

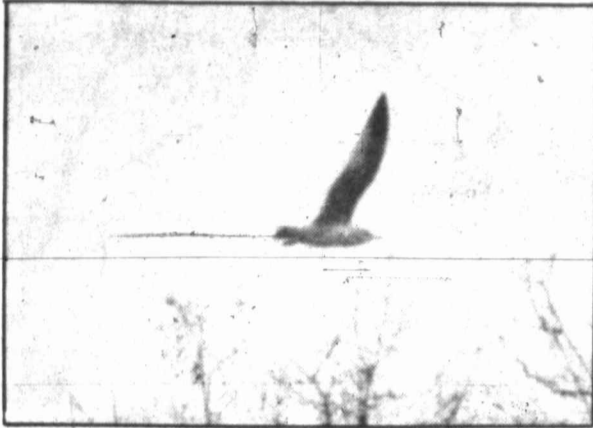
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NEWS DIGEST



▲ The Lone Seagull rides again

Soaring over the tree tops this lone seagull winds its way along the warm currents in a bright blue sky at Comanche Trail Lake Monday. Warm temperatures drew many people outdoors.



Meeting planned

A Christmas in April volunteer meeting will be Friday at noon at the post office conference room. For more information call Bob Noyes at 267-5811.

New numbers

Starting Wednesday, Big Spring City Hall will have new phone numbers. The main number, 263-8311, will still be in effect. The other numbers will be changed to the 264 prefix. The change is to encourage citizens to dial direct.

Humane Society



Adopt me

The Big Spring Humane Society is sponsoring a Valentine's special on pet adoptions for the entire week. Dogs are \$30 and cats are \$20 and all spaying and neutering is included. Pets can be held at the shelter until Sunday for surprises. Pets come with red bows.

World

•Warlord skips meeting: Somali warlord Mohamed Farrah Aidid skipped a planned meeting with U.S. Marines today, a day after American troops detained one of his top allies. See page 3A.

Nation

•Doctors wounded in attack: A man carrying three guns and demanding pain medication burst into an inner-city emergency room and critically wounded three doctors. See page 3A.

Texas

•Working for an agreement: House Republicans who have blocked a "Robin Hood" school funding proposal said Monday they'd agree to put it before the voters if other items were on the ballot. See page 2A.

Sports

•Lady Hawks remain unbeaten: Normally when a team comes to Dorothy Garrett Coliseum with a record of 15-10, it can expect to get blitzed by the home team Howard College Lady Hawks. But Howard's 78-75 win over NMJC Monday was not normal. See page 5A.

Weather

•Mostly cloudy, chance of rain: Tonight, mostly cloudy, isolated evening showers, low low 40s, southwest winds 10-20 mph. See extended forecast page 6A.

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County OKs birth certificate service

By GARY SHANKS
Staff Writer

Area residents will enjoy a new service provided by the Howard County Clerk's Office in the near future when personnel will be able to produce birth certificates for anyone born in the State of Texas.

In the past, the office only could produce birth certificates for those born in Howard County, according to County Clerk Margaret Ray.

Howard County commissioners authorized Ray to sign a contract with the U.S. Bureau of Vital Statistics for new equipment and training needed to initiate the program. Ray has been working with the Tom Green County Clerk's Office in San Angelo, which already has the capability.

The new service will be of great benefit to those born in other counties, Ray said. Birth certificates are required for any adult or child who gets a Social Security card, completes paperwork prior to drawing retirement or even for those who sign up for Little League baseball, Ray said.

Benefits from the service will extend to several surrounding counties, as residents of these more rural counties can make use of the proximity of Ray's office.

Currently, to get an out-of-county birth certificate, people must write to the county of birth for the document, Ray said. "It's a long delay to get the certificate. Sometimes it takes a month to get one."

The new service should be in working order within three months, she said. Commissioners also approved about

\$3,000 for purchasing new computer hardware and software to be used in the county clerk's office.

Ray said the system is necessary for her office to perform its functions, now that county offices have been removed from the Tax Appraisal Office's main frame.

The office is required by law to maintain and distribute an early-voting list and the computer is necessary to provide this service, she added.

A data base of voters will be maintained on a personal computer. Ray is acquiring software that will allow alphabetized, precinct-by-precinct lists to be generated, as required by law.

The lists are used by election judges and other officials, Ray said. Commissioners also addressed the

following agenda items:

- Discussed discrepancies between voting districts in Howard County and Big Spring with Big Spring City Secretary Tom Ferguson and City Attorney Mike Thomas. No action was taken on the matter.

- Authorized County Engineer Bill Mims to seek bids for a compactor and sweeper.

- Velta Hiltbrunner was approved as election judge for voter precinct 405.

- Approved purchase of a new computer for the District Attorney's Office.

- Approval was given for Haliburton Geophysical's crossing of county roads with equipment.

- Bids were accepted for salvageable county equipment including a roller, compactor, sweeper, loader and several mowers.



Making valentines

After cutting the pieces from a sheet of paper, Joel Ontiveros assembles his "Valentines dog" during a class session at Marcy Elementary School last week.

Local teachers waiting to see proposed raise

By CONNIE SWINNEY
Staff Writer

Gov. Ann Richards' proposed 5 percent pay raise for teachers, almost overshadowed by a school funding plan deadline, has local teachers appreciative but doubtful of seeing a "real" salary increase.

The Texas Legislature must still vote on the governor's proposal, which would provide teachers a pay increase during the 1994-95 school year.

"(Local teachers) feel like an increase in salaries might not go through because of the school finance situation," said Suzy Combs, president of the Texas State Teachers Association's local chapter. "They're going to believe it when they see it."

TSTA, along with other groups like the Association of Texas Professional Educators (ATPE), have publicly thanked the governor for her proposal, but express concern about the funding.

Doubts stem from pinpointing the source of funding for an increase, school officials said.

"Every increase (since 1989) has come from local funds," said Big Spring ISD Superintendent Bill McQueary. "We are supportive of it as long as the state takes the responsibility to provide some funding assistance. (A pay increase) is costly."

Texas ranks 35th in the nation on teacher salaries, motivating some politicians to heed pressure from teacher groups to make the state's teacher pay more competitive, said TSTA regional consultant Elwood Thompson.

"We think the governor is taking a good step, but teachers feel it should be more," Thompson said. "We need to make sure the dollars are there, and districts that pay teachers above the base salary are not allowed to absorb the costs."

Texas teacher salaries are determined in part by a state minimum wage law called the teacher salary schedule, ac-

ording to the Texas Research League.

The law requires teachers be paid at least the amounts outlined in the law for a minimum of 10 months. Teachers on the salary schedule advance one step per year.

Many school districts across the state, including the BSISD, pay above state base when teachers have advanced to certain steps.

Entry-level teachers with no experience are required to be paid at least \$17,000 a year, increasing about \$1,100 each year to level 10 (\$28,400) — excluding benefits.

In 1991-92, the salaries for BSISD teachers ranged from \$18,500 per year to \$30,300, officials reported.

Statewide, teachers are paid an average of 5.5 percent above state base pay, according to the TRL report. More than half of all teachers have a starting salary of more than \$21,000.

Local school officials disagree on the extent to which Richards should detail direction of state funds for teacher raises.

"If a district already pays five percent above state base, some districts will not attach the five percent increase to teacher salaries because they have met the minimum," Thompson said. "The governor needs to specify that each teacher experience a real increase, five percent above what they are currently paid."

McQueary said the local district, paid above the state schedule average will see a "real" increase should the state mandate and fund a five percent increase.

But, directing teacher pay should be left up to school districts, he added.

"Right now, it's at the district's discretion whether or not to cut that average (above the state minimum). We would be very much against losing local control," McQueary said. "In a good faith effort, (BSISD) would not come down from the local increments to the state base. We would pass along the five percent increase."

New era's dawn gradual in taking effect

By PATRICK DRISCOLL
Staff Writer

The 1954 Supreme Court ruling that led to desegregation of the nation's public schools is considered by many black activists to be the dawn of a new era.

Changes came but were slow in many areas, especially the South. The Big Spring Independent School District didn't achieve desegregation until a suit was filed in 1982.

The decision in Thurgood Marshall and Brown vs. the Board of Education of Topeka overturned the "separate but equal" doctrine upheld by the Supreme Court in 1896. In a 9-0 vote it was ruled that "separate but equal" education facilities are "inherently unequal" and therefore unconstitutional.

"This major legal victory was viewed by blacks as a breakthrough in the painstaking process of achieving total integration into the cultural fabric of the United States," states fourth edition of The Negro Almanac.

In another case that year, the court ruled that the University of Florida must admit blacks regardless of any "public mischief" it might cause.



Black History Month

That fall, 150 school districts in eight states and the District of Columbia integrated, according to the Almanac. But a number of groups opposing segregation emerged in the South. In 1955, the court ordered school boards to draw up desegregation procedures "with all deliberate speed."

Compliance continued but court rulings were still not embraced by all, as evidenced by the following examples cited by the Almanac:

- While such states as Kansas, Oklahoma, Missouri and parts of Texas desegregate schools with minimal fuss in 1955, states in the Deep South dig in to fight. Georgia's Board of Education adopts a resolution revoking the license of any teacher who teaches integrated

classes. Mississippi repeals its compulsory school attendance law and establishes a branch of government for the sole purpose of maintaining segregation.

- Two years later, President Dwight D. Eisenhower orders paratroopers into Little Rock, Ark., to enforce an integration order for 18 black pupils at Central High School. Token school desegregation starts in some North Carolina cities. Tennessee announces desegregation of state universities to start in 1958.

- In 1960, the first integration suit in the North occurs as black parents sue to end de facto segregation of New Rochelle schools in New York. The case was won in 1961.

- In 1962, 12,000 federal troops are ordered to the University of Mississippi in Jackson to maintain order as riots erupt in protest over the admission of James Meredith, a 29-year-old black veteran.

- By 1963, less than 10 percent of black public school students attend integrated classes in Southern states. Gov. George Wallace of Alabama declares, "I draw the line in the dust and toss the gauntlet before the feet of tyranny and I say 'segregation now, segregation tomorrow, segregation forever.'"

Schools in Big Spring desegregated after a suit was filed in U.S. District Court in Abilene in 1982 by the U.S. Department of Justice upon referral by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

The suit alleged a dual school system was being operated with white students and faculty being assigned to schools separate from black and Hispanic students. An example cited was white students on the northside were being bused past Bauer Elementary School to Washington Elementary School on the southside. The suit also alleged discrimination in school construction programs as well.

It led to the establishment of Bauer as a magnet school with extended day programs to attract white students, according to an addition to the suit. The gifted and talented program was also located to Bauer. In addition, Hispanic students were allowed to go to other schools and efforts were made to recruit minority teachers.

In 1991, an investigation by the federal government showed that the school district "achieved compliance," the addition.

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House prepares for school funding fight

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUSTIN — House Republicans who have blocked a "Robin Hood" school funding proposal said Monday they'd agree to put such a plan before Texas voters if lawmakers place other items on the same statewide ballot.

"Our idea on this is to break the logjam and to lay out a compromise," Rep. Tom Craddick of Midland, head of the House GOP caucus, said the day before an expected vote on school funding.

Craddick said the caucus still opposes "Robin Hood" redistribution of local school tax money from property-rich to poor school districts.

But he said House Republicans would support letting Texans decide

that issue if the ballot also included provisions to allow a school voucher program, take away court oversight of school funding, forbid property tax increases without voter approval and do away with unfunded state mandates.

House Public Education Chairwoman Libby Lineberger, however, called the multiple-choice ballot approach "a little bit dishonest and deceiving of the voters." Voters could approve any or all of the proposals.

Rep. Lineberger, D-Manchaca, said Texans would think that lawmakers were giving them several options for meeting a state Supreme Court mandate for reform.

But she said that if voters approved, for example, only the school voucher proposal, "it does nothing to solve the school finance problem,

nor does it do anything to keep the courts from shutting down the schools."

The House is scheduled to debate Lineberger's proposed constitutional amendment on school finance Tuesday. Craddick said Republicans would offer their plan as a substitute.

Lineberger said her plan, if passed by lawmakers and voters, would allow redistribution of about \$400 million in local school property taxes. The Republicans' proposal would allow about \$300 million to be redistributed, largely within counties.

The Texas Supreme Court has ordered lawmakers to come up with a constitutional plan by June 1 to equalize school funding among property-rich and poor school dis-

tricts. If they don't, a state judge has said he'll order a cutoff of state funds for schools.

