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New halfway house director hired

By MARSHA STURDIVANT and GARY SHANKS Staff Writers

Residential Centers Inc. experienced another setback with the resignation of executive director Max Webb Jan. 8. But a new director, Delmas Vandine, has been hired.



"I resigned because of differences in managerial philosophies," said Webb.

who was hired by Gene Easley in May 1991.

"I'm not mad I'm concerned and disappointed. I have no objection to the board of directors taking a direct interest, but that should be behind closed doors. Coming behind and superceding memos and counteracting everything I do, well, there has to be a clear-cut leader," Webb said.

Vandine, 29, was hired by the reported primary investor of the half-way house, Roy Burns of San Angelo. Vandine said he intends to continue with the philosophies instilled in the federal contracts and will have final authority over all

administrative matters.

"I want to run the facility right," Vandine said. "As far as murderers, rapists, violent criminals — I will not have that kind of criminal in my facility."

Webb said he hopes the new administration will uphold the promises he made to the Big Spring community when he began promoting the facility, without pay, early last year. He said he gave his word to several area officials, including Police Chief Joe Cook, the Chamber of Commerce and the city, that no violent criminals would be allowed in the program.

"I love this community and I

would never do anything to hurt it. But I'm not in charge and I can't guarantee what's going to happen," Webb said.

Vandine said the facility is now solvent and there will be no payroll or financial problems in the future. Employees had difficulty obtaining their first salaried paycheck. The second round of paychecks "bounced" because a previous financial backer failed, at the last minute, to provide funds.

Burns is now providing financial backing and these problems will not happen again, he said.

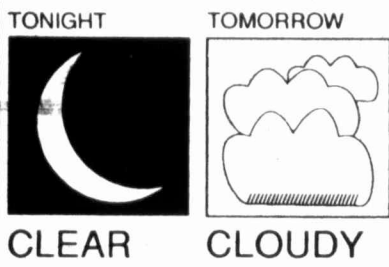
"We will have no payroll problems. We have the backing of a

very strong correctional organization now," Vandine said.

He referred to the Tom Green County Criminal Justice Assistance Program, a division of the Texas Department of Corrections. Burns is a part of that organization, as is Vandine until he tenders his resignation as employment specialist to take this position.

Vandine should be employed at the halfway house by the end of this week, he said. He has six years experience in criminal justice and has a degree from Angelo State

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TONIGHT CLEAR TOMORROW CLOUDY

SUNSET 6:04 PM AM 7:46 SUNRISE

Tonight, clear and cold. Low in the lower 20s. Southwest to west wind 5 to 15 mph. Wednesday, increasing cloudiness, windy and colder. High in the mid 30s. Southwest to west wind 5 to 15 mph shifting to north 20 to 30 mph and gusty by late morning. A lake wind advisory will be required.

Extended forecast on page 6-A.

Monday's high temp.	44
Monday's low temp.	26
Average high	56
Average low	27
Record high	83 in 1957
Record low	08 in 1982
Inches	
Rainfall Monday	0.00
Month to date	0.61
Month's normal	0.62
Year to date	06.09
Normal for year	00.29

Water line repair slated

Water lines to Steakley, Ridgeroad, Stadium and McEwen streets will be shut off from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Wednesday, city officials said.

The purpose of the shutoff is to repair water lines in these areas. For more information, contact the city at 263-8311.

Advocacy Inc. opening office

Advocacy Inc., an organization for persons with disabilities, has opened a West Texas Regional office in Lubbock.

This legal rights organization is federally funded and offers three separate programs for persons with disabilities, said Chris Prentice, regional staff attorney and office manager. He said these are the Client Assistance Program, the Developmental Disabilities Program and the Mental Health Protection Advocacy Program.

The staff of lawyers are available to answer questions about clients rights and help ensure that the American Disabilities Act laws are not being violated. Employment discrimination based on a disability is another avenue of aid, he said.

To contact the new office, call 1-800-880-4456.

Judge approves redraw map

EDINBURG (AP) — A state district judge's ruling approving the Legislature's redistricting plans has ended one phase of the litigation involving Texas voting boundaries.

But the struggle to win final approval for the maps is far from over. The next round pits the state against a federal judicial panel.

"There will be one less ball in the air," said Rick Gray, a private attorney representing the state.

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To contact the Herald: Phone 263-7331

County shines in audit

By PATRICK DRISCOLL Staff Writer

Howard County government remains in good financial shape with a fund balance that increased for the second fiscal year in a row.

The county ended the 1990-91 fiscal year with about \$1.9 million in funds, up \$70,849 from the year before, according to an audit report presented to county commissioners Monday. It is the second balance increase in a row and the second since 1984.

"The county's in good shape," said Guy White Jr., a certified public accountant in Big Spring, who reviewed county financial statements for the past year ending Sept. 30. "I issued an unqualified opinion."

The county collected \$6.5 million in taxes and fees, not including inter-departmental transfers and trust fund moneys, and spent \$158,354 less than that. In 1989-90, \$6.3 million was collected and \$342,562 less than that was spent.

The 1991-92 budget projects expenditures of \$6.9 million but is \$32,619 under projected spending for 1990-91.

The audit report also shows that the net worth of the county, including cash, investments, buildings, property and equipment, is \$9.6 million, up \$929,866 from the year before.

"The county has been working hard the past couple of years to cut back and I think this is beginning to reflect that," said County Auditor Jackie Olson. "We're going to have to continue to work hard to maintain those fund balances so that we don't have to borrow money."

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Beam me up



YMCA gymnastics coach Tracy Carpenter, left, watches as Amy Darling attempts a maneuver on the balance beam during practice Monday evening.

Area races to highlight '92 election

By PATRICK DRISCOLL Staff Writer

Each of five area counties has contested local races, including three sheriff races and six county commissioner races.

Republicans filed for contested races in four counties. No Republicans filed for uncontested races.

The filing deadline for all races ended Friday, including senate races, which state lawmakers attempted to extend to Jan. 17. There was no required two-third majority vote of the Legislature to enact immediately a recently passed law to extend the deadline and a federal court declined to implement it.

Filing campaign treasurer designations in Howard County were:

• For sheriff, Democratic incumbent A.N. Standard, Democrat Jimmy Wallace and Republican Neel G. Barnaby Jr.

• For Precinct 3 Commissioner, Republican incumbent Bill Crooker and Democrat Marvin Wise.

• Pct. 1 Commissioner O.L. "Louis" Brown

• County Attorney Hardy Wilkerson

• Pct. 1, Place 1 Justice of the Peace China Long

• Tax Assessor/Collector Kathy A. Sayles

• Pct. 1 Constable E. "Zeke" Valles

• Pct. 3 Constable Joseph Lesueur

Filing in Mitchell County were:

• For sheriff, Democratic suspended incumbent Wendell Bryant, Democratic Acting Sheriff Patrick Toombs, Democrats Tim Atkins, Augustine Alvarado, David Ginkinger, Randy Wilkinson, Linton Ray Webb and Republican George Oliver

• For Pct. 3 commissioner, Democratic incumbent Buddy Hertenberger, Democrat Joe Luis Rivera and Republican George Allen Walker

• For Pct. 1 commissioner, Democratic incumbent Ed Roach and Democrat Ralph Hines

• For tax assessor/collector, Democratic incumbent Clarence C. Burt and Democrat Shirley Ann Clifton

• Newcomer Mark Piland for county attorney

• Pct. 1 Constable Jerry Hammond

Filing in Martin County were:

• For sheriff, Democrats Michael Adams, David Saunders, John Castro and Republican Mike Welling

• For Pct. 3 commissioner, Democratic incumbent

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Sheriff denied bond



U.S. marshals escort suspended Presidio County Sheriff Rick Thompson, left rear, from the Federal Building in Pecos Monday after he was denied bond on four counts of violating federal drug laws.

Farmers agree with Bush on ag subsidies

WASHINGTON (AP) — It's fine for President Bush to attack European farm export subsidies, but it will take more than that to cure what ails American agriculture, U.S. farm groups say.

"The subsidies of course hurt. But we're doing the same thing," says Larry Mitchell, director of federal-state relations for the American Agriculture Movement. The real issue, however, is an overabundance of farm products, he said.

"If the Europeans and the United States had adequate supply management and didn't overproduce, we wouldn't be out there knocking the hell out of each other in the export market," Mitchell said.

In a speech Monday to the American Farm Bureau Federation in Kansas City, Mo., Bush said U.S. farmers had been pummeled by the European Community's export subsidies and called for a worldwide end to the practice.

But Bush said the administration would not agree to dismantle its own export subsidies "until other countries do the same thing."

The European Community spends about \$12 billion a year on export subsidies to the United States' \$1 billion. The Agriculture Department estimates the EC spent another \$25 billion on internal farm subsidies in 1990, while the United States spent \$8.2 billion.

The question of farm subsidies has snarled international trade talks in Geneva under the Uruguay Round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. Bush promised the Farm Bureau leaders Monday he would not back an accord unfavorable to American farmers.

"I am not going to put our farmers at an unfair disadvantage," Bush said. "We will not let U.S. agriculture disarm unilaterally."

But Sen. Tom Daschle, D-S.D., said the president's pledge was too late.

"He may have missed it, but we've been disarming for the past five years," Daschle said. "The U.S. government has been retreating in the trade war, and we're about to declare unconditional surrender."

Since 1986, Daschle said, the United States has cut farm spending in half.

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Sidelines

Demo party offices robbed

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas Democratic Party headquarters was burglarized and about \$3,100 in candidate filing fees was stolen, officials said.

Ed Martin, executive director of the state Democratic Party, said the robbery probably occurred Sunday evening or early Monday.

"We checked our computers, equipment and nothing else was missing or tampered with," Martin said.

He said an office door was forced open and money taken from a desk drawer.

City Bits

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VFW Post 2013 of Big Spring is planning another big rummage and flea market sale. Saturday, Feb. 22 is the big day. To donate items to the VFW for sale please call 263-2043 or 263-4303. Tables will be available to rent for vendors and dealers to sell your own merchandise. To rent tables please call 263-2043 or 263-4303. Proceeds from this event will benefit the VA Haven House.

HITCH N POST ARTS & CRAFTS. Retirement sale continues. Store fixtures, cash register, tables, etc. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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Be sure to check out the PROFESSIONAL SERVICE DIRECTORY located in the Classified section for new and established services/businesses in the local area.

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Flood cleanup, damage evaluation underway

HOUSTON (AP) — The cleanup in some areas of flood-ravaged Southeast Texas is underway, but officials say it will be several weeks before all the damage is evaluated.

"We started last Monday to look at 10 counties and sent 10 teams out. The state says 38 teams will be needed" before assessments are completed on all the public and private property damaged by flood waters, said Brad Harris, regional director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

FEMA director Wallace Stickney flew over the region Monday.

"We are going to give the citizens of Texas all of the help the law

allows to put their lives back together," Stickney said. "We know we can do that at a monetary level," he said, but added that handling the emotional losses would be more difficult.

Through Sunday, FEMA had received 3,311 requests for assistance in the 28 counties declared federal disaster areas. Of those, 1,840 came through the

Small Business Administration while 1,124 came for individual family temporary housing grants, Harris said.

Workers kept from their jobs by flood waters also may be eligible for disaster unemployment assistance through the Texas Employment Commission. Claims must be filed by Feb. 11.

Heavy rains in North and Central

Texas last month spawned flooding on the Colorado, Trinity and Brazos rivers. The flooding has been blamed for at least 15 deaths statewide. An estimated 3,500 Texas homes have been damaged.

The flooding price tag has been pegged at more than \$100 million, and officials say it could rise.

Much of the flooding remained in Brazoria County southwest of

Houston Monday, but officials said all but one major road had been reopened. In the Holiday Lakes area, 12 miles northwest of Angleton, many houses remained underwater.

