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Shoe store begins repairing crash scar

Work has begun on the brickwork of the Payless Shoe Source Store this morning after a car smashed through the front of the store Saturday afternoon. The brick wall, along with a large window, will be replaced.



Morning ritual

Big Spring firefighter Mark Hines goes through his morning ritual of cleaning the fire truck at the 11th Place and Birdwell Lane fire station this morning. Cleaning and repairing equipment is a major portion of the job

Pictorial history

Copies of the Pictorial History of Big Spring are currently on sale at the Big Spring Herald's offices. Those who paid for books in advance may pick those up at the Herald's offices. The books are \$34.95.



Younger interests

Just for youth, but maybe not. A group of local teens share their ideas about what makes a good friend. See page

•Fighting continues:

Croats and Muslims waged a fierce battle for Mostar today and an explosion shook the city at daybreak as leaders of the two sides tried to talk peace. See page 3A.

Promoting package: President Clinton promoted his \$20 billion defense conversion plan at a televised town hall Monday night. See page 3A.

Texas =

Another proposal:

The House Public Education Committee is considering a proposal that would give propertyrich school districts different options for sharing some of their wealth with poorer districts. See page 2A.

Sports =

•Bullodgs win playoff: The Coahoma Bulldogs won the District 6-2A championship at Jack Barber Field Monday with a 15-12 victory over Wall in a one game playoff. See page 3B.

Weather

Chance of thunderstorms:

Tonight, mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers. Low in the mid 50s.Northeast wind. See extended forecast, page 6A.

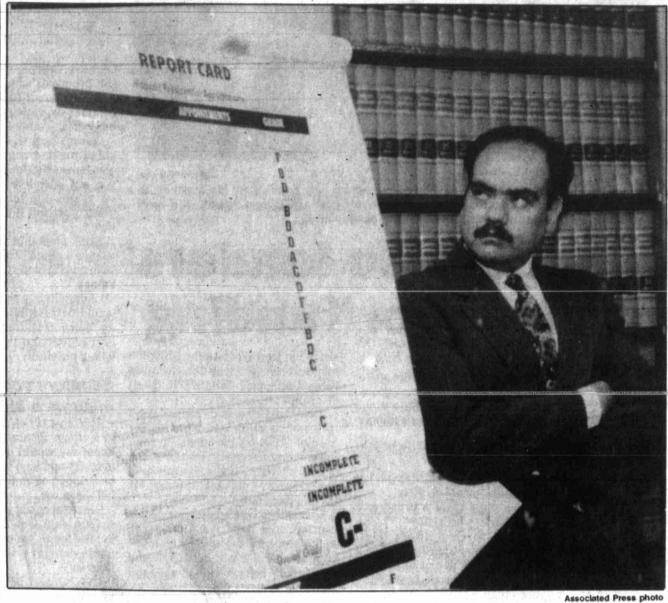




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Latinos unhappy with Clinton



Arturo Vargas, vice president of the National Hispanic Leadership Agenda (NHLA) stands next to a report card of Hispanic presidential appointments during a news conference in Los Angeles Monday morning. Clinton

started off well, then sputtered, the coalition said. The group complained that Hispanics hold just 15 of 324 government jobs that require Senate confirmation.

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Latino activists contend that President Clinton is lagging in hiring Hispanics for high-level jobs in an administration he vowed would be as diverse as America.

The National Hispanic Leadership Agenda complained Monday that Hispanics hold just 15 of 324 government jobs that require Senate confirmation. At the White House, there's only one Hispanic among 31 high-ranking aides, and there are none at the Agriculture, Labor and State departments, the group said.

But the White House counts 65 — the 15 included in the group's study, nine at the executive level and 41 serving as key aides, said deputy presidential press secretary Arthur Jones.

"The president's appointment of Hispanic persons is, in my estimation, excellent," Jones said.

The Hispanic leadership group praised Clinton's appointments of Transportation Secretary Federico Pena and Housing Secretary Henry Cisneros.

But it questioned a dearth of Hispanics in agencies that address primary concerns, such as unemployment, policy toward Latin-American nations and the plight of migrant workers.

That there are no hispanics appointed to top positions at the departments of Agriculture, Labor and State is shocking and highly suspect," the group said. "There is still time to rectify the situation if the president acts quickly and firmly.

Jones said the group did not take into account the fact that there are still vacancies at all federal agencies. Hispanic candidates are among those being considered for the jobs, he said.

"It's an ongoing process. We're just doing them as we can get to them," Jones said. "The president has addressed and remains committed to the diversity of the appointments to reflect the makeup of this country, and we're going to continue to do that.'

There are 22.4 million Hispanics in the United States. making up 9 percent of the population, according to 1990 census figures. By the leadership agenda's count, Hispanics hold 4.5 percent of administration jobs.

Face lifts scheduled for streets

By PATRICK DRISCOLL

Staff Writer

Third and Fourth streets will get a face lift this summer thanks to a state resurfacing project.

"It'll look blacker and it'll look better," said David Casteel, Big Spring engineer for the Texas Department of Transportation.

It'll be welcomed by some residents. "Third and Fourth streets look absolutely awful! Can't

a better job be done than this?" Sharon Osburn said in a recent letter to the Big Spring Herald. "Sometimes I'm proud to have been born and raised here and sometimes 'm ashamed of it." Those streets, from Interstate 20 on both sides of

town, will be micro-sealed before Sept. 1, Casteel said. Work by Ballou Construction of Salinas, Kan., is expected to take three weeks. Cost is \$429,106. "Construction will be done under traffic," said Casteel,

who will oversee the project. "Information on traffic control specifics will be released when construction scheduling is finalized.' The half-inch micro-seal includes emulsified asphalt,

cement and rock, a new version of asphalt/rock sealcoating still done by the city. It's smoother, leaving few loose rocks on the finished road. It's about five years old and has been used twice locally by the state. "It serves the same purpose," Casteel said. But "you

won't have any windshields broken."

It is also skid resistant and lasts four to five years compared to about three years for sealcoating.

A hot-mix asphalt/concrete mixture would provide the best road surface, Casteel said, but would be more expensive and the one and a half inch surface would require either raising gutters or milling down the old

surface. Balou Construction is one of a handful of companies in the nation that does micro-sealing. It was awarded the Big Spring contract in March.

In recent weeks, state maintenance crews sealed major cracks in Third and Fourth with hot rubber injections in preparation for micro-sealing. The work took



Prom night

Big Spring High School students and their dates dance their way through the night Saturday during the school's annual prom. While formal attire has changed little over the years, those who atended

proms in the late 1960s and early 1970s, notice a considerable change in the style and quality of danc-

Inmate executed for 1983 murder

The Associated Press

HUNTSVILLE — A convicted killer was executed early today for the 1983 slaying of a Houston woman who was robbed and beaten to death with a cast-iron frying pan. John Christopher Sawyers, 37, went to his death after the U.S. Supreme Court twice refused to halt his execu-

tion Monday. At 12:23 a.m., seven minutes after the lethal chemicals began flowing into his arms, Sawyers was pro-

nounced dead. His body was strapped to a gurney and his eyes were

closed when witnesses entered the death chamber. When the warden asked him if he had any last words, he opened his eyes briefly and said, "No.

Sawyers was convicted of capital murder in the Feb. 2, 1983 slaying of 67-year-old Ethyl Delaney, his neighbor. She was fatally beaten with a frying pan and robbed of some money, three rings and her car.

Sawyers, 27 at the time of the murder, told police he ripped off Ms. Delaney's pants, slapped her, put her on her bed and hit her four times over the head with the

She was beaten so fiercely that on the fourth blow, the skillet's handle broke.