Legislative leaders have said a proposed amendment must pass the Legislature by Feb. 20 to go on the May 1 ballot.

Craddick said he believed House Republicans would oppose a "Robin Hood" proposal unless they also get the items they want. Two-thirds support of the Legislature is required to put a proposed amendment on a statewide ballot. Republicans number 58 in the 150-member House.

House Speaker Pete Laney said he'd like to keep the ballot simple. But he added, "I'm not ruling out anything that we could get out of this House." Leaders have said they must be cautious in making concessions to one group.



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Woman testifies she saw McDuff day of murder

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

HOUSTON — A woman testified Monday that former death row inmate Kenneth McDuff came to her Dallas-area house the same day a Waco woman disappeared from her job, even though McDuff has claimed he was in another city at the time.

McDuff is charged with capital murder in the March 1, 1992, robbery-slaying of Melissa Northrup, a pregnant mother of two who disappeared from her job at a Quick Pak convenience store in Waco.

Her partially clothed, badly decomposed body was found two months later floating in a Dallas-area gravel pit. A doctor with the Dallas County medical examiner's office said her hands were tied be-

hind her back, but the exact cause of death has not been determined.

McDuff, 46, has maintained he was in Temple at the time of the woman's disappearance.

But Shari Robinson, who lives in Seagoville near the site where Northrup's body was found, testified Monday that McDuff came to her house the night of March 1 in search of food.

During a five-minute conversation on her porch, McDuff told her "him and his old lady got in an argument, he had lost his job."

He asked for a sandwich, but she told him she didn't have one. Instead, she gave him some beans.

"I got the bowl of beans and gave it to him and he went on his way," she said.

Robinson said she didn't realize who he was until a couple of months later when she saw television reports about McDuff's arrest. And she said she didn't tell authorities about McDuff's nighttime visit until last week because she was frightened.

Jurors in State District Judge Bob Burdette's also heard testimony from Hank Alva Worley, who said he drove with McDuff to Waco sometime in December 1991.

Worley, 34, of Temple, said McDuff said during the trip he knew "a good-looking girl at a store he was going to take."

"He meant kidnap," Worley added.

However, the judge on Monday did not allow Worley to be questioned about the abduction and slay-

ing of an Austin woman. Burdette has not yet ruled whether that testimony will be allowed.

Worley has told authorities he and McDuff abducted Colleen Reed from an Austin car wash, took turns raping her as they drove north along Interstate 35 and then McDuff left with the woman in his trunk, promising "to use her up."

Defense attorneys, who argued against allowing the testimony, have said that they have not been privy to all information prosecutors have learned about the Reed case. McDuff has not been charged in Reed's disappearance.

Testimony began last week and the trial is expected to take several weeks.

Victory parade

Workers construct scaffolding in downtown Dallas in preparation of today's Dallas Cowboys Super Bowl XXVII victory parade.

ABA avoids vote on abortion; Texas Bar withdraws proposal

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

BOSTON — The American Bar Association avoided a vote today on whether to put its endorsement of abortion rights to a referendum of the full membership.

The Texas State Bar withdrew its proposal to let the ABA's 370,000 members vote by mail on whether to return to the organization's previous neutral stance on abortion. The ABA's policy-making House of Delegates had planned to vote on the proposal today during the group's mid-winter meeting.

State bar President Harriet Miers said her group will reintroduce the proposal at the ABA's annual meeting in August, where she said it would stand a better chance of winning approval because of different voting procedures.

If approved, it apparently would be the first membership-wide referendum for the ABA, founded in 1878.

ABA delegates voted 276-168 to endorse abortion rights at the August 1992 convention in San Francisco. It had adopted a similar policy in February 1990 but repealed it the

following August.

About 3,850 ABA members have resigned since last year's reinstatement of the abortion rights policy, citing their opposition to the stand.

"The State Bar of Texas continues to believe that we have a referendum procedure, and if we do not use it in connection with this issue, what issue would you ever use it on?" Miers said today.

"This issue has brought on tremendous divisiveness and loss of membership" on whether the ABA should "be trying to speak for the entire legal community with respect to this particular issue," she said.

Miers said a referendum would cost about \$150,000. The ABA is trying to cut \$4.3 million from its next fiscal budget and is laying off at least 40 people.

ABA President J. Michael McWilliams has declined to take a position on the proposed referendum. But last weekend he noted that even if the full bar membership decided the organization should be neutral, it still wouldn't necessarily be the end of the issue.

AHA issues strong endorsement for preventive use of aspirin but warned not for everybody

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

DALLAS — The American Heart Association on Monday issued its strongest endorsement yet on the use of aspirin to help prevent secondary heart attacks, but warned that not everyone should be popping the pain killer.

In a "scientific statement" in the February issue of *Circulation*, the Dallas-based Heart Association sets out new guidelines for doctors on prescribing the drug.

Cardiovascular disease is the nation's No. 1 killer, claiming the lives of just under a million Americans yearly, according to the AHA.

The new study says aspirin, the most widely used clot-buster, can not only help prevent heart attacks, but also work to save the lives of heart attack victims. About 1.5 million Americans suffer heart attacks annually, and 43 percent die within a year.

Dr. Charles Hennekens, coauthor of the report and lead investigator in a previous Physicians' Health Study involving 17,000 patients worldwide, said aspirin, "given immediately upon admission to a hospital, and continued daily for 30 days, will reduce the death rate by 23 percent."

For secondary prevention, or treatment for people who have already suffered heart attacks, aspirin can reduce the risks of recurrence by 20-40 percent, said coauthor Valentin Fuster, a professor at Harvard Medical School.

The report also cites four studies that show the drug reducing the risk of first heart attacks in people with unstable angina, or occasional chest pains, up to 51 percent.

But the doctors conclude that aspirin's benefit for preventing initial heart attacks may be limited to males middle-aged and older. Existing data indicate there could be

some benefit for primary prevention among women, but further study is needed, the report says.

In any case, Fuster warned that aspirin not be self-prescribed to prevent problems.

"The main point of these guidelines is that the public should be aware that in order to take aspirin, the doctor should always prescribe it," Fuster said Monday. "There are risks with aspirin, and the physicians know about them."

Those risks include ulcers and aggravation of existing congenital defects and an increase in clotting time, doctors say.

And the report restates the importance of reducing factors, such as smoking, high cholesterol and obesity, that cause hardening of the arteries in the first place.

Aspirin should be used "as an adjunct to care, never as an alternative or substitute for control of primary risk factors," Hennekens said.

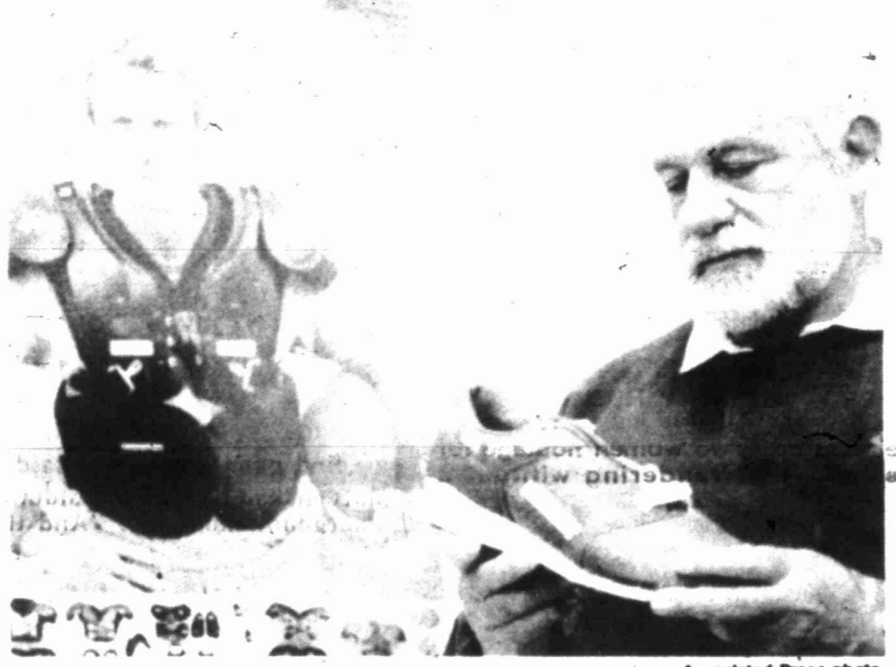
Dr. John Farquhar, director of Stanford's Center for Research in Disease Prevention, said the report is an valuable wrapup of available data on the subject.

He also concurred with the finding that people with low risk factors should not take the drug, and nobody should take it without calling a doctor first.

"I think everyone in the field would concur with the idea that you wouldn't sprinkle aspirin on the entire population," Farquhar said. "The amount of harm that taking a medication like aspirin could do can outweigh ... the benefits that might occur. I think that's the fundamental issue."

Farquhar added that changing a person's lifestyle is always preferable to administering aspirin.

"I don't want to overload people with taking extra medicine," he said.



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Claim against Reebok

Byron Donzis, head of Donzis Research, holds a test sneaker in his office Monday in Houston. Donzis has filed a federal lawsuit in Boston, claiming his representatives showed Reebok the design for inflatable shoes in 1987. The shoe Donzis holds is not a Reebok.

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GM suing NBC over alleged rigged 'Dateline' test

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

General Motors Corp. sued NBC on Monday, alleging that the "Dateline NBC" program rigged two car-truck crashes to show that 1973-87 GM pickups were prone to fires in side impact crashes.

GM said it was the first time it had ever sued to protect its reputation.

"The 11 million households that viewed the program were never told that NBC used incendiary devices to try and ensure that a fire would erupt, seemingly due to the collision," GM Executive Vice President Harry Pearce said.

NBC acknowledged on its "Nightly News" program Monday that it used the incendiary devices in the test crash. The network didn't disclose that fact when it aired the show Nov. 17 because another factor—a spark from a broken headlight—caused the fire, NBC News President Michael G. Gartner said.

The lawsuit was filed in an Indiana state court. GM asked for a jury trial.

The offensive by the world's

largest automaker came four days after a jury in Atlanta found GM negligent over the "sidesaddle" fuel tank design of its older pickup truck models. The jury awarded \$105.2 million to the family of a teen-ager killed when the 1985 GMC truck he was driving was smashed in the side and exploded in 1989. GM is appealing the verdict.

Safety groups claim 300 people have died in side impact crashes in which fires resulted. Dozens of lawsuits have been filed, many of them settled out of court by GM.

Using videotape obtained from a fire chief and pictures from other witnesses, GM's Pearce said the institute for Safety Analysis, which conducted the Oct. 24 simulation used in the NBC show, attached model rockets to the bottom of a truck that was smashed by a Chevrolet Citation.

Just before impact, there were two plumes of smoke beneath the truck, which he said were the rockets being started by a remote transmitter.

Gartner said that while a particu-

lar crash might not produce sparks needed to ignite a fire, NBC wanted to illustrate the danger that a gas tank rupture poses if there is some other heat source, and so it attached the rockets. But he said a broken headlamp wound up starting the fire.

"We emphasize that GM does not claim that the sparking devices caused the fire," Gartner said in a statement. "Nothing GM said challenged the conclusion of the experts advising NBC that the fire was caused by the headlamp broken in the collision. Had the fire been caused by the sparking devices or anything else, NBC would have disclosed that fact in its broadcast."

"We remain convinced that taken in its entirety and in its detail, the segment that was broadcast on 'Dateline NBC' was fair and accurate," Gartner said.

"I am absolutely genuine when I tell you that this is not a public relations campaign," Pearce said. "We want the truth before the public."



General Motors Corp. Executive Vice President Harry Pearce answers reporters questions standing in front of a Chevrolet pickup truck used in a Nov. 17 crash test by NBC during a news conference at GM Headquarters in Detroit Monday. Pearce announced a lawsuit against NBC stating the "Dateline NBC" program used incendiary devices to start a fire in a test of alleged fire risks to GM full-size pickups.

Associated Press photo



Damacio Ibarra Torres, 49, whom police identified as the gunman who shot and critically wounded three doctors in the emergency room of Los Angeles County-USC Medical Center, is driven

away from the hospital by police Monday. After the shooting, Torres had held two women hostage for several hours before surrendering without a struggle.

