

Big Spring Herald

Sunday

Weather: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms in the morning; partly cloudy and windy. High in the mid 70s. Sunday night fair, low in the mid 40s. Monday mostly sunny. High in the mid to upper 70s.

At the crossroads of West Texas

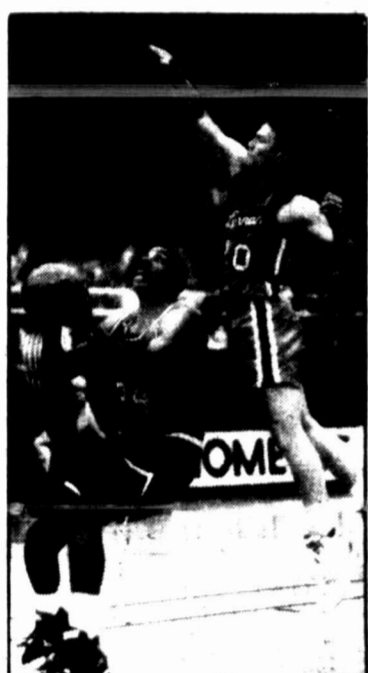
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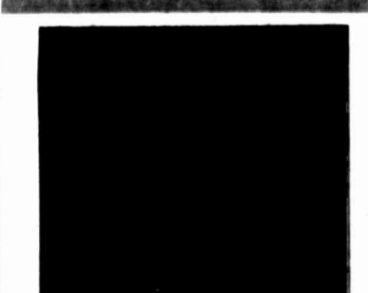
HAWKS LOSE A SQUEAKER

Johnny McDowell goes for two, despite the attempted block by an opposing player. The Hawks lost by one. Page 1-B.



GIRL SCOUTS CELEBRATING

Girl Scouts celebrate the anniversary of their organization. Section C.



A LOOK AT ELECTION '90

Glasscock, Mitchell and Borden County have contested elections. See who's running for office on page 6-A.

Survey: Local student drug use higher than statewide average

By ERIN BLAIR
Staff Writer

BIG SPRING — More Big Spring Independent School District tenth graders have tried cocaine, alcohol and tobacco than have tenth graders statewide, reports a Texas A&M survey of fourth, sixth and tenth grade students.

Assistant Superintendent Murray Murphy discussed the survey's results with school board members at a recent board meeting.

"The survey is eye-opening, but to get a grasp and understanding of the problem, we need a second year," Murray said. The survey was conducted last spring. He said the Public Policy Resources Laboratory at Texas A&M will administer the survey again in May to a new group of fourth, sixth and tenth graders.

Murphy said what really opened his eyes was the 11 percent of Big Spring tenth graders who said they had tried cocaine and the 5 percent who said they had used cocaine in the past month. Statewide, 7 percent of tenth graders had tried cocaine and 2 percent had used it in the past month.

Eighty-nine percent of tenth graders reported trying alcohol and 53 percent said they had used it in the past month, compared with 83 percent and 49 percent respectively statewide.

Fifty-nine percent of students said alcohol is present at most or all of the parties they attended. Beer and wine coolers are the most popular alcoholic beverages, nam-

ed by 71 and 70 percent of the respondents. Nineteen percent admitted to having driven a car while drunk.

"We have to be careful because the report is on one controlled group, but it's definitely out there and we've got to recognize we have drug situations in town and in school. The report even says some kids 'have come to school drunk,'" Murphy said.

Sixteen percent of BSISD

students reported that during the school year they attended at least one class while drunk. Nine percent said they had attended at least one class high on marijuana.

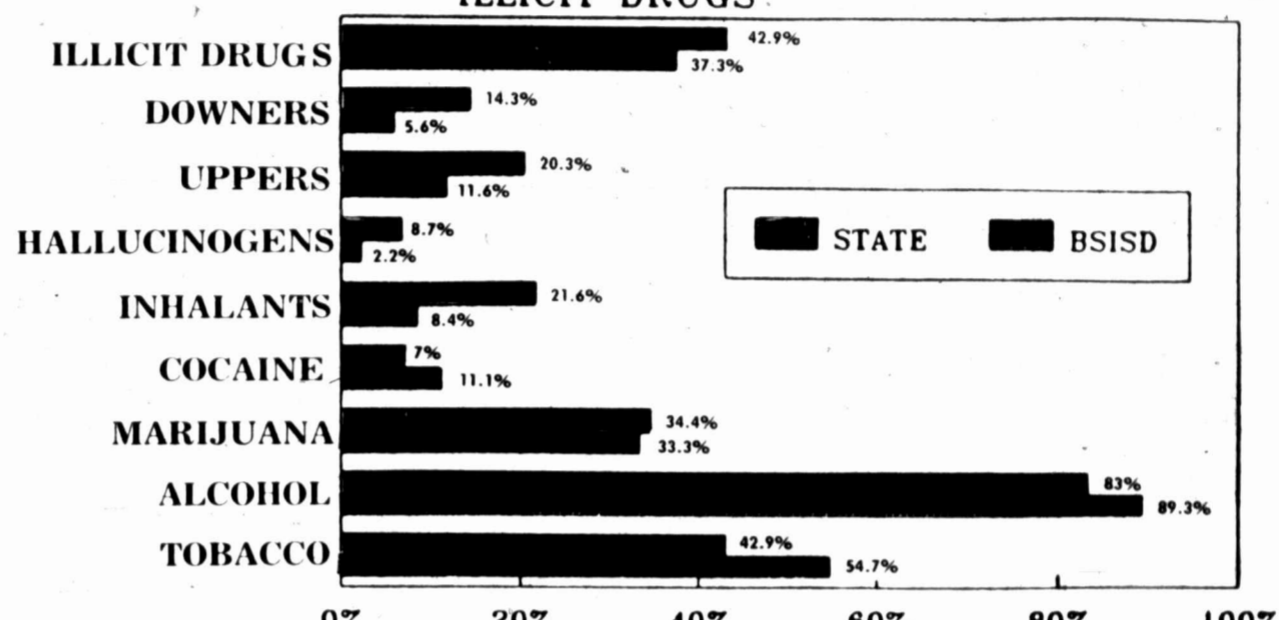
Marijuana use is equal to the state average. Thirty-three percent of students said they had tried it and 12 percent said they'd used the drug in the past month.

Tobacco experimentation is higher than the state average. Fifty-five percent of students said

they'd tried cigarettes or chewing tobacco, compared with 43 percent statewide. Seventeen percent said they had used it in the past month, compared to 20 percent statewide.

On the brighter side, fewer Big Spring tenth graders reported trying uppers (12 percent), downers (6 percent), hallucinogens (8 percent) and inhalants (8 percent) than the state average of 20 percent for uppers, 14 percent for downers,

FIG. 1: PERCENTAGE OF BSISD TENTH GRADERS WHO HAVE EVER USED ILLICIT DRUGS



Getting old is getting harder

By ERIN BLAIR
Staff Writer

BIG SPRING — Getting old has gotten a little harder for area senior citizens, as a result of confusing changes in the Medicare health insurance program that went into effect in January.

Less than a year ago Congress passed the Medicare Catastrophic Coverage Act, which was to charge a surtax to Medicare beneficiaries on their 1989 income tax in exchange for extra Medicare coverage for hospital stays, skilled nursing facility care and hospice care. After a hue and a cry raised by senior citizens groups appalled at a tax hike, the catastrophic coverage act was repealed and Medicare benefits returned to their level prior to 1989.

"I didn't know how the supplemental tax because I knew it would be shot down," said Harry Sanders, a Big Spring retiree who was part of a grassroots campaign to change the catastrophic coverage act. Sanders was opposed to the act before it was even signed into law because he said it was un-

Stanton gets good landfill response

By PATRICK DRISCOLL
Staff Writer

STANTON — Local officials said they received assurances recently from Texas Department of Health officials that they may get a new landfill permit within a year, which could save taxpayers up to \$100,000 in trash hauling costs.

"We got a very favorable response from the Health Department," said Martin County Judge Bob Deavenport of a meeting in Austin Wednesday with TDH officials.

Deavenport said local officials received indications that a permit could be issued early next year, which cuts in half the average amount of time that permits are being authorized now.

"It makes us feel a little bit more comfortable working in that time frame," he said. "It'll take some of the heat off."

Deavenport and Stanton City Mayor Danny Fryar met in a 10 a.m. meeting with Don Thurmond, the TDH associate commissioner for the environmental and con-

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Chili cookoff

BIG SPRING — Crystal Greene, Ramon Gomez and Claudia Baraza watch as school board member Bobby Baker tries some of their chili during a chili cookoff in Mrs. Armstrong's second grade

class at Washington Elementary School. The cookoff was in conjunction with Texas Public School Week.

Herald photo by Tim Appel

Police develop formal policy for filing complaints

By RUTH COCHRAN
City Editor

BIG SPRING — Recent problems with complaints have prompted the Big Spring Police Department to adopt a formal policy on the process.

The procedure for making a complaint has been written down in a step-by-step form so that citizens will know how to make a complaint against the department, said Police Chief Joe Cook. The mimeographed sheets have been made available to the public since mid-February, he said.

City Manager Hal Boyd said the written form, which has been presented to the City Council, has been in the works for some time.

"This is a coordinated effort between Chief Cook and I to give the community that has complaints a proper procedure to follow," Boyd said.