Alex Bunin, the condemned man's attorney, had sought a stay from the Supreme Court, but the court rejected the appeal late Monday afternoon. Justices Harry A. Blackmun and John Paul Stevens voted to

Bunin filed another appeal seeking a stay that was unanimously rejected by the Supreme Court later Mon-

The Houston attorney had raised several issues in the appeals, including whether the trial court failed to see EXECUTION, page 6A

Area trails nation in shooting incidents

By CONNIE SWINNEY

Staff Writer

The Texas Senate passed a bill Friday which could potentially allow Texans to openly carry firearms.

Proponents, as well as critics, disagree on whether such a law could decrease or increase the number of firearm-related deaths which has increased since last

More Texans died from shootings in 1992 than motor vehicle accidents, according to the Texas Department of Locally, statistics vary, and remain considerably low

compared to the national average, one law enforcement

'As a general rule, less than 10 (firearm deaths locally) occur each year, but it varies from year to year," a Big Spring Police Department spokesman said. "Suicide is the biggest group of gunshot victims (locally); followed by murder or accidents.

The Texas Department of Health study showed that 3,692 Texans died from gunshot wounds in 1991, compared to 3,180 the previous year; a seven percent

"Gunfire was the leading cause of all deaths among Texans between the ages one and 44 . . . a group that represents 69 percent of the state's population," said David Zane, spokesperson with the Health Department's

injury control program. "In fact, firearms caused more deaths in this age bracket than cancer, HIV infection, heart disease or stroke.

Traditionally, motor vehicle crashes have been the leading injury cause of early death in the state, he said. "Although motor vehicles continue to be the leading injury killer of youth (less than 20 years of age), the gap between motor vehicles and firearms is decreasing," he said. "Adolescents are particularly at risk of dying from

In 1991, 36 percent of all deaths among Texas adolescents aged 15-19 were caused by gunfire, the study stat-

see GUNS, page 6A

remains recovered after the cult

compound near Waco burned on April 19 following a 51-day siege.

Authorities said Monday that the

latest identifications bring to 22 the

number of victims who have been publicly identified. At least 10 others

have been identified, but their names

have been withheld pending notifica-

At least 77 bodies were recovered

from the ruins of the Mount Carmel

commune after a fire ended a 51-day

standoff between cult members and

federal lawmen. Authorities are

uncertain how many people were in

the cult headquarters and have said

that body parts from as many as 24

people may be contained in four body

Justice of the Peace David Pareya's

office identified the latest victims:

Judy Violet Schneider, 41, a key fig-

ure in the cult who was allegedly typ-

ing cult leader David Koresh's manu-

script on the interpretations of the

biblical Seven Seals when the com-

pound burned; Wayne Joseph Mar-

tin, 20; Raymond Richard Friesen, a

77-year-old Canadian; Novellette

Hipsman, 36, of Canada; Audrey

Martinez, 13; and Abigail Martinez.

PECOS (AP) — An estimated 400

inmates have ended a standoff with

authorities in a prison's recreation

yard, law enforcement authorities

Inmates ended the disturbance

about 9:30 p.m. Monday after refus-

ing for seven hours to go into the

Reeves County Law Enforcement

Center, according to Texas Depart-

ment of Public Safety spokesman

Cox said inmates returned peace-

fully with no injuries being sustained.

There was some minor damage to

"I understand some inmates tossed

About 100 inmates inside the

prison had been locked in their cells

The DPS had sent about 14 units.

including a Texas Ranger, to provide

backup for the Reeves County Sher-

iff's Department, which operates the

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A woman

who choked and passed out at a din-

ner party was revived with the aid of

U.S. Housing Secretary Henry Cis-

The former San Antonio mayor

was credited Monday for coming to

the aid of Martha Rodriguez, the 34-

year-old community relations direc-

Anne DeLeon, whose house was

tor for the Marriott Rivercenter.

Cisneros helps save

choking woman's life

neros and others, officials say

recreation equipment, he said.

during the standoff, he said.

Mike Cox in Austin.

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Senators OK gun measure

The Associated Press

AUSTIN — Supporters of a bill that would allow Texans to carry handguns says they are confident it will pass the Legislature and be on the ballot for voters to decide in Novem-

The state Senate gave preliminary approval to the bill Monday after Sen. Royce West, D-Dallas, ended his

"Let's just say it's not over with yet," state Rep. Ron Wilson, D-Houston, a co-author of the bill, said.

But West, who spoke against the proposal for five hours and 15 minutes, said it was "dead-on-arrival" if it reached Gov. Ann Richards' desk. Richards has repeatedly vowed to veto the legislation.

Wilson declined to say what strategy he would use to keep the bill alive. But Senate sponsor, Jerry Patterson, R-Pasadena, said, "I am not 100 percent convinced that the governor is going to veto it. I frankly think she has some wiggle room.

A similar handgun measure already has passed the House.

But West said even if the House quickly accepted Senate amendments to the bill, it would probably not get to Richards in time to give the Legislature a chance to override a veto before the regular legislative session ends May 31.

Under the bill, Texas voters would decide the issue during a November referendum.

If approved, Texans 21-years-old or older who have no criminal background and are judged to be of sound mind could apply for a license to carry a handgun. Although touted as a concealed weapons bill, the measure also allows for carrying handguns openly, for instance in a hip

West said he ended his filibuster because he thought he had made his point that the bill would not decrease crime and would increase injuries. Wilson called West's filibuster

strategic value. Prior to the filibuster, Senate

debate was impassioned at times. Patterson was able to defeat several proposed amendments to the bill including increasing the required training for a license from 15 hours to 30 hours, and making instructors liable if they failed to provide adequate training.



House Public Education Committee Chairwoman Libby new school finance plan Monday in Austin. With Johnson, D-Nacogdoches.

Linebarger are, from left: Reps. Huey McCoulskey, D-Linebarger, D-Manchaca, answers questions about a Richmond; Steve Ogden, R-College Station; and Jerry

House education leaders lay out plans for funding

The Associated Press

AUSTIN - The House Public Education Committee is considering a proposal that would give propertyrich school districts different options for sharing some of their wealth with poorer districts.

It's a response to a Texas Supreme Court order for lawmakers to come up with a plan for evening out funding available to property-rich and property-poor school districts.

If they don't develop a plan by June , the court has ordered a cutoff of state education funding. School districts rely on state aid and local prop-

What we think that we have found through this plan is a better way to achieve what the court has "entertaining," but said it had no ordered us to do and still give each district local control over its own affairs," committee Chairwoman Libby Linebarger, D-Manchaca, said

Monday. Under the plan laid out by Ms. by Sen. Jim Turner, D-Crockett, Linebarger and other committee members, the 109 richest school districts in property wealth would be unless a district chose one of the fol- on residential property values, and

lowing options:

 Merge its tax base with one or more poorer school districts.

- Sond money to the state to pay for educating other students in poor er districts.

 Contract to educate students in other districts. Consolidate voluntarily with one

or more other school districts. - Move some taxable property to another district's tax rolls.

The first three options would require local voter approval.

The proposal is meant to bring all school districts to property wealth of no more than \$280,000 per student. Ms. Linebarger said it would divert between \$400 million and \$600 million a year from wealthier to poorer school districts.

She said she hoped the full House could consider school funding by The Senate already has approved a

proposal for the state to shift some ess property from the richest to

But some House members raised concerns about that approach. For consolidated with one or more of example, they said that seven their poorer neighbors by the state — wealthy school districts rely mainly

so couldn't get down to the \$280,000 per-student level under the plan pushed by Sen. Bill Ratliff, R-Mount

Ratliff said he has developed ways to address such concerns — for example, to allow the education commissioner to consolidate the seven school districts if the Senate plan were declared unconstitutional for leaving them out.