Doctors critically wounded in shooting at LA hospital

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES — A man carrying three guns and demanding pain medication burst into an inner-city emergency room and critically wounded three doctors in an attack that heightened fears about safety in big city hospitals.

The gunman, who told police he has AIDS and had been treated at the hospital, held two women hostage for several hours Monday before freeing them unharmed and surrendering.

"It apparently has to do with what he perceives to be poor medical treatment," Lt. John Dunkin said.

The Los Angeles County-University of Southern California Medical Center is in a neighborhood with some of the city's worst gang violence. Yet most doors are wide open and there aren't enough guards, some staff members said.

"We cut the clothing off them and we find guns on them," said Dr. Marc Eckstein, chief resident in emergency medicine. "And their

buddies in the waiting room have on gang attire."

Damacio Ibarra Torres, 40, was booked for investigation of attempted murder and kidnapping. Police recovered two handguns, a sawed-off rifle and a knife.

He told a SWAT officer that he has AIDS, said police spokeswoman Officer Sharyn Michelson. Hospital officials said the gunman was a former patient, but they refused to discuss his medical history, citing confidentiality rules.

Dr. Richard May, 47, was reported in extremely critical condition with a gunshot wound to the head. Dr. Glen Roger, 41, and Paul Kaszubowski, 44, were in serious condition.

The doctors were shot at a desk near the entrance where they examined patients to expedite treatment in the crowded trauma center. The sole guard in the area was in another part of the emergency center, officials said.

May had just taken Dora Castaneda's blood pressure when the

shooting started, said the patient's husband, Arturo Castaneda.

"He was coming, you know, he had the look of the devil in him. I thought we were next," Castaneda said.

Patient Hope Flynn said she heard the gunman demand pain medication seconds before the shots rang out. "He was yelling, 'I want something for pain! Can't you understand me? Can't you see I need help?'" she said.

The hospital is one of the nation's largest, with more than 2,000 beds. Its exterior is the model for "General Hospital" in the ABC soap opera. Its emergency room is one of the nation's busiest, treating 600 to 650 patients a day for everything from stomach aches to gunshots, said spokesman Harvey Kern.

Kern and others said hospital safety has been improved in recent years with more guards and the use of card keys to enter some areas. The Police Department's Dunkin said security at the hospital is good.

Warlord keeps Marines waiting

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MOGADISHU, Somalia — Somali warlord Mohamed Farrah Aidid skipped a planned meeting with U.S. Marines today, a day after American troops detained one of his top allies and seized weapons.

Marine Col. Buck Bedard said Aidid had requested the meeting to thank U.S. forces for helping to set up a school in north Mogadishu.

"For whatever reason, he's not

showing," Bedard told journalists. "It was his agenda."

It was not immediately clear why Aidid failed to show up for the meeting at a Marine base set up in the city's main soccer stadium. He controls southern Mogadishu, while rival warlord Ali Mahdi Mohamed controls the northern part.

On Monday, Aidid ally Col. Omar Jess and 31 other Somalis were detained and questioned after U.S. troops found assault rifles, machine

guns and a rocket launcher during a routine search of vehicles stopped at a roadblock north of Mogadishu. All 32 were freed after questioning.

More than 20,000 U.S. troops and some 14,000 troops from 22 other countries are in Somalia to try to restore order so vital food aid can be distributed.

The United Nations said today that a cease-fire monitoring committee including clan leaders was scheduled to meet next Monday.

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Make politicians realize voters mean business

Just when you think you have heard the last of the Iran-Contra affair, new evidence pops up leading toward former President Ronald Reagan.

The interesting thing about Iran-Contra is how many Americans didn't seem to mind being lied to this time around. While Watergate was a different story, possibly the amount of scandals surrounding our elected officials has numbed us.

But what is left to the Iran-Contra affair now former President George Bush has pardoned the major players? Evidently still an attempt to find out what the president knew and when he knew it.

Special Prosecutor Lawrence Walsh recently reported to Congress about testimony linking the affair to the presidency and a thought-out cover up to blame it on former National Security Advisor Bud McFarlane.

The whole of the Iran-Contra affair underscores the reality of how difficult it is to take care of problems in our federal government. It also points out how unresponsive the government has been to the electorate.

What this whole mess has shown is if anything is to be done about misdeeds in Congress or the other branches of the federal government, it is that should be taking care of the problem by using the power granted to us in the Constitution. Vote them out.

We have to take back our government. That is possibly why President Bill Clinton was elected - an attempt for the people to get control of their government. If Clinton doesn't do what he says, then vote him out and we keep trying until we find one that works.

That is the only thing a politician can truly understand.

Cossacks, Aggies, what a combination

Once in a great while, something comes across the Associated Press "wire" - newspapers get that stuff via satellite these days - that's just too good to pass up.

Such is the case with a news item that crossed the state wire Monday dealing with Russian agriculture.

"Huh? Bear with me for a minute and we'll make things clear... well, as clear as they can be made by anyone whose only knowledge of agriculture is that he likes rib eye steaks two inches thick and cooked on the rare side of medium rare."

But from what the rotund one has gleaned, it seems the folks in the Tatarstan region of Central Russia feel they need some help in modernizing the agricultural system, identifying new markets and developing new marketing programs.

Makes sense to me, aren't these the folks that gave us "Steak Tartar?"

And to whom do the Russians turn for such expertise?

Why, the United States Department of Agriculture, of course.

But to whom, pray tell, will the USDA turn for such a program?

None other than our beloved Texas Aggies.

That's right, I mean Texas A&M University - the real one - that school for slow learners down on the Brazos.

Don't take any of that personally. Some of my best friends are Aggies - truly they are, and when I mail them copies of this column, as true friendship requires, they won't stay mad for more than a month or two.

I figure it's a fair trade. The Ags keep beating my favorite Texas Longhorns in football, so they have their chance to REALLY humiliate me every Thanksgiving. The least they can do is put up with my occasional cheap shots.

But I digress. From what I understand, we're not talking about a full-fledged extension service program for Tatarstan, but I'll bet there's a job available for any county agent out there who can speak Russian.

Anyway, from what I've read, A&M will offer educational programs, establish a model farm and help identify markets and marketing programs to help improve the region's agriculture.

The program is supposed to include agribusiness courses for Russians in both Tatarstan and Texas.

Yes, but will Waylon ever sing "T for Texas, T for Tartarstan?" There's serious doubt in this



John A. Moseley

corner.

The program will also make use of a Tatarstan model farm built last year as a basis for developing and demonstrating updated agricultural production and marketing techniques, Texas A&M officials said.

The farm will produce, harvest, store, package and market agricultural products, all the while evaluating new technology and providing agricultural education, they added.

All of this is well and good, but there is one overriding concern here.

From what I've read in various reports and seen on television, one of the former Soviet Union's biggest agricultural shortcomings was an inability to provide the infrastructure and transportation network necessary to effectively move foodstuffs from the fields to the stores.

Consequently, a majority of the Soviets' food rotted in the field before it could be transported for processing or marketing.

And if the folks in Tatarstan seek Aggie assistance for that problem, all they have to do is contact the Texas Department of Transportation - perhaps the largest employer of Texas A&M engineering graduates anywhere.

I can't wait to see some Cossack's reaction when he finds his horse has been blinded by loose gravel left over from a summer's seal coating.

If the reaction is anything like mine when I wind up buying new headlights for my car each summer, we could be in store for a new version of Cold War.

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The song sticks in the mind

His eyes were glazed, and a strange sound seemed to be coming from the direction of Slat's Grobnik, causing several other patrons to look down the bar curiously.

After a nudge, he said: "Huh, what's doin'?"

"Are you all right?"

"Yeah, sure, why?"

Well, you seemed distracted and were making a groaning sound.

"Nah, I was just trying to do some positive thinking. So I was singing the new national anthem."

"What new anthem?"

"You know, President Clinton's big theme song. The one from that Cadillac Jack."

You mean Fleetwood Mac.

"Whatever. It's the one where you're supposed to keep thinking about tomorrow and you'll feel better. You want me to sing it?"

You actually know it?

"Sure. I figured that if it's part of what makes Clinton and his wife tick, I ought to memorize it so I know what to expect. So I sing it to myself."

Has it given you positive thinking?

"Well, to tell the truth, it's kind of a stupid song."

In what way?

"Well, it starts out like this: 'If you wake up and don't want to smile, if it takes just a little while, open your eyes and look at the day, you'll see things in a different way.' Now, you see what I mean?"

See what?

"It says that if I wake up and I



Mike Royko

ain't smiling, I should open my eyes. What's that supposed to mean? For one thing, it's unnatural to smile when you wake up. Even babies know that, which is why the first thing they do is cry. And when I wake up, I always open my eyes. That's part of waking up. If I didn't open my eyes, instead of walking into the bathroom, I'd walk through the wrong doorway and fall down the basement steps and break my neck."

That's possible. But the rest of the song expands on the message.

"Yeah, I know. 'Don't stop thinking about tomorrow. Don't stop. It'll soon be here. It'll be here, better than before. Yesterday's gone. Yesterday's gone. Oh, don't you look back.' Now, how's that for dumb?"

Not at all. It seems to be promising that better times are coming.

"Wait a minute. When I wake up in the morning, why should I start thinking about tomorrow" when the rest of today is more than enough for me to worry about? And all I know for sure about tomorrow is that if I live that long,

I'll be one day older. So what's to cheer about?"

There's some truth in that.

"So I wake up. The first thing I want is some coffee, not to start thinking about tomorrow. Then I bring in the paper and read it. The news is depressing because it's about a new crisis or somebody else's problems or somebody getting shot. And it's never somebody who deserves it that gets shot. You ought to tell your editors to find stories about real rotten people getting shot so we can be more cheerful in the morning."

I'll pass that along.

"And then there's the part of the song that says: 'Yesterday's gone, yesterday's gone. Don't you look back.' Hey, that's all right for him to say."

Who?

"Clinton. Don't look back, huh? With all those bodyguards, maybe he don't have to look back. But anytime I leave the house, I look back to make sure there ain't no kid needing a fast cash flow sneaking up behind me."

I think the song is saying that we should not dwell on the past, that we should look ahead to a brighter future.

"That figures because he's part of that boom-boom babies generation, and they never look back because they think the whole history of the world started the day they was born."

Or with the birth of rock 'n' roll.

"Maybe with Super Bowl I. Anyway, here's the part of the song

that bothers me the most: 'All I want is to see you smile, if it takes just a little while. I know you don't want to believe it's true. I never meant any harm to you.' Now that makes me nervous about Clinton."

Why? It seems harmless enough.

"Uh-uh. He's already apologizing. Listen to this again: 'I know you don't want to believe it's true. I never meant any harm to you.' You know what that tells me?"

What?

"New taxes. It sounds like that line about how, hey, this is gonna hurt me more than it hurts you. Which is a lie. When the nurse or the doc sticks the needle in me, I don't hear them yell. So I think Clinton likes that song because he's saying he's gonna stick it to me, but he can't help himself, and I should not be mad."

And I think you are reading more into this than the obvious fact that Clinton doesn't have very good taste in lyrics. Which, if you listen to one of his speeches, should be obvious.

"No, there's another line that makes me nervous. It goes: 'If your life was bad today, just think what tomorrow will do.'"

See? An optimistic message. Tomorrow will be brighter. Another way of saying that there is a light at the end of the tunnel.

"Uh-huh. But remember that other line about the light at the end of the tunnel."

What line is that?

"It might be a train coming your way."



Blockbuster way of life

Went to the movies on Super Sunday just past. The theater was almost completely full, the film was a sweet and likable new comedy called "Matinee." The presence of all the customers in the audience did not necessarily mean that every person in the seats had rejected the Super Bowl. The movie let out in time for those who wanted to watch the football game to get home for the kickoff.

But the sight of the people in the movie theater was visual reassurance that not everyone in the country takes pleasure in exactly the same diversions. It's a pretty good bet that, for a respectable percentage of the people around me in the theater, the principal amusement they favored themselves with last Sunday was not the Super Bowl, but "Matinee." No matter how big the audience numbers that a particular entertainment racks up -- and nothing is bigger than the Super Bowl -- there are men and women out there willing to look for something else.