More than 100 displaced residents from Holiday Lakes and other communities between the Brazos River and Oyster Creek remained at two American Red Cross shelters.

At estimated 500 to 1,000 Brazoria County homes have been damaged.

In Liberty County, northeast of Houston, Emergency Management Director Jim Mitchum said, "It's a gorgeous day here."

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Names in the news

LONDON (AP) — Rock singer Bob Geldof was arrested and taken off an airliner when he and other passengers rebelled after waiting five hours to disembark, police said.

Two officers took Geldof — given an honorary knighthood in 1986 for raising millions of dollars for African famine victims — off the Boeing 727 at Stansted Airport and put him in a police car on Sunday, airport police said Monday.

Geldof was released without being charged. Other passengers also had grown restless and demanded to be let off the plane, but Geldof was the only one arrested, police said.

He, his wife, Paula Yates, and their 5-year-old daughter were returning from a vacation in Morocco. Heavy fog caused the plane to be diverted from Heathrow Airport to Stansted, 30 miles north of London, where runway traffic kept the jet from taxiing to the terminal for hours.

gospel music in Branson and on the Grand Ole Opry in Nashville.

Promoters say about 4 million people visit Branson each year.

PRINCETON, N.J. (AP) — Mary Stuart Masterson is recovering from a bout with the flu that forced a Princeton playhouse to cancel Sunday's show after the audience was seated.

Masterson is playing Irina in Chekhov's "The Three Sisters."

"Flu has swept through the company and Mary Stuart Masterson ... was the last to get it," said David Mayhew, director of marketing for McCarter Theatre. He said she would be back on stage Wednesday night.

Her movies include "Immediate Family" and "Some Kind of Wonderful."

MIAMI (AP) — Two founding members of 2 Live Crew sued Luther Campbell, the rap group's leader, claiming he cheated them out of more than \$1 million in royalties.

David Hobbs, 28, and Mark Ross, 25, filed the lawsuit Monday in federal court.

Last month they filed a \$2 million lawsuit in state court, claiming Campbell owed them royalties from record sales, concerts, merchandising, licensing and song publishing.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (AP) — Gov. John Ashcroft says he'll count the popular vote instead of Andy Williams' solo voice in rating the country music shows in Branson.

Williams recently described some of the shows as "crap."

"My view is that the American people have indicated their assessment of the value of Branson as a wholesome place of family entertainment," Ashcroft said Monday.

The governor has performed

Michael Jordan, who led the Chicago Bulls to the NBA championship last season, has been named The Associated Press Male Athlete of the Year for 1991.

"I've had lots of awards, but when it comes from writers and the media, it's special," he said Monday in Deerfield, Ill., where the Bulls practice.

The 28-year-old Jordan got 46 of 122 first-place votes cast by AP-member sports writers and broadcasters. He finished with a total of 348 points.

Long jumper Mike Powell was second with 134. Carl Lewis, a six-time Olympic gold medalist and

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Victim's mother waits for third trial

RAYNHAM, Mass. (AP) — Joanne Arruda raised her children to respect the legal system. But if she had to do it again, she says, she doesn't know what she would tell them.

"I always thought that the law was on the side of the good. But it seems to me the only time the law is on your side is when you break it," said Arruda, who is preparing for the third trial of the man accused of murdering her daughter in 1978.

James Kater is charged with kidnapping 15-year-old Mary Lou Arruda, tying her to a tree and leaving her to die. Investigators said she choked to death on the rope.

Kater was convicted twice, but the state Supreme Judicial Court overturned both verdicts, ruling



Joanne Arruda stands next to portrait of Mary Lou.

that evidence from hypnotized witnesses was wrongly admitted. Jury selection for the third trial is scheduled to begin Jan. 21.

Israelis, Palestinians finally talking

WASHINGTON (AP) — Israelis and Palestinians are getting down to their first-ever direct peace talks after eliminating a procedural impasse that mired the negotiations for weeks.

The talks, which began with a brief exchange Monday, will begin their first full day today. Their goal is to provide self-rule to the 1.7 million Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

The way for the historic talks was cleared Monday when the Palestinians dropped their demand to deal with Israel without Jordanian participation and

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agreed to a compromise formula. Under the agreement, Israel is meeting separately with Palestinians and Jordanians — with occasional three-way sessions to discuss procedure and issues pertaining to all three.

Hanan Ashrawi, spokeswoman for the Palestinians, said: "I'm very happy to report that the

phase of the corridor diplomacy is over." Talks never got beyond a State Department corridor last month because of the procedural issue.

After clearing the procedural hurdle, the Palestinians and Israeli briefly traded lists Monday of issues to be taken up at the second round, scheduled to begin

this afternoon.

"As you can imagine, the session was limited to comments from both sides on both agendas," said Haidar Abdul-Shafi, the chief Palestinian negotiator.

Zalman Shoval, Israel's ambassador to Washington, described the atmosphere as "very friendly, very congenial."

Before discussing self-government, the Palestinians want to raise the issue of further Israeli settlement in the occupied territories as well as allegations of human rights violations by the Israelis, Ashrawi said.

Dow disputes news reports about implants

WASHINGTON (AP) — Dow Corning Corp. says the safety of its silicone gel breast implants should be based on scientific evidence, not internal memos that detail only part of the company's effort to test them.

Company officials said Monday that memos cited in news reports as evidence that Dow rushed its implants to market without adequate safety data were taken out of context and did a disservice to women.

"Memos are not scientific data. They are a printed record of one side of a two-way conversation," said Robert Rylee, head of Dow Corning's health care businesses.

"To base any conclusion on the safety of silicone implants on internal, non-scientific memos is nothing short of intellectual dishonesty."

The Food and Drug Administration last week asked doctors to stop inserting the implants in women until the government reviews more safety evidence.

Happy 40th "Today"



Past and present members of NBC's "Today" show cut into a 40th anniversary cake in New York Monday night. The morning show first went on the air January 14, 1952. From left to

right are Joe Garagiola, Jane Pauley, Willard Scott, Katie Couric, Tom Brokaw, Bryant Gumbel, Gene Shalit, Faith Daniels, Garrick Utley and Betty Furness.

Negotiators reach final agreement

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Government and rebel negotiators announced final agreement early today on details of the Salvador peace accord, clearing the way for it to be signed in Mexico City on Thursday.

The U.N.-brokered talks on the logistics of ending the 12-year-old civil war had been stuck on disagreements over a timetable for demobilization of the leftist rebels and on the future size of the army.

The parties released early today a short statement signed by

representatives of both sides that said they had reached agreement.

Details of the agreement, reached in talks that began last week and extended through several deadlines, were not immediately available.

The agreement was reached a day after Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali proposed sending 1,000 peacekeepers to El Salvador to monitor the peace accord's implementation. A ceasefire is to take effect on Feb. 1.

Gorbachev meeting with Kissinger

MOSCOW (AP) — Mikhail S. Gorbachev began his first workday as a private citizen today, meeting at his political think tank with former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger.

Gorbachev's return to work as chairman of the Fund for Socio-Political Research, which he founded last summer, marked the end of a three-week holiday after his resignation on Dec. 25 as president of the former Soviet Union.

Most of Gorbachev's powers — and his Kremlin office — now belong to Russian President Boris Yeltsin, who in December joined leaders of other former Soviet republics in creating the Commonwealth of Independent States.

Gorbachev's meeting with Kissinger was announced by Tass and in a front-page story in the daily newspaper, *Nezavisimaya Gazeta*. It attracted dozens of reporters.

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Medical costs spiral upward

Americans spent 11 percent more for health care in 1991 than in 1990, the Commerce Department reports. This marks the fifth consecutive year of double-digit increases in health costs. That is more than double the annual increases in the consumer price index during the same span.

In part because of the anemic growth of the U.S. economy, total outlays for health care are expected to soar in 1992 to a record 14 percent of the nation's output of goods and services. Worse still, the Commerce Department projects that expenditures on health care will spiral upward at an average annual rate of 12 to 13 percent during the next five years.

The cost of virtually every category of health care is rising sharply. Hospital care, the biggest component of overall health expenditures, will climb 11 percent in cost in 1992, to \$313 billion. Outlays for physician services, the second-biggest cost area, will increase 11 percent, to \$155 billion. And spending for nursing homes and home care will jump 13 percent, to \$77 billion.

To put this in perspective, consider that the Commerce Department calculates that the U.S. economy will have grown 19 percent between 1988 and 1992, from \$4.091 trillion to \$5.837 trillion. During the same period, health care spending will have soared by an astronomical 49.7 percent, from \$544 billion to \$817.2 billion. In other words, health expenditures will have risen 2.5 times faster between 1988 and 1992 than did GNP.

In practical terms, what this means is that an American worker earning a median income in 1988 — approximately \$22,000 — would have to earn \$32,934 in 1992 just to keep pace with rising health costs. That same worker would have to earn \$59,320 in 1997 to keep up with health price increases projected for the next five years. Very few Americans will receive such large raises, which means health care will continue to consume a rising share of personal income.

The disparity between yearly increases in health care costs and median incomes is creating a growing class of Americans whom the Public Citizen Health Research Group refers to as the "medically indigent." This cohort is composed of "millions of middle-class people, not poor by traditional standards of poverty," who increasingly find health care beyond their means.

Unless something is done to address the looming problem of the medically destitute, the health consumer group warns, the ranks of the uninsured are almost certain to expand rapidly during the next five years. There already are more than 30 million Americans who lack health coverage.

By the end of the decade, it is possible that health care spending will equal a staggering one-fifth of America's Gross Domestic Product. To avert such a potentially catastrophic development, lawmakers and health care providers must adopt reforms that will bring annual increases in medical costs in line with the inflation rate throughout the rest of the economy.

San Diego Union

President's flu attack was conspiracy

Art Buchwald



The President Bush revisionists are now in the process of writing books concerning his flu attack in Tokyo. They reject the White House report that it was medical and could happen to anybody. Those who specialize in rewriting history insist that it was a conspiracy.

Word from Hollywood is that Oliver Stone is considering making a film about it called "Upchuck."

He will show that the illness was caused by a cabal of the CIA, the military industrial complex and leaders of the American automobile industry.

These are the more popular theories abounding.

Howard Farber, who re-enacted the attack in his own dining room with a group of sumo wrestlers, says that Bush was not struck down by one virus but by two. There was the one identified by doctors, but there was another bug hiding behind the President's large intestine on a grassy knoll. It was the second virus that actually made the President faint.

Malcolm Nubeam, in his new book "Barff," writes that he has talked to people who believe that the South Koreans served the President a 2-month-old hammerhead shark soufflé at his final banquet. With the help of Iraqi agents, the Koreans timed it so that the shark would hit Bush just as he was dining with the Japanese prime minister. The Americans would then blame the Japanese and demand reparations equal to the amount of money the United States has lost from the import of Japanese cars.

In retaliation, the Japanese would refuse to sell their television sets to the United States. In



no time America would be in the dark.

Nubeam maintains that he is being persecuted by the same people who have attacked Oliver Stone for making the movie "JFK."

"When someone gets sick to his stomach and falls off his chair," he said, "no one wants to know the truth."

Brent Paddington, who was fired from the Centers for Disease Control for stealing dirty test tubes and selling them to Libya, says that he has incontrovertible proof that Bush's illness was concocted by Fidel Castro.

It seems that the Mafia had been hired years ago to put salmonella in Castro's refried black beans at his birthday party in Havana. Castro stayed in the bathroom for three days. He vowed that someday he would get even. He planted one of his beard-



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ed Cuban agents, disguised as a Japanese waiter, in the bathroom. The agent dropped the virus on a rose petal in the President's finger bowl — and the rest is history.