Cook said the department decided to provide an outline for the complaint procedure because too



COOK

"Nobody seemed to know what they were supposed to do," to make a complaint. "Everybody seemed to think they should go to the media and that's where they should air their complaints. That makes us look non-responsive because those complaints aren't made at the police department." — Joe Cook, Big Spring police chief

many citizens were taking their problem to the wrong place. Complaints taken to the media can't be considered, he said, because they haven't actually been brought to the police department.

"Nobody seemed to know what they were supposed to do," to make a complaint, Cook said. "Everybody seemed to think they should go to the media and that's where they should air their complaints."

That type of action puts the department in a bad position, Cook

said. "That makes us look non-responsive," he said, "because those complaints aren't made at the police department."

The written procedure also points out that complaints should be taken, in order, to a supervisor, the police chief, the city manager, then the city council.

Cook said he encourages people to make a complaint if they have one — if they will just bring it to the department so that an investigation can begin.

"I've always encouraged people to come and make complaints," he said. "How can we improve if we close our ears to everything?"

The written procedures are available to anyone making a complaint, Cook said.

"We'll have it up at the dispatch office," he said, "and if somebody wants to come in and file a complaint, they'll be handed one of these sheets if they want it."

According to the department's citizen complaint procedure, a person should initiate the complaint in

person to a supervising officer at the police department. And that already happens regularly, he said.

"There are people that come down here all the time that complain," Cook said. Most, he said, complain that they were speeding or that an officer was rude.

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"Just like the form says, we'll come down and talk to them and try to get to the bottom of it," Cook said.

According to the procedural outline, "whenever possible complaints are resolved through informal negotiation."

For example, if a person complains that an officer cursed at him, the supervisor investigating the complaint will try to get to the bottom of the incident, Cook said. • Police page 7-A

Nation

Radioactive pellet found in cargo

BOSTON (AP) — Officials spent Saturday laboriously trying to track down truck drivers, warehouse workers and others who may have been exposed to an intensely radioactive pellet buried within a transcontinental cargo shipment.

The radioactive pellet — the size of a pencil eraser — was discovered Thursday lying loose in a shipment of what were supposed to have been empty containers trucked to Massachusetts. The pellet, called a source, is used for making X-ray-type pic-

tures of welds, structural steel and other industrial objects.

Technicians at the shipment's last stop, Amersham Inc. of Burlington, discovered the pellet when they detected radioactivity coming from the shipment of containers used to carry sources. The container that the source was found in lacked a shielding device that would have prevented the radiation from leaking out.

Abraham said it wasn't immediately clear how or at what point the radioactive pellet slipped into the cargo.



Associated Press photo

Smouldering ruins

TEGA CAY, S.C. — The former parsonage of PTL founder Jim Bakker lay in ruins after a fire early Friday morning in Tega Cay, S.C. No one was in the house at the time of the fire.

Selma marchers reach capitol

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP) — The re-enactment of the historic, 50-mile march from Selma to Montgomery ended Saturday with 3,000 people gathered in the shadow of Alabama's Capitol to rekindle the spirit of the civil rights movement.

The turnout paled in comparison to the 1965 march, when 25,000 people gathered in "the Cradle of the Confederacy" to demand voting rights, but organizers hoped the 1990 trek would herald a new age of activism.

"It would be a shameful waste if we marched all the way from Selma to Montgomery to go home and sit on our seats of apathy," said Joseph Lowery, president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, who led the week-long, commemorative march.

"On to Washington for jobs," Jackson exhorted the gathering. "On to Washington for peace dividends. Keep hope alive."

The rally capped a week in which about 150 marchers crossed the Edmund Pettus Bridge in Selma and headed east along a rural highway to Montgomery, covering the same path activists took in 1965.

The march 25 years ago came two weeks after "Bloody Sunday," where white authorities routed black marchers with clubs and tear gas as they tried to cross the bridge over the Alabama River.

The violence at Selma was recorded by television cameras and helped spur Congress to pass the 1965 Voting Rights Act, which guaranteed ballot box rights for blacks.

S&L problems persist in spite of Bush plan

WASHINGTON (AP) — Question: To which administration, President Bush's or Ronald Reagan's, do the following three statements apply?

—More than 500 insolvent or near-insolvent S&Ls are open for business, losing an estimated \$14 million a day.

—Beleaguered regulators hint that the administration's bailout probably won't be enough.

—What was thought to be a crisis resolved is once again becoming a political liability for the president.

The answer is: both. The savings and loan crisis is back.

That was the situation in the waning days of the Reagan administration in 1988 and that is the situation now, six months after President Bush signed historic S&L legislation in a Rose Garden ceremony declaring, "These problems will never happen again."

Two years before, President Reagan had expressed similar sentiments when signing a \$10.8 billion, industry-funded rescue of the S&L insurance fund. As it turned out, that fell far short of the amount needed. Now it's becoming clear the \$50 billion provided by the Bush bill won't be enough either.

The Resolution Trust Corp., a new bailout agency run by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., has moved swiftly to put failed thrifts under government management. By the end of February it had seized 382 institutions, with \$192 billion in assets.

But it has moved slowly in disposing of the institutions, selling or closing only 49, mostly smaller thrifts. It has sold or collected on about \$25 billion in assets, but it's had a tough time getting rid of

"bad" assets: problem real estate and sour loans.

"What we have is a bunch of rotting S&Ls out there and a bunch of assets being managed in a passive way," said Bert Ely, a financial analyst in Alexandria, Va.

"The longer the delay, the more costly the cleanup," he said.

The industry lost \$11.5 billion in the first nine months of last year, on track to break the record \$13.4 billion loss for all of 1988.

Meanwhile, stringent new financial standards in last summer's legislation are forcing savings institutions to shrink.

The rules require thrifts to back their lending with more of their owners' money. Most can't raise the capital. As a result, they must trim their balance sheets.

Excluding interest, \$74 billion in deposits poured out of S&Ls last year, at first because the industry's problems had shaken customers' confidence, later because thrifts sold assets and no longer needed the deposits.

"Big is no longer beautiful in the savings and loan business," said analyst Kenneth H. Thomas of Miami.

Those that cannot downsize successfully — an estimated 180 to 250 — will fail, bringing the government's caseload to nearly 600 institutions. By the end of this year, analysts predict fewer than 2,400 solvent S&Ls will remain, down from 3,200 only three years ago.

The survivors have little reason to welcome 1990. Weak real estate markets have spread from the oil-producing states of Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana and Colorado to nearby Arizona and to the Northeast, particularly New England.

World

Panamanian president begs for aid

PANAMA CITY (AP) — Democracy will fail in Panama unless promised U.S. economic help arrives soon, President Guillermo Endara said Saturday as he entered the 10th day of a hunger strike to press for the aid.

"People cannot eat democracy," Endara told The Associated Press in an interview in the nave of Metropolitan Cathedral, where he is fasting in "solidarity with the suffering of the people of Panama."

Endara, whose electoral victory in May 1989 was annulled by former dictator Manuel Antonio Noriega, was sworn in secretly on Dec. 19 only hours before U.S. forces invaded Panama and ousted Noriega.

But Endara's government is faced with severe economic problems. The United States has turned over only \$160 million of

\$400 million it withheld in back pay during the last two years of Noriega's rule. Meanwhile, President Bush's promises of economic assistance are being discussed in Congress.

The invasion and ensuing looting destroyed most of Panama City's business districts, costing nearly \$700 million in losses and thousands of jobs. Unemployment, estimated at 20 percent before the invasion, is now more than 30 percent, the government says.

The 52-year-old president added that he understands bureaucracy. "I am sure President Bush is doing the best he can. There are legal requirements that have to do with the releasing of the funds, but still I do not see why the people of Panama have to wait," he said.

Iraqi court sentences journalist

LONDON (AP) — An Iraqi court sentenced a journalist with a British newspaper to death on espionage charges Saturday and ordered a British nurse jailed for 15 years for allegedly helping him, the Foreign Office said.

Under Iraqi law, no appeal is allowed.

The journalist, Iranian-born Farzad Bazoof of London's weekly Observer newspaper, was arrested in September while investigating reports of an explosion at an Iraqi military complex.

The nurse, Daphne Parish, was accused of helping Bazoof by driv-

ing him to the plant.

Bazoof, 31, and Mrs. Parish, 52, were tried by a revolutionary court on charges of committing hostile acts against Iraq.

Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher was "horrified by the severity of the sentence" against Bazoof, a Foreign Office spokesman said. He said she will appeal to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein for clemency on humanitarian grounds.

The explosion at the military complex was reported in London to have killed up to 700 people, but the Iraqis later said 19 people were killed in a fuel depot blast.

Haitian military leader resigns

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) — Haitian ruler Lt. Gen. Prosper Avril, who rose to power 18 months ago in a revolt by soldiers demanding democratic rule, resigned Saturday during a popular uprising against his military regime.

The embattled Haitian leader turned over power to Maj. Gen. Herard Abraham, the army chief of staff, who said he would transfer rule to a civilian-led government within 72 hours.

Diplomat sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Avril would leave the country within two days. But there was no word on where he would go and how he would get there.

It was Haiti's fifth change of government since February 1986, when dictator Jean-Claude "Baby Doc" Duvalier fled the impoverished Caribbean nation into exile in France.



RIOTERS RANSACK A HOME

Bush swears in surgeon general



ANTONIA NOVELLO SWORN IN

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush has sworn in Dr. Antonia Novello as the nation's surgeon general, making it clear he expects no break in the anti-smoking and anti-drug abuse crusades of her predecessors.

In a brief White House ceremony Friday, Bush saluted both the new appointee and Health and Human Services Secretary Louis Sullivan.