In the world of book publishing, there is something known as "the blockbuster phenomenon." This refers to the temptation publishers have to buy the rights only to books that promise to become huge commercial successes. It is all very noble to put out an elegant first novel, or a thoughtful volume about an obscure but worthy topic. Publishers bite the insides of their mouths, though, when the latest ghostwritten confessional by the TV star of the season sells a million copies -- few publishers are able to hide at least a twinge of envy when a book that doesn't suit their own lofty tastes is sent to market by a rival publishing house, and goes straight to No. 1.

The blockbuster phenomenon is becoming more and more a part of American life, and not just in the book-publishing business. The Super Bowl has been the chief example of the blockbuster phenomenon for some time now: It's the closest thing to Christmas in the secular world. No entertainment --



Bob Greene

no television show, no movie, no musical recording, no book -- can ever attract 100 percent of the population, but year in and year out the Super Bowl manages to approximate a holiday, and Super Sunday manages to bring more Americans together than almost any other pre-scheduled event you might name.

The advertisers who swallow hard and spend such a large proportion of their annual marketing budgets on Super Bowl commercials are not necessarily football fans. Football has nothing to do with it. The advertisers are willing acolytes of the blockbuster phenomenon -- they are there because you are there. The blockbuster phenomenon is a self-fulfilling prophecy that inevitably comes full circle: A certain number of Super Bowl viewers, like the advertisers, have no particular interest in the game itself, but watch because to fail to do so would make them feel as if they are missing something that is all but required. The next day, people at their offices and in their neighborhoods will be talking not only about the game but about the commercials. Not to be conversant is to feel left out.

That's why it's always instructive to spend some time in a movie theater or a library or a skating rink on Super Sunday, the same way it is instructive to forgo shopping at a gargantuan mall and instead visit the small stores a mile or so away and find yourself in the midst of men and women who have made a similar decision. If Super Sunday is an annual demonstration of just how potent the blockbuster phenomenon can be

when orchestrated to its fullest potential, then a foray into other cultural venues on the day the game is being played re-emphasizes that even when everyone is purported to be partaking of the same activity, plenty of people aren't.

The bad side of the blockbuster phenomenon is that it doesn't allow for something to start small and find its audience. When a book publisher pays \$5 million or more for the memoirs of a famous politician, or a novel by a brand-name superseller, it isn't enough for the book to do well. In some cases, if one of these books fails to go to No. 1 on the best-seller list its first week out, it is judged to be a failure. If a movie has an enormous budget and a top-name cast, there is no such thing as modest success. Nothing less than huge will do.

There are pleasures to be had in skipping the blockbusters. It's well and good to be familiar with the cultural reference points that the majority of the world is discussing, but the half-life of blockbusters can be surprisingly short. Quick: Who won the Super Bowl two years ago? Even when everyone is paying attention to the same thing, that doesn't mean everyone won't soon forget.



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This date in history

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Today is Tuesday, Feb. 9, the 40th day of 1993. There are 325 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: One hundred years ago, on Feb. 9, 1893, what's been described as the world's first striptease took place at the Moulin Rouge, during a party thrown by Parisian students. An artist's model named "Mona" gradually disrobed as part of an impromptu beauty competition with another woman; her subsequent arrest and 100-franc fine sparked a riot in the French capital.

On this date:

In 1773, the ninth president of the United States, William Henry Harrison, was born in Charles City County, Va.

In 1861, the Provisional Congress of the Confederate States of America elected Jefferson Davis president and Alexander H. Stephens vice president.

In 1870, the U.S. Weather Bureau was established.

In 1893, 100 years ago, Giuseppe Verdi's last opera, "Falstaff," was first performed, in Milan, Italy.

In 1933, 60 years ago, the Oxford Union Society at Oxford University debated, then approved, 275-to-153, a motion stating "that this House will in no circumstances fight for its King and Country," a stand that was widely denounced by other Britons.

In 1943, 50 years ago, the World War II battle of Guadalcanal in the southwest Pacific ended with a U.S. victory over Japanese forces, who were forced to evacuate.

In 1950, Senator Joseph McCarthy, R-Wis., charged that the State Department was riddled with Communists.

In 1964, an estimated 73 million viewers tuned in as the Beatles made their first live American television appearance, on "The Ed Sullivan Show."

In 1984, Soviet leader Yuri V. Andropov died at age 69, less than 15 months after succeeding Leonid Brezhnev.

Ten years ago: In a dramatic reversal from fifty years earlier (see above), the Oxford Union Society at Oxford University rejected, 416-to-187, a motion "that this House would not fight for Queen and Country."

Five years ago: A day after Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev announced that Soviet troops could start withdrawing from Afghanistan by the following May, U.S. officials welcomed the offer, but urged a swifter timetable for total withdrawal.

One year ago: The government of Algeria declared a state of emergency to quell spreading Muslim fundamentalist unrest. Magic Johnson returned to professional basketball by playing in the NBA All-Star game. (Johnson was named most valuable player as his team, the Western Conference, defeated the Eastern Conference 153-to-113.)

Today's Birthdays: Former Secretary of State Dean Rusk is 84. Actress Kathryn Grayson is 70.

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Runnels win consolation

Last weekend the Runnels girls-A team won the consolation round of the Andrews tournament with a 28-12 victory over Denver City on Saturday. Monica Rubio led the Lady Yearlings in all three of their tournament games, averaging nine points a contest.

Runnels lost Friday to Monahans 24-20 with Rubio scoring 10 points. Saturday it defeated Snyder for the fourth time this season, 39-24. Scoring against Snyder were Rubio and Kelly Kennedy (eight points), Dee Hill (six), Sara Lusk (five) and Tisa Sevey (four). Against Denver City Rubio had nine, Lusk four and Kim Robertson four.

Brandi Purcell, Sindy Hernandez and Kim Mendoza also played well for Runnels in the tournament.

Lady Steers game cancelled

Lady Steer basketball coach Ron Taylor cancelled his team's game with Abilene Cooper scheduled for tonight in Abilene. Taylor said the Lady Steers would be better served by not playing the game and risking injury.

The team has already clinched the District 3-4A championship and will end its regular season Friday at 6 p.m. at home versus Fort Stockton. Abilene Cooper had already finished its district season. The junior varsity will still play their game against Abilene Cooper. Tipoff for the JV game is 7 p.m.

Goliad splits with Sweetwater

The Goliad White Team defeated Sweetwater 27-26. Scoring for Goliad were Eddie Campos 10 points; Pedro Vasquez, eight points; Charlie Rodriguez, four points; Luis Pena and Antwoyne Edward two points each; and Gil Gradunder with one point.

The Goliad Black was defeated in a close 38-31 game by Sweetwater. Scoring were Josh Long, nine points; Jason Brock, eight points; Luis Lopez, six points; Brock Gee, four points; Steven Dickson and Greg Wallengen, two points each.

Next games are Feb. 15 against Snyder at 5 p.m. and 6 p.m.

Freshmen bencher spurs Hawks to win

By MIKE BUTTS Sports Editor

What was ordinary about the Howard College Hawks 97-88 win over New Mexico Junior College Monday was Mark Davis leading all scorers with 27 points.

What was different was the play of freshmen Juan Gay.

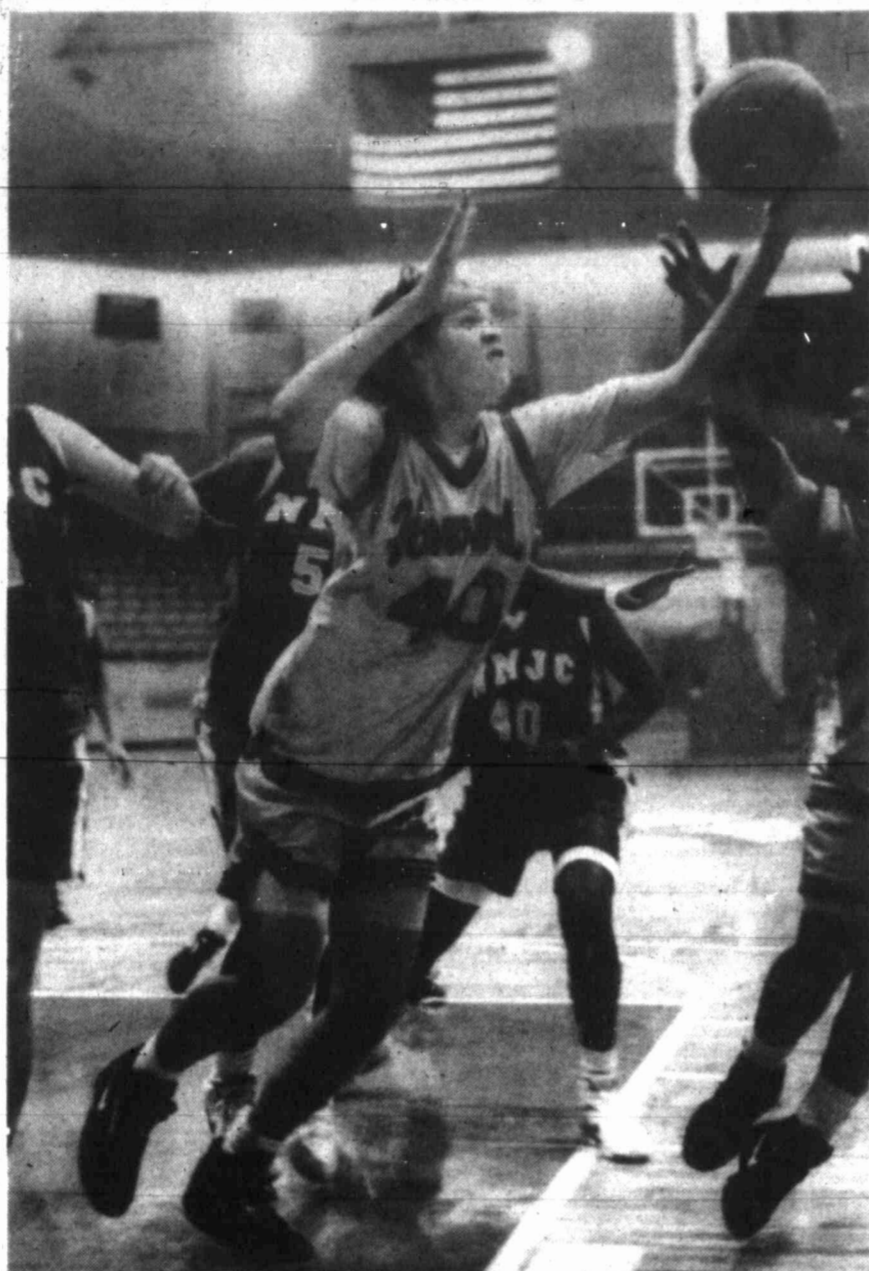
Gay came off the bench at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum to score 21 of his 25 points in the second half. That helped the fifth-ranked Hawks solidify their hold on second place in the Western Junior College Athletic Conference. Howard remains one game behind Odessa College with a 7-1 conference mark, 22-2 overall.

Davis leads the Hawks in scoring and is one of the top scorers in the WJCAC. But Gay is mostly called upon to play in spots, and his scoring comes strictly as a bonus.

Monday Gay's points were instrumental in the Hawks overcoming a 36-32 halftime deficit to win their



Howard College forward Mark Davis (42) is fouled enroute to the basket by New Mexico Junior College player Dell Savage (50) during first half action Monday evening. The Hawks downed the Thunderbirds, 97-88.



Howard College Lady Hawks Annette Robinson (40) grabs a rebound underneath the basket during second half action against New Mexico Junior College Monday evening. In a close contest, the number one-ranked Lady Hawks nipped the Lady Thunderbirds, 78-75.

Astros reach ticket selling agreement

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HOUSTON — The Houston Astros, who have drawn sparse crowds in recent years to home games, have reached an agreement with Randall's Food Markets to let fans buy some upper deck tickets for \$2.

Randall's will buy 183,469 Houston Astros tickets, virtually every upper-deck seat for 13 Friday night games this season, at \$3 each and sell them at the discounted rate. An upper deck ticket usually sells for \$5 to \$7.

"The idea is to give families a night out together," said Randall's spokeswoman Cindy Garbs. "Sometimes it's tough for a family to be

able to afford a night out together." Robert R. Onstead, chairman of the Houston-based Randall's chain and Astros owner Drayton McLane Jr. and Onstead are longtime friends.



Where is it? Clemson's Andre Bovain, left, and Lou Richie watch as the ball gets away from Duke's Grant Hill during first half action in their Monday night game in Greenville. Due won 93-84.