What bothers most revisionists, but makes a better movie for Stone, is that the Japanese have sealed the recipes for the menu of the evening until the year 2090. Thomas Dunklin, chairman of the Tokyo Flu Bug Commission, told Ted Koppel, "We've studied the recipes and there was nothing served that night to make the President sick."

Koppel asked, "Why can't the public see the recipes?"

"There is a lot of raw fish gathered by the FBI that cannot be substantiated."

Despite master revisionist Sam Diamond's article maintaining that Dan Quayle knew the President was going to get sick and

that's why he canceled the last nine holes of his afternoon golf game, there is no proof that the Vice President had any inkling of what was going on with the President's digestive system.

A Quayle spokesperson said, "The Vice President didn't even know that the President was out of the country."

No matter what the government says, there will be millions of Americans who believe the two-virus theory.

The real truth will be debated by conspiracy buffs forever. In the meantime ordinary people will be asking each other on the Jan. 8 anniversary of this event, "Can you remember exactly where you were when President Bush upchucked at the prime minister's dinner in Tokyo?"

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Shaken out of holiday doldrums

By KEN BRODNAX
The Odessa American

ODESSA — It was the best of both worlds.

Everybody knows it's hard to shake the holiday doldrums coming off the back-to-back appearances of Christmas and New Year's Day.

But that certainly wasn't the case in 1992.

On one hand, the rare earthquake that rattled the Permian Basin last week gave everyone an instant topic of conversation other than what fools they made of themselves on New Year's Eve or what fools their favorite football players made of themselves on national television New Year's Day. By the same token, the impact of the tremor was minimal, causing little or no damage and hurting no one. So lots of West Texans and folks in eastern New Mexico got some cheap thrills without a lot of spills.

It was like going to a kiddie amusement park to enjoy one of those miniature rides and imagining that you're braving the biggest roller coaster in the world.

It was like taking a Sunday drive on an isolated road, revving up the old flivver a bit and fantasizing about being a daring race car driver.

Really it didn't matter if you even realized that there was an earthquake. On a Jan. 2, in the wake of too much partying compounded by too many college football bowl games, a little quake is

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better than none at all. Admit it, the next morning at the office or the coffee shop would have been downright sluggish if not for the Great Quake of '92.

People had just as much fun admitting that they never even felt the Earth move as those who brought in tales of awakening to waterbed waves and in some cases, the queasy feeling of panic.

What a kick it is for ground-bound West Texans to get their first taste of earthquake danger with the smallest of risks. Hey, it was 4.7 on the scale. Not much by California standards, but darn impressive for the Permian Basin.

And, according to the experts, the epicenter (that word has a nice sound for those who are aching to go out and buy a "I survived the Permiquake" T-shirt) was only about 50 miles north of Odessa.

While the folks in Andrews get to claim they knew the quake more up close and personal than anybody else, Odessans can claim bragging rights for their experiences over those who reside in more distant places like San Angelo and Roswell, N.M., where the ground shook, too.

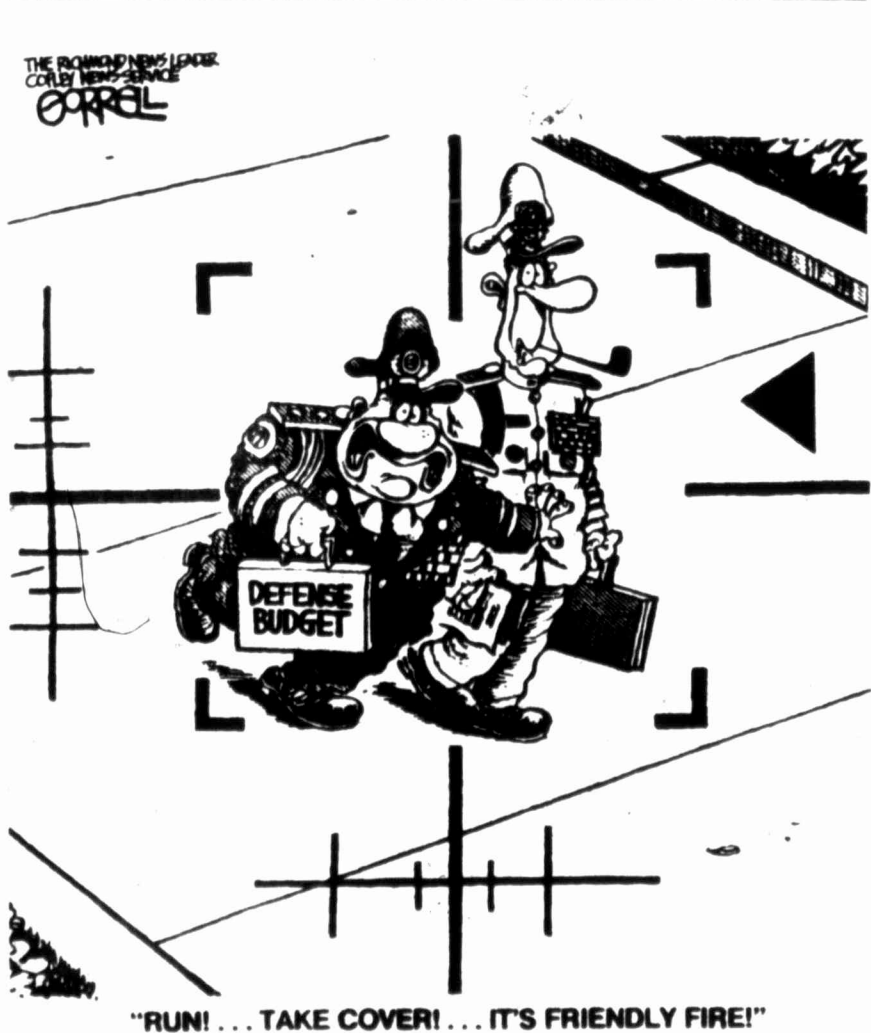
For lots of folks, it was a once-in-a-lifetime adventure. Or at least they hope it was a one-time-only deal. Anything more serious than an instant or two of

unsteadiness ceases to be fun. Just ask some of the more experienced quake veterans in these parts who have ridden out the genuine articles in California and Alaska.

There's no doubt that the comparison of notes made what would have been a dull day go a lot faster. Even the slow-starters who wouldn't have recognized the earthquake unless a roof fell on them got into the mood. Everyone who realized the event was happening had to rattle (pardon the pun) off exactly where they were.

Those who didn't get all shook up had to pleasure of trying to figure out where they were and why they didn't feel anything. (I was in the shower at 5:46 a.m., the official time of the big occasion, and very probably figured it was just the heater fan kicking in. Count me among the chosen who knows exactly where they were when they didn't know anything was happening. No one, except maybe a disgruntled editor who was out of town and therefore doesn't understand the distinction of being an unknowing survivor, can deprive me of my own personal opportunity to brag.)

In truth, the whole experience was no big deal at all. But it was out of the ordinary and on a post-holiday Thursday when everyone could use a jump-start, it was just what the new year needed. Plus it's just the sort of minor ordeal that's ripe for growth with the telling as the years go by. What more could we want?



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Howard sweeps Frank Phillips

LADY HAWKS 73, FRANK PHILLIPS 59

BORGER — The Hawks College Lady Hawks completed a crucial three-game series by defeating the Frank Phillips Lady Plainsmen 73-59 in WJAC action Monday.

The win gives Howard, ranked No. 7 in the nation, a 5-0 league record and 15-3 overall mark. It capped off a series where Howard defeated No. 4 New Mexico Junior College at home and Odessa College and Frank Phillips on the road.

Howard led 40-31 at the half. The Lady Hawks were led by Kathy Mangram with 13 points. Desiree Wallace followed with 10.

Howard coach Royce Chadwick said he can breathe a little easier now that the three-game swing is over. "We're in good shape right now," said Chadwick. "The girls got real tired in the game. It was a lot of pressure on them, going to

Odessa and then having to make that 280-mile trip to play Frank Phillips."

The Lady Hawks begin a three-game road swing in California, playing Fresno City College in Fresno, Calif. at 5 p.m.

HOWARD (73) — Vernetra Allen 3 0 4; LeKisha Wiley 2 4 8; Rebecca Brown 1 4 6; Kathy Mangram 4 5 13; Yumeca White 1 4 4; Desiree Wallace 4 2 10; Regina Huff 2 1 5; LeAnn Heinrich 2 0 4; Yolanda Wells 5 5 15; totals 24 25 32 73.
FRANK PHILLIPS (59) — Wood 2 0 5; Lindsay 4 2 2; Schroeder 3 4 12; Hines 7 1 5; Oliveria 5 0 10; Ricketts 2 0 4; Gordon 3 0 4; Valpoort 1 0 2; Martin 1 0 2; 24 7 9 58.

HALFTIME — Howard 40, Frank Phillips 31.

STANDINGS	
Howard	5-0, 15-3
NMJC	3-1, 17-2
Odessa	2-2, 11-10
Frank Phillips	1-1, 10-7
Clarendon	1-2, 10-4
South Plains	1-3, 13-8
Western Texas	0-4, 6-13

Monday
Howard 73, Frank Phillips 58; New Mex-

ico Junior College 47, Western Texas 40; Odessa 73, Clarendon 63.

Thursday
Frank Phillips at Odessa; Clarendon at NMJC; Western Texas at Ranger; Howard at Fresno City College, Calif.

HAWKS 114, FRANK PHILLIPS 76

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The win gives Howard a 2-3 league mark and 15-4 overall record. Frank Phillips drops to 0-4 and 2-13.

Howard was paced by post player Will Macon and guard Markee James with 27 points each. Macon scored 19 points in the first half. James was deadly from the floor, sinking 9 off 11 field goals.

The Hawks made 13 of their first 14 shots of the game to take to a 26-10 lead. Frank Phillips

went on a 8-0 run to cut the lead to 26-18 and then Howard went on a 23-14 run to take a 49-32 lead.

Frank Phillips rallied to cut the deficit to 50-44 at the half.

The Hawks did a good job of containing Frank Phillips' guard and leading scorer Dejuan Sewell. Sewell scored 10; 12 below his average.

Howard coach Jeff Kidder called it a big win. "We played pretty good, it turned out to be a big win," he said. "I felt like we had to win this one with us getting Midland at home Thursday. It will be a good time for us to even up our conference record."

The Hawks play Midland College at 8 p.m. at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

HOWARD (114) — Will Macon 11 6 27; Markee James 9 9 27; Marcus Iverson 1 1 3; Andrew Tillman 4 1 9; Corey Williams 5 0 10; Jason Hodges 4 0 8; Chuckie Robinson 3 1 7; Reco Burt 0 0 0; Mark Davis 4 1 9; William Snyder 1 1 3; Andre

McClendon 5 2 13; Bernard Lloyd 0 0 0; totals 47 22 114.

FRANK PHILLIPS (76) — John Cash 4 0 8; Jacob Garza 1 1 3; Chris Norris 5 0 11; Hodges 3 4 10; Thomas 2 0 4; Jeff Isom 1 0 2; Blaine Reeves 0 0 0; Jeff Martin 3 2 9; Sabio Ramos 2 0 4; Hill 4 2 10; Dejuan Sewell 4 2 10; 29 11 74.

HALFTIME — Howard 50, Frank Phillips 44.

STANDINGS	
Midland	4-0, 14-4
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Jordan top male athlete

DEERFIELD, Ill. (AP) — Michael Jordan joins an elite club as The Associated Press Male Athlete of the Year for 1991: The Chicago Bulls player is only the second NBA athlete to win the award.

"I'm very surprised since I thought all the awards had been handed out," Jordan said. "And I don't take the award lightly."

Jordan also was named NBA Player of the Week on Monday.

Jordan, 28, led the Bulls to their first title last season. He was named league and playoff MVP.