Novello declared her motto would be "good science and good sense." She thanked Bush for an appointment that she said should be an inspiration to women and minorities.

"The American dream is well and alive," Novello, the first woman and first Hispanic to serve as surgeon general, said. "Once a dream, it is now my pledge: to be a good doctor for all who live in this great country."

Novello, who succeeds C. Everett Koop, is a pediatrician who has specialized on AIDS and kidney disease in children.

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job; who is an advocate for the people; and certainly, one who brings integrity to every action.

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- ...to bring all entities together for a cooperative force to move Howard County forward;
- ...to make the office accessible to everyone through an open door policy

I believe I have the ability to lead and motivate people. I know I am a positive-thinking, problem-solving type of individual. The attitudes, issues and concerns of Howard County are diverse but there are unifying themes. While everyone's opinions are important, there comes a time when we have to decide on a course of action and pull together.

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Three contested county races highlight Glasscock primaries

By JOHN McMILLAN
Staff Writer

GARDEN CITY — There are three contested races in Glasscock County for the March 13 primary election.

The race for treasurer pits Judy Kingston, 50, of Garden City, an incumbent since 1983, against Alan Dierschke, 35, a farmer from St. Lawrence.

Asked her biggest accomplishments, Kingston said she has begun earning the county interest on its money. Kingston said she started the interest-bearing accounts at First National Bank of Big Spring.

Kingston, who is a 1958 graduate of Borden County High School, said the county treasury has been in the black every year since she became treasurer. She said her biggest strength in the campaign are her seven years of experience as county treasurer.

Dierschke cites his bachelor's of business administration in 1977 from Angelo State University.

"I feel that I am well qualified for the job," he said. "I feel like I can bring some new ideas into the treasurer's office."

Dierschke said he believes he can promote "greater cooperation, especially between the county commissioners court and the treasurer's office."

Dierschke said he would "treat all citizens and employees of the county with compassion and equality."

Dierschke, who is running for office for the first time, said he has no criticisms of Kingston. "I just feel like that I could do a good job."

Dierschke is a 1973 graduate of Garden City High School.

In the race for Glasscock County Commissioner, Precinct 4, incumbent Michael Hoch, 42, faces Donald (Donnie) Cypert, 32, from Garden City.

Hoch, who has held the position since 1983, said, "I just want to try to continue on with the service and goals that we've accomplished since I've been in office, such as a paving program on our roads."

Hoch said the county began a paving program three years ago on its county roads, and has been paving them at a rate of 10 miles a year.

He also cited as an accomplishment the consolidation of county

"They're spending an awful lot of money and getting very little in return. They're buying equipment that is no good and equipment that they had no use for." Some of the work on the county roads is "just a sorry job of paving." — Donnie Cypert, commissioner candidate

barns into one facility for the entire county. That county-wide maintenance barn is based in Garden City.

Hoch graduated from Texas A&M in 1970, and has been a farmer since 1971.

Cypert, a mechanic at Cypert Garage, said he does not believe the Glasscock County Commissioners are effective.

"They're spending an awful lot of money and getting very little in return," he said. "They're buying equipment that is no good and equipment that they had no use for."

Cypert also said the county spent too much money on a county-wide maintenance barn. Cypert

said. Cypert attended Garden City High School, but did not graduate. Cypert said his lack of education would not hurt him in the election because "I've got more common sense than most people."

In the other contested race, Marilee Jost, from St. Lawrence, is running against Beneda (Neda) Moore, from Garden City, in the race for justice of the peace. Both currently hold that position, but the county has merged the four justice of the peace positions into one position.

There is no opposition in the other races. Glasscock County Judge Wilburn Bedner is unopposed in his bid for reelection. Bedner has been county judge since 1986.

District and County Clerk Betty Pate, who has held her position since 1983, also is unopposed in her bid for reelection.

In the Pct. 2 race, the incumbent, Alex Fry, is not seeking reelection. J.E. Wooten, a water well service owner from Garden City, is unopposed in seeking the position.



AUSTIN — Ann Richards votes absentee Friday afternoon in Austin. Ms. Richards is a Democratic gubernatorial candidate for governor of Texas.



asserted that some of the work on the county roads was "just a sorry job of paving."

Cypert criticized Hoch as inaccessible to the voters and to county employees. "People have told me that they can't ever get ahold of him when they need him," Cypert

31 candidates vie for Mitchell posts

By JOHN McMILLAN
Staff Writer

COLORADO CITY There are 31 candidates in the March 13 primary for Mitchell County officials, and all but one are Democrats.

In the race for county judge, incumbent S.L. "Mac" Morris faces Ray Mayo.

Morris, 53, was appointed Jan. 20, 1989, when the previous judge, Bill Carter, resigned from office.

"I've thoroughly enjoyed the job," Morris said. "There's a number of projects that are in the mill that I would like to continue to be a part of, and see to the finish."

Morris said his biggest accomplishment has been successful lobbying for passage of a law through the Legislature that would allow counties of 50,000 or less population to put before voters a referendum to approve spending tax money for industrial development.

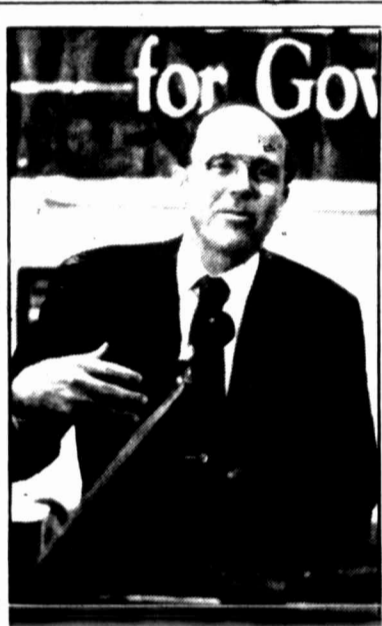
The other candidate for county judge, Ray Mayo, editor of the Colorado City Record, was unavailable for comment.

The candidates for district clerk are: Tina Williamson, Sharon Hammond, Winnie Putman, Joan Merket, Steve Manning, Cristela Castillo, County Clerk, Joan Beach.

The other Democratic candidates for county positions include: County Treasurer, Ann Hallmark; County Commissioner Precinct 2, Carl Guelker, Johnny Shackelford, McKinley Simpson, Woody Crabtree, Cliff Burkhardt and Yolanda Molina; County Commissioner Pct. 3, Buddy Hertenberger, A.W. Rowe, Jesse Bolin, Larry E. Hale; County Commissioner Pct. 4, Robert D. Finley, Billy H. Preston, Herman Mitchell.

The other Democratic candidates for county office are: Justice of the Peace Pct. 1, Becky Manning, Glenda Haltom, William Vest, and Justice of the Peace Pct. 2, Keith Ruddick, Billy Forbes; Constable Pct. 1, Jerry Hammond and Bill Grimes.

The Republican candidate in the primary, Wyndell B. ("Wendy") Inman, is running for County Commissioner Pct. 3.



Campaigning
HARLINGEN — Gubernatorial Republican candidate Kent Hance was in Harlingen Friday at the Holiday Inn. He spoke to a group of supporters. People from across the lower Rio Grande Valley were present for this event.

'Nothing bad to say' for Borden candidates

By JOHN McMILLAN
Staff Writer

GAIL — Neither candidate has anything bad to say about the other in the race for Borden County Treasurer.

"I have no complaints against her," said Kenneth Pearce Bennett, who is challenging incumbent Melissa Ludecke.

Ludecke said she feels the same way about Bennett. "He's very nice," she said.

Bennett is currently the county's constable. The 43-year-old Gail rancher said he chose to run because he's a resident of Borden County and he wants to "make a decent living serving the county."

Bennett cited his business experience as qualifying him for the position. He said he was manager for 10 years with an Odessa branch of CertainTeed Corporation, with \$5 million in annual sales.

Ludecke, 33, the county treasurer for eight years, said "I just feel that I do the job to the best of my ability for the county."

The county budget has been in the black every year that she has held her office, she said.

Ludecke graduated Borden County High School in 1975, and received an associate's degree from Howard College in 1977.

In other races, Larry D. Smith has no opposition in his bid for another term as Precinct 2 Borden County Commissioner. He took office in 1976.

Hurston Lemons Jr., the incumbent in the Pct. 4 race, also has no opposition.

Carolyn F. Stone, the justice of the peace, is unopposed in her bid for reelection.

There are no Republicans running for county government offices in the March 13 primary.

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Huston overtakes Watson in Honda

CORAL SPRINGS, Fla. (AP) — John Huston gained some breathing room from the brace of double bogeys that ambushed Tom Watson and moved into a one-stroke lead Saturday in the third round of the Honda Classic.

Huston, a third-year touring pro looking for his first victory, coaxed a 2-under-par 70 from gusty winds and completed three rounds at 211, five under par on the TPC at Eagle Trace.

Mark Brooks, also with a 70, came on to take second at 212, one stroke back with one round to go.

Watson, still seeking to regain the form and flair that helped him to five British Open victories, had to overcome two double bogeys to remain in contention.

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"I still have a chance. I'm still within reach," Watson said after he battled back from two shots into the water and scored a 73.

He was tied for third at 215, one under par and four strokes away from the leader, with current British Open title-holder Mark Calcavecchia, Hall of Fame member Ray Floyd, Dr. Gil Morgan and Bob Estes.

Calcavecchia, who all but eliminated himself with a 42 on the back nine of the second round, came back with a solid 69.

Floyd, 47, the United States' last Ryder Cup captain, shot 70. Estes had a 71 and the 43-year-old Morgan matched par 72.