Cowboys to be doused with 15 tons of confetti during parade

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DALLAS — Buses were offering free rides downtown today for the Dallas Cowboys' parade that has taken the team more than a decade to earn.

As many as a quarter of a million people were expected to line the parade's route that winds between high-rise office buildings where 15 tons of confetti are stashed.

The noon parade for the Cowboys' 51-17 Super Bowl victory over the Buffalo Bills will be Dallas' biggest ever, city officials said.

More than 200 police officers, including some on horseback and others riding bicycles, will monitor the route to prevent fans from leaping barricades and mobbing Cowboys players as they ride in convertibles.

"What we can't allow to happen is if one person decides to go up and touch a player and someone else sees it, then they'll feel they want to go up and touch him," said Deputy

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Lady Hawks squeak by Clutch play gives team narrow victory

By MIKE BUTTS Sports Editor

Normally when a team comes to Dorothy Garrett Coliseum with a record of 15-10, it can expect to get blitzed by the home team Howard College Lady Hawks.

But Howard's 78-75 win over New Mexico Junior College Monday was by no means normal.

It was an adrenalin-pumped, down-to-the-last-three-point-attempt squeaker of the kind the Lady Hawks haven't experienced all season. And for several tense moments it looked as if Howard's undefeated season and top national ranking would disintegrate in the unlikely of places.

But clutch baskets and rebounds by Regina Huff and Angel Spinks, and a last-minute basket by Anita Wright kept the Lady Hawks unblemished season intact.

The game marked only the second time all year the now 25-0 Howard team has gone into halftime with a deficit. And it was the closest game the Hawks have played this season, along with the only time they have not had a double-figure winning margin at home.

The Hawks trailed by as many as 13 points in the first half. But Wright's clutch basket with 1:01 left in the game broke a 75-75 tie. And LeKisha Wiley's free throw provided

the final margin. Wright also hit two free throws at the 1:38 mark to put Howard up 75-73.

Lady Hawk coach Royce Chadwick showed his appreciation to Wright after the game.

"I gave out two big hugs," Chadwick said. "She got one and LeKisha got one for her free throw."

Not coincidentally, the only other time Howard failed to win by double figures and trailed by 13 points in a game came the last time the Lady Hawks met Western Junior College Athletic Conference foe NMJC.

"They struggle against (lesser teams), but when they get ready to play they're as good as any other team in the league," a hoarse and worn out Chadwick said.

Howard stays on top of the WJCAC with the win, going to 7-0 in conference play. NMJC remains in fifth place at 2-6, 15-11 overall.

"We play well against good teams," said Lady Thunderbird coach Brent Palmer. "That puts us at 4-6 against top 20 teams. But the teams that aren't established we've had trouble with."

In the first half the teams seemed to have switched identities. Howard turned the ball over 24 times and the Lady Thunderbirds went on a 17-0 run during which they seldom missed chances to score. Sophomore forward Cami Williams got hot on the run, scoring 12 of her team-

leading 19 points in the 3:51 span. The spurt culminated with Tanya Fisher hitting one of two free throws when officials called a technical foul on Chadwick for arguing a call.

But down 29-16 the Lady Hawks began a slow return to the level that has produced 25 wins and their high ranking. They hit 11-14 free throws for the rest of the half to cut the halftime margin to six points at 43-37.

Twice during the second half the Lady Hawks appeared on the verge of pulling away from NMJC. But the Lady Thunderbirds were not intimidated by playing the nation's number one junior college team on their home court. Fisher's back-to-back three-pointers tied the game at 73.

Down by three, NMJC had a chance to tie the game with a possession in the final seconds. But Monica Maestas missed an open three and Wiley stole the ball from Trinella Hinex who had rebounded Maestas missed.

"We held our poise down the stretch and we executed our offense down the stretch," Chadwick said. "I felt like in the last two minutes we played good, fundamental basketball and in the regional tournament that's what gets you through."

As long as they don't have to play NMJC, the Lady Hawks may not have such a hard time getting through that tournament.

Mavs on short end of Ewing stick

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Once again, Patrick Ewing came up big and Dallas came up short. Ewing scored a season-high 40 points Monday night, including 10 in overtime, as the New York Knicks made Philadelphia their fifth straight victim, 120-115.

Ewing made 17 of 30 shots from the field and 6 of 7 at the foul line to top his previous high this season, 35 points against Phoenix on Jan. 18.

"Our defense was good and that is the reason we prevailed," Knicks coach Pat Riley said. "But the value of Patrick as a major threat is what we are all about. You have to go to your strength and live off that."

Dallas almost won its first road game of the season before falling to the Los Angeles Lakers in overtime, 108-100. The Mavericks, now 0-20 away from Reunion Arena, haven't won outside Dallas since their final road game last season at Denver.

"I thought we outplayed them for most of the game," said Derek Harper, who led the Mavs with 23 points. "We played tough and gave ourselves a chance to win it. That's all we can ask for."

In other NBA games, Utah beat Orlando 108-96 and Washington downed Houston 106-100.

Lakers 108, Mavericks 100, OT. At the Forum, Byron Scott scored 26 points and A.C. Green sparked a decisive 12-2 overtime run for the Lakers, who lost to the Mavericks earlier this season in Dallas.

"We won, but it wasn't a very

NBA roundup

good-looking victory," said Green, who finished with 16 points after scoring six straight during the key run.

"We're very happy to get this one. They played very well and they should have won the game. But we finally got our heads together and got focused."

James Worthy scored 20 points and Sam Perkins added a career-high 17 rebounds for the Lakers. Dallas, which has won only four games this season, has lost 20 of its last 24 games against the Lakers.

Bullets 106, Rockets 100. At Houston, reserve forward Larry Stewart scored 21 points in 24 minutes as Washington defeated the Rockets.

Stewart, averaging seven points per game, hit seven of eight shots from the field. "My points came in the flow of the game," said the second-year pro from Coppin State.

The Bullets double-teamed Houston center Hakeem Olajuwon, who was held to 17 points.

"Basically, we tried to take away the thing they do best," Washington center Pervis Ellison said. "We doubled up on Olajuwon like everyone else in the league tries to do."

The Bullets survived a fourth

quarter run by the Rockets and a 30-point performance by Kenny Smith to win on the road for only the fourth time this season.

Knicks 120, 76ers 115, OT. At Philadelphia, Greg Anthony had 17 points and 11 assists, and Anthony Mason added 15 points and a career-high 18 rebounds for New York.

"We're finally starting to put it together," said Ewing, who scored 18 of the Knicks' last 24 points. "We're jelling as a team. We've fought back for a lot of big saves lately. Tonight we showed a lot of guts."

Hersey Hawkins scored 26 points for the Sixers, who lost their fourth in a row. The Sixers played without their top scorer, Jeff Hornacek, who was sidelined with an injured left knee.

"We are playing tough and competitive and our games are close, but we are not coming away with the wins," Philadelphia coach Doug Moe said.

Jazz 108, Magic 96. At Salt Lake City, Karl Malone had 23 points and 14 rebounds, and Utah used a 13-1 run early in the fourth quarter to beat Orlando.

Jeff Malone scored 22 points and Tyrone Corbin, who made 10 of 12 shots, added 21 for the Jazz. John Stockton finished with 18 points and 15 assists for Utah.

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Permian Basin Weather

Wednesday: Partly cloudy. High around 60. West wind 15-25 mph and gusty becoming north in the afternoon.

Thursday: Partly cloudy. Low in the lower 30s. High in mid 50s.

Friday: Clear and dry. High in the lower 50s. Low in the mid 20s.

Lawmen nab rape, burglary suspect

By **MARTHA E. FLORES**
Staff Writer

Keith Devoul Renteria, the fifth suspect being sought by local authorities in an aggravated sexual assault and burglary Thursday, was arrested at 10 a.m. in a mobile home in rural Howard County.

Acting on an informant's tip, three Howard County Sheriff's deputies and one member of the Permian Basin Drug Task Force made the arrest, according to Sheriff A.N. Standard.

In addition to Renteria, three men and a 14-year-old juvenile have been arrested in connection with the

crimes, as well as burglaries throughout the city that evening and going as far back as mid-January.

Three are in custody awaiting further criminal proceedings.

Area law enforcement agencies had made Renteria's capture a priority, enlisting each other's assistance and utilizing all available resources, said a Big Spring Police Department spokesperson.

Responding to the call from the southwest part of the city about 1:30 a.m., officers began their search for the five suspects. Between 4 a.m. and 4:30 a.m., patrol officers detected the suspects in the victim's 1979 Chevrolet. A chase ensued

leading to the arrest of the four suspects.

With the arrests, officers recovered stolen property at a westside home. The stolen goods were from two business and two residential burglaries. The suspects are also linked to two vehicle burglaries that evening.

One of the businesses burglarized Thursday was the Fun Stuff 99 Cent Store. Fun Stuff owner Dennis Brislaw says a rough value estimate of the merchandise stolen is \$2,000.

Police department spokespersons said they recovered about 240 T-shirts and miscellaneous items. Other goods recovered include a

computer system valued at about \$3,000 stolen from a residence in mid-January.

Others currently in custody are Ronnie Moncada, 28, and Juan Samora, 22. They are charged burglary of a habitation with intent to commit sexual assault, burglary of a building, two counts of burglary of a vehicle and aggravated robbery. No bond has set, because both Moncada and Samora were on parole, the spokesperson said.

Juan Pablo Mendez, 22, is charged with burglary of a habitation and two counts of burglary of a vehicle. He is out on bond.

The juvenile is in a juvenile detention facility.

History

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tion states. The 373 students at Bauer that year were 42 percent white, 51 percent Hispanic and 5 percent black. In 1982, 184 students were 2.7 percent white, 75.5 percent Hispanic and 21.7 percent black.

However, despite reasonable attempts to hire more minority teachers, there were still not enough minority teachers and efforts needed to continue, the suit states. As a result a minority faculty member or administrator is now used to identify and recruit applicants. Another review is scheduled for next year, which will be the last if goals are met.

Desegregation across the country was also being achieved on other fronts, as well.

As early as 1946, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled segregation on interstate buses unconstitutional — four years before various Supreme Court decisions opened university facilities to blacks.

In 1952, as the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and other groups succeed in desegregating a number of colleges and high schools, efforts also led to some housing projects being opened to blacks and desegregation being achieved in businesses, unions and other facilities.

In 1955, in accordance with Supreme Court edicts, the Interstate Commerce Commission outlawed segregated buses and waiting rooms for interstate passengers. However, the Almanac states, many communities ignored the order.

That year, Rosa Parks was arrested in Montgomery, Ala., for refusing to surrender a bus seat to a white man, resulting in a boycott of buses there. A year later, the Supreme Court ruled that bus segregation is unconstitutional and the Montgomery boycott ended in victory for boycotters on Dec. 21.

As with schools, there was resistance in other desegregation efforts.

In 1961, several bus loads of Freedom Riders organized by the Congress of Racial Equality set out on a ride through the South to test compliance at bus stations. They were arrested and attacked in many places, according to the Almanac. Attorney General Robert Kennedy ordered 600 federal marshals to Montgomery, Ala., to maintain order.

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Correction

Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce's Minority Involvement Planning Committee Tuesday meeting time was listed incorrectly in the Big Spring Herald Monday edition. The meeting will be at 5:30 p.m. today at the chamber.



Herald photo by Tim Appel

In place

The Big Spring Police Department's mobile precinct — the only one of its kind in the nation — was in place and in use over the weekend at the Northcrest Apartments. The trailer, officials said,

will be located at several different places during the year, in hopes of establishing a closer relationship between the department and citizens.

Walsh claims Meese lied about Iran-Contra affair

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — "It's going to be a long two years," Attorney General Edwin Meese mused in a note to Caspar Weinberger as Congress clamored for details of the arms-for-hostages deals with Iran.

Iran-Contra prosecutor Lawrence Walsh disclosed Meese's note Monday, accusing the former attorney general of making a false statement designed to protect Ronald Reagan by announcing at a Nov. 24, 1986, White House meeting that the president hadn't known about one of the arms shipments.

Meese made the same false statement on television the next day, even though Secretary of State George Shultz had told Meese on Nov. 22 that Reagan had known about the arms delivery, Walsh said.

Meese denied Monday night that he had lied. But Weinberger's notes, Walsh said, suggested that the attorney general "was warning the president's advisers that to disclose the president's knowledge" of a 1985 missile shipment to Iran "would expose him to a charge of illegal activity."