Larry Bird of the Boston Celtics was AP Male Athlete of the Year in 1986, the only other NBA player to win the award in its 61-year history.



Chicago Bulls guard Michael Jordan 28, was named the Male Athlete of the year by the Associated Press today. Jordan was the NBA scoring leader and led the Chicago Bulls to a world title.

Powell and 80 for six-time Olympic gold medalist and two-time AP Male Athlete of the Year Carl Lewis.

Jordan got 46 of 122 first-place votes.

Powell, who broke Bob Beamon's 23-year-old world long jump record by leaping 29 feet, 4 1/2 inches at the World Championships, got 22 first-place votes.

Lewis' 10-year, 65-meet streak was broken by Powell. But at the Championships at Tokyo in August,

he beat Leroy Burrell and broke his world record for the 100-meter dash with a time of 9.86 seconds. Lewis got eight first-place votes.

Nolan Ryan of the Texas Rangers, baseball's no-hitter and strikeout king, finished fourth in the voting after a "second place" finish last year to San Francisco 49ers quarterback Joe Montana. Ryan threw his seventh no-hitter last season. He led 10 ballots and got 76 points.

"The AP Athlete of the Year Award comes on the heels of the Sports Illustrated Award, but it has to be an honor he has to be very proud of," Jackson said of Jordan. "For whatever reason, and I don't know what it is, the NBA does not get too many of these kinds of awards."

AP-member sports writers and broadcasters were asked to vote for three athletes, with a first-place vote worth five points, second three and third one. Jordan compiled 348 points to 134 for long jumper Mike

Steelers close to a decision

PITTSBURGH (AP) — The Pittsburgh Steelers, while close to a decision on a new head coach, still don't want to rush it.

"I don't want to be pinned down to a specific date, because there are still things that have to be done," Tom Donahoe said on Monday.

Steelers officials apparently have narrowed their list of candidates to four, all but one of whom have ties to the Pittsburgh area. A link to the city seems to be a prerequisite of owner Dan Rooney, who has stressed the team's tradition, family atmosphere and "mom and pop shop" approach to football.

The Steelers hope to choose Chuck Noll's replacement by the end of the week, but may put off the decision until next week.

Donahoe, who was named to his post after the end of the season, said the Steelers are looking for someone with consistency in dealing with players and the ability to teach.

The Steelers have interviewed 11 candidates to replace Noll, who retired Dec. 26 after 23 seasons with the team.

The finalists are Joe Greene, Steelers' defensive line coach and former player; Dave Wannstedt, Dallas Cowboys' defensive coordinator; Bill Cowher, defensive coordinator of the Kansas City Chiefs; and Kevin Gilbride, offensive coordinator for the Houston Oilers.

Gilbride has no ties to Pittsburgh. Greene played for the Steelers and Wannstedt and Cowher are area natives.

The Steelers first talked to Gilbride over the weekend, after meeting initial resistance from Oilers owner Bud Adams.

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Dumars' bomb helps Pistons sink Mavs

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. (AP) — Joe Dumars sank a 3-point shot from the top of the circle with 1.8 seconds left Monday night, giving the Detroit Pistons an 84-81 victory over the Dallas Mavericks, who lost their eighth consecutive game.

Dumars, who finished with 14 points but had not scored since the opening minutes of the second half, took a inbound pass from halfcourt and dribbled four times before releasing his game-winning shot.

Orlando Woolridge led the Pistons with 15 points, while Dennis Rodman and Isiah Thomas joined Dumars with 14 points apiece. Rodman also grabbed 21 rebounds.

Terry Davis had 14 points and 21 rebounds for the Mavericks and

Rolando Blackman scored 15 points.

After Dumars' basket, Bill Laimbeer intentionally fouled Dallas' Herb Williams before the Mavericks could shoot a 3-point attempt. Williams missed both free throws, the second intentionally, but Dallas did not get another shot.

The victory was the fourth straight for the Pistons and 11th in 13 games.

The Mavericks, whose losing skein is the longest active streak in the NBA, lost their previous seven games by an average of 20 points.

Detroit led 77-70 with five minutes left, but Blackman scored five points during a 9-0 Dallas streak that gave the Mavericks a two-point lead with 2:16 remaining.

Thomas tied the game with a foul-line jumper, then hit Laimbeer with a cross-court pass for a jumper that gave Detroit an 81-79 lead.

Derek Harper countered with an 18-footer that tied the score, setting up Dumars' game-winner.

Dallas trailed by as many as 10 points in the first half and by one at

halftime. But Randy White had six points in the third period and James Donaldson scored the last four of the quarter to give the Mavericks a 63-61 advantage.

Detroit played without John Salley, who stayed home with the flu, and lost William Bedford early in the second quarter with a severe ankle sprain.

The Pistons scored the first six points of the game and trailed only once in the first half. Rodman's five points and eight rebounds helped Detroit take a 24-17 lead at the end of the first quarter.

Teenager named AP's top female

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — It was a time of glittering triumphs and embarrassing gaffes for Monica Seles, a Grand Slam year with a giant hole in the middle and wild rumors swirling all around.

Yet, in the end, the tall, lanky teen with the grunting groundstrokes stood above all others as the 1991 AP Female Athlete of the Year.

Selected overwhelmingly by sports writers and broadcasters, Seles today joined a sterling list of athletes since the first award in 1931. Just turned 18, she became the youngest winner since 15-year-old Olympic gold medal gymnast Mary Lou Retton in 1984.

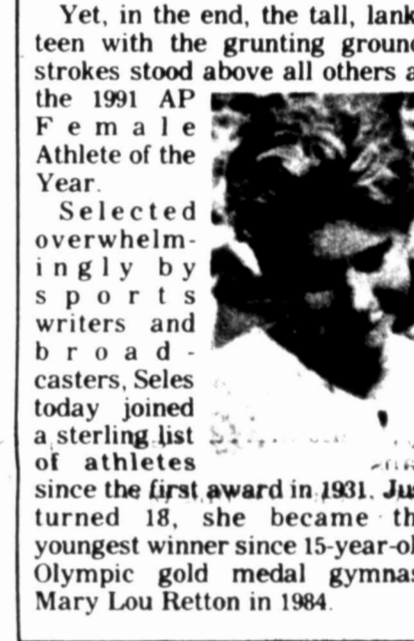
Seles won all three of the Grand Slams she entered — the Australian, French and U.S. Opens — plus the Virginia Slims Championships while winning a record \$2.5 million and succeeding Steffi Graf as No. 1.

In the balloting, Seles received 72 of 120 first-place votes.

AP-member sports writers and broadcasters were asked to vote for three athletes, with a first-place vote worth five points, three points for second and one point for third. Seles compiled 432 points. Tied with 114 points were tennis player Martina Navratilova, a two-time winner, and golfer Pat Bradley.

Gymnast Kim Zmeskal was second to Seles in first-place votes. She got 10 and a total of 72 points. Ahead of her in points were golfer Meg Mallon, who got 104.

The naming of Seles, who succeeds golfer Beth Daniel as Female Athlete of the Year, gives tennis 23 winners in the 61 years of the award.



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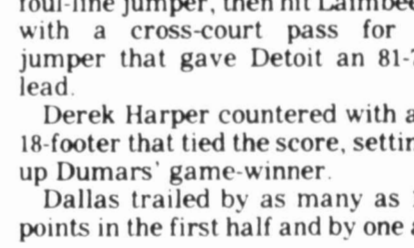
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Bono is opposed to drugs

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Sonny Bono says reporters covering his U.S. Senate campaign have no business asking if he used drugs during his Hollywood years. But he added: "I'm absolutely anti-drug now, and I was anti-drug then."

In fact, the 56-year-old Palm Springs mayor said Monday, one of the reasons his singing career faded in the '60s was that he and then-wife Cher did an anti-drug video at a time when other groups were doing songs glorifying drugs.

"We weren't part of the drug scene," he said.

But when asked if that meant he never experimented with drugs, Bono bristled.

"That's a stupid question. How about, 'Did you clean your toenails?'" he replied.

"There are areas where the press shouldn't be asking those questions. It's none of your business. ... Drugs are not an issue in my life. If you make something out of it, shame on you," he added in a later interview.

Bono, who is seeking the Republican nomination, also said he never registered to vote until he was 52, when he decided to run for mayor. But he said the matter should be "no big deal" in his Senate race.

Health minded



A Haitian refugee boy, a patient in the infirmary at the refugee camp at the U.S. Naval station at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, passes the time last week by playing with a stethoscope. More than 6,000 refugees remain in the camp.

Council to vote on ordinances

By GARY SHANKS
Staff Writer

Several changes to the Big Spring City Code will be made, if ordinances are passed on second and final reading at today's city council meeting.

Six ordinances are due to receive final consent in the meeting. These and other matters to be addressed are as follows:

- Second and final reading of an ordinance establishing a 40 mph speed limit on Gregg Street from FM 700 to Interstate 20.
- Final reading on an ordinance designating handicapped parking spaces in front of the Heritage Museum and parallel parking on the west side of Scurry Street between Fifth and Sixth Streets.
- Final reading of an ordinance providing permits for an eight-client resident home at 1301 11th Place. The clients will be referred from the Big Spring State Hospital.

- Final reading of an amendment allowing the mayor to execute an amendment to an agreement with Freecom Inc.
- Final reading of an ordinance designating a uniform speed limit of 45 mph on FM 700 from East Business I-20 to West Business I-20.
- Second and final reading of a resolution amending the personnel policy regarding political activities of employees.
- Proclaiming the month of January as Volunteer Blood Donor Month.
- Proclaiming city council support for the chief of police, officers and employees of the Big Spring Police Department.
- Presenting an award of achievement to Finance Director Tom Ferguson.
- Approval of late homestead exemption refunds.
- Consider an application to keep livestock at 1600 Thorp Road.
- Hear a presentation from

- Moore Development for Big Spring Inc., President Owen Ivie requesting the city apply for grants to be used for Wright Fibers Inc.
- Hear a presentation from Gary Wollenzien regarding land now occupied by the fire department's practice tower.
- Awarding bids for taxiway reconstruction.
- First reading of an ordinance determining rate of pay for election judges and clerks for the Jan. 18 election.
- Appointing election judges and the absentee ballot board.
- First reading of an ordinance allowing home owners to perform certain electrical work.
- Emergency reading of an ordinance changing the polling places for the election.
- Appointment of engineers and architects for the west end fire station.
- Hear city manager's report.

Audit

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Among the largest spending increases from the year before was \$44,861, 14 percent, for indigent health care. Among the largest decreases was \$7,239, 12 percent, for the district court.

The largest under-budget items are:

- \$99,870 for non-emergency physician fees, 35 percent of what was budgeted, and \$56,791 for outpatient hospital care, 72 percent of what was budgeted, in the indigent health care program.
- A \$40,000 engineering study for

the courthouse and library that was never done plus \$40,000 for asbestos removal at the courthouse and \$50,000 for work to the library that was also never done.

- Salaries of \$48,084, 10 percent of what was budgeted, and \$15,966 in benefits not used at the sheriff's office.
- Salaries of \$45,023, 6 percent of what was budgeted, and \$17,240 in benefits not used in the road and bridge department.

- Maintenance and repairs of equipment totalling \$34,517, which is 56 percent of what was budgeted.

Olson received an award of excellence for the audit report from the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada. It was the sixth year in a row Olson received the award, the seventh in 13 years she has prepared annual audit reports for the county. Auditors for 24 of the 256 counties in Texas received the award this year.

Election

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bent Ronnie Deatherage and Democrat Eldon A. Welch.

- Pct. 1 Commissioner James N. Biggs.
- County Attorney Jim McGilvray.
- Tax Assessor/Collector Leona Louder.
- Pct. 2 Constable Richard

Lewis.