"I'm still convinced that our plan is constitutional like it is, but if it would make some of the members more comfortable if we wore a belt and suspenders, why, I'd be glad to put on a pair of suspenders," he said.

Ratliff had questions about the House committee's proposal, and predicted any plan including consolidation would be a "tough sell" in the Senate. But he said, "I'm certainly willing to look at anything. Rep. Tom Craddick of Midland,

head of the House GOP caucus, said to provide the data that the State of the House committee's proposal. Board of Insurance uses to set rates. "All those multiples on this ballot are some form of 'Robin Hood,' with a gun against your head — and you pick A, B, C or D, or get shot."

The "Robin Hood" nickname was used to describe a previous school funding plan that was turned down Six more Davidian May 1 by voters.

standoffs with cults. The investiga-

tion will also include a review of the

outside experts that the FBI enlisted

to help assess the state of mind of

Koresh and his followers during the

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standoff, Stern said.

Senators vow to make insurance bill changes

House defeats bill

to restrict abortion

guarded by Texas law, barely.

AUSTIN (AP) - Unrestricted legal

State House members, by a 71-68

vote, on Monday defeated a proposal

to require a 24-hour waiting period

and physician consultation before a

The vote brought a sigh of relief

from abortion rights advocates, but

left anti-abortionists wondering what

what this state needs to do about the

practice of abortion in this state,"

said Rep. Warren Chisum; sponsor of

the proposal, which was offered as

an amendment to a bill that would

continue operation of the State Board

Chisum said the amendment pro-

vided needed regulations to make

abortions safer for women. He said it

was not intended to circumvent Roe

vs. Wade, the landmark Supreme

Court decision that legalized abor-

"This amendment aims to protect

that they've done," said Chisum, D-

Under his amendment, a woman

would be prohibited from receiving

an abortion without first discussing

alternatives and the procedure itself

women and not criminalize anything create disturbance

of Medical Examiners.

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with a physician.

"This is a very small portion of

woman could receive an abortion.

might have been, or still could be.

abortions will for now remain safe-

AUSTIN (AP) — Several provisions in a House insurance bill that opponents say would gut reforms in the industry and lead to higher rates will be stripped off in the Senate, says the bill's sponsor.

Senate sponsor Carl Parker, D-Port Arthur, said Monday changes made in the House "would just invite antitrade conspiracies on the part of insurance.

The "sunset" bill, which the House passed May 8, extends the existence of the Texas Department of Insurance until 2005.

It also includes what some say are several pro-insurance industry amendments, including one that would allow insurance organizations Parker said he will fight to keep

the bill in its original form. The Senate Economic Development Committee is scheduled to consider the legislation today.

bodies identified

HOUSTON (AP) - The remains of six more Branch Davidian cult members have been identified, authorities

Those identified were among the

the site of Sunday's dinner party, said Cisneros and several others began performing the Heimlich

maneuver on Rodriguez to try to dislodge whatever was stuck in her

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Treasury to examine if ATF had options tion in the ensuing months. warrant any disciplinary action to find out how the FBI could better The Associated Press handle hostage negotiations and

WASHINGTON — The Treasury Department's investigation of the failed Feb. 28 raid on a Texas religious cult will examine whether agents passed up earlier opportunities to seize weapons from the compound.

The investigation will also study whether it was ever advisable for the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms to mount the type of raid on the Branch Davidian compound that resulted in the deaths of four

'Obviously, we want to know what led to the decision being made to go in on Feb. 28 as opposed to Jan. 1 or Dec. 1 or some other dates" or "as opposed to never" staging the raid, Assistant Treasury Secretary Ronald K. Noble said Monday.

"One of the questions is when was the earliest opportunity to begin the enforcement component of the plan to investigate and enforce federal criminal law," Noble, who will head the inquiry, told reporters. Court papers released since the 51-

day siege ended April 19, in what authorities now believe was the fiery deaths of at least 86 cult members, suggest that ATF had probable cause to obtain a warrant to search the compound near Waco, Texas, as early as last fall, possibly last sum-

ATF agents first learned from local authorities in June 1992 that cult leader David Koresh was getting shipments of weapons parts from gun dealers around the country, according to affidavits filed by investigating agents. Agents quickly confirmed those reports with two gun dealers and gathered more informa-

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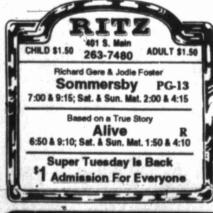
"Whatever questions there are about whether or not there ought to have been an enforcement of criminal law, it seems that the kinds of weapons and ammunition and arsenal that was revealed at the conclusion of the siege supports everything that ATF represented" Noble said.

ATF officials have said the decision on when there was probable cause to search the compound was made jointly with federal prosecutors, who were supervising the investigation.

The bureau also needed time to plan a raid and to place an undercover agent in the compound to learn the habits and routines of cult members, agency officials have said.

Shortly before the raid began, the undercover agent came out of the compound and warned his superiors that Koresh knew the raid was about to begin. Noble said the investigation would examine why the raid proceeded even after ATF officials learned they had lost the element of surprise.

He said the report of the investigation would be submitted by Sept. 1 to Treasury Secretary Lloyd Bentsen, who will decide if the facts uncovered



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against ATF officials. Bentsen, who also attended the

briefing, went out of his way to dismiss suggestions from some lawmakers that ATF be placed under the control of the Justice Department.

"As we learn more about David Koresh and the Branch Davidians, we can appreciate both the importance and difficulty of ATF's mission," Bentsen said.

The Justice Department, meanwhile, gave the FBI 60 days to interview 850 people as part of its review of the bureau's efforts to end the standoff.

Department spokesman Carl Stern said investigators had been assigned

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Coup trial once again suspended

The Associated Press

MOSCOW — A court today indefinitely suspended the treason trial of the alleged masterminds of the 1991 Soviet coup, agreeing with the defendants that Russia's chief prosecutor was guilty of misconduct and was biased.

Families of the 12 defendants smiled and burst into applause when Presiding Judge Anatoly Ukolov read the decision. The defendants themselves showed little reaction.

They faced trial in the botched coup that briefly ousted Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev and accelerated the Soviet Union's breakup. The treason charge carries a maximum penalty of death.

The three judges said they would ask the Supreme Soviet legislature to consider "serious violations" by Prosecutor-General Valentin Stepankov and his deputy, Yevgeny Lisov, who together wrote a book about the coup, "Kremlin Plot."

Ukolov said the judges would ask the Supreme Soviet to consider how the "real independence" of the prosecution team could be guaranteed. Stepankov and Lisov are not participating directly in the trial and the nine prosecutors handling the trial have said they are acting independently.

But defense lawyers argued that the prosecutors' careers depend on their boss, Stepankov.

The very title of the book shows that the prosecutor-general has an opinion on the case and is not objective," said defense lawyer Alexei Gologanov. "It is a very crude infringement on the rights of the

The trial was indefinitely postponed until the Supreme Soviet considers what to do. The judges left open the possibility that the trial could resume, perhaps with new

The three judges did not directly call for the ouster of Stepankov and Lisov, but that would seem to be the clear implication of the decision.

The trial began April 14 in the miltary branch of Russia's Supreme



during reburial funeral services in the Bosnian village of Fakovici, some 100 miles from Belgrade Monday. The remains are believed to be those of 20 Serbs reportedly

Serbian women mourn beside the coffin of their relative killed while Muslim forces controlled the village in July 1992. The remains were reburied Monday after being uncovered recently.

Croats, Muslims negotiate; soldiers continue to battle

The Associated Press

MEDJUGORJE, Bosnia-Herzegovina — Croats and Muslims waged a fierce battle for Mostar today and an explosion shook the city at daybreak as leaders of the two sides tried to talk peace.