In an interim report to Congress, Walsh said former White House chief of staff Donald Regan was prepared to testify in court that he feared impeachment of the president and that Regan had known Meese's statement to be untrue.

Reagan, Meese and Shultz knew that Meese's statement "was false," Walsh said. The prosecutor added that then-Vice President George Bush "should have known the state-

ment was false" because he and Reagan had been briefed about the CIA-assisted delivery of Hawk anti-aircraft missiles to Iran.

Yet Reagan and his aides didn't correct Meese's assertion, Walsh added.

Walsh also suggested that Bush pardoned Weinberger, the former defense secretary, to avoid answering questions about his own role in Iran-Contra.

He disclosed that a longtime friend of Bush — ex-U.S. Information Agency chief Henry Catto — wrote Bush six days before last year's Christmas Eve Iran-Contra pardons saying that prosecutors "plan to have Bush and Reagan testify" at Weinberger's scheduled Jan. 5 trial.

Walsh said he wouldn't have called them, but he suggested that Meese, and possibly Bush, might have been called as defense witnesses.

Bush and Meese "would on public cross-examination have been subject to searching questions about the administration's conduct and their own in November 1986," said Walsh.

Walsh told the American Bar Association today in Boston that President Bush's pardons of Weinberger and five other Iran-Contra figures underscore the need to reinstate the law that allowed for independent investigations of top government officials.

He said Bush's action was an abuse of power. "It is a disparagement

of the rule of law for a president to use his pardon power to prevent the trial of a personal colleague," he said.

The law was enacted in 1978 and has been renewed twice, but it expired on Dec. 15 after Republican senators blocked legislation to renew it.

In Houston, Bush spokesman Andrew Maner said: "President Bush acted with compassion and good conscience in his pardons, but we will not comment on Judge Walsh's report."

Meese and Weinberger's lawyer reacted strongly to Walsh's report.

"Any idea that I lied or Mr. Weinberger lied is absolutely untrue," Meese said during an appearance at Babson College in Wellesley, Mass. "I am absolutely convinced that at no time did the president do anything that was illegal or improper."

Walsh is "a bitter man trying to rehabilitate a damaged reputation," said Weinberger's lawyer, Robert Bennett. Walsh has compiled "a work of fiction ... that is all old stuff which is not supported by the evidence," Bennett said of the report.

But Shultz, according to notes dictated to State Department aide Charles Hill and released by Walsh, said his colleagues were "rearranging the record" after the Nov. 24, 1986, meeting.

Oil/Markets

March crude oil \$19.98, down 10, and March cotton futures 60.70 cents a pound, down 37; cash hog is steady at 43.75; slaughter steers is \$1.00 higher at 81 cents even; February live hog futures 43.82, up 32; February live cattle futures 81.15, up 10 at 10:03 a.m., according to Delta Commodities.

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Bethlehem Steel	18 1/2	- 1/4
Cabot	41 1/2	nc
Chevron	76	nc
Chrysler	39 1/2	- 1/4
Coca-Cola	40 1/2	- 1/4
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DuPont	49 1/2	- 1/4
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Noon quotes courtesy of Edward D. Jones & Co., 219 Main St., Big Spring, 267-2501. Quotes are from today's market, and the change is market activity from 3 p.m. the previous day.

Courts

The following cases were decided in area courts:

Sheriff

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following incidents:

- John Randy Lewis, 33, of Big Spring was arrested for driving with a suspended license.
- Filameno Avila II, 20, of Big Spring was arrested for aggravated possession of marijuana with intent to distribute.
- Mark Vincent Kelly, 30, of Big Spring was arrested for unlawfully carrying a weapon, failure to appear (DWI) and revocation of probation (burglary of a building).

Weather Records

Monday's high temp	73
Monday's low temp	44
Average high	60
Average low	29
Record high	83 in 1943
Record low	06 in 1933
Rainfall Monday	0.00
Month to date	0.00
Month's normal	0.67
Year to date	0.21
Normal for year	00.75

Deaths

Bonnie Thorp

Bonnie Thorp, 64, Big Spring, died Sunday, Feb. 7, 1993, at San Antonio State Chest Hospital. Services will be 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home Chapel with Dr. Claude Craven and the Rev. Randy Cotton officiating. Burial will be in Trinity Memorial Park under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

She was born June 24, 1928 in Peterpender, Ark. She married Ralph Thorp on Feb. 2, 1947 in Artesia, N.M. He preceded her in death on July 26, 1976. She had lived in Big Spring for 43 years and had retired from the Big Spring State Hospital in 1985. She was a member of Trinity Baptist Church.

Survivors include one son, Ralph

Thorp Jr., Austin, five daughters: Mrs. Jimmie (Pat) Daniels and Mrs. Gary (Bonnie Sue) Bradbury, both of Big Spring, Mrs. Keith (Sharon) Grant, Greenwood, Mrs. Frank (Linda) Howard, Little Rock, Ark., and Mrs. Jerry (Sarah Ann) Rogers, Russellville, Kent; two brothers: Joe Swafford and Billy Swafford, both of Artesia, N.M.; nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Family suggests memorials be made to the Trinity Baptist Church. The family will be at 2201 Alabama.

Byron Hill

Byron Douglas Hill, 77, Big Spring, died Monday, Feb. 8, 1993. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

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Springboard

To submit an item to Springboard, put it in writing and mail or deliver it to us one week in advance. Mail to: Springboard, Big Spring Herald, P. O. Box 1431, Big Spring, TX 79721 or bring it by the office, 710 Scurry.

ATTENTION CALENDAR USERS: Support groups will be listed regularly in Tuesday's paper on 2-B.

Calendar

Today

All this week — Valentine's special at the Big Spring Humane Society. Adoption fee for dogs is \$30 adoption, cats \$20. spaying or neutering included. Adopted pets can be taken home or held at the shelter until Valentine's for a surprise. All pets adopted this week will come with a big red bow.

Bingo is offered at the Lions Building, Monday and Tuesday, 6:00 p.m., and Saturday at 1 and 6 p.m. Lion's Lic.#12372690748, Harc Lic. #30008084854.

St. Thomas Catholic Church offers bingo at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday and Sunday.

The Salvation Army will have a dinner for area needy at 5:30 p.m. at their building, 308 Ayfford, Monday through Friday.

Buffalo Trail Council invites friends of Scouting, Volunteers and Chartered Partners to celebrate Boy Scouts of America's Birthday. Satellite Center Open House, Price Womack Service Center, Tuesday, Feb. 9, from 11-2 p.m., 204 N. Grant, Odessa; and Council Open House, Scout Service Center, Friday, Feb. 12, 11-2:30 p.m., 1101 W. Texas, Midland.

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

High Adventure Explorers Post 519 will meet at 7 p.m. at the VA Medical Center room 212. Ages 14-20.

Howard College presents a brown-bag luncheon, workshop on Parenting Skills and Handling Children ages 2-10, noon to 1 p.m. at the Dora Roberts Student Union. For information call 264-5085.

Christian Home Schoolers will meet for skating, Feb. birthdays and the recipe draw at the Family Life Center of the First Baptist Church from 2-4:30 p.m. For information call Donna at 267-8851.

Kentwood Older Adult Center will have their annual Chili Supper from 4:30-7 p.m. Tickets are \$4.00 each and will be sold at the door.

Big Spring Senior Center ceramics class from 9:30-11:30 a.m. 55 and older invited.

The Rap Group will meet 6-7 p.m. at the VA Medical Center, room 212. All veterans of Vietnam, Lebanon, Grenada, Panama and Persian Gulf invited.

Big Spring Senior Center will have art classes from 9:30-11:30 a.m. 55 and older invited.

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West Texas Opportunities, Inc. will distribute commodities at the Evening Lions Club, 1607 E. 3rd St., in their east parking lot in the small white building from 8:15-2 p.m. All recipients must have their certification cards with them. If anyone has extra sacks please bring them. For information call 267-9536.

Permian Basin Aids Coalition will meet at 7 p.m. at the Corral. For information call Diane Linhart at 263-0900.

Rackley-Swords #379 will meet at 7 p.m. in the Veterans Center (VFW hall) on Driver Rd.

The American Legion and Auxiliary will meet at 7 p.m.

Masonic Lodge #598 will meet at 7:30 p.m. at 219 Main.

There will be Country/Western music & Singing at the Kentwood Center at 7 p.m. 2805 Lynn Dr. Public Welcome.

Steer baseball booster club will meet at 7 p.m. in the high school library. Anyone is welcome to attend and support the group.

Children's Rights through Informed Education will meet at 7:30 p.m. at the Chamber of Commerce. Open to public.

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Section B

Reye's Syndrome: Mysterious, dangerous

By CONNIE SWINNEY Staff Writer

Reye's Syndrome, a mysterious and elusive disease, develops with the onslaught of viral illnesses like the flu and chicken pox — more frequent this time of year, according to the National Reye's Syndrome Foundation (NRSF).

Aspirin or products that contain salicylate may complicate the syndrome, potentially leading to death, health care officials reported.

"This time of the year, there are so many cases of fever-causing illness and upper respiratory infections," said Estela Ruiz, a school nurse for Big Spring Independent School District. "This warning is nationwide because it can be so dangerous."

The danger of Reye's, affecting mostly youth, is possibly enhanced

by ingesting forms of salicylate like aspirin and other cold remedies using words in their labels like acetylsalicylate, acetylsalicylic acid or salicylic acid, according to NRSF research.

"(Researchers) don't know why, but the disease can stop the liver function and cause a swelling of the brain," said Sandi Thompson, NRSF national development director. "Once the symptoms come about, hospitalization is needed. A person can't get better on his own."

The disease escapes detection so often because of masked symptoms and misconceptions, she said.

From 1983 to the present, the mortality rate of Reye's cases grew from 33 percent to more than half of the cases, Thompson said.

"There are so many variances, and their really isn't an area (rural or urban) or part of the country



This is the logo of the National Reye's Syndrome Foundation, a group organized to educate the public about the little-known disease. The foundation's slogan is "Learn about Reye's Syndrome if you love children."

said, "Doctors and parents aren't thinking about it anymore, so the where increased instances of the disease can be pinpointed," Thompson

number of deaths from Reye's is increasing.

Because physicians and health departments are not required to report Reye's cases, the national Centers for Disease Control and the NRSF have identified few cases, Thompson said.

Each year the foundation identifies about 60 cases, she said.

Symptoms of the disease include:

- Relentless or continuous vomiting
• Listlessness along with loss of pep and energy with little interest in the environment
• Drowsiness or excessive sleepiness
• Personality changes such as irritability, slurred speech and sensitivity to touch
• Disorientation or confusion like being unable to answer questions or determine one's whereabouts

• Delirium, convulsions or loss of consciousness

"Parents should give acetaminophen if their children are suffering from flu-like illnesses," Ruiz said. "I haven't seen any local cases yet, but we will see several cases of chicken pox (December through February), flu and intestinal viruses.

"The safest thing is not to give children aspirin and monitor what your teenagers are taking," Ruiz added. "Parents should try not to mask the symptoms by giving (youth) something to control nausea."

Australian pathologist R. K. Reye identified the disease in 1963 when he pinpointed a pattern of symptoms, according to NRSF research.

Since then, identifying the disease has been difficult for doctors and parents prompting the formation of the NRSF in 1974 to disseminate information about Reye's Syndrome.

Health care growing field

By CHRISTOPHER CAREY St. Louis Post-Dispatch

Shawn Everson knew when he was in high school that he wanted a career in health care. But he backed away from his original goal of becoming a doctor because of the daunting time commitment.

"When I was a senior, I knew I didn't want to spend 12 years getting started," he said. Instead, Everson opted for a related field.

He earned a bachelor's degree in physical therapy from St. Louis University, then added a master's degree in health science from Washington University.

Everson, now a 29-year-old physical therapist, ended up in one of the fastest-growing fields for the 1990s.

The growth of the physical therapy business is part of a broader trend — the expansion of the entire

health care industry. It is an expansion that some claim will produce the greatest number of new jobs in the current decade.

The four occupational categories with the highest rates of growth rate include home health aides, chiropractors, personal care aides and physical therapists.

Although the recession has reduced employment opportunities in some fields, jobs at hospitals, clinics and other health care centers offering physical therapy are going begging.

"If I have 10 jobs available, I'm only able to fill eight of them," says Al Amato, president of MedRehab Missouri Inc., which operates a dozen therapy centers.