Joel Edwards, the second-round leader, blew to a fat 77 that left him six shots back at 217.

Two-time U.S. Open winner Curtis Strange, making only his second start of the season in this country, took himself out of it with a 74 and a 219 total.

Huston, the central figure in a mini-controversy concerning his shoes, moved in front with a 33 over the front nine and retained the position despite some erratic action on the back.

He saved par with putts of eight, eight and four feet on the 11th through 13th holes, one-putted for a bogey on the 14th, birdied the 15th from 10 feet, then three-putted the 16th.

All the while, he had to keep his mind on his business and off his shoes, the focal point of a situation that "is pretty comical to me," Huston said.

He represents Weight-Rite, a company that manufactures golf shoes. These shoes have a small wedge in the outer edge which forces the body's weight to the inside of the feet, a desirable posture for striking a golf ball.

But the U.S. Golf Association, the rule-making body for golf in this country, ruled that the shoe violates the Rules of Golf — specifically Rule 14-3B prohibiting a player from using "an artificial device or equipment" which will benefit him in making a stroke.

Huston was informed of the rule moments before teeing off in the first-round Thursday. He abandoned the suddenly illegal shoe and bought a different brand.

Saturday, however, officials of Weight-Rite brought him another pair of their shoes — these without the weight-shifting wedge and, presumably, legal in the eyes of the U.S.G.A.

Since Huston is under contract to Weight-Rite, he wore those shoes in Saturday's play, rather than the brand he'd been using for two days.

"I think the whole situation is hilarious," Huston said. "Everybody thinks it's a joke."

Will leading Desert Inn

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Second-year pro Maggie Will shot a 66 Saturday to take the lead midway through the second round of the LPGA Desert Inn International.

Will, a 25-year-old Furman

graduate, hit just 12 greens but pitched in twice and chipped in from a bunker to take a two-shot lead over Cathy Gerring and Val Skinner.

Will has a two-round total of 137, seven under par. Gerring and Skinner each shot 70 Saturday.

First-round leader Patti Rizzo, who opened with a 66 Friday, was among a large group of players still on the course.

Heading a group of three players at 142 was Beth Daniel, who is seeking to become the first player since JoAnne Carner in 1982 to win three straight LPGA tournaments. Also five strokes back are Liselotte Neumann and Tina Barrett.

Pat Bradley, who needs a victory here to become the first player to surpass \$3 million in career earnings, was nine strokes back after shooting a 74.



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Berger secures pole position

PHOENIX (AP) — Gerhard Berger locked up the first pole of the Formula One season as his first-day qualifying speed for the U.S. Grand Prix easily held up in a rainy round of time trials Saturday.

Rain pelted the 2.36-mile downtown street circuit most of the day, limiting speeds and leaving the 26-car starting grid for Sunday's race, the second annual Formula One event here, nearly unchanged.

The only difference came on a technicality, when FISA, the world sanctioning body for For-

mula One, disqualified Frenchman Philippe Alliot, who had qualified his Ligier-Ford 20th on the provisional grid Friday.

The disqualification was automatically assessed after a member of Alliot's crew came onto the circuit to help with the car after the Frenchman crashed during Friday's qualifying. Only the driver and course workers are allowed to touch the car when it is on the track.

Since nobody was able to improve their first-day speeds in Saturday's session, the March-Judd of Ivan Capelli of Italy

moved up one place to 26th and made it into the starting field for the 72-lap, 170-mile race.

Berger's McLaren-Honda broke the year-old track qualifying record on Friday with a lap of 95.822 mph.

The rain, unusual for this time of year in Phoenix, a city that averages only 17 days of rain all year, left the Austrian driver's fifth career pole uncontested.

The wet weather also assured Pierluigi Martini of Italy his best start in 40 Formula One races. Martini took the second spot on the grid in a Minardi-

Ford. The Dallara-Ford of Andrea de Cesaris of Italy and the Tyrrell-Ford of Jean Alesi of France will start from the second row, followed by Ayrton Senna of Brazil, the other McLaren-Honda driver, and three-time Formula One champion Nelson Piquet of Brazil in a Benetton-Ford.

Defending race and series champion Alain Prost of France, making his first start for Ferrari, will start seventh, with teammate Nigel Mansell, who had gearbox problems on Friday, way back in 17th.

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Wildlife habitats and area farmers

A Howard County farmer has been honored by Successful Farming magazine for his work in developing wildlife habitats.



Stallings was one of 168 farmers across the United States recognized in the Farming in the Flyways program.

The magazine, in conjunction with two leading wildlife conservation organizations — Ducks Unlimited, Inc. and the National Fish & Wildlife Foundation —

"They had a contest called Farming in the Flyways where any farmer that had done any conservation work was eligible to enter," Stallings said.

Two years ago, Byars said, County Judge Bobby Arnold and the county agricultural extension agent got a group of men and women together to gauge their feelings on the matter.

"He told us Tillman County alone couldn't start a pheasant population in this area," Byars said.

"Both in the lower Mississippi Valley and in the Upper Midwest, the service has a lot of reservoirs we maintain for waterfowl habitat," spokesman Mike Smith said.

"What the service is trying to do is get a better grasp on those areas, what they can provide and how the quality can be improved."

"That concept is part of Fisheries-USA, the service's new recreational fisheries police announced this month by Director John F. Turner.

While some refuges may provide excellent fishing, others simply

Mountain lions and golfers

Tracks indicate lion vs. deer chase near golf course

By JOHN McMILLAN Staff Writer

BIG SPRING — Omar Jones was in the midst of a golf game Saturday afternoon at the Big Spring Country Club when he noticed some large tracks on the ground.

"I was pretty impressed that something was really after something," Jones said, noting that a deer's tracks could also be seen.

Jones recalled that when he showed the large tracks to his golfing partner, Shawn Anderson, "his eyes got as big as saucers."

The tracks were between the fifth and sixth fairway at the golf course.

No blood was found, and it was not clear from the tracks whether the mountain lion ever caught up with the deer.

If the mountain lion passed through Big Spring, it would pre-



Big Spring — Omar Jones, standing, and Cotton Mize examine what they believe to be mountain lion tracks at the country club's golf course last week.

vious reports of mountain lions at the club.

If a mountain lion were seen at the golf course, Turrentine said, "I'd run like holy hell. And I think all the (golfers) would too, unless they had a shotgun on them."

Larry Turrentine, pro superintendent at the country club since July 1988, said he has had no

Texas group works on home range for game birds

VERNON (AP) — Lon Byars and about 150 others want to establish a pheasant population in Wilbarger County.

Say "pheasant." It's a new word for this North Texas county along the Red River, and it doesn't come easily except for hunters who travel elsewhere in search of the game.

Two years ago, Byars said, County Judge Bobby Arnold and the county agricultural extension agent got a group of men and women together to gauge their feelings on the matter.

"We'd been seeing some pheasants in the county that had migrated from Tillman County," Byars added.



VERNON — Lon Byars, president of Greenbelt Pheasants Inc., shows off a mounted pheasant. Byars said his group released about 14,000 birds in 1989.

were coming from. After he told us about their program, the judge asked for a show of hands to see if there was an interest to start a program here.

And the government's involvement in the effort ended right there. It just so happened that one

Pheasants, said that in 1988, about 15,000 ring-neck pheasants flew the coops set up across the country in abandoned houses, unused barns and other structures donated by residents.

In 1989, about 14,000 birds — at about \$1 a bird — were released, about 500 from each of 30 release sites, Byars said.

At each site, the birds are hatched in a 10-foot-by-20-foot brooder house where they are kept until they're about 2 weeks old, Byars said.

"Then, at 6 to 8 weeks of age, depending on their maturity, they'll be released out of the pen," Byars said.

"Food and water are kept nearby, he said.

"We release them in all parts of the county," Byars said, "but we try to release some in a habitat with some type of feed grain and some type of foliage cover."

It's a considerable amount of work, Byars said, that's what was lacking in a previous effort to establish a pheasant population here.

Better sport fishing chances promised

ATLANTA (AP) — The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is promising to improve sport fishing opportunities on the National Wildlife Refuge System.

Demand for fishing is expected to increase 40 percent in that 40 years, FWS said.

The service has 90 million acres of land in the refuge system. It includes lakes, rivers, marshes and streams.

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"What the service is trying to do is get a better grasp on those areas, what they can provide and how the quality can be improved."

"That concept is part of Fisheries-USA, the service's new recreational fisheries police announced this month by Director John F. Turner.

While some refuges may provide excellent fishing, others simply

may not be suited to an invasion of sport anglers, Smith said.

"If you have a few islands which are the rookery for a rare species of bird, it probably would not be compatible to allow recreational fishing," Smith said.

"On the other hand, there are refuges such as the Upper Mississippi (in Minnesota, Illinois, Iowa and Wisconsin) or Reelfoot (in Tennessee) where there are outstanding fishing opportunities," Smith said.

The key, he stressed, is whether fishing is compatible with the primary purpose for which the refuge was established.

"The refuges are dominant use lands as opposed to multiple use in their orientation," Smith said.

"Once the needs of wildlife the refuge was established for are met, then the other opportunities can be made available. The service has been trying to meet that need in recent years."

He cited as an example the Crab Orchard NWR in southern Illinois.

"We have a fishing program that does not interfere with waterfowl or wildlife use that provide opportunities for anglers from surrounding areas."