Filing in Glasscock County were:

- For Pct. 1 commissioner, Democratic incumbent Jimmy Strube and Democrat Dale Hillger.
- For Pct. 3 commissioner, Republicans Rita Hull and Mark Schafer and Democrat Hugh Brian Schafer (no direct relation).
- For constable, Democratic in-

cumbent LeRoy Hoelscher and Republican Clay Harris.

• Sheriff Royce "Booger" Pruitt. Filing in Borden County were:

- For Pct. 1 commissioner, Democratic incumbent Frank Curry and Democrat Ed Vestal.
- Pct. 3 Commissioner Vernon Wolf.
- Sheriff Royale D. Lewis.
- Constable Royce Nance.

Court docket

Filings in 118th District Court indicate the following:

- Ricky Dale Martin, 27, Route 3, Box 391, pleaded guilty to driving while intoxicated. He was sentenced to two years probation and fined \$500.

Director

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University in psychology and criminal justice, he said.

Responding to whether investors will again interfere with administrative duties, Vandine said, "I know how to run this institution and how to run the staff. I am the soul power there and no one can overrule my authority, not even Burns. It's my job."

Webb said part of his problem with managing the facility came from differences between him and Easley over procedures and orders. Webb would instruct the staff in

one method and Easley would issue different orders.

Easley could not be reached for comment, and it is unknown if he is still a financial backer of the facility. Two other directors from Sherman also were involved in organizing the business, but their names are unknown.

The facility has eight ex-offender clients in residence now, Vandine said. Seven of those are employed in Big Spring, Midland or Odessa. Securing employment for the paroled person is a backbone of the

program.

Drug and alcohol abuse counseling also is an integral part of the facility's planning. "Last night we had our first alcohol counseling session," Vandine said.

More parolees are anticipated in the future, he said. The facility has

the capacity to house 130 inmates.

Residential Centers Inc. received its federal contract in October, but has been renovating the one-time motel until receiving its first commitments in the last two weeks. To date, more than \$100,000 has been invested in the facility.

Police beat

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents:

- A building was reported burglarized and an air compressor and other belongings worth \$600 stolen in the 1300 block of Austin.
- A Big Spring man refused treatment after losing control of his vehicle and striking a guardrail in the 400 block of North Birdwell. The man suffered a small cut to his forehead.
- A 23-year-old Big Spring man was arrested on a warrant for

criminal mischief.

- A 21-year-old Big Spring man was arrested for failure to appear on a traffic warrant.
- A VCR worth \$149 was reported stolen from the Abilene State School at 1602 Cole.
- A forged check was reported at the Kentwood Grocery Store.
- Cigarettes were reported stolen from a 7-Eleven in the 400 block of Johnson.
- A 32-year-old San Antonio man was arrested for public intoxication at Rip Griffin's Truck Stop.

Oil/markets

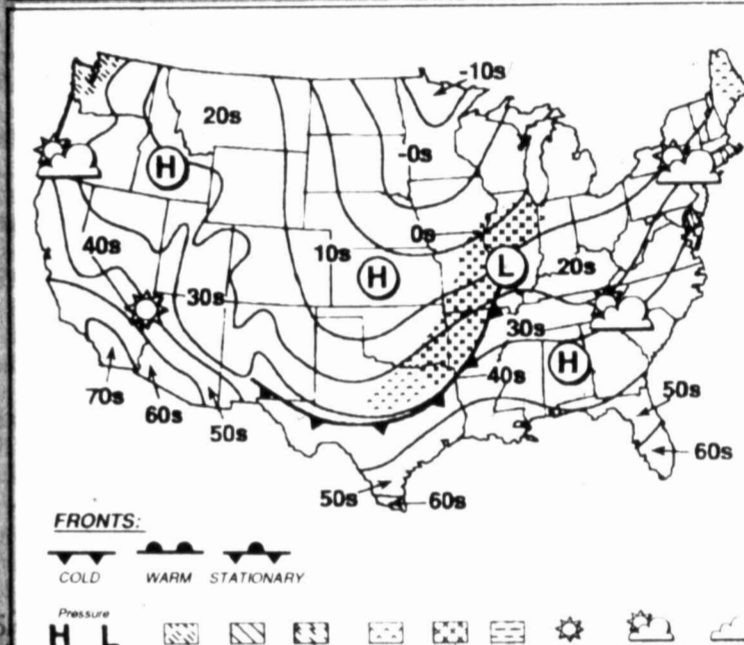
February crude oil \$18.77, down 2, and March col-
on futures \$4.90 cents a pound, up 32, cash hog is
\$1.00 higher at 38 cents a pound, slaughter steers is
50 cents higher at 74.50. February live hog futures
40.22, up 35. February live cattle futures 75.45, up
75.11 at 10:12 a.m., according to Delta Commodities.

Index	Volume	3193.65	71,954,720
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Atlantic Richfield	104 1/2		
Bethlehem Steel	13		
Cabot	34		
Chevron	68 1/2		
Chrysler	13 1/2		
Coca-Cola	79 1/2		
Exxon	48 1/2		
Fin. Inc.	44 1/2		
DuPont	46 1/2		
El Paso Electric	7 1/2		
Exxon	59 1/2		
IBM	48 1/2		
Ford Motors	30 1/2		
GTE	33 1/2		
Hillburton	28 1/2		
IBM	48 1/2		
INTL Eagle Tool Co	90 1/2		
JC Penney	52 1/2		

Mesa Ltd. Prt. A	1 1/2	nc
Mobil	64	+ 1/2
New Atmos Energy	21	nc
NUV	11	- 1/2
Pacific Gas	30	- 1/2
Pepsi Cola	34 1/2	+ 1/2
Phillips Petroleum	23 1/2	+ 1/2
Schlumberger	61 1/2	+ 1 1/2
Sears	28 1/2	- 1/2
Southwestern Bell	62 1/2	- 1/2
Sun	29 1/2	- 1/2
Texas	60 1/2	+ 1 1/2
Texas Instruments	32 1/2	+ 1/2
Texas Utilities	40	+ 1/2
Unocal Corp.	22	+ 1/2
USK Corp.	25 1/2	+ 1/2
Wal-Mart	58 1/2	+ 1/2
Mutual Funds		
Amcap	13.10-13.90	
I.C.A.	17.44-18.50	
New Economy	24.04-25.51	
New Perspective	12.12-12.86	
Van Kampen	16.00-16.82	
American Funds U.S. Gov't	14.06-14.76	
Pioneer II	19.76-19.48	
Gold	352.50-353.00	
Silver	4.00-4.03	

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today's market, and the change is market activity
from 3 p.m. the previous day.

Weather Preview



Permanence

Thursday: Fair and cold. High mid 40s to around 50. Low in upper teens to upper 20s.

Friday: Fair and cold. High mid 40s to mid 50s. Low in upper teens to upper 20s.

Saturday: Fair and cold. High mid 40s to around 50. Low in upper teens to upper 20s.

Sheriff's log

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following:

- A 26-year-old man was arrested for a possession of marijuana warrant out of Wise County. He was released on a \$5,000 bond.
- A 34-year-old woman was ar-

rested for possession of marijuana between two and four ounces. She was released on a \$500 bond.

- A 52-year-old man was arrested for possession of marijuana between two and four ounces. He was released on a \$500 bond.

Deaths

Byron Smith

Byron Braxton Smith Sr., 83, died Sunday, Jan. 12, 1992, in a Brady nursing home after a long illness.

Services will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, at Wilkerson Chapel, with Brother W.D. Ziriak, pastor, Bible Baptist Church of Brady, officiating. Burial will be in Rest Haven Cemetery under the direction of Wilkerson Funeral Home, Brady.

He had farmed in Hamilton and San Saba Counties until 1945 when he and his family moved to Polk County, Ark. From 1949 to 1968 he was employed at Westex Oil Co. and Conoco Oil in Big Spring. He retired in 1988. He and his wife had lived in Arlington and Houston before moving to Brady.

Survivors include his wife, Anna E. Smith, Brady; one daughter, Mae Neisler, Arlington; two sons: Farrel Smith, La Porte, and Byron Smith Jr., Big Spring; one brother-in-law, Ted Groebel, Big Spring; 17 grandchildren, 39 great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be Kenny Neisler, Bobby Neisler, Doug Smith, Jim Huggins, Ben Huggins, Mark Huggins and Rudy Castrillo.

Family suggests memorials to the American Cancer Society or

the American Heart Association.

Weldon Wendland

Weldon Ware Wendland, 65, Dallas, died Wednesday, Jan. 8, 1992.

Services were 11 a.m. Saturday at Walnut Hill United Methodist Church with Dr. Dan Hoke and the Rev. Lee Bedford officiating. Burial was in Hillcrest Memorial Park.

He was born Oct. 13, 1926, in Temple. He spent his early years in Killeen before moving to Temple in 1936. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He retired from Dallas I.S.D. after 35 years of teaching orchestra and strings. He was a professional violinist and taught private lessons in his home studio, also serving as choir director at Walnut Hill United Methodist Church for 16 years.

Survivors include his wife, Billye B. Wendland, Dallas; one daughter, Wren Tremblay, Rowlett; two sons: Wendt Wendland, Big Spring, and Wes Wendland, Dallas; one sister, Bonnie Petway, Dallas; one step brother, James Shields, Temple; six grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Family suggests memorials to Dallas Alzheimers Assoc., 3000 Carlisle St., Dallas, 75204 or Great Dallas Youth Orchestra, 3630 Harry Hines, Dallas, 75219.

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Ann Marvin, 65, died Sunday. Services were 10:30 A.M., Tuesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home Chapel, with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

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Pat Atkins

VA Vital

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The 1992 Annual Salute to Hospital will be held during Valentine's Day. Donald O'Connell Broadway, film for more than serve as chairman. I encourage your hospitalized the week of Organizations are interested in participating. Salute should call Chief of Volunteer 915-264-4823.

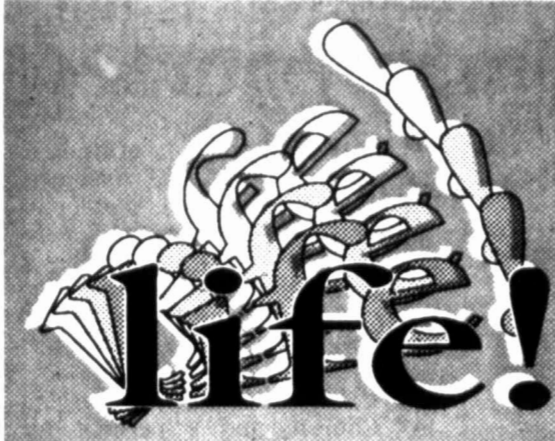
If you are a veteran small business business with Government, Veterans book designed to may request a "Handbook for Business" by Walter, Office of Senior, Office of Senior (005SB), Department Veterans Affairs D.C. 20420.

Fifty-three veterans welcomed Year with a New party and pancake the Recreation Parker, Recreation assisted by Recreation Activities for the Starr, License Nurse, entertain the guitar and special therapy regularly provide wellness.

An interesting may not be available National Disabled Sports Clinic. The held at Snowmass, Colorado, April 5-8 hosted by the Grand Medical Center, military veterans impairments, injuries, amputations, disabilities. Earl patient Clinic Patient, and his Ward Clerk, has in past clinics. dy/instructor highlight of our would not miss said Earl.

Pat Atkins is fair's officer Representative ing VA Medical be contacted at

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Pat Atkins

VA Vital signs

Did you know if you were discharged from active military service under "other than dishonorable" conditions for a minimum period specified by law that you are eligible for most Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) benefits? Women veterans are entitled to the same VA benefits as men.