Russell Signorino, labor market analyst for the Division of Employment Security in St. Louis, says many of the openings in the health

care industry offer workers far more than the minimum wage. "These aren't low-paying, part-time jobs."

The Missouri Division of Employment Security reported in a recent study that the average wage for home health aides in St. Louis and St. Louis County is \$8.29 an hour, with pay levels ranging from \$6.75 to \$9.50.

The Division of Security did not list average hourly wages for chiropractors or personal care aides, but listed the average wage for physical therapists at \$17.18 an hour, which translates to nearly \$690 a week, or \$35,900 a year.

The federal government projects that the number of home health aides nationally will rise roughly 90 percent between 1990 and 2005, and the number of personal care aides will rise about 75 percent.

—Scripps Howard News Service



Biggest feet Matthew McGrory shows off his feet in West Chester, Pa., recently. He has been named by the Guinness Book of World Records as the living person with the largest feet in the world — size 23.

Briefs

Webb begins local practice

Paul C. Webb, M.D., has begun practice at Malone and Hogan Clinic. He joins Robert P. Hays, M.D., in the orthopedic department.

Webb, a graduate of Howard Payne University in Washington, D.C., is originally from Oklahoma. He finished orthopedic training at U.S. Public Health Service Hospital and completed a fellowship in children's orthopedics at St. Joseph Hospital in Patterson, N.J.

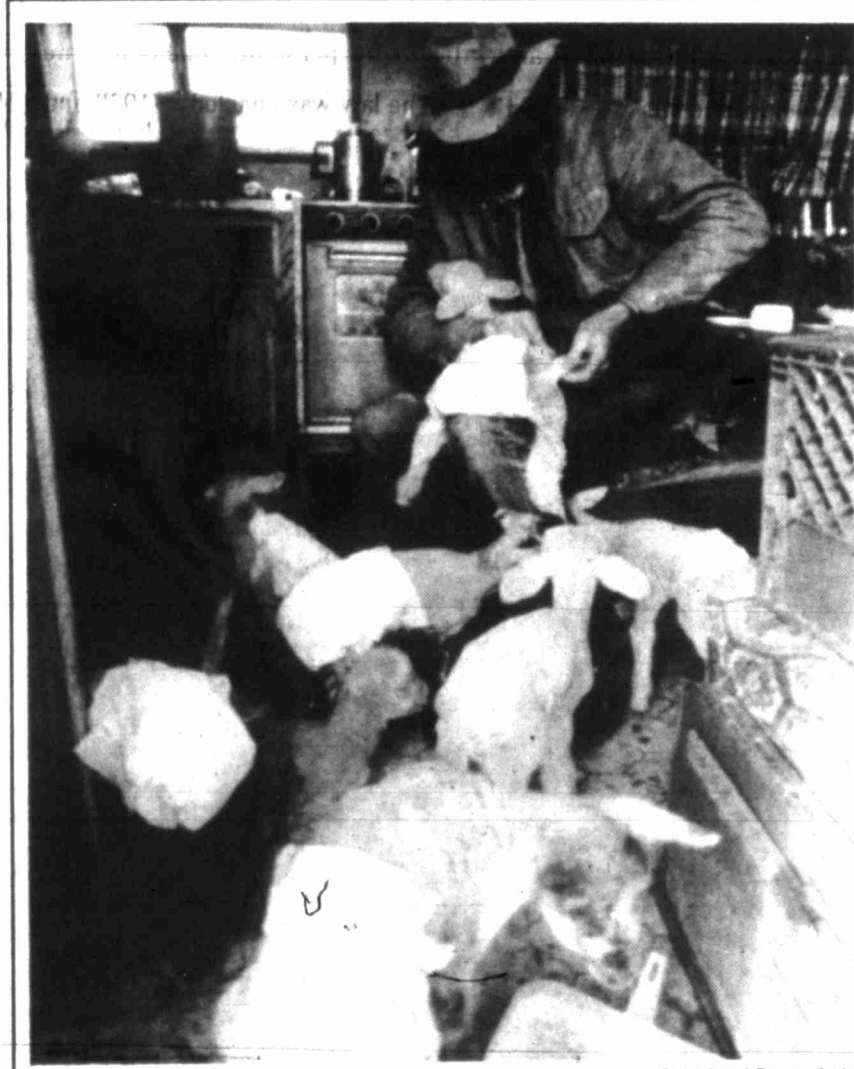
He is board certified in orthopedic surgery and has special interests in back injuries, sport-related injuries and rehabilitation. Webb will be practicing at Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

For information about Webb's practice or to schedule an appointment, contact the clinic at 267-6361.

Odessa offers nursing course

Nurses interested in trauma care can take a course sponsored by Odessa's Medical Center Hospital Feb. 26-28.

For more information, nurses should call Kathy Henderson, 335-1181.



Diapered lambs Wyoming sheep rancher Bob Britain applies disposable diapers to his roommates at the flock's winter range recently. During an 80-day drive to the range, 20 ewes died while lambing and Britain had to keep the orphans in his trailer.

Wrinkle and her singing dog bring cheer to BSSH

If you happen to be passing through the Big Spring State Hospital's South Psychiatric Unit on a Thursday afternoon, it is very likely you might hear our singing volunteer dog, Sparkie.

Sparkie comes with Betty Wrinkle as she makes her rounds for the Public Responsibility Committee, which she has done for many years. Betty is officially PRC, but that is only a title for what is really being a friend, and a very special person to the patients on that unit.

She has a monthly birthday party for her unit and she never comes empty-handed on Thursday. If Sparkie isn't in his sweater, ready to sing and be petted, then he sits quietly, while Betty passes out fruit, newspapers, or other items. They know they can ask their friend for favors and she will do her best to take care of them.

Community Relations staff and the Volunteer Council hosted an appreci-

ation reception Jan. 29 for the Food Service department. Tom Land, HEB manager, donated a cake for the occasion, and the group held the monthly in-service while being honored for the many services they provide for BSSH patients. They are always there to help and they do so in a caring way. Thank you BSSH Food Service.

Gayla Blackwell, RN, MSW, from Brentwood VA Hospital, Los Angeles, California, recently conducted a three-day staff training in Psychosocial Rehabilitation. This change in philosophy from doing for patients to teaching patients the skills to do for themselves is emphasized in the training.

Community living, skills, money, management, cooking, shopping, grooming, hygiene, medication, and symptoms management are taught, and patients are encouraged to participate in their own rehabilitation plan. Ms. Blackwell has been train-



Kathy Higgins

ing BSSH staff for three years.

BSSH patients were given a Super Bowl party, hosted by the Volunteer Council in the Activity Therapies Building. Refreshments were served and everyone had a good time watching the Cowboys win.

Texas Alliance for the Mentally Ill met at the hospital Jan. 23 for the monthly meeting of families and patients. Fifteen representatives attended to meet with administrative staff and provide feedback on improving hospital services.

Ads unsuccessful at ending teen smoking

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — A multimillion-dollar antismoking television ad campaign produced by the California health department has sharply cut smoking by adults but has done nothing to curb smoking by teen-agers, a study shows.

A survey of 10,000 California households shows that only 20 percent of California adults now smoke, an all-time low that is putting the state on track to reach its goal of 6.5 percent smokers by the year 2000, officials said.

Smoking by teen-agers, on the other hand, remains unchanged at about 8 percent of boys and 9 percent of girls, said John Pierce of the University of California at San Diego, the director of the study.

What's more disturbing, Pierce said, is that by age 12, 40 percent of California teen-agers were "susceptible" to starting to smoke. That is,

they did not say that they would absolutely refuse a cigarette offered to them.

The results of the study were released at a news conference in Los Angeles at which Molly Coyne, the state health director, announced that a new series of commercials would be broadcast beginning Thursday.

"What California is doing in tobacco control is the model for the rest of the world," said Michael P. Eriksen, director of the U.S. Office on Smoking and Health, part of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta.

He said efforts to prevent smoking in children are critical "because they are the most susceptible to peer pressure and the subtle influence of advertising."

The new commercials will be broadcast on California television and radio stations and for the first time they will also be seen nationally on MTV.

Superintendent Robert von Rosenberg and Community Relations Director Kathy Higgins, attended a Conference on Innovations in Government Volunteer Programs, in Austin Feb. 1-3. The Vision for the TXMHMR System was presented and the evolving role of state facilities was discussed, as well as how volunteers will fit into this role.

BSSH has on-going monthly teleconferences for Social Workers, Nurses, and Physicians to assist them in obtaining continuing education credits. They are fully accredited by the Continuing Nursing Education, Continuing Medical Education, or Continuing Education Units. These programs are free and for more information, call Staff Development, 267-8216, ext. 373.

There are also programs offered in Psychosocial Rehabilitation Training, HIV Training, and Safety Training. Attendance is limited, so call for pre-registration.

Don't forget to order your Valentine carnations and help the Volunteer Council furnish the Family Lodge at BSSH. Call 267-8216 ext. 535 to place your order. Flowers are \$6 and will be delivered February 12.

Dates to remember: Feb. 12 — Flower and Bake Sale at Citizen's Credit Union and Flower Deliveries from Community Relations Office.

Feb. 18 — Blood Drive at Howard County Mental Health Clinic, 315 Runnels, 10:30-12:30 call 263-0007 for information.

Feb. 11 — Work day in Community Relations office, bake items for sale for February 12.

Kathy Higgins is the Director of Community Relations at BSSH, which includes the Volunteer Services and Public Information Department. Memorials and contributions can be mailed to Volunteer Services Council, P.O. Box 231, Big Spring, TX 79721.

Scientists: Explore Pluto

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

PASADENA, Calif. — Maverick NASA scientists and engineers, heeding their boss' call for faster and cheaper space missions, want to send two small space probes to study Pluto, the solar system's last known unexplored planet.

The proposal has yet to receive congressional funding or NASA approval as a full-fledged mission. It has revealed tensions between the agency's tradition of building big, expensive spacecraft and those pressing to simplify and speed up such projects and reduce their cost.

Those designing the Pluto mission are following the "faster, better, cheaper" philosophy advocated by Daniel S. Goldin, administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

"It's a very young, aggressive, competitive team — guys who are too dumb and young to know we can't do it," said Rich Terrile, the Pluto mission's chief scientist at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory.

"We saw this space program turned into a fat bureaucracy and we're chomping at the bit to recapture the good old days," he said.

The Pluto mission could cost \$600 million to \$1 billion in current dollars, depending on whether the probes are launched by Russian or U.S. rockets, respectively. By comparison, NASA expects to spend more than \$2 billion to launch the Cassini spacecraft in 1997 to investigate Saturn.

The proposed mission to Pluto and its moon, Charon, has found favor with Goldin.

Goldin declined to be interviewed by The Associated Press. And his

chief spokesman, Jeff Carr, insisted Goldin hasn't made the Pluto mission a priority, but only gave it "higher visibility" as a model for his "campaign to do things faster, better, cheaper."

That still upsets some researchers who say Goldin, nevertheless, is putting Pluto ahead of more important projects.

Goldin is a Bush administration appointee and his future under President Clinton is uncertain. The same goes for any projects that get his blessing. This, too, raises the tension level.

Goldin is trying to put public fascination with space exploration on an equal footing with NASA's scientific pursuits, according to Bruce Murray, a California Institute of Technology professor and former director of NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory.

The young Pluto Mission planners — scientists and engineers mostly in their 30s — want to use two 362-pound, space probes.

The probes would be launched around 1999 to reach Pluto between 2005 and 2007, flying within 6,200 miles of the planet. Each probe would study one side of Pluto.

A Pluto mission the old NASA way would cost at least twice as much, take more than 20 years to execute and would employ one- or two-ton spacecraft laden with scientific instruments.

"Instead of sending another houseboat, we're sending very sophisticated desk-sized spacecraft," said Alan Stern, a planetary scientist at the Southwest Research Institute in San Antonio and chairman of one of two NASA advisory panels that support the proposed mission.

Voicing the other side, John Pike,

space policy analyst for the Federation of American Scientists in Washington, said, "NASA has a process for selecting missions on the basis of scientific merit, and Pluto was pretty far down on that list."

Learning more about planets already visited, for instance, holds more interest and import for many researchers, he said.

NASA once developed state-of-the-art technology. To reduce the risk of failure, NASA's recent planetary spacecrafts have used existing technology.