There are, however, Smith admitted, some refuge managers who see fishing as a conflict of interest on their refuge, that it "was having

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Boulter promises to advocate good Texas energy policy

By JOHN McMILLAN
Staff Writer

BIG SPRING — If Beau Boulter were elected to the Texas Railroad Commission, he'd have his sights set on Washington.



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The Railroad Commission needs to be an advocate for a good national energy strategy, which is good for Texas," he said.

The former congressman, who lost to Lloyd Bentsen in the 1988 U.S. Senate race, said he would lobby Congress for more drilling incentives to oil producers. The incentives would come in the form of tax incentives for exploration and production tax credits for American oil producers. President Bush has recommended several of his tax incentives to the Congress, Boulter said.

"You don't have to have a doctorate in petroleum technology to understand how dangerous it is to be as dependent as we are on Persian Gulf oil — and we're getting more dependent every day," said Boulter, 48, of Amarillo.

Boulter, who was in Big Spring last week on a campaign stop, said reliance on petroleum from a politically unstable region of the world is "fundamentally bad." It also increases the national debt of the United States, increases the price of oil, costs the U.S. jobs and compromises the nation politically, he said.

The Republican attorney repeatedly emphasized his experience at national government as well as the half-dozen years of his legal practice that were dedicated primarily to oil and gas litigation.

The three-member Texas Railroad Commission is a state agency that regulates, among other things, the production of oil and natural gas in Texas; the rates and safety compliance of natural gas utility companies; and transportation provided by trucks and buses in the state.

There are no incumbents in the Railroad Commission race, since its chairman, Republican Kent Hance, resigned to run for governor. Boulter is running for a six-year position.

Boulter faces Ted Lawson, an oilfield contractor from Odessa, in the March 13 Republican primary. "I don't know much about him," Boulter said, noting that Lawson has "never been active in the Republican Party at all."

"In all modesty, I'm the clear front runner, but we do not take it for granted," Boulter said.

On the Democratic side, Clint Hackney of Houston, a former state representative and an attorney, is running against Bob Krueger of New Braunfels, a former U.S. ambassador and congressman. The general election will be held Nov. 6.

Boulter said imports of petroleum products from the Persian Gulf have quadrupled since 1985, and that Saudi Arabia is by far the biggest single foreign supplier of oil to the U.S. He estimated that one-fourth of petroleum products consumed in the United States in January came from OPEC countries.

Boulter said he believes he would be more effective as a Railroad Commissioner than as a congressman in lobbying for federal legislation. "A congressman has more varied duties," he said, while a Railroad Commissioner can concentrate on energy-related issues.

Boulter acknowledged, however, that most of his time as Railroad Commissioner would be spent in Austin, "because there are lots of duties" there.

Also at the national level, Boulter said he opposes attempts by the Environmental Protection Agency and other federal agencies to regulate Texas oil and gas wastes.

If the federal government assumed this function, he said, "that would require us to plug 29,000 wells in Texas" that do not meet federal standards for environmental safety. Boulter said he believes the federal standards are too strict.

On other issues:

- Boulter said he favors relaxing standards of certification for new trucking companies. "If company X-Y-Z can prove that it's competitive, it's fit, willing and able, then it ought to be able to compete," he said. Boulter said, however, that he would not lower standards on safety or insurance for such trucking companies.

Currently, Boulter said, it is "almost impossible" for a new trucking firm to get a permit from the state. The firm's owner "not only has to prove that he can provide good service, but he has to prove that everybody else is not providing good service," Boulter said.

- Boulter would allow trucking companies to charge 40 percent less than the state-established base rate. The commission has that authority, he said, but has failed to exercise it.

As a result, he said, "it costs less money to ship to a Texas customer from outside the state than it does

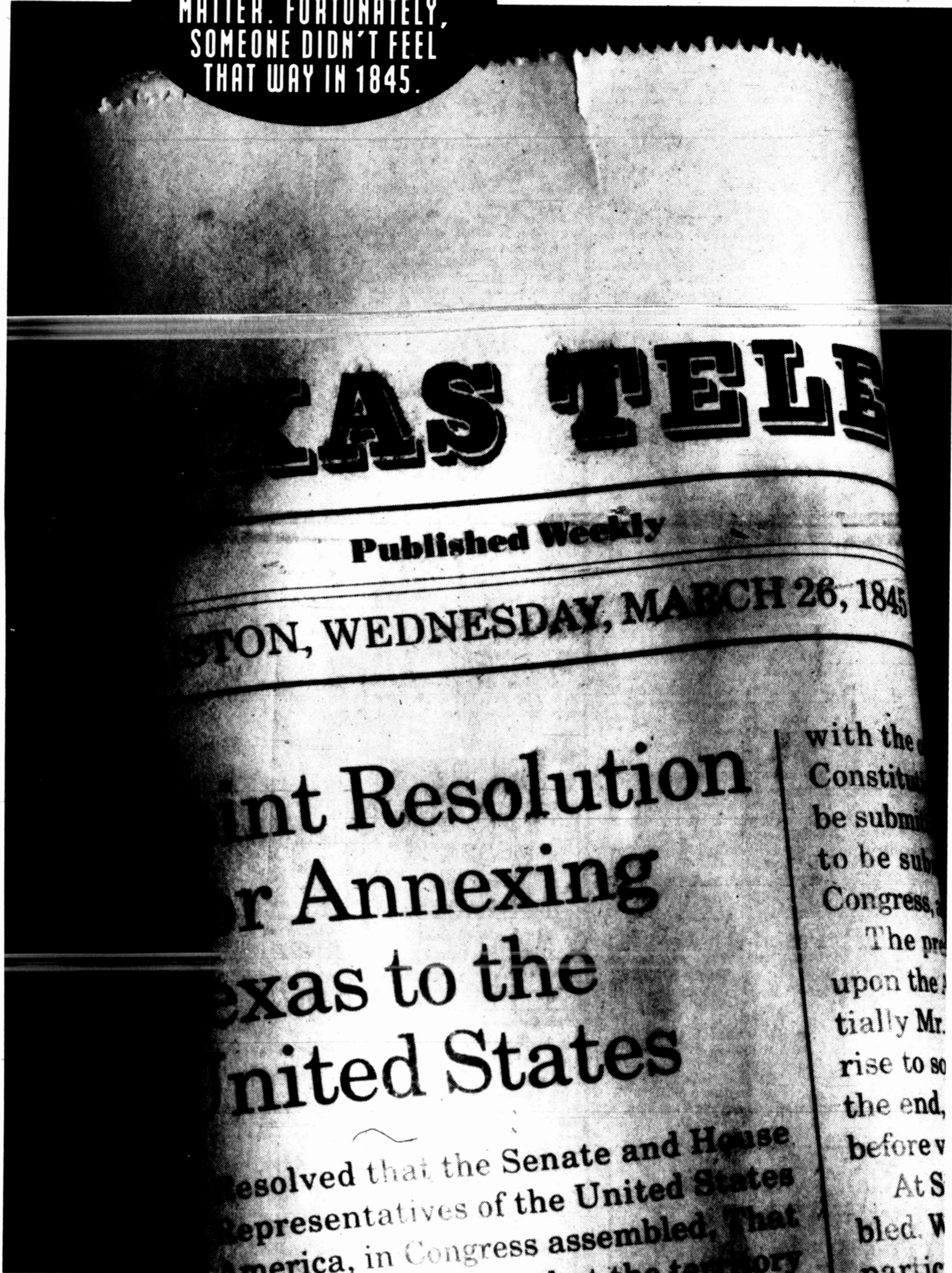
to ship to a Texas customer from within the state."

- Boulter said the Railroad Commission needs to be made more responsive to the public.

"I think the Railroad Commission for 100 years has increasingly tended to be a pretty closed agency" that has "shrouded itself from public view," he said. "Texans still don't know what it does, even though it's a big agency and a powerful agency."

- Boulter said he would work to "make sure that the consumer has a safe, dependable supply of natural gas at the lowest reasonable rate."

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Vote in the Primary Election, March 13th

The Big Spring Herald Delivers

Business beat

New manager

MIDLAND — Don Dawkins has joined Union Supply Company as manager of accounting.

Prior to joining Union, Dawkins served as audit supervisor for Geo Search Corporation.

A graduate from the University of Houston, Dawkins received his CPA in 1984.

A native Midlander, Dawkins and his wife, Melba have three children.

He will be responsible for all accounting responsibilities for the company.

Union Supply Company is a distributor of oilfield supplies and has 16 stores in the Permian Basin. Union has been serving the Oil & Gas Industry since 1939.

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By STEVE RAY
Herald Editor

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When the going gets too tough

By STEVE RAY
Herald Editor

There are times in each of our lives when things happen that we do not understand.

Death, accidents, incidents in our personal and professional lives that seem unexplainable — things we feel are brought on by some unseen force "out to get us" for a reason that we don't know.

It is a time of soul-searching, a time of coming to grips with being a modern-day Job.

Job, you remember was the Biblical character who faced tragedy after tragedy in the Old Testament. Every which way he turned, he was tried and tempted, prosecuted and seemingly punished with things over which he had no control.

It is doubtful that today many of us would face the problems that Job had.

His possessions were taken away, his children were killed, his friends turned against him, his body was covered with sores.

But there are things that happen that leave us wondering what we have done to make these things go so wrong. We may face the deaths of our family members, our private lives may seem so messed up they will never straighten out, our jobs may be jeopardized by people who are jealous or finding fault when there is no fault to be found.

I have a friend whose father died recently after a long illness, the next week she lost her job. It was not the first personal tragedy she had faced this year. I know she questioned herself, and even questioned God because of the circumstances she was facing.