It surprises me how many veterans are not aware of the medical care available to them at our medical center. Veterans with injuries or illnesses determined by the VA to be related to military service and certain veterans whose illnesses are not related to service (prisoner of war or low income) are entitled to care without payment. Other veterans without service connected conditions may receive care if they agree to a co-payment, which is based on income and family size.

Medical, surgical, psychiatry, dental, rehabilitation, nursing home care unit, and substance abuse programs are available at the Big Spring VA Medical Center. Call or come by and visit with us and find out more about medical and other benefits available to you as a veteran. This is your medical center with a dedicated staff ready to serve you. If you are a veteran or non-veteran, come visit with us and we'll give you a tour of our fine facility.

The 1992 Annual VA National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans will be held during the week of Valentine's Day on Feb. 9-15. Donald O'Connor, star of Broadway, film, and television for more than 65 years will serve as chairman. I encourage you to remember our hospitalized veterans during the week of the salute. Organizations and individuals interested in participating in the Salute should contact Fred Cox, Chief of Voluntary Service, at 915-264-4823.

If you are a veteran who owns a small business and wish to do business with the Federal Government, VA has a handbook designed to assist you. You may request a free copy of the "Handbook for Veterans in Business" by writing to Director, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization (005SB), Department of Veterans Affairs, Washington, D.C. 20420.

Fifty-three hospitalized veterans welcomed in the New Year with a New Year's Eve party and pancake breakfast in the Recreation Hall. Julie Parker, Recreation Therapist, assisted by Michelle Carey, Recreation Aid, provided a variety of games and other activities for the patients. Tony Starr, Licensed Vocational Nurse, entertained by playing the guitar and singing. Recreational therapy activities are regularly provided to promote wellness.

An interesting event that you may not be aware of is the National Disabled Veterans Winter Sports Clinic. The event will be held at Snowmass in Aspen, Colorado, April 5-10. The clinic, hosted by the Grand Junction VA Medical Center, is open to U.S. military veterans with visual impairments, spinal-cord injuries, amputations, or other disabilities. Earl Bushey, Outpatient Clinic Physician Assistant, and his wife, Barbara, Ward Clerk, have participated in past clinics. Earl is a buddy/instructor. "It is the highlight of our year, and we would not miss it for anything," said Earl.

Pat Atkins is the Public Affairs officer and Patient Representative at the Big Spring VA Medical Center. She can be contacted at 915-264-4839.

New prosperity with horizontal drilling

By GARY SHANKS
Staff Writer

New technology could drastically boost the area's oil production, as Howard County receives its first horizontal drilling.

Parallel Petroleum Corporation, based in Midland, is drilling a horizontal well about 15 miles northwest of Big Spring on an oil lease known as the Parallel Wolfe, according to Texas Railroad Commission records.

This lease covers part of an oil-bearing formation known as the Wolfcamp Formation.

Horizontal drilling has the ability to successfully tap oil reserves that are economically unfeasible with standard vertical drilling, said TRC engineer Brian W. Schaible.

Horizontal drilling rigs can, after drilling vertically for a specific distance, turn the drill bit 90 degrees to run parallel to the surface. This is done with the use of a hydraulic motor, which is connected to and guides the drill bit. The motor, and therefore the direction of the bit, is controlled from a computer on the surface.

Horizontal drilling in South Texas in a formation known as Austin Chalk has been highly successful, with wells easily tripling the production levels of those drilled by conventional methods.

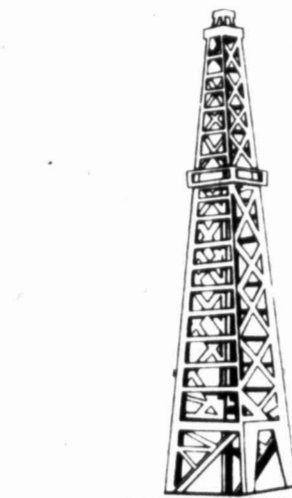
University of Texas geologists estimate that horizontal drilling could eventually add billions of barrels to Texas' reserves of producible oil and gas, according to the August 1990 Fiscal Notes from State Comptroller Bob Bullock.

More than 1/2 of the horizontal wells in Texas have tested production potentials of 500 barrels a day — 50 times greater than the average wells, according to the report.

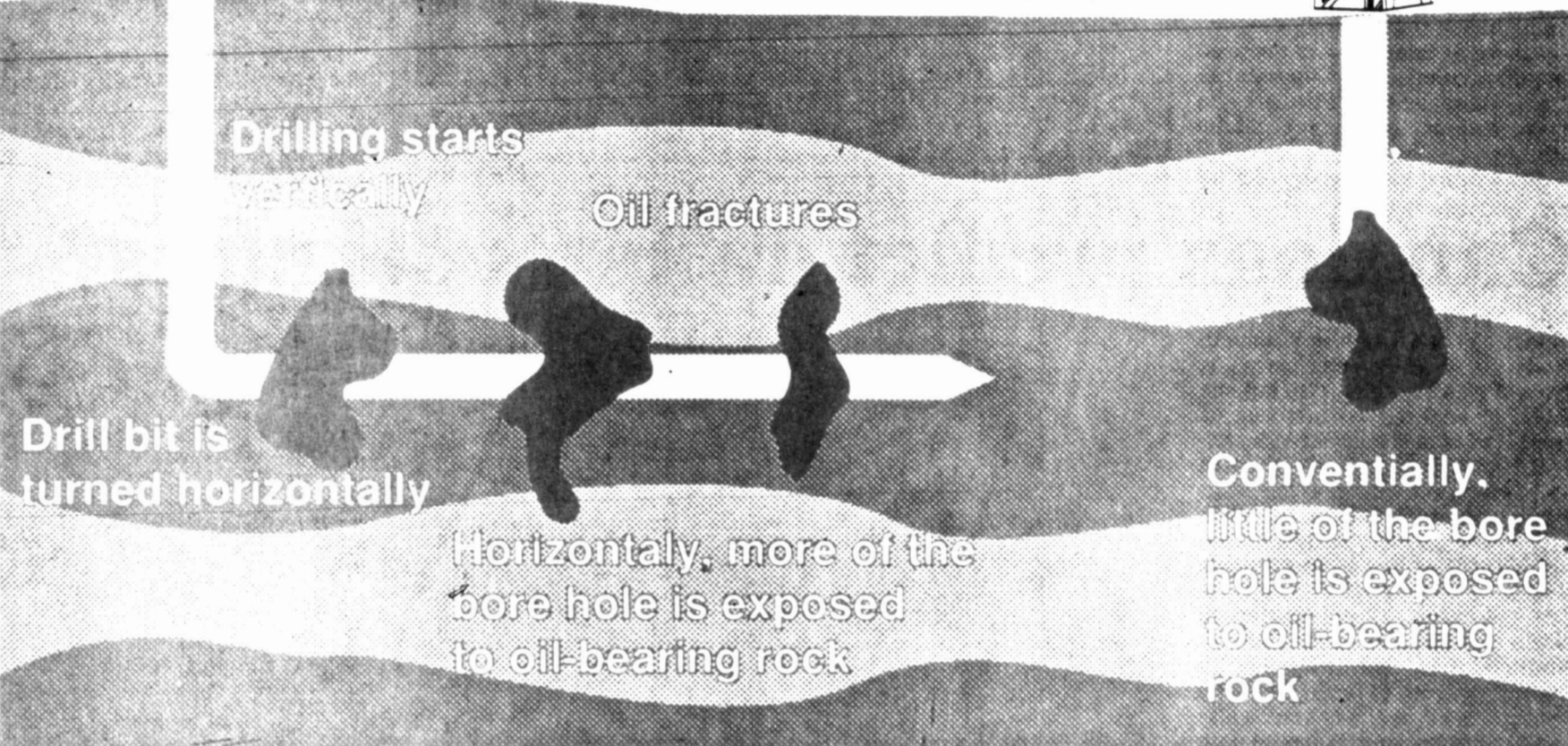
"Horizontal drilling has already meant a return to prosperity for several Texas counties, providing hundreds of jobs and giving local retailers and service companies a welcome shot in the arm," Bullock said.

The greater recovery rate of horizontal wells more than offsets the \$760,000 to \$1.25 million cost of drilling, which adds up to about double the cost of a conventional well.

Standard vertical wells are still the cheapest way to reach pools of oil, but most of these pools have



Computer guides horizontal drill



been tapped in the Permian Basin. Great amounts of oil is in collections of smaller pools of oil that form along vertical cracks in the geological strata, Schaible said. Conventional wells can only tap one of these small pools, if they are lucky enough to strike one since most of the formation is rock and not oil.

Horizontal wells, on the other hand, drill vertically until the desired depth is reached and then turn and drill horizontally. This horizontal shaft stands a much greater chance of striking many of these smaller pools as the "target" is larger from the side, he said.

"Horizontal drilling has already meant a return to prosperity for several Texas counties, providing hundreds of jobs and giving local retailers and service companies a welcome shot in the arm."

Bob Bullock
state comptroller

This technique of piercing and draining a number of these oil-bearing cracks is bringing new life to oil-producing parts of the Texas.

Wells are already producing around Midland Odessa and in the Ellenberger formation near Sweetwater.

Horizontal drilling brings more jobs along with it, since \$1 million in oil and gas produced gains an estimated 25 new jobs, according to the report. Horizontal wells are now adding hundreds of millions to the Texas economy.

Drillers working in Howard County should know over the course of this week whether this well will be successful. They are attempting to strike a verticle formation known as a pentacle reef. If successful in penetrating this subterranean structure, the well's production levels will be higher than any seen in the area in decades.

Japanese pursue dream of a solar powered world

SUMOTO, Japan (AP) — Within decades, deserts will shimmer with solar panels that supply most of the world's energy. That is what Yukinori Kuwano predicts, and he's no idle dreamer.

Because of Kuwano's dreams, his company, Sanyo Electric Co., became a leading manufacturer of

solar cells. Kuwano, general manager of research and development at Sanyo, says the world's energy needs in 2000 could be met by 323 square miles of solar panels covering 4 percent of its deserts. Superconducting cables would carry the power to regions with less sunlight.

"It's achievable," he said, although some other industry experts are skeptical about relying so heavily on a single energy source, particularly one that still is prohibitively expensive.

Kuwano spent years working on his own projects at Sanyo, staying late at night and using money sav-

ed from his regular research budget.

He did not achieve his initial dream: producing computer memory chips from amorphous silicon, a cheaper form of the element used to make semiconductors.

In 1973, the research paid off when the world oil crisis arrived and Kuwano used his experience to develop solar cells.

As a result, Sanyo became the first company to make solar cells of amorphous silicon. It now is the world's leading maker of amorphous-silicon cells, which are frequently used in calculators and other consumer goods.

Kuwano dreams of a world powered by huge arrays of solar cells linked in international grids, with the sunny side of the world providing electricity to the dark side.

Such a system, he says, would replace declining petroleum supplies and dramatically lessen pollution, acid rain and global warming.

In 2000, he calculates, 323 square miles of solar cells could produce energy equivalent to 3.65 billion gallons of oil, or the anticipated annual consumption of oil, coal,

hydropower and all other primary energy sources.