If space probes are to reach distant Pluto, however, they must be lightweight and fast. That means using cutting-edge technology, said Robert Staehle, the project's manager.

Pluto, discovered in 1930 by U.S. astronomer Clyde Tombaugh, is the solar system's ninth and smallest known planet at roughly two-thirds the diameter of Earth's moon.

While NASA has sent robotic explorers to every other known planet, it has yet to explore Pluto, named for the Roman god of the underworld, and its moon Charon, named for the mythical boatman who ferried the dead across the River Styx into Pluto's realm.

Usually, Pluto is the outermost planet, but it's long elliptical orbit sometimes brings it closer to the sun than Neptune, as it has been since 1979. It again becomes the outermost planet in 1999.

"It's the Mount Everest of planetary exploration," Staehle said. "It's usually the farthest away. It's the coldest. It's the hardest to see."

Pluto is "the missing piece of the puzzle which helps us understand the origin of the solar system," Ter-



This artist's conception shows one of NASA's proposed twin space probes flying near the planet Pluto and its moon Charon. A group of scientists and engineers wants NASA to launch a mission in 1999 or 2000.

reile said.

Scientists know Pluto is rocky and icy, unlike the other planets in the outer orbits of the sun — Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus and Neptune — which essentially are balls of gas.

The solar system formed 4.6 billion years ago when a swirling disk of dust, ice and gas clumped to form

the planets. Many astronomers believe the known solar system may be surrounded by a belt of hundreds, maybe thousands of never-seen objects they call "ice dwarfs," thought to be between comets and planets in size.

Pluto and Charon could turn out to be large ice dwarfs.

America discovering advantages of wind power

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

LIVERMORE, Calif. — From a distance, they look like tall, gawky, stilt-legged fans trying to cool the parched hills.

Their arms move languidly in the light wind, but they're still an impressive sight. The 7,300 wind-turbine towers in the Altamont Pass outside Livermore, about 30 miles south of San Francisco, constitute the largest wind-fueled power plant in the world.

About 8,700 other high-tech windmills capture breezes in California. Most of them are clustered in two other bustling California passes, one not far from Palm Springs and the other near Mojave.

The wind farms perform best in the summer and early fall, when cool air from the Pacific creates powerful currents that sweep through the

passes. Wind moves blades on the machines, driving turbines that create electrical energy, which is then fed into a utility's power grid.

Until recently, American wind power has been concentrated in California and, to a lesser extent, in Hawaii, and the few wind turbines in other parts of the country haven't convinced most utilities that the future rides on windmill blades.

But that could quickly change. Ambitious wind-power projects are envisioned for many gusty areas of the country, including the Pacific Northwest, the Midwest and New England.

U.S. plans are mere zephyrs compared with some gale-force ventures sweeping Europe. "Wind-power projects there are expected to dwarf U.S. efforts in the 1990s, unless things change," says Randall

Swisher, executive director of the American Wind Energy Association in Washington, D.C.

California's wind turbines produced 3 billion kilowatt hours of electricity in 1992, enough energy to meet the needs of about 400,000 homes for a year.

Tax breaks and state policies spurred development of wind energy in California, but it slacked off after the incentives disappeared in 1985. Recent advances in technology have breathed new life into the power source.

Successors to the humble windmills that once graced rural America, modern versions can tower 200 feet and feature turbines powered by 2,000-pound, aerodynamically designed blades. Sensors automatically shift turbines when wind direction changes, and central computers can monitor each unit on a

wind farm.

Such advances have lowered costs to the point where wind power is fast becoming competitive with traditional energy sources such as oil and coal.

"Wind power has worked diligently to reduce its cost, and that is the key for its long-term implementation," Earl Davis, a wind-power expert at the Electric Power Research Institute in Palo Alto, Calif., tells National Geographic.

Advocates note that the wind is a free, renewable, nonpolluting energy source. Wind-power plants in California reportedly kept more than 2.9 billion pounds of carbon dioxide and 16 million pounds of other pollutants out of the air in 1991.

Utilities save, too, because when their high-tech windmills are spinning, they can turn off power generators that burn coal, gas or oil.

But even big utilities such as Pacific Gas & Electric, which helped pioneer wind power in California, don't see it as a panacea. "I think the future is going to be made up of a whole portfolio of different technologies working together," says Carl Weinberg, the company's research and development manager.

"Still other parts of the country should be thinking of wind as part of the mix. California isn't the breeziest place in the country, but at times wind has provided as much as 8 percent of our power."

North Dakota and South Dakota, on the gusty Great Plains, are among the states that show plenty of promise.

One study shows that North Dakota alone has enough potential wind energy to supply more than one-third of the electrical consumption of the contiguous 48 states.

Arizona's 'Dirty Verde' focus of cleanup effort

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

CLARKDALE, Ariz. — People used to call it the Dirty Verde.

Some years back, the Verde — Spanish for green — River in central Arizona was a drainage basin for all kinds of debris, from copper-mine tailings to everyday garbage.

No longer. Spurred by environmentalists, Arizonans have awakened to the urgency to preserve and protect one of the few free-flowing rivers in their parched desert state.

Dams, diversions and development in this increasingly populous land have dried up almost 90 percent of Arizona's major desert streams.

Today the Verde is a clean, multi-purpose river, its valley a green ribbon curling 125 miles from the headwaters at Sullivan Lake near Paulden to the confluence with the Salt River north of Phoenix.

"It has the complete cornucopia of all those environmental ingredients that have all but disappeared in other Sonoran Desert ecosystems," says John R. Parsons of Cottonwood, a leader in the battle to save the Verde.

"It's a complicated river," says Dennis W. Sundie, a program manager for the Arizona Department of Water Resources. "It has a little bit of everything."

The Verde flows through four counties, two national forests, nearly 20 communities and four Indian tribal lands. Farmers, ranchers and loggers are among the principal residents of its watershed.

In its upper reaches dwell threatened and endangered species: bald eagles, peregrine falcons and spikedeaks, a type of fish. Near Cottonwood is the 6-mile Verde River Greenway, one of the finest remaining riparian strips of cottonwoods and willows in the United States. Toward the lower end is a 39.5-mile stretch of federally designated wild and scenic river, the only such segment in Arizona.

But the Verde still has problems. American Rivers, a conservation organization headquartered in Washington, D.C., lists it as one of 15 threatened U.S. rivers, just above the 10 worst, which are listed as endangered.

The Verde is threatened by proposed upstream residential developments and additional groundwater

withdrawals that could decrease its water flow and increase pollution.

"This is a classic example of the type of insidious degradation that occurs on desert rivers in the Southwest that are not actively managed," according to the American Rivers evaluation. "It is often too late to stop it by the time it becomes apparent."

"It's kind of a microcosm of the water problems in the rest of the country," says John L. Keane, executive water-policy analyst for the Salt River Project, the giant, Phoenix-based utility that supplies water and electricity to millions of Arizonans.

The middle 60 miles of the Verde Valley constitute the most troubling segment. Much of the land is privately owned. The basin's population nearly doubled, to almost 32,000, between 1980 and 1990, as urbanization encroached on an area that once was chiefly rural.

Varied interests — public, private, local, state and federal — have rallied behind the Verde. "It's not too late," Sundie tells National Geographic.

Representatives of these interests met this month in Prescott, a bustling upstream community, to create the Verde Watershed Association. Its goal is to "ensure sufficient flows in the Verde River to maintain a healthy ecosystem."

Organizers of the new association will soon prepare an inventory of the Verde basin and its problems, preliminary to a management plan.

"Everybody's in agreement on what to do," says Gail A. Peters, Arizona director of American Rivers and a leader of the Arizona Rivers Coalition. "I'm amazed that we've gotten as far as we have."

Tanna Thornburg, chief of resource stewardship for Arizona State Parks, cautions: "The potential for conflict is right there at the surface. But the way it's been handled has greatly reduced the potential."

As recently as the 1980s, violence erupted in the valley during a dispute between environmentalists and sand-and-gravel operators. The operators eventually lost in court, and little dredging now goes on.

But before it was over, one man had been shot and activists like John Parsons had received anonymous death threats. Now he shrugs it off: "It was your typical violent phase of



The Verde River is Arizona's only stretch of federally funded wild and scenic river. But it is threatened by residential developments and groundwater withdrawal.

an environmental action."

Tempers have cooled. People like Andy Groseta, president of the Cottonwood Ditch Association, argue for

balance between conservation and Dick Thompson, chairman of the Verde Natural Resource Conservation District and former mayor of

Clarkdale, is a driving force behind the Verde Watershed Association. "If we don't solve the problem, it will be solved for us," he says.

Support Groups

The following is a list of support groups available to Big Spring residents throughout the week. To add a listing or make a change, call 263-7331 between 8:30 a.m. - noon, ask for Kimberley.

Monday

• Al-A-Teen will meet at 7:30 p.m., 615 Settles.

• Narcotics Anonymous will meet at 8 p.m., at St. Mary Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad.

• Recovery Solutions Inc., mens and womens alcohol/drug support group will meet 6:30-8 p.m., 309 S. Main, Suite 7. For information, 264-7028.

• Turning Point A.A. will meet from 8-9 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Goliad. This meeting is open to all substance abusers.

Tuesday

• Narcotics Anonymous will meet at 7 p.m., VA Medical Center, room 401. Anyone welcome.

• Adults Molested as Children will meet from 5:15-7 p.m. For information call the Rape Crisis/Victim Services at 263-3312.

• Family Support Group for current and former patients and families will meet at the Reflections Unit at Scenic Mountain Medical Center, at 6 p.m. For information call Scott Augustine at 263-0074.

• Dr. Anne Mary Gray will meet with a group called Support for MS and Related Diseases at 7 p.m. at Canterbury South, 1700 Lancaster. Public invited.

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

• The Salvation Army will have a drug education program from 6-7 p.m. at the Salvation Army building, 308 Alford.

• Diabetic Support group for all seniors. 2 p.m. at Canterbury south. For information call 263-1265.

Wednesday

• The Divorce Support Group will meet 6-7 p.m., at the First United Methodist Church, room 103. Anyone welcome.

• A non-denominational. Use back entrance at Gregg St. parking lot. For information call 267-6394.

Thursday

• Support Group for battered women will meet at 2:30 p.m. For information call 263-3312 or 267-3626.

• Narcotics Anonymous will meet at 8 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad.

• Al-Anon will meet at 8 p.m., at Scenic Mountain Medical Center, small cafeteria on the first floor.

Friday

• Turning Point A.A. will meet from 8-9:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Goliad. This meeting is open to all substance abusers.

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Jacqueline Bigar - Horoscope

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Dear Abby - Letters...

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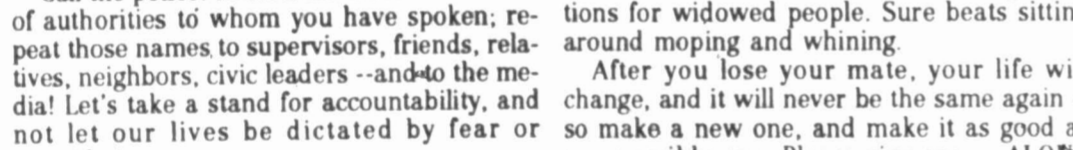
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DEAR ABBY: A few suggestions for "Hurt," whose neighbor didn't invite her to Thanksgiving dinner, but invited her for leftovers the next day.

DEAR DON: I don't know how the police would handle it in Leesburg, Ga., but in most larger cities, the police are so busy trying to catch drug pushers, murderers, car-jackers...

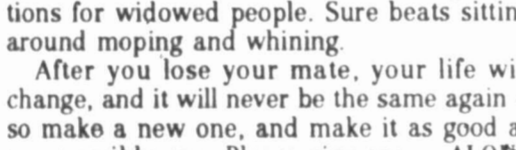


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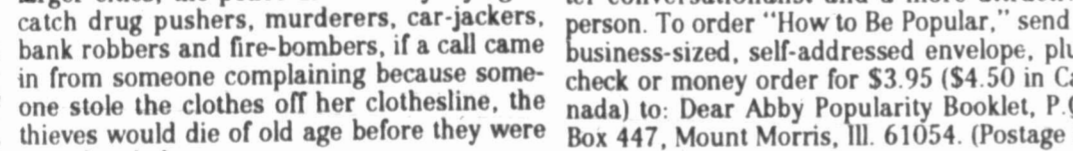
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