I'm sure some of the things that besieged my friend were unwittingly brought on by herself. But most of them were just unfortunate quirks of fate.

All combined they were enough to make the average person wonder if life was really worth it.

In the Bible, Job found the answer.

Hopefully my friend has found it too.

She told me last week that she may now have the chance to fulfill a long-time dream and that things — just may be looking up.

What it takes is a faith — a faith in yourself and a faith in a higher being that does care for his people.

In my devotionals last week, I was reading the Bible in the book of Job.

It was the first time I had picked up a Bible that belonged to my dad, who died late last year. It is a Bible that I will treasure because he had underlined scriptures he felt were important for many of his sermons.

In the 13th chapter of the book, there was underlined half of a verse that I heard my dad preach from many times.

Though he slay me, yet will I trust in him.

It is a scripture my dad believed, and that he lived.

He knew full well that life was worth it.

No adversity, no problems on the job, no family emergencies were enough to not enjoy life and enjoy it to its fullest.

He knew his faith in God would stand the test.

There is a saying that has been around for a few years, that says when the going gets tough, the tough get going.

Many of us don't feel too tough when things come against us — when life gets us down. We feel that things are too tough to ever look up.

Alone we don't feel like we can make it.

We wonder if anyone cares. Someone does.

It may be a friend, it may be an acquaintance. It may even be someone you have never met but who cares deeply for people.

Don't give up. Life is worth the living.

And no matter how tough the going gets ... there's a rainbow at the end.

If you don't believe me ... just read Job.



Celebrating Girl Scout Sunday at church, from left are: Heather Milton, 6, daughter of Kay and Richard Milton; Jennifer Grifford, 5, daughter of Jim and Janice Grifford; Stephanie Stewart, 7, daughter of Vicki and Howard Stewart; Kristina Lane, 9, daughter of Joel and Kaye Lane; and Misty Carter, 13, daughter of Kenneth and Donna Franklin.

Celebrating Girl Scouts



Making dolls from yarn from left are: Candra Correa, 7, daughter of Iris and Simon Correa; Krysha Bearden, 8, daughter of Kenny and

Karen Bearden; and Tina Arvieu, 8, daughter of Art and Kathy Arvieu.

Girl Scout Week is celebrated annually and commemorates the beginning of the Girl Scout movement in the United States.

On March 12, 1912, Juliette Gordon Low met with 18 girls in Savannah, Ga., and formed the first Girl Scout troop, according to a news release.

The first nationwide Girl Scout Week was celebrated in 1919 in conjunction with the Low's Oct. 31 birthday. In 1954, the event was officially changed to the week of March 12.

This week Girl Scouts throughout the country will participate in special activities and events. Some troops will conduct ceremonies in schools or public buildings, tracing the history of Girl Scouting, or demonstrate what Girl Scouts are doing today.

Other troops may host Girl Scout birthday parties.

Many conduct community service projects in honor of

the birthday.

Today, there are more than 3 million members of the Girl Scouts of the U.S.A., making it the world's largest voluntary organization for girls.

In the Crossroads area, there are 330 registered girls and 143 registered adults, said Debbie Burrow, service unit director.

Because the troop leaders play an important role in a Girl Scout's life, the girls will have the opportunity to vote for their favorite Girl Scout leader.

Criteria for selecting the outstanding leader are:

- Registered adult serving in troop leadership capacity;
- Completed appropriate Girl Scout training for position held;
- Performance as a leader is so outstanding in nature that it merits recognition by the service unit or area.

Nomination and approval:

- Nomination by an individual or group familiar with service rendered;
- Written documentation of criteria met;
- Endorsement by two individuals in troop or troop members' families stating in approximately 100 words the outstanding leadership qualities of the candidate in delivering Girl Scout program and the results achieved.

If you believe your troop leader should receive the "Outstanding Leader" award, complete the certificate on this page and mail it to Debbie Burrow, Service Unit Director, 211 Circle Dr., Big Spring, Texas 79720. The deadline to enter is April 9.

Girl Scout Leader's Day is April 22. The "Outstanding Leader" award will be presented at the Volunteer Appreciation Banquet.



Herald photos by Tim Appel

Brenda Franklin, 11, daughter of Donna and Kenneth Franklin; and Twila Hillger, 11, daughter of Pauline and Bert Hillger, deliver Girl Scout cookies.



Natalie Henson, 7, daughter of Billy and Linda Henson, makes a pizza at Domino's Pizza Thursday afternoon.



Engaged



COUPLE TO WED — Mr. and Mrs. Granville W. Graves, Stanford, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Leigh Ann to Kevin Lee MacCanelli, Hobbs, N.M., son of Dr. and Mrs. Frank MacCanelli, Birmingham, Mich. The couple will wed July 14.



DATE SET — Mr. and Mrs. Quail Dobbs, Coahoma, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Stephanie Dobbs, Lubbock, to Wayne Rotan, Lubbock, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Rotan, Coahoma. The couple will wed May 26 at First Baptist Church, Coahoma, with the Rev. Dwayne Martin, Dallas, officiating.



COUPLE TO WED — Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Gordan Strickland, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Cheryl Renee Sparks, Midland, to William Haygood Howard, Midland, son of Mrs. William Duncan Howard, and the late William Duncan Howard. The bride-elect also is the daughter of the late Marion R. Sparks. The couple will wed May 26 at First United Methodist Memorial Chapel, Midland, with Russell Parchman and the Rev. Jerry Kelly officiating.

Humane society

The Big Spring Humane Society has the following animals available for adoption.

- Pet of the Week — "Samantha" old English sheepdog, 14 months old, spayed female, extremely gentle personality, grey and white long fur. Call 267-7832.
- "Snuggles" rat terrier mix, white, black, and brown fur. Very short coat, spayed female, excellent house dog, smaller dog with sweet personality.
- "Legs" schnauzer mix, grey wire fur, male, 10 months old, has had all puppy shots.
- "Strings" Blue heeler pup, black and grey spotted coat, about 10 weeks old. Has had two puppy shots. Come see and reserve this adorable puppy.
- "Kaepa, Converse, and Reebok" Border collie pups. All are female pups with black and white coats, beautiful white markings, will have a shorter coat. Very intelligent, 11 weeks old, have had all puppy shots.
- "Nubin" Basset hound mix, black with brown markings. Large hound ears with an adorable face, male, about 10 months old.
- "Twirp" Doberman mix pup. She is about 12 months old, black with tan markings. Very outgoing and active, smaller than a large doberman.
- "Smokey" cock-a-poo. She is grey with a groomed coat. She is a smaller dog with a loyal personality. Very intelligent, about 2 years of age.
- "Vanessa" collie mix puppy, black, brown and white. She is about 10 weeks old with longer fur and a pointy nose, very sweet, she has had all her puppy shots.

Graves' disease causes an overactive thyroid

By NYU MEDICAL CENTER
For AP Newsfeatures

In four out of five instances, especially in women, an overactive thyroid gland is the result of Graves' disease.

The case of First Lady Barbara Bush has focused attention on Graves' disease, which affects 1 million Americans. It is an autoimmune condition in which some of a person's white blood cells produce a protein that stimulates the thyroid gland.

Several treatment options are available and each enjoys a high success rate, so the prognosis for people with Graves' disease is generally quite good," said Dr. Manfred Blum, an endocrinologist at New York University Medical Center.

Symptoms of Graves' disease are rapid and irregular heartbeat, weight loss despite increased appetite, anxiety, insomnia, trembling hands, excess sweating, frequent bowel movements and menstrual irregularity. Muscle weakness and wasting may occur, and the thyroid gland may become noticeably enlarged.

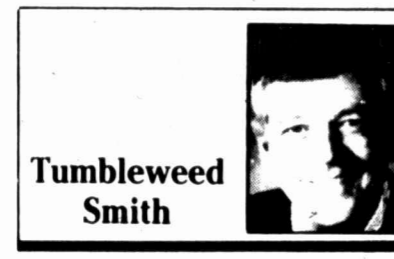
In about half the cases of Graves' disease, a symptom is bulging of the eyes, called exophthalmos. Swelling of the tissues in the eye socket causes the eye to protrude. The eyeball becomes dry and gritty, and eye movement is restricted.

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Festival features largest tumbleweeds

By TUMBLEWEED SMITH

Colorado City had a revival of its old tumbleweed festival the other day. It wasn't as fancy as those festivals back in the early 60s, which had beauty pageants, visiting dignitaries and mile long parades featuring floats decorated with tumbleweeds in different colors and shapes, but it was as much fun.



Tumbleweed Smith

tumbleweed parade. The giant weeds were so large some of the gunfighters had to help pull them across the reviewing area.

The winner of the ugliest person contest was Leonard Moore of Westbrook whose overall appearance indicated he had been gathering tumbleweeds all week. "It feels good to be a winner," said Leonard.

About a hundred tumbleweeds were entered for judging. The gunfighters made sure the roots were on the ground and strung a tape measure around the largest ones. Some of them were seven feet tall. One measured at least 11 feet across. But the judges were interested only in circumference.

The winner was Jason Hartley of Snyder who brought in a tumbleweed from near Ira. It was 36 feet and six inches around. "We couldn't bring all of it in," says Jason. "We lost half of it loading it onto the pickup. We used 300 feet of strong rope to tie it down. Those tumbleweed thorns are painful." Jason won \$200 cash.

Billy Joe Wood said he thinks the biggest tumbleweeds in Texas were entered in this contest. He'd like to know if tumbleweeds from other states can match ours.