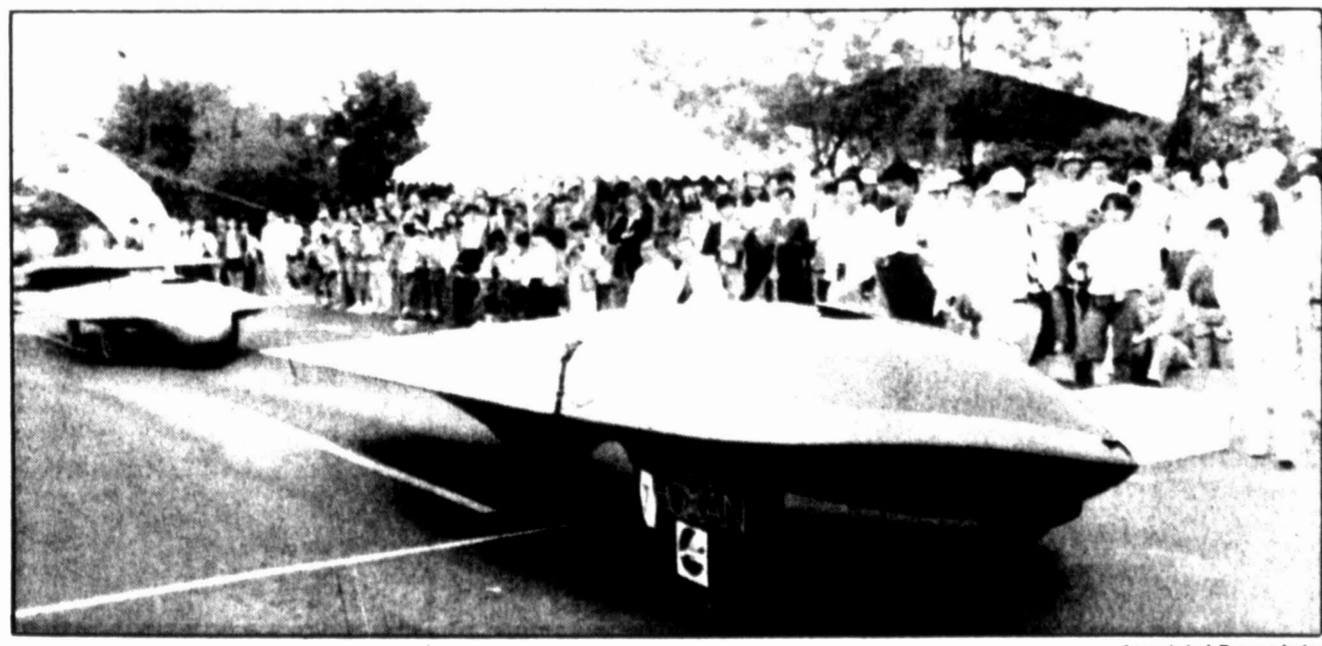
"There's no doubt in the long term that solar cells will play a large role in supplying the world's electricity," said Dr. Jinzaburo Takagi, head of the Citizens' Nuclear Information Center, which studies nuclear power and alternative energy.

What is important, he said, is "to have a mix of different sources of energy that are appropriate to each area, including wind power and hydroelectric power."

The most serious obstacles to widespread solar power are economic.

"What will be really challenging," said Roger Taylor, senior utility engineer at the U.S. Department of Energy's National Renewable Energy Laboratory in Colorado, "is bringing the cost of solar power down." Solar power, he notes, is still four to five times as expensive as the kinds of power now plentiful.

A solar panel that produces one watt of electricity costs about \$5 to day, compared to nearly \$200 15 years ago, and should drop to 50 cents by 2015, Kuwano said, making solar power competitive with electrical generating plants.



Odd shaped vehicles cross the finish line during a solar car race in Tokyo recently. Japan is the largest producer of power by solar cells, accounting for about 36 percent of the world total.

Spring board

How's that?

Q. The Texas League of Professional Baseball Clubs was founded in what year?
A. According to Texas Trivia, it was founded in 1888.

Calendar

TODAY
• Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Training classes will be held today-Friday, from 8:30

a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at the First Presbyterian Church, 8th and Runnels. For information call Dorothy Keenemur, 398-5522.

• Bingo! Offered by the Lions, Elks and Main Street Clubs, Monday - Friday, 6:30 p.m., Saturday, 1 p.m., and Sunday, 2 p.m., at the Lions Club, 1607 E. Third.

• Al-Anon will meet 8 p.m., 615 Settles.

• Narcotics Anonymous will meet 7 p.m., Big Spring V.A. Medical Center, room 401. Anyone welcome.

• Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright St., has free bread and whatever else is available for area needy from 10 a.m. to noon.

• AMAC (Adults Molested As Children) will meet 5:15 p.m.,

Saint Mary's Episcopal Church library, 1001 Goliad.

• A magician will perform at 10 a.m., V.A. Medical Center, room 219. Public invited.

• High Adventure Explorers Post 519, will meet 7 p.m., V.A. Medical Center, room 212. Ages 14-20.

WEDNESDAY

• The Divorce Support Group will meet 6-7 p.m., First United Methodist Church, room 101. Anyone welcome. Child care available. Use back entrance at Gregg St. parking lot. For information call 267-6394.

• Co-Dependents Anonymous will meet 7 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center, fourth floor.

• Recovery Solutions, Inc. - Womens Support Group will

meet 6:30-8 p.m., 307 Union. For information call 264-7028.

• Rap Group will meet 6-7:30 p.m., V. A. Medical Center, room 212. All veterans of Vietnam, Lebanon, Grenada, Panama and Persian Gulf invited.

THURSDAY

• Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright St., has free bread and whatever else is available for area needy from 10 a.m. to noon.

• Adolescent Support Group will meet 4-5 p.m., Howard County Mental Health Center. Anyone interested must call first, John McGuffey or Dawn Garrett, 267-8216, ext. 287.

• C.R.I.E. (Children's Rights Through Informed Education)

will meet 7:30 p.m., Chamber of Commerce meeting room. Open to public.

• Al-Anon will meet 8 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center, room 414.

• Recovery Solutions, Inc. - Teen Esteem Group will meet 6:30-8 p.m., 307 Union. For information call 264-7028.

FRIDAY

• V.A. Medical Center and its employees will observe Martin Luther King's birthday, 11 a.m., room 212. Following a short program lunch will be served in the recreation hall. Public invited.

• Friday night games of Dominoes, Forty-two, Bridge and Chickentrack from 5-8 p.m., 2805 Lynn Dr., Kentwood Center. Public invited.

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Infant mortality rate higher than reported

CHICAGO (AP) — Infant mortality among some minorities is far higher than U.S. health records indicate because of errors and inconsistencies in the way race is reported, government researchers said today.

"There were indications these discrepancies existed, but the magnitude is startling," said the study's lead author, Robert A. Hahn, an epidemiologist with the Centers for Disease Control.

The study of birth and death records of babies in the mid-1980s found that when a discrepancy existed between a baby's racial classification on a birth certificate and a death certificate, usually it resulted from a baby being identified as non-white at birth and as white at death.

As a result, infant mortality was slightly overstated among whites but underestimated by 79 percent among Filipinos, 49 percent among Japanese and 47 percent among American Indians.

The study was reported in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

One of the nation's prime health aims, spelled out by the U.S. Health and Human Services Department last year, is to reduce health differences among racial and ethnic groups.

"If we're interested in decreasing disparities ... it's important to know where the disparities are and how to direct our funds," Hahn said.

His team studied records for all

infants who were born from 1983 through 1985 and died in their first year — a total of 117,188 babies.

Whites received different racial classifications on their birth and death certificates 1.2 percent of the

time, while blacks were consistently identified 4.3 percent of the time and other races 43.2 percent. The team also checked for babies whose races were misidentified at death.

The researchers applied a classification system that assigned each baby the race of its mother — the system the government has used since 1989.

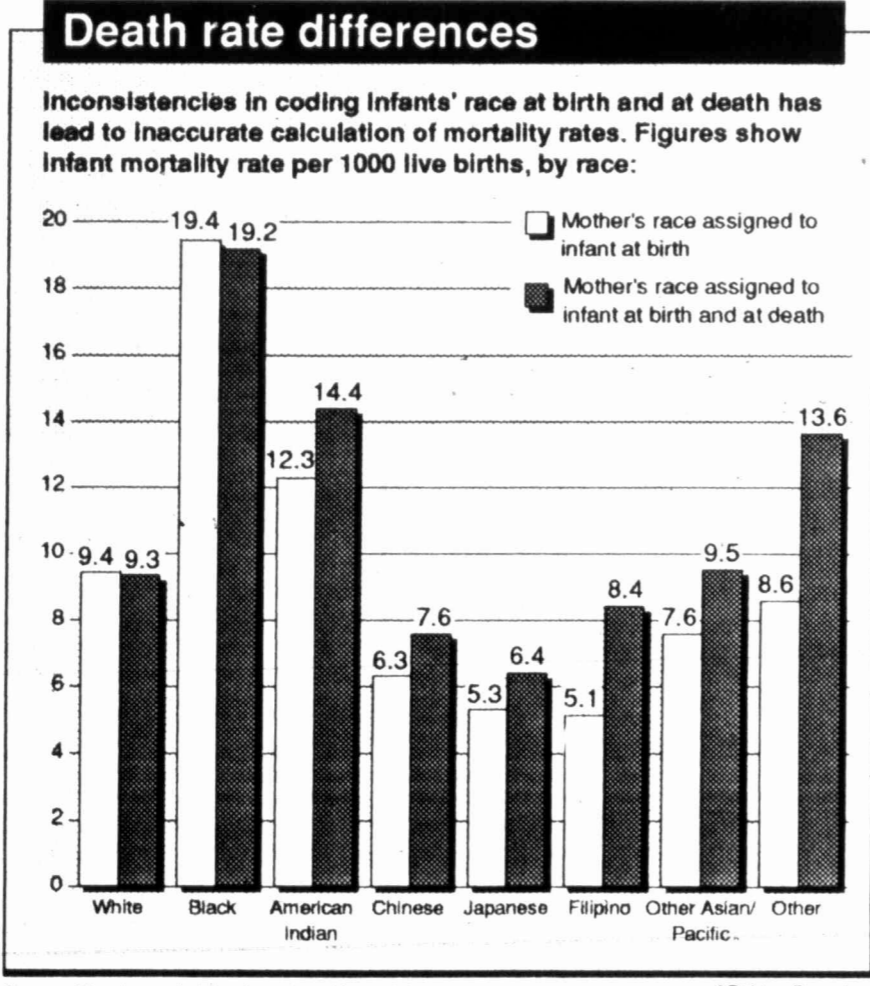
The researchers found that true infant mortality was overreported for whites by 2.1 percent but under-reported for all other races — by 3.2 percent for blacks, 33 percent for Chinese and 9 percent for Hispanics.

Until 1989, racial classifications were done by what Hahn called a "crazy" algorithm: If both parents were white, the baby was white; if one parent was Hawaiian, if the other was white, the child was assigned the race of its other-than-white parent; if both parents were other than white, the child was assigned its father's race.

The National Center for Health Statistics in 1989 switched to using the mother's race as the determining factor.

Under the classification method of the researchers, whites had an infant mortality rate during the study period of 9.3 per 1,000 live births; blacks 19.2; American Indians 14.4; Chinese 7.6; Japanese 6.4; Filipinos 8.4; other Asians and Pacific Islanders 9.5; and all others 13.6.

Dr. Roy M. Nakamura, a researcher of infant mortality among American Indians, said Hahn's study is "about as accurate an assessment of infant mortality by race as can be done."



Source: The Journal of the American Medical Association AP/Alan Baseden

Can dogs predict owner's seizures?

NEW YORK (AP) — Elizabeth Rudy, a 36-year-old veterinarian, is careful who she tells it to, but she says her epileptic seizures can be predicted by her golden retriever.

If Ribbon is on a leash, she will suddenly stop and put her ears down. If she is indoors, she will come over and lick Rudy's hands, sit and look at her and sometimes whine.

A few minutes later Rudy will begin to smell burning flesh, a hallucination that tells her a seizure is about to begin. About 30 seconds later, she may start walking in circles and bumping into things, not really conscious of what she is doing.

After a few minutes she regains full consciousness, although she may be disoriented for a while.