The ninth day of the Mostar fighting, which the United Nations says was started by Bosnian Croats, dimmed chances for the talks' success and appeared likely to force the negotiations from Mostar, the intended site, 20 miles southward to Medju-

Yugoslavia's Tanjug news agency, quoting Bosnian radio, said a powerful blast rocked Mostar at daybreak, shattering hundreds of windows. No definite cause was given.

The Croats and Muslims, one-time allies against the Serbs, have been fighting for months. The Bosnian Serbs, who opposed independence from Yugoslavia, have fought a 13Bosnian government.

Croatian President Franjo Tudjman was to meet today in the Croatian port of Split with Bosnia's Muslim President Alija Izetbegovic and Russian Foreign Minister Andrei Kozyrev, a Tudjman aide said.

Later, the two presidents were to gather in the Mostar area with international negotiators Lord Owen and Thorvald Stoltenberg, Mate Boban, Tudjman's handpicked leader of the Bosnian Croats, and U.N. representa-

The meeting was scheduled amid growing concern in the Bosnian government that Croatia has turned against Bosnia and may be party to a Serb-Croat deal to divide up Bosnia-Herzegovina between them. The European Community last

week blamed Croatia for the Mostar fighting and threatened it with sanctions — like those punishing Serbia for its role in fomenting the Bosnian war — if the violence continued.

Tudjman and other Croat leaders

the Mostar fighting, instead accusing Muslims of starting it.

The Mostar conflict highlights the problems the international community faces in trying to impose an international peace plan in Bosnia.

Under that plan, already signed by Croatia and the Bosnian government, Bosnia would be divided into 10 provinces along mainly ethnic lines. Mostar would be in a Croatian province, and U.N. officials say the Croats apparently want to push Muslims out of the key southern city to guarantee uncontested control

If Tudjman is serious about stopping the fighting, failure of the Mostar talks could deal a blow to his authority - both among Bosnian Croats and at home among the rightist government faction that supports the anti-Muslim push.

On the Serb-Muslim front, meanwhile, U.N. officials reported a rash of violations of a more than week-old

Arsonist pleads guilty to Christmas Day fire

WILLIAMSON, V.Va. (AP) - A man pleaded guilty to setting a Sunday when Carrillo's Club was Christmas Day fire that destroyed a sprayed with gunfire. quarter of historic N atewan's downtown.

Jerry Lee Barker, 39, of Phelps, at sentencing June 25.

office and 13 apartments.

He said that he started the blaze survivors. after arguing with the owner of a bar but that he wasn't trying to get

Matewan was the site of a 1920 gun battle between striking miners and another woman were wounded. and coal-company detectives that left 10 people dead.

In exchange for Barker's guilty plea, prosecutors dropped charges accusing him of starting four more fires the following day.

Pet pyton suffocates owner after struggle

HARAHAN, La. (AP) - A snake colhis home by his 200-pound pet system installed by the GSA, the govpython.

William Bassett, 47, appeared to have struggled with the 16-foot GSA officials are negotiating with the snake, stabbing it several times with inaugural committee over the bill a knife, Police Chief John Doyle said. His body was found Monday after future.

ne faned to show up for work. He probably died Saturday night, Doyle who requested anonymity said the

python, named Ebanezer, into a Jefferson Parish Animal Shelter truck.

"One person should never handle a snake of this size," said John McDon-tem was needed. ald, an investigator at the shelter. "If he had another person there, he might still be alive.

Police said Bassett owned at least 11 snakes. Ebanezer, a reticulated python, was his favorite, said Brian recycled 760 tons in '91 Mayeux, a member of the Gulf Coast Herpetological Society.

"He always loved his retic," Mayeux said.

Police rule out two suspects in shooting

pects in the shooting deaths of seven

people there.

"We're back to square one," Sgt, Daryl Green said after the two men were found and questioned Monday.

He didn't say why the two were eliminated as suspects. Seven people were killed early

A security guard had said one of the men was thrown out of the club Friday and refused admittance when Ky., could get up 20 years in prison he arrived with the other man Satur-

He admitted starting a fire that Detective Danny Martin said police destroyed a church, auto parts store, have been told that drugs might be flower shop, United Mine Workers involved in the killings and that threats had been made against the

Killed were the club's owner, his mother and half-brother, the club's cook and his wife, and two other

employees. The club owner's wife Clinton committee owes

government \$1.5 million WASHINGTON (AP) -- The committee that ran President Clinton's inauguration owes the government more than \$1.5 million.

The General Services Administration said Monday that \$1.3 million of the total owed the Presidential Inaulector was apparently suffocated in gural Committee is for a telephone ernment housekeeping agency.

GSA spokesman Dale Bruce said and a settlement is likely "in the near

An inaugural committee official dispute over the phone charges could It took three people to force the be resolved within two weeks and the committee will pay what it owes. The official said the committee wants the GSA to explain why such a costly sys-

> The GSA installed some 600. phones in January before the committee arrived at its headquarters.

National park visitors

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Interior Department says visitors to seven national parks last year recycled more than 760 tons of glass, aluminum and plastic, more than three times the amount collected in 1991

The agency report released this week says more than 2.1 million FRESNO, Calif. (AP) - Two men pounds, or 1,070 tons, have been colwho had been refused entry to a lected since 1990 when the program

Clinton travels to promote defense conversion plans

The Associated Press

SAN DIEGO — President Clinton promoted his \$20 billion defense conversion plan and confronted skepticism over his budget package at a televised town hall Monday night, saying new taxes were fair and necessary to corral the budget deficit.

Clinton also said it was "just a big myth" he had not propose real spending cuts, saying his \$500 billion in deficit reduction over five years was split equally between cuts and taxes, with the bulk of the taxes falling on the rich. The president was on the road to

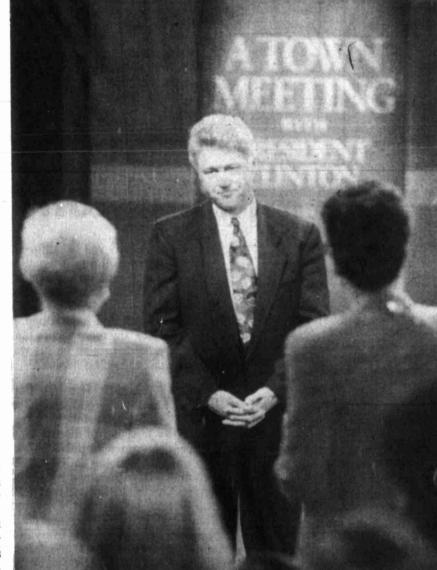
promote his economic package and related domestic initiatives and the subject suited the audience at his hour-long town hall: Clinton was peppered with questions about taxes, health care, welfare reform and his plans to help San Diego and other communities in anxious economic transitions because of defense cuts.

He broke no new ground, but outlined several administration initiatives and sought to assure his audience he was spending the overwhelming majority of his time "working on two things - the economy and the health care issue." He said any new employer mandates in his coming health care plan would be

For Clinton, it was a return to his favorite communications forum for the first time since he unveiled his economic package in February. Clinton promised to hold the forums more frequently, and when one woman said she was honored to be in the same room as the president, he answered:

"I work for you - it is a pleasure to be in the same room with you."

Much of the discussion mirrored Clinton's focus earlier in the day at the birthplace of the atomic bomb and at his arrival at a San Diego naval air station: his plan to help defense industry workers shift to new



President Bill Clinton listens to a question at a town meeting Monday in San Diego. Clinton's two-day visit to California is intended to promote his economic proposals including his five-year \$20 billion defense conversion plan.

high-tech, high-wage work.

Clinton said his \$20 billion program to retrain defense workers, matter how difficult it is," Clinton assist communities hurt by plant said after touring the Los Alamos closings and help more Pentagon National Laboratory in New Mexico. contractors shift to civilian produc- "That is the challenge of this day and tion was a critical investment even in we must meet it."

tough fiscal times.