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It all took place at Billy Joe Wood's vacant lot next to his boot shop. He put a wooden fence around the lot and named the place Fort Wood. A couple of weeks before the event began, he got the word out to surrounding communities that he was looking for the biggest tumbleweeds in Texas.

"The telephone rang off the wall," says Billy Joe. People called from as far away as Haskell (100 miles northeast of Colorado City) to tell him they had the biggest tumbleweed and to put in their name as an entry.

I personally doubted a tumbleweed from Haskell would measure up to some of the tumbleweeds around Colorado City and Westbrook, which have tumbleweeds wider than most New Mexico roads. Besides that, Haskell is considered to be East Texas to people living west of Sweetwater.

On the day of the event, people began bringing in their large tumbleweeds. They were lashed down with heavy rope to trailers and pickup beds. "We had to drive real slow so it wouldn't blow off," said one entrant from Loraine who showed up just prior to the judging.

All kinds of events were going on. There was an egg toss for political candidates. The crowd roared when someone got splattered with yolk. There was a horseshoe pitching contest and some people entered the cow chip throw. One girl reached down to pick up a chip and got hold of a fresh one. There was a fat boy weigh in. The winner spent the rest of the day at a nearby restaurant eating his prize: All the steak he could consume. Amazingly realistic gunfights were staged by the Fort Wood gunfighters. They shot black powder weapons that were louder than a sonic boom.

If there had been a liar's contest, Ray Barker would have won it. "I was bringing my tumbleweed in on a trailer and the trailer had a flat. I tried to jack it up, but it was too heavy, so I took off the tumbleweed and put it on the highway. A passing truck hit the tumbleweed and it took two hours to cut it from the truck with a chain saw."

There was a prize for the ugliest person bringing in a tumbleweed. While the judges observed from a platform, all the contestants dragged their tumbleweeds across an open area. That was a real

To the people of Big Spring & Howard County.

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Glenda Brasel, a Democrat is seeking re-election to the office of District Clerk.

Mrs. Brasel, a resident of Howard County since 1948, is a graduate of Big Spring High School and Howard College. She has 21 years experience in the District Clerk's office, 18 years as Deputy District Clerk and 3 years as District Clerk. She has been certified as District Clerk by completing 69.5 hours at Texas A&M University and state and area seminars.

Keep GLENDA BRASEL as Howard County District Clerk

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Parenting seminar scheduled

By NAOMI HUNT
County Extension Agent

Parents today perhaps more than ever before require a level of maturity which will allow them to respond to the normal demands of children. Five important aspects of maturity which adults need before embarking upon parenthood are: Independence from parents, established life goals, experience in both failure and success, a positive self-esteem and a concern for the needs of others.

Extension Home Economic's major emphasis for educational programs in Howard County is focusing on parenting. One of the major events is a parenting seminar, which will be March 24 in the Hawk Room of Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. Program speaker will be Dorothy Taylor, Extension Family Life specialist, Texas Agricultural Extension Service. The morning program from 9:30-11:45 will cover "Dealing With Difficult People."

Taylor will teach conflict management, stress management and coping skills.

The afternoon session from 1:15-3:15 will include Step-parenting, Children's Ages & Stages, Coping Skills for Parents and Communicating with Children.

There is no charge to attend the seminar — but please pre-register so we can prepare enough program materials for every participant.



Focus on family

Contact Naomi Hunt at 267-8469.

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The actions of this rose would stink by any name

DEAR ABBY: I have a friend, "Rose," whose hobby is corresponding with guys who are away at college or in the service. She writes duplicate love letters and encloses locks of her hair. You could make a mattress of all the locks she's mailed out. If these guys ever get together on their duplicate love letters, I smell trouble.



Dear Abby

Rose says it "amuses" her to receive their responses filled with passion and declarations of undying love. She also has several guys on the string right here in the Bronx.

I think this is a sick way for a girl to get her jollies. Some of those guys could be taking her seriously and get hurt. She's nice-looking and popular and doesn't need to do this. Telling her to stop this childish hobby falls on deaf ears.

What do you think of this "harmless" hobby? And what do

you think of Rose? — EDDIE IN THE BRONX

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DEAR EDDIE: Young men who are in the service or away at college are lonely and vulnerable. They are hungry for mail, but duplicate "love letters" are far from harmless — they are misleading and therefore cruel.

What do I think of Rose? I think she has a few petals missing.

DEAR ABBY: I am sure you would not have titled a recent col-

umn "Indian-giving is OK" if you knew the unfortunate history of this phrase. In colonial times, European settlers and Native Americans had misunderstandings because of different customs and language. Sometimes a settler would think a Native American had given him something, when, in fact, it had only been loaned to him. When the owner asked for the return of the "gift," it caused resentment.

As you know, children sometimes "give away" their possessions, then change their minds. When I was young, we would angrily call a child who did this an "Indian giver." I didn't know any better then, but now I am sorry that I helped perpetuate this insulting stereotype. It is tragic that this stereotype should exist about people who generously shared their lands with others and

were repaid so cruelly.

I hope you will print my letter so that other readers can learn not to make this mistake. — MOLLEEN MATSUMURA, BERKELEY, CALIF.

DEAR MOLLEEN: Whoa — hold it! I plead "not guilty" as charged. I do not write the "heads" for my column. The editor of your newspaper deserves all the credit or blame — whichever the case may be.

DEAR ABBY: Since my son got married, do I have to give up my five-year friendship with his former girlfriend? My son's wife says it's like a slap in the face to her. — LIZZIE IN MALIBU

DEAR LIZZIE: Your friendship with your son's former girlfriend has nothing to do with his present wife. You do not need her approval to continue a valued friendship.

DEAR ABBY: I've been reading you for years, and your advice is to-the-point and most useful. Among other things I've always been impressed with is that you nearly always can come up with the name and address of a national organization to help those who have physical, mental, emotional problems, etc.

Do you have a list of these organizations that is available to be sent to the public? I do volunteer work and often wish I could direct someone to a national group (often self-help) that could be of assistance. I get all kinds of problems thrown at me, and sometimes feel saddened that I can't refer people to others with more experience in a particular field.

If you can help, it would be wonderful. — BETTY GEISMAR.

MISSION VIEJO, CALIF.

DEAR BETTY: For your information and the information of others, there are directories for help organizations. Your public library should have them. The United Way also maintains a complete listing of agencies in each area, and it is happy to refer people.

The federal government funds the National Health Information Clearinghouse Hotline ((800) 336-4797). Inquire at any of these sources, or call your 800-information operator to inquire if there is a toll-free number for the organization that might be helpful to your clients. Good luck!

Readers can write to Abby at P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, Calif. 90069.

Inside style

AARP meets

The American Association of Retired Persons met March 6 at Kentwood Older Adult Center.

Thought for the day: We make a living by what we get, we make a life by what we give.

The group pledged allegiance to the Flag, followed by singing the song "America" with Frankie Marstrand at the piano and Vaurine Smith leading the singing.

The group sang "Happy Birthday" to Ailene Castle and Mary Raspberry.

Nadine Hodnett read the minutes of the February meeting. They were approved as read.

John Couch gave the treasurer's report. The report was also approved as read.

The Charter Legislator Vaurine Smith reported on our local and state happenings.

A letter was read from David Tiner of Crane, state legislative committee person for Section 18, which consists of 23 West Texas counties.

Museum program

The American Gold Star Mothers met Thursday at the home of Kathryn Thomas with Betty O'Brien as assistant.

The program was presented by Angie Way, curator of the Heritage Museum. She told of the plans for the new addition to the facility and the care and keeping of the articles. Also she told of the street level entrance, elevator and the selling of personalized bricks to be used in the new building.

The Big Spring Chapter of American Gold Star Mothers voted to purchase a brick for remodeling.

The hospital report showed 27 patients and six visitors were served refreshments by Betty O'Brien and Lora Bell Tom on Feb. 12 at the Veterans Administration Medical Center.

The community service report showed four vases of flowers, eight trays of flowers, five courtesy trips and one memorial were donated.

A thank-you note was read from the Northside Community Center for a basket of canned food presented in February.

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Tidbits

By LEA WHITEHEAD
Staff Writer

It all began as just a luncheon for three longtime friends — and turned into a crowd of more than 100 including Webb Credit Union exes who hadn't seen each other in 22 years.

Wade Choate, Doris Badgett and Jean Jenkins were talking about having lunch one day when Jean said, "Let's invite everybody from our Webb days." Then the list grew to include those who had worked at Citizens Federal Credit Union, successor to Webb Credit Union. Wade, Doris, Jerri Hocker and Sandy Wright got on the phone and started calling.

"It was really a party for Jean,"



Okla., Ralph and Lynette Brooks, Jack and Margaret Murdock, Harold and Dorothy Hall, Kimberly Jones, Polly Lancaster, David and Sherry Roman, Margaret Churchwell, Clyde McKimney, Sherry Newsom, Steve Smith, Joyce Minchew, Ben Bancroft, Johnita Hinton and Gilbert Webb.

Also Marvin Wise, Pat Boatler, Robin Hallman, Melba Smith, Brenda Claxton, Mel Prather, Doris Booth, Shirley Craven, Marilyn Clark, Ester Whitmore, Glenda Reavis, Mackie Hayes, Janet Cook, Jeri Hockler, Camilla Crittenden, Louise Proctor, Wayne Pierce and many, many others.

Jean got to see a lot more old

Douglas ramrodded the dinner, with Doug working all day cooking the barbecue. The Legion Auxiliary made cole slaw and potato salad, and Wanda McMurphy prepared her famous cherry cobbler.