Ribbon has been able to sense Rudy's seizures ahead of time since 1983, Rudy says, but "I thought people would think I was crazy if I said anything."

One person who did not was Reina Berner, executive director of the Epilepsy Institute in New York. She had already heard a dozen such stories.

And that is why Rudy and Ribbon flew from Seattle to spend a recent frigid day in New York under a hot television light, the first participants in Berner's attempt to show that some dogs really can tell when their masters are about to have an epileptic seizure.

Berner hopes study results will help in raising money for a program to find other dogs with unrecognized warning ability. These dogs could then be matched with epileptic people who now

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Elizabeth Rudy seizure victim

restrict their activities for fear of unexpected seizures in inconvenient or dangerous places, Berner said.

She cites the case of Harley, a well-trained dog who would suddenly stop obeying commands and start barking when his owner was about to have a seizure.

The owner had feared going outside because her seizures caused sudden falls. But Harley's warnings gave her a chance to find a convenient place to sit down instead.

"That dog changed Vicki's life," Berner said. "She wasn't afraid to go out."

In another case, Berner said, a young girl gained more independence from her parents because they knew her dog's warning would let her reach safety before her seizures began. Another



Elizabeth Rudy sits hooked up to a brain wave monitor with her dog Ribbon at her feet, during an experiment at the Epilepsy Institute in New York last month. Rudy says her seizures can be predicted by Ribbon, and hopes the experiment will prove it.

woman said her dog's timely warnings had stopped her husband from falling down stairs.

Nobody knows just what these dogs are sensing, Berner said, but the new study might give some clues.

Rudy spent her day in a small office at the epilepsy institute, perusing a veterinary journal, reading a novel and chatting. Ten wires ran from electrodes in her scalp to a small electronic box, which kept track of her brain waves.

By her side was Ribbon, with a videotape camera trained on her. If all went according to plan, the videotape would document Ribbon's warning to Rudy, while the brain-wave monitor would show the course of Rudy's seizure.

On this day, Rudy did not have a seizure. She did have one the next day, but before she was fully hooked up to the brain wave monitor,

and the video camera was not turned on, Berner said. Ribbon did appear to sense the seizure coming, Berner said.

The chances for getting a seizure during the two planned days of monitoring, a period limited by the experiment's budget, were slim because Rudy has them only about once a month.

Berner said she had decided to try Ribbon and Rudy anyway because of the good evidence that Ribbon could sense seizures. "When you have very little money you want to go for your best shot," she said.

Berner said she could test maybe one or two more dogs with the \$10,000 contributed for the project. She knows of six more dogs that seem to have the alerting ability, she said.

Walter Burghardt, president of the American Veterinary Society

of Animal Behavior, said the idea of dogs warning of seizures sounds plausible. Dogs and cats can sometimes sense when nearby animals are not doing well, he said. As for seizure-alerting ability, Rudy said, "if it exists, it could really help a lot of people."

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Research probes PMS' effect on brain activity

ATLANTA (AP) — Diagnosing premenstrual syndrome is pretty much a matter of listening to a woman describe her suffering, but speculation that PMS affects brain activity has led to a study that could give doctors a better understanding.

Using the latest generation of electroencephalography — EEG — technology, Emory University researchers will study 250 volunteers, sufferers and non-sufferers alike, over four years to document changes in brain wave activity and brain function during the menstrual cycle.

"A biologically based approach to assessment and diagnosis of PMS is badly needed."

Dr. Ora Strickland

Previous research with several patients has found brain function similar to psychiatric depression during PMS.

"We're hoping we'll come up with a way of diagnosing PMS so we don't have to depend totally on what a woman says," said Dr. Ora Strickland, an Emory nursing professor and principal investigator in the study. "A biologically based approach to assessment and diagnosis of PMS is badly needed."

"We hope to determine whether this approach can be used to clearly diagnose women who do — and do not — have PMS."

The study, funded by a \$1.2 million grant from the National Institutes of Health, will be the first to use quantitative EEG, a sophisticated computerized approach, to analyze brain activity in PMS patients. The volunteers

also will keep diaries. The brain holds many clues to PMS research; what's not known is whether EEG technology will find them, said a leading PMS scientist.

"The brain is certainly one area we'd like to investigate," said Dr. C. James Chung, director of the PMS program at the Baylor College of Medicine. "As far as what is the best method ... that's still an unanswered question."

Most PMS research focuses on hormones, which operate in the brain "but may or may not be seen through other testings, i.e., EEG," Chung said.

Emory's pilot study involved several patients whose lives were disrupted by PMS; the large-scale study is attracting volunteers with similar stories to tell.

"I'm in academia, in medicine," said Susan Smith, a member of the Emory nursing faculty and a study participant. "For me, the biggest (PMS) problem is that I can't concentrate. I can't function the way I'm supposed to. You know it's not the way you normally are, but you can't do anything about it."

Smith recently was giving a lecture she had given numerous times before, and suddenly, "I couldn't remember where I was. It was terrifying."

Marna Burns, a graduate psychology student at Georgia Tech, signed up for the study to help further research into something she's battled for nearly three decades.

"I realized at 34, when I got into psychology ... that I've had this since I was 12 or 13," said Burns, now 40. "None of my gynecologists ever checked for this; I was just considered moody."

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Overeating leads woman to desperation

DEAR ABBY: I don't know what to do anymore. My life has been at a standstill for over 20 years because of my weight. I am extremely overweight, and have been all my life. I am in my late 20s and am embarrassed to admit that I have no friends, no social life, and I've never had a date.

Yes, I know that there are women who are overweight living happy, normal lives, but I am not one of them. I am living the life of a hermit. I am embarrassed to be seen and stared at. I have seen a diet doctor and tried every diet imaginable. I've tried fads, gimmicks, starvation, pills — the works. I lose a couple of pounds, then get hungry for something good to eat, and stuff myself.

Dear Abby



Money is tight or I would go to a fat farm. I get depressed and cry for hours and think horrible thoughts. I know that my problem is in my head. I'm a compulsive overeater and I need help, and I need it now. I can feel my heart pounding in my chest from walking up a flight of stairs. I'm scared. I really am. Please help me, Abby. Life is passing me by. I'm too young to die. — LONG ISLANDER

DEAR LONG ISLANDER: You are not alone; half the women in America are overweight — some are more overweight than others. Have you tried Overeaters Anonymous? If you have, and dropped out, don't be embarrassed; give it another try — you won't be the first person who didn't make it on the first try. Look at yourself in the mirror and tell yourself you're worth saving. You are, but only you can save yourself — so get going, Long Islander. The longest trek in the world starts with one step. Good luck ... you can make it if you try. Please write again. I care.

DEAR ABBY: As a physician, I have seen many women die of breast cancer. In 1960, this disease

attacked one woman in every 20. It has risen steadily to the current toll of one in nine. Many women do not know that their risk of breast cancer is linked to foods. Low-fat, high-fiber diets can reduce the risk of cancer dramatically. The National Cancer Institute has recommended such a diet for years. Unfortunately, only one woman in five is aware of the link, according to a recent Opinion Research Corp. poll.

Abby, will you please tell your readers that the Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine has a toll-free telephone number that people can call to get information on breast cancer prevention: Dial 1-800-U.S.-LIVES. The call and the information are free. By sending out this information, you will save more lives than any doctor could ever hope to. Many, many thanks. — NEAL D. BERNARD, M.D.; PRESIDENT, PHYSICIANS COMMITTEE FOR RESPONSIBLE MEDICINE, WASHINGTON, D.C.

Jeane Dixon

FOR WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15, 1992

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! IN THE NEXT YEAR OF YOUR LIFE: Take the initiative more often and your stock will rise at place of employment. Mutual respect leads to lasting love in April. A complex financial situation turns to your advantage next July. Children will influence an important decision early in the fall. Set aside more time for self-improvement activities. Travel brings in valuable business in November. Romance inspires you to try something new and profitable.

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DATE: Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., drummer Gene Krupa, actor Lloyd Bridges, actress Charo.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Something that looked like a sure thing may not pan out. A phone call or letter gives you new hope. Limit spending to necessities. A misplaced item is found behind furniture or in old clothing.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Confusion over certain instructions could lead to a comedy of errors. Hold on to your temper while things get straightened out. A child helps you keep things in perspective.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Bring about a reconciliation now and you will reap handsome profits later on. Be kind but firm with someone who tries to monopolize your time. Live up to your high ideals.

CANCER (June 21-July 21): A stranger with a secret could enter your life. Do not fear the consequences of doing what you know to be right. Luck is totally on your side. A financial question will be resolved.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Someone who really cares is the only adviser you need. Trust your instincts when it comes to your personal appearance. You have earned your stripes. Now make certain that others earn theirs.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Reach out for new opportunities. The possibilities for making money are endless. You can create a whole new world for yourself if you have confidence and patience.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You can make a new deal if you tie up some loose ends now. A postponement may work to other people's advantage. A reward for excellence will suit you to a tee.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Good feelings abound when someone keeps his word. Let no one come between you and your ultimate goal. Pay more attention to that inner voice and you will make fewer mistakes.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): A competitor could win a round today. Flexibility and a joyful demeanor help you cope. A phone call confirms your judgment about romance. Be on your best behavior when around conservative people.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You will be the one to gain the most from putting all your energy into helping others. Music soothes and revitalizes your soul. It can also set the mood for romance.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Judge for yourself the quality of a new product. If you want everything life has to offer, you must work at it. Settle for less than the best and you will disappoint yourself.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): New snags could arise where a special project is concerned. First things first: set clear priorities. Avoid the undercurrents at work. You need to keep both feet planted firmly on the ground.

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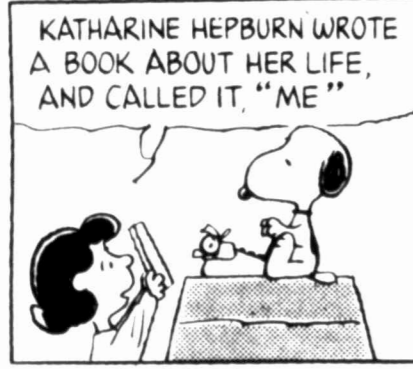
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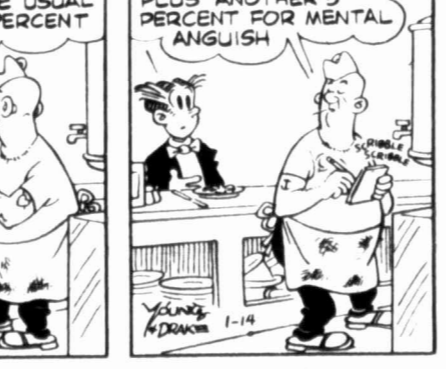


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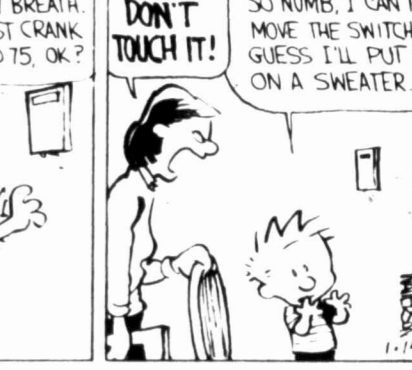
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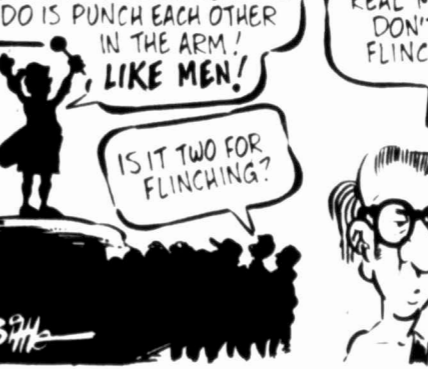
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