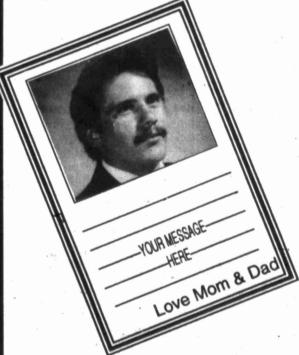
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Larry Jinks, news executive, 1984

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American Red Cross, helping hand at home and abroad

Whenever this is a disaster, you can always find the American Red Cross offering help, shelter, food or whatever is needed.

While it may seem the American Red Cross is always away from home,

it is home when it is needed. The recent spate of thunderstorms with hail the size of golf balls has brought out the American Red Cross into our community. Nearly \$30,000 has been spent locally to help our citizens rebuild after the

The American Red Cross is there at home or away when needed. And, donations are what keeps this extremely helpful organization alive.

Remember the help provided by the American Red Cross when it asks

Mother Nature's fireworks are always the very best

It has oft been said and written that the simpler of life's pleasures are best, and there'll be no quarrel from this corner.

What simpler pleasure could one enjoy than the fireworks displays Mother Nature has provided West Texans in recent weeks?

Some people have difficulty sleeping when the heavens dish out rain, lightning and thunder, and I'm one of them.

For many this stormy insomnia is the result of being a so-called "light sleeper," and for others, it's some deep-seated carryover from youth when storms left them shivering with fear under the bedcovers.

In my case, however, it is simply an unwillingness to pass up what I've always considered one of God's splendors. Why even the nation's bicentennial celebration in New York Harbor pales in comparison to nature's puniest of efforts.

It was far past my bedtime — which has gotten earlier and earlier with each passing year, especially now that workdays begin at 5 a.m. - last night when the real show got started.

I, however, had been hooked by the celestial display at least two hours earlier.

It's an addiction I can trace back to my earliest memories of growing up in West Texas.

Perhaps if I'd been reared in East Texas where hills and trees cut out much of the show offered by a stormy night, I would not be so afflicted.

But this region's "wide open spaces" have always made the onslaught of an evening storm a free fireworks display, and that's something that the little boy in me simply can't resist.

Apparently, I'm different than most. My parents, my brothers, my daughter and even my ex-wife have oft affected a dazed expression and scratched their heads in disbelief as I head out the door at the first thun-

"Where are you going?" my moth- day without yawning too often...



John A. Moseley

er would ask when I was much

"Outside," I'd answer.

"Oh, no you don't!" she'd shout as I made my dash through the screen door, only to be dragged inside. Her logic was always the same.

"You'll catch your death of pneumonia out there. And so, I'd be relegated to watch-

ing what I could of the show from my bedroom window. In those days, the only time I

dreaded storms was during summer visits to my grandparents' home in Denton. As far as A.T. "Buzz" and Edith Moseley were concerned, the logical course of action anytime a thunderstorm approached was to head for the storm cellar.

Here in West Texas, people don't build (make that dig) storm cellars. Those that do usually have to do a little blasting at the start of the excavation phase.

Now, I don't know about you, but 've never had any desire to climb down into a damp, musty hole in the ground that's filled with creepy, crawly little critters. And the mere thought of doing so when I really wanted to be above ground taking in the spectacle did and still does seem nearly insane.

I'm not one to take ridiculous chances, however.

I have no intention of standing out in an open field in the midst of one of these storms. I do, though, do my dead-level best to find an unrestricted, yet protected, vantage point from which to view the show.

So far, that's been perched on the trunk of my Oldsmobile parked in the relative security of my carport.

Now, if I can just get through the

Voluntary committment of troops vital for the U.N.

Scripps Howard News Service

Russia cast a gutsy veto in the United Nations Security Council the other day. Though the issue at hand seemed minor, its implications are profound.

Russia alone of the 15 council members refused to alter the method by which peacekeepers in Cyprus are financed. Moscow blocked a resolution providing for compulsory assessment of U.N. members - instead of voluntary contributions.

Any erosion of the voluntary principle, said Russian ambassador Yuli Vorontsov, would set a bad precedent at a time when U.N. peacekeeping operations are expanding dramatically. He is absolutely right.

In the past six years, U.N. peacekeeping costs have risen nearly 16fold, from \$233 million in 1987 to an expected \$3.7 billion this year. Unlike the Cyprus operation, most peacekeeping efforts are paid for by assessment of members. The U.S. share is 30 percent; of the 179 U.N.

But troops are all freely committed by sovereign states. Here, the voluntary principle is vital. Some enthusiasts for an expanded U.N. role envisage a standing rapid-deployment

members, the eight richest pay 85

force. They should be clear that only the U.S. government can send our soldiers in harm's way.

And Cyprus raises other timely issues — like effectiveness. The blue helmets have been there 29 years. It is fair to ask how much longer the Mediterranean island's Greek majority and Turkish minority should expect troops from Britain, Austria, Denmark and Canada to keep them apart. If the parties refuse to settle a dispute, their claim on the U.N.'s budget and patience should not be infinite. Hiding the burden by parcelling the cost out among U.N. members is no solution.

There are only 1,500 peacekeepers in Cyprus now, but the number deployed worldwide shot up to 90,000 this year. The most ambitious recent undertakings have had limited success. The United States had to bail out a discredited U.N. relief effort in Somalia. U.N. peace plans have failed to settle civil wars in Angola and Bosnia. And the most expensive venture of all, in Cambo-

dia, is faltering. Back in the 1950s, Soviet obstructionism wrecked early hopes that the U.N. would be a force for peace. Those hopes revived lately as Soviet communism fell.

Brief experience since then sugests the optimists still expect more than the United Nations can deliver.

Let's give 'peeve' a chance I now have five large moving boxes filled with tens of thousands of

readers' everyday gripes. I feel rich. And I'm touched by the response of readers who will share their everyday beefs and complaints about the stupidity of others. The good news is that the

response has been so enthusiastic, I will never run out. The bad news is that I can't print them all in their splendiferous ire.

But I'll try. This will be the first in a series of Gripes columns. So let the bile begin:

I would like to voice my complaint about dog and cat lovers kissing their pets on the mouth. Aren't they aware of how these pets clean themselves? Yuk.

My gripe is my wife. Period. If looks could kill, she would have buried me 40 years ago.

"Achy Breaky Heart." Andy Rooney - his hairy nose and

eyebrows! Ugly! Hillary Rodham Clinton. The biggest threat this United States has ever encountered.

My husband when he puts a TV show on and then falls asleep 15 minutes later. Unflushed toilets.

I hate rap.

Women who show off their hickeys (disgusting!) like Congressional Medals of Honor. We had one in the office who finally covered them the second day with a batch of Band-

Indiana drivers. Foot on the brake. Brain in park.

PBS pledge marathons (only two a year — each six months long).

People who say, "She just had a

GIVE US THE TOOLS --

AND WE'LL FINISH

THE JOB ...



Mike Royko

NEW baby." Has anyone ever had an OLD baby?

Lima beans. Wealthy old ladies wearing fur coats, who demand a senior citizen discount when they go out for lunch.

That's as ridiculous as my demand-

ing my white male discount when dining out. Cheap people: Order cheapest thing on menu (no drink — costs extra), ask to have water glass filled three to four times. Figure 15 percent tip - don't have 75 cents in change. Leave 50 cents or less depending on their change - or nothing if fourth glass of water

afford to tip, stay home and eat! Everyone on the Chicago and North Western North Line 3:35 train: You're all a bunch of disgusting, loud SLOBS

wasn't received quickly. If you can't

Why do families at airports insist on greeting their returning friends with hugs, kisses and exuberant greetings right in the middle of the gate, while the rest of us are trying to get around them to make connections, greet our own more mannerly friends or get home after a long and tiring trip?

You meet somebody on the street you say, "How you doing?" And they give you their medical report for the last six months.

pick up food at salad bars or buffet dining.

Screw the poor and downtrodden. Don't you newspaper people ever give thought to the problems of the rich? My estranged wife and her lawyers are destroying me.

We should abduct Saddam Hussein, dress him in drag, then parachute him into Serbia.

Unattractive, stupid, beer-belly men with boundless confidence, while attractive, smart women throw up their food because they always

People who go out to dinner with you and have to ask the waiter a question about every single menu

Really rich people who ask for 50 cents in change instead of giving a cabdriver a full dollar tip. Thanks buddy, now I can have that surgery! Women who falsely accuse their lovers of child molestation.

High schools that offer day care for students with children. Wouldn't it be more appropriate to offer birth control counseling? Academy Awards program where

the actors think they have the right to impose their political beliefs on all the viewing audience. Let's all reach for the mute button!

People who think it is chic to be

People who think the world's future hinges on the outcome of a sporting event. With all the really pad problems in the world, I honestly don't care who might win the big

In response to the jerk complaining about car alarms that go off: If you IDIOTS would learn to park without tapping, bumping or plow-

GIVE US THE TOOLS ---

THEN COME OVER HERE

AND USE THEM FOR US ...

People that use their fingers to ing into the car in front or back of you, the alarm might not go off. Those are the people who should be

> The blatant and acceptable use of that four-letter word 'f---' in movies,

The media's endless discussion before a presidential speech. I want to make up my own mind what I think about the speech!

I wear two hearing aids. I try to look and listen to TV. The background music is so loud, you can't hear the actors. It's unbearable and sometimes I would like to throw a hammer through my TV.

Getting flipped off through the sunroof.

Drivers in 4-wheel-drive pickups. People who give their children 'timeouts.'

People who get in my car, pull open the ashtray, and light up without asking me if it's Ok

Some old geezer cruising around in his brand-new Mercedes crying about how he's living on a "fixed income." It makes me wonder what his life was like when his income was "broken."

Lottery winners who say it isn't going to change their life a bit. They have every intention of driving a bus, slinging hamburgers or doing whatever they did before they hit the jackpot. If it isn't going to change their life why did they play in the first place? And if it isn't going to change your life, then send me the money because it sure as hell will change mine.

If you wish to join in, send your pet peeves to Gripes, c/o Mike Royko, Chicago Tribune, 435 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill., 60611.

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This date in history

Today is Tuesday, May 18, the days left in the year.

claimed Napoleon Bonaparte emper-

vention in Chicago nominated Abraham Lincoln for president. In 1910, Halley's Comet, as seen

In 1911, composer Gustav Mahler died in Vienna, Austria. His last word: "Mozart." In 1926, evangelist Aimee Semple

McPherson mysteriously vanished

while visiting a beach in Venice, Calif.; she reappeared a month later, claiming to have been kidnapped. In 1933, the Tennessee Valley Authority was created.

In 1934, Congress approved the so-called "Lindbergh Act," which called for the death penalty in cases of interstate kidnapping.

out of its temporary headquarters in Lake Success, New York, for its permanent home in Manhattan. In 1953, Jacqueline Cochran

Dry Lake, Calif. nan, Thomas P. Stafford and John W.

Ten years ago: The U.S. Senate approved, 76-18, a major revision of the nation's immigration laws that would give millions of illegal aliens already in the United States the opportunity to gain legal status under an amnesty program. Owen Bieber was elected president of the United Auto Workers union, succeeding Douglas A. Fraser.

Five years ago: Bands, banners and a cheering crowd in the Soviet

One year ago: The U.S. Supreme shown to require the medication.

Today's Birthdays: Singer Perry 47. Actor James Stephens is 42.



The Associated Press

138th day of 1993. There are 227 Today's Highlight in History:

On May 18, 1980, the Mount St. Helens volcano in Washington state exploded. The blast took 1,300 feet off the top of the mountain and left 57 people dead or missing. On this date:

In 1642, the Canadian city of Montreal was founded. In 1804, the French Senate pro-

In 1860, the Republican Party con-

from Earth, moved across the sun.

In 1951, the United Nations moved

became the first woman to break the sound barrier as she piloted a North American F-86 Canadair over Rogers In 1969, astronauts Eugene A. Cer-

Young blasted off aboard Apollo 10.

town of Termez greeted the first Soviet soldiers to cross the border in the withdrawal from Afghanistan.

Court ruled that states may not force mentally unstable criminal defendants to take anti-psychotic drugs while on trial unless a good reason is

Como is 81. Pope John Paul II is 73. Actor Bill Macy is 71. Sportscaster Jack Whitaker is 69. Actor Pernell Roberts is 63. Former Sen. Warren Rudman, R-N.H., is 63. Actor Robert Morse is 62. Actor and television executive Dwayne Hickman is 59. Baseball great Brooks Robinson is 56. Baseball great Reggie Jackson is

On trust, walls and illusions

There's an advertisement that has been running recently in Chicagoarea newspapers. The ad is for a cellular telephone service, and the headline is:

"If You Feel Like Punching Laimbeer, Punch This."

The point is that if Chicago Bulls fans punch a certain number on their cellular phones, they'll get a recorded update on the team. The joke, of course, is that the same fans probably feel like punching Bill Laimbeer, the much-disliked player for the Detroit Pistons.

Last week, as most of the world knows by now, Monica Seles, the No. 1 ranked player in women's tennis, was stabbed in the back by a man while competing in a match in Hamburg, Germany. Seles was resting during a changeover from one side of the court to the other; a 38-yearold lathe operator in attendance at the match allegedly jumped over a railing and attacked Seles with a 10inch serrated knife. Police have said that the man was a tennis fan who wanted German star Steffi Graf, rated No. 2 in the world, to regain

the top ranking. People laughed at the "Punch Laimbeer" ad; people were horrified at the news of what happened to Seles. But they're both part of the same phenomenon, and there probably is not one sports star, not one entertainer, who has not given at least fleeting thought to the phenomenon. Athletes and entertainers are said to be among the most powerful people in the world, because of the amazing impact they have on millions of strangers who will never meet them. Yet there's another side.

"If You Feel Like Punching Laimbeer ..." Thousands upon thousands of basketball fans who don't like the Pistons conceivably have felt, from





time to time, like punching Bill Laimbeer. Not Laimbeer the person; they've never spoken to him in person. But they feel they know him. they feel they despise him, and that's all part of the marketing of big-time show business and big-time sports. The average person doesn't stop to

think about the meaning of all this

until something like the Monica

Seles incident happens. Undoubtedly

the man who stabbed her thought

that he knew certain things about

Mick Jagger, it is said, never ventured onto a stage during the heyday of the Rolling Stones without thinking that this might be the night a fan decided to shoot him. The illusion was that Jagger controlled his audiences with a wag of his finger; the reality - and he knew it - was that any one of those audience members potentially had life-and-death power over Jagger. Politicians have been aware of this for years - the surviving members of the Kennedy family have had their lives defined by it. But entertainers and athletes inspire emotions just as strong as politicians do - and the entertainers and athletes greet the public on wide-open

In the aftermath of the Seles incident, you are likely to see what is referred to as "increased security" at sporting events and concerts. But the top-echelon athletes and performers know, as John and Robert Kennedy knew, that in the end no

oh, say, John Lennon on his way home from a recording session? If every athlete, if every performer, has considered the implications of what we're talking about here, they tend not to discuss those implications much in public. There are no odds in doing so. Discussion of such things becomes inevitable after a horror like the one that befell Seles last week, but everyone involved in performing on public stages always wishes that everything

will quiet down for a good, long

while. Civilization operates on the

concept of trust. The boundary lines

on an athletic field, the front edge of

a stage, are supposed to form an

invisible wall. Performer on one

side, fan on the other. That's the

amount of security will be sufficient

Look at an outfielder in a major

league baseball stadium, standing by

himself on that expanse of grass.

Look into the stands. Ours is not

exactly a nation that is unarmed. Is

that outfielder any more secure than

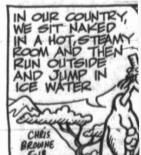
Mickey Mantle, referring to his days as a home-run hitting idol for the New York Yankees, once said: "Back when I was playing, I used to feel like everything was happening to some other guy named Mickey Mantle, like I was just me, and this guy called Mickey Mantle was another person."

Every person who has ever performed on a public stage knows what Mantle meant. There's the illusion of the omnipotent star, an illusion that is sometimes so overwhelming that the star himself finds himself observing it from a distance. Monica Seles might have been observing herself from afar last week, as all stars do. There was someone else observing, too.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): Be more upbeat in how you approach a money matter. Watch expenses and be more realistic about your risk-taking. Sometimes a creative idea backfires and now could be a perfect example. Don't let another push you. Tonight: OK, hot stuff! ***

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Paid Program

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Be open to change concerning a domestic matter. Examine what is happening and touch base with another who makes a difference in your life. Be your happy-go-lucky self. Tonight: Smile and the world smiles with you. ***** GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Listen carefully. Try to figure out what you want from a neighbor or relative.

It might not be easy to get it immediately. Be careful how you show anger, as the fur is ready to fly. CANCER (June 21-July 22): Celebrate recent events but know the time has come to make financial decisions. Review long-term goals and you'll come up smelling like a rose. Look at recent events. Could your

enthusiasm have been at fault? Tonight: Be where your friends are. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Accept responsibility for changing events and understand that your short fuse isn't helping matters. Mix with others and get more connected with those in the position to make a difference. Tonight: Work late. *** VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Be more creative in a major endeavor. Seek out another who means much to

you. Imagine what it is like to walk in another's shoes. Watch a tendency to blow your fuse. Tonight: Go for LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): One-to-one relating is highlighted. You'll gain a better understanding by sharing your views with a loved one. Be sensitive to another's priorities, and don't be too insistent on having it

your way. Tonight: Let that intensity rise. ***** SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Go along with another's plans. Right now, you'll get more information by giving someone extra space for expression. Touch base with a boss or associate who means well but pushes

the wrong buttons. Tonight: Keep the one-on-one going. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec.21): Concentrate on work. Understand what is motivating you to change plans. Legal matters, travel and a better sense of direction are emphasized. Look to new ways of communicating. Tonight: Stay focused. *** CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Let your sensual and understanding sides out. Allow yourself to be more

chirunke and loving, heluse to be bulled by a loved one. Money matters are up for grabs. Tonight: Take a AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Center on what is important, especially concerning a domestic matter. A

loved one might really be angry, so be understanding and establish a sensitive rapport. Tonight: Fluff pillows, push your broom and clean up the pad. **** PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Review recent happenings at work that might be causing a clash. Good communications, a willingness to change ways and a positive attitude will make the difference in the outcome

Tonight: Have a low-key chat at dinner. IF MAY 19 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You'll be unusually together this year, although you might have a tendenty to be too self-centered. Creativity, ingenuity and an ability to bring your point home will make you a winner, Relationships could be more difficult, as you might not always understand where others are coming from. Popularity will be high in the winter, with many options for those who are single and fancy-free. If married, count on hearing the other side. You'll get a special opportunity for change and growth. TAU-

THE ASTERISKS (*) SHOW THE KIND OF DAY YOU'LL HAVE: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so;

When my oldest son was a tiny baby, a cat cried loudly. Needless to say, we got rid of the

into my sister's mouth and slapped her on the

back until my sister caught her breath and

P.S. This happened to another woman in

Del Rio. Her mother said the baby had

ilready turned purple when she knocked the

DEAR ABBY: This is my first letter to you, but I just can't be still. Yes, cats are jealous of

babies. I have seen it with my own eyes. I

was 8 years old at the time when my mother

caught our cat lying across my little brother's

face in his crib. The cat had its mouth right

on top of the baby's mouth, and it is still clear

in my mind how Mother jerked the cat off

You are wrong about it being a myth. It's a fact. Cats are naturally jealous, and they will

suck the life out of a baby if they get the

Mothers, watch your babies! I am 73 years

DEAR ABBY: It is not a myth that cats will

jump into a baby's crib and suck the breath

out of the baby. When my cousin was 2

months old, I saw our family cat sitting on the baby's chest, sucking the air as it came out of

I pulled the cat off the baby's chest. Shortly

after that, we gave the cat away. I was 18 at

the time, and now I am 64. I will never forget

it. Never! - MRS. ROBERT THURESON,

DEAR MR. CARROLL, MR. ADAMS AND

MRS. THURESON: No additional expert I

could quote would convince you otherwise, so

I'm not even going to try. Let's all agree on

one thing, however: Parents should not leave

infants alone with cats (or dogs).

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

the baby's nostrils!

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old now, and I will never forget that terrible

scene. — BILL ADAMS, LAS CRUCES, N.M.

and got my little brother to breathing again.

it sit- cat. -THURMAN E. CARROLL, DEL RIO.

Dear Abby - Letters...

see one of your articles defending cats.

wandered into our house, and I caught

deep in the baby's mouth! " !!

infant and too weak to struggle

is watching.

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ting on my baby's chest with its mouth buried

My ex-daughter-in-law told me that her

mother claims that a cat smothered her

younger sister to death when she was an

I suspect that some of the sudden-infant-

death cases are due to cats in the household.

Your experts don't know what they are talk-

ing about. Cats are very smart — and sneaky. They don't do anything wrong when someone

I doubt if you will publish this because it

disagrees with your so-called experts. I

always tell my story to anyone I know who

has a small baby and a cat. This is true. You

may use my name. - IRMA ORR, OMAHA,

DEAR IRMA ORR: Thank you. Please read

DEAR ABBY: Please inform your animal

expert and "Expecting in Yuma, Ariz." that

the subject of cats sucking and smothering

When I was a boy, my mother laid my 6-

week-old sister in the middle of her bed. My

sister was asleep and too young to roll off the

bed. My mother and I went outside for a few

minutes, and when we came back to check

on the baby, there was the cat on top of the

baby with its mouth on the baby's mouth!

The cat was shifting its weight from one front

paw to the other, sucking the breath from the

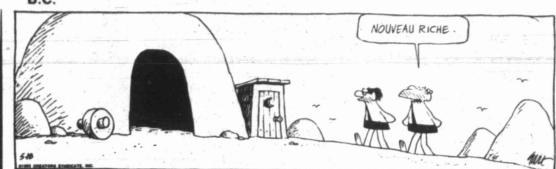
My mother knocked the cat off the baby,

who was almost lifeless! My mother breathed

DENNIS THE MENACE

the breath out of infants is not a myth.

Readers protest cat defense



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BEETLE BAILEY



OH YEAH? THEN HOW DO FATIGUE YOU EXPLAIN THIS FORK ?!





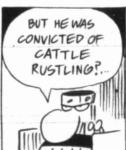




TIME OUT, MAAM, FOR AN EQUIPMENT CHANGE

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CALVIN AND HOBBES



UM., WELL, YEAH.



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June crude oil \$19.41, down 10, and July cotton futures 61.10 cents a pound, up 43; cash hog is 1.25 higher at 49 cents even; slaughter steers is 81 cents even; June live hog futures 51.75, down 20; June live cattle futures 76.40, down 35 at 10:11 a.m., according to Delta Commodities

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De Beers	17%		-1/0
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Ford Motors			-1%
GTE	341/4		nc
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· Harold Milton Simmons, 22, of Copperas Cove was arrested and charged with sexual . Joe Eric Canales, 18, of Big Spring was

arrested and charged with aggravated sexual . Ginger McMullan, 19, of Big Spring was

arrested and charged on local warrants Aretha K. Rose, 31, of Big Spring was arrested and charged on local warrants; she was also

· Gerald F. Green Jr., 28, of Big Spring was arrested on local warrants.

· Henry Otis Washington, 46, of Big Spring was arrested and charged on local warrants.

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following incidents: · Tommy Andrew Gonzalez, 21, of Coahoma

was arrested on a warrant charging him with bur-· David Arnulfo Garza, 29, of Big Spring was

arrested and charged with revoking his probation. . Anthony L. Wright, 33, of Big Spring was arrested and charged with revoking his probation.

Verona Cross

Verona Cross, 86, Rotan, died Sunday, May 16, 1993, at Fisher County Nursing Center.

Services were 2 p.m., today at First Baptist Church with the Rev. Keith Berryman, pastor of Cross Roads Baptist Church officiating. Burial was in Belvieu Cemetery of Rotan under the direction of Weathersbee Funeral

Mrs. Cross was born July 9, 1906, in Fisher County and had been a lifelong resident. She married Arlon Cross on Dec. 12, 1925, in Rotan. He preceded her in death on April 16, 1977. She was a member of the Cross Roads Baptist Church. Survivors include two daughters:

Billie Gruben, Rotan, and Jean Huckaby, Big Spring; three sisters: Mrs. Lenora Cleveland, Rotan, Mrs. Winnie Fay Darden, Fort Worth, and Mrs. Williadene Hicks, Hawley; five grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, two brothers and one

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Onnie Crump, 56, died Monday. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch **Funeral Home**

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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

Execution

instruct Sawyers' jury that alcohol may have been a factor in the crime, whether Sawyers should have been given an evidentiary hearing and whether he was given proper coun-

Sawyers, a native of Washtenaw County, Mich., was arrested after he was involved in a traffic accident while driving Ms. Delaney's car. A pawn shop ticket for her stolen jewelry also was recovered.

According to testimeny at his capital murder trial, Sawyers showed the stolen car and jewelry to some friends and then pawned the rings

Weather

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Jimmy Hamill

Jimmy Greer Hamill, 57, Springfield, died Tuesday, May 11, 1993, at the Jesse Holman Jones Hospital.

Services were 2 p.m., Thursday, May 13, 1993, in Oakhurst Chapel of the Robertson County Funeral Home with the Rev. Jon Fugua officiating. Burial was in Elmwood Cemetery.

Mr. Hamill was born April 3, 1936, in Big Spring. He served for 25 years in the US Army, US Air Force, and US

Navy. He was a Baptist. Survivors include his wife, Mary Hamill, Springfield; two sons: Jimmy and Ray Hamill, both of Springfield; his mother, Mrs. Palma Coker Hamill, Big Spring; one-sister, June Markam, Big Spring; and two grand-

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Onnie Crump

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Domingo Galaviz, 65, died Saturday. Services will be 2:00 P.M., Tuesday at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church; burial with military honors will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

The Associated Press Democratic Sen. Bob Krueger, bat-

tling to save his job, hit the airwaves Monday with a series of quirky commercials poking fun at himself, his wardrobe and his fondness for quoting Shakespeare.

In each of his four new TV ads, Krueger confesses he's a bad politi-

"Maybe I am a lousy politician," he says in one. "But then maybe that's the good news.'

The commercials also seek to emphasize Krueger's support for health care reform and abortion rights, and note his background as a college professor and businessman.

But primarily, they are aimed at improving the image of the appointed senator who finished second in the May 1 special election to the Republican state treasurer. The two meet in the June 5 runoff to determine who takes over the seat vacated by Lloyd Bentsen's appointment as Treasury secretary.

"I'm Bob Krueger. The guy who finished second in the race for my own Senate seat," the 57-year-old candidate says in one ad. "So what was it? This old suit? The hair? My

Arnold Schwarzenegger physique?" In another commercial, an announcer asks a series of questions

"Who's just awful at being a politician?" - "Must be Bob Krueger." "Who wears old suits because he's so cheap?" — "That sounds like Bob

that people on the street answer:

Krueger. 'Who quotes Willie Shakespeare instead of Willie Nelson?" — "Oh

definitely Bob Krueger.' And in one shot, Krueger dons a black leather jacket and sunglasses, asking: "Was it Shakespeare who

said, 'Hasta la vista, baby? Krueger spokeswoman Sam Smoot said the commercials began airing statewide Monday morning.

The ads were released only days after Krueger's campaign met with Paul Begala, a political strategist for President Clinton who helped Sen. Harris Wofford, D-Pa., win in an election considered to have turned on the health care issue.

for about \$200.

The new commercials sparked

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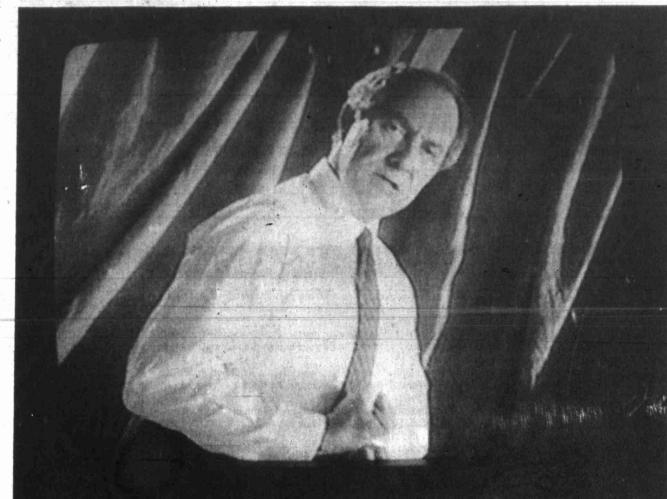
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percent for Hispanics.

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Guns



Krueger now a 'lousy politician'

runoff with State Treasurer Kay Bailey Hutchison for

This photograph taken from a video monitor shows U.S. Sen. Bob Krueger flexing his muscles for a new campaing ad which started running Monday. Krueger is in a

chortling from Republicans.

spend one more dime to convince freeze on prescription drug prices anyone in Texas that he's lousy at during a visit to Brownsville and this job because we aiready know it," said Fred Meyer, state GOP chair-

"It's been kind of a low-interest election. I think these ads are a way to inject a little life, a little levity into the campaign," said Ed Martin, executive director of the Democratic

"It makes the point that this is a guy, Bob Krueger, who isn't a slick, prepackaged, image-doctored politician. He's a guy who cares about Texas and wants to put Texas first," Martin said.

Krueger himself continued talking said.

about health care on the campaign "Bob Krueger doesn't need to trail Monday, calling for a one-year Matamoros, Mexico.

> "The American taxpayers give the drug industry big tax breaks — in return, drug companies stick it to the American consumers," Krueger said. "Many residents of South Texas routinely travel to Matamoros and other cities to take advantage of lower prices for prescription drugs.

Krueger cited examples of drugs that cost more than twice as much in Brownsville as in Matamoros. "Health care costs are out of control. Drug prices have been going up at a rate that's faster than inflation," he

Meanwhile, The McAllen Monitor campaign staff member, who

Lloyd Bentsen's vacated Senate seat.

Preservation of Democracy, a PAC which lists San Juan Democratic Party activist Juan Maldonado as its treasurer, is a "