The benefit was a "great success," said Eschol. Pete and Jean received a check for \$2797 to help with medical expenses.

Doris Vieregge has been beaming this week.

She has just been notified that three pieces of her art have been accepted for the Midland Art Association's juried show at the Museum of the Southwest March 13 through May 5. The judges tapped a piece of terra cotta pottery and two photographs.

"It's the first time I ever entered a juried show," Doris said.

It was a surprise birthday party recently for Julie Frey.

Margaret Lloyd got Julie to the party on time. "I called her and said I had a sick puppy on my hands," said Margaret. And Julie, new president of the Big Spring Humane Society, naturally hurried on over.

Guests shared an ice cream cake topped with a confection doggie.

Bringing gag gifts (kite, coloring books, games, coffee mug and a doormat featuring a cat's likeness) were Virginia Jordan, Rose Smith, Betty Cox, Karen McCarthy, Ronda Doe, Melissa Lindsay, Lela Martinez, Kathy Provenzia, Connie Provenzia, Vicki Weaver and the birthday girl's husband, Bill Frey.

Randy and Dianne Perdue had houseguests this weekend from Oklahoma City — Randy's mother, Lucille Perdue; his brother, Jerry Perdue; and sister, Sue Woolbright.

The Randy Perdues, J.B. Perdue and the Oklahoma visitors took in the Tumbleweed Festival in Colorado City.



Doris Badgett, Jim Gray, San Angelo, and Wade Choate line up at the buffet at the gathering of former Webb Credit Union employees and friends.

says Doris. "Everybody we called wanted to come. Those who couldn't come sent telegrams or telephoned. They came from Colorado and Oklahoma as well as from Texas."

Jean, who has been battling cancer, was one of the original employees at Webb Credit Union in 1968, along with Wade, Doris and Roberta Oldfield, Sayre, Okla., who was among those at the luncheon.

"It's such a lovely occasion," said Edna Faye Smith.

Margie Stewart, Bonham, left Big Spring in 1974. "It's the first time I've been back in 16 years," she said.

Vaughn Martin and Chester Urban were sharing memories of their years at Webb. Both men brought their families back to Big Spring when they retired from the Air Force. "We've added about 20 to the population — kids and grandkids," Chester said.

Jean's daughter, Becky Jenkins, came in from Dallas. Son Terry Jenkins was also at the luncheon but Brad Jenkins, Junction, wasn't able to be here.

Sharing the day were Pete Jenkins, Lindy Oldfield, Sayre,

friends at the benefit barbecue hosted by American Legion Post 506 last weekend.

Eschol Graham and Ben (Doug)



Getting a few laughs out of old photos from their Webb days are Roberta Oldfield, Sayre, Okla. and Louise Proctor, while Sandy Wright looks on.

Women to purchase museum brick

The Blue Blazers division of the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce met at noon March 6 at La Posada Restaurant.

Guests Mary Truitt, Fina Oil & Chemical Co.; Ginny Wimberley, Howard College; Bob Goodwin, TU Electric; and Jo Anne Hyer, Canterbury Retirement Center were introduced.

The Blue Blazers will contribute to the Heritage Museum expansion by purchasing a brick. They sponsored Toni Cordell, roller skater for literacy. Sherrie Bordofske made a presentation on the Cancer Out Reach Program and Shirley

Shroyer described the upcoming four part April seminar, sponsored by Howard College and endorsed by the Blue Blazers as well as the Private Industry Council, titled "Women in Self-Confidence."

Guest speakers were three candidates for office in the upcoming election: Judy Atkins and Glenda Brasel who are on the ballot for district clerk, and Robert Crenshaw who is running for county commissioner, District 4. Members were urged to cast their votes inasmuch as Austin looks at voter turnout when state controlled funds are allocated.

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Anniversaries

The Adrian Porters



50 years ago

Adrian A. and Ruby E. Porter, Big Spring, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary today at an open house, from 4 p.m. to 4 p.m., at College Baptist Church.

The event will be hosted by their sons, Errol and Tommy Porter, Big Spring.

Porter was born in Emory. Mrs. Porter, the former Ruby Peddy, was born in Parker.

The couple, who was introduced by Arlin Windham, met in front of Calvary Baptist Church. They married March 10, 1940 at Calvary Baptist Church, Post, with the Rev. Walter Devers officiating.

The Porters have five grandchildren.

During their marriage, they



MR. AND MRS. ADRIAN PORTER

have lived in Big Spring. Porter was a welder and machinist at Cosden refinery. Mrs. Porter was employed by Furr's Supermarket, Sears, and JC Penney. They are both retired.

They are members of College Baptist Church.

He is a member of Masonic Lodge No. 598 and the Cosden 25-Year Club.

When asked to comment about their marriage, they said "Our life wasn't too easy. There have been some struggles, but with God's help we feel we've done a good job in raising our children and having a Christian family."

Hobbies and interests include camping, needlepoint, crochet and church.

The John Millers

John W. and Nellie M. Miller celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary Feb. 4 when nearly 100 friends and relatives gathered at 14th & Main Street Church of Christ.

Hosting the event were their children, Mr. and Mrs. Granvil Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. D.A. Miller; and their grandchildren, Tip and Beverly Miller; and Kenneth and Debbie Craig.

Miller was born and raised in Big Spring.

Mrs. Miller, the former Nellie Roberts, was born in Winters.

The couple met as children but lost contact for several years. They met again in 1919 when he came home from World War I.

They married Feb. 4, 1920 at the home of S.A. Penix, former county judge.

Miller worked for the county and for Dr. Tipton Hall.

Mrs. Miller is a homemaker.

They have been members of 14th & Main Street Church of Christ



MR. AND MRS. JOHN MILLER since 1941.

Their children include: Granvil T. Miller Sr., Big Spring; D.A. Miller, Odessa; and Joy Miller Phillips, El Paso; and the late J.W. Miller and Opal Beadle.

The Millers have 12 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren, and seven great-great-grandchildren.



Associated Press photo

Say cheese

CLEARWATER, Fla. — Raymond the lion works a crowd for some laughs with his owner David Chovanic at the Clearwater Mall recently. Chovanic, owner of exotic animals, showed off the toothy grin of his star as part of a week-long show.

Group can label kids for life

NEW YORK (AP) — Dividing kindergarten children and first graders into reading readiness groups is insidious, says an education professor at Claremont Graduate School in California.

In "Learning to Read: The Quest for Meaning" (Teachers College Press, 1990, \$22.95), Malcolm P. Douglass says reading groups based on supposed ability carry with them "all the odious qualities of real-world segregation policies."

Groupings of kindergarten and first-grade children, Douglass says, are usually based on tests that give an "incomplete report on reading ability or achievement." Yet, teachers and administrators use these tests in a mistaken belief that children learn best when they learn with others of the same ability.

Some teachers even designate groups with names such as

"bluebirds," "yellowbirds," and "crows," Douglass says. "Even small children know that everyone would rather be a bluebird than a crow," he says.

In reality, Douglass says, with young children just learning to read, differences in ability are slight and "human variation is so great it is not possible to form a truly 'homogenous' group on any measure."

Yet, he says, once these groups are formed, they are likely to label students in a way that will last beyond their elementary school years. He says the effects of such groupings can be seen in junior high school, high school and even later.

Studies have shown that when a child moves from one group to another, he generally is shifted to one of lower expectations, not higher.

Organic gardening advice

From MIDWEST LIVING For AP Newsfeatures

Organic gardeners build up the soil's nutrients naturally to raise healthy plants.

"Also, you avoid toxic chemicals to protect the beneficial organisms in the garden — including the gardener," explains Jan Smith, an organic gardener from Carol Stream, Ill.

Here are some tips from Midwest Living magazine to help novice organic gardeners get started:

- Buy seeds or plants that are the most disease-resistant. Smith plants the Whopper VFNT tomato, a quadruple-disease-resistant hybrid available from Park Seed Co., Greenwood, S.C.

- Using straw, grass or leaves, mulch freely and frequently.

Mulch keeps the soil moist and cool, suppresses weeds and adds valuable compost.

- Compost, but remember: Compost bins aren't garbage piles. Smith piles on grass clippings, leaves, wood chips, vegetable and flower prunings and small branches. She lets those decompose through the summer, then spreads the compost on the soil in the fall.

- Put birdbaths around the yard. Birds tend to stay near water sources in summer and control garden insects.

- Learn about using beneficial weeds and insects. Lamb's-quarters weeds, for instance, not only attract aphids away from vegetables, they also draw invaluable ladybugs that feed on the aphid larvae.



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Givenchy preview

PARIS — Abyan presents a gold satin cocktail dress printed with a violet, copper and bronze motif, as a preview for Givenchy's 1990/1991 fall/winter ready-to-wear collection.

Military

Pvt. Nekita D. Hunter, daughter of Shirley D. and Willie Hunter, Lamesa, has completed basic training at Fort Dix, N.J.

During the training, students received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map

reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

The private is a 1989 graduate of Lamesa High School.

Air Force Staff Sgt. Eugene D. Richards, son of Joel E. and Kimiko Richards, has arrived for duty at Carswell Air Force Base.

Richards is a law enforcement supervisor with the 7th Security Police Squadron.



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Stable mates

BENBROOK — A thoroughbred mare named "Prairie Dove" is kept company by "Kitty," a feline friend who watches over the mare barn at Robinson's Thoroughbred Farm in Benbrook.

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