmers, but serve some bureaucratic goals, they said, and the system's costs are rising as its volume of lending activity declines.

The legislation would force the system to make a cut of 1 percent in its billing rate on Farm Credit System loans funded by each Farm Credit System lender.

The cut in costs would be part of a mandatory reduction in the interest rates charged to farmers for credit. Under the legislation, the rates would be reduced, but not below 7 percent.

One of the interest rate reductions would be 2 percent and it would be possible through direct payments to lenders from the Treasury. The cost would be about \$1 billion a year for two years.

The farmer could get the rate lowered another 2 percent through provisions that provide for the early payment by the farmer of up to half the stock obtained in a Farm Credit System institution at the time the farmer borrowed money.

The other bill would create a secondary credit market by providing a federal guarantee to back up the loans made to farmers for crops and land purchases. At the start, this secondary market probably would total about \$100 million and might rise to as much as \$500 million, the group told reporters.

## Lewis says sales tax hike may be needed

AUSTIN (AP) — Though faced with the promise of a gubernatorial veto, House Speaker Gib Lewis is measuring support for increasing the state sales tax from the current 5- percent to 6 percent.

Lewis said Monday that increase, added to a state lottery and reductions in spending plans proposed by lawmakers, could get Texas through a fiscal quandary that could have dire effects.

"I want to move the process on because my problem is this: I don't want to be here Sept. 1 and delay school opening until Oct. 1 while we are sitting here trying to work on someone's ego," he said.

In El Paso Monday, Gov. Bill Clements reiterated his promise to veto any tax bill above the continuation of the temporary sales and motor fuels taxes now in effect.

Lewis said Clements could be avoided on the tax issue by dedicating the 3/4-cent sales tax increase to prisons and placing it on

the ballot as a constitutional amendment.

The increase would be in addition to continuing the temporary taxes that are scheduled to end Aug. 31.

Lewis said he is trying to reach a "middle ground" on taxes and spending.

Included in the plan is a cut of about \$1 billion from the \$39.4 billion 1988-89 budget proposed by the House. The Senate has proposed a \$40 billion budget. House and Senate conferees began working Monday toward a compromise budget.

No one involved in the process holds much hope of whittling the proposed budgets down to the \$36.9 billion bottom line set by Clements.

Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby expressed doubt that the conferees would produce a bill below the House's \$39.4 billion proposal.

"There is some talk of going below the House bill. To do that would require a concurrent resolu-

tion passed by both houses, which would be equivalent to passing another appropriations bill. I would not anticipate that," he told reporters.

Also Monday, Comptroller Bob Bullock warned lawmakers he would not certify as balanced any budget based on the idea that "the check is in the mail."

In a statement distributed by his office, Bullock said the next budget must be "genuinely and realistically balanced" to receive his OK. And he voiced concern over some financing ideas lawmakers have discussed.

"The document must be workable, practical and spell out in black and white how the state intends to pay its bills. It can't be filled with a lot of 'ifs,' 'ands' and 'buts,'" Bullock said.

Among ideas circulated by lawmakers are plans to raise

money by selling state land, approving bond issues for specific items and submitting a tax to be dedicated to prison construction for voter approval.

But Bullock said they should be wary of such plans.

"Every suggestion to balance the budget we've seen has enough bells and whistles, contingencies and ornaments hung on it to make it a potentially defective piece of work," he said.

## Committee OKs Texaco bond bill

AUSTIN (AP) — A bill that would lower the bond that Texaco Inc. must post to appeal its lawsuit loss to Pennzoil has won approval of the House Judiciary Committee.

The legislation to put a \$1 billion lid on appeal bonds was voted out 5-3 by the panel Monday and now goes to the Calendars Committee to be scheduled for debate by the full House.

The bill's sponsor, Rep. Charles Evans, R-Hurst, chairs the Calendars Committee.

Similar legislation sponsored by Sen. Carl Parker, D-Port Arthur, already has been approved by a Senate committee and awaits consideration by the full Senate.

Texas law requires that a party losing a lawsuit post an appeal bond equal to the judgment. Pennzoil won a lawsuit against Texaco for \$10.5 billion, an amount Texaco officials say is impossible to post on bond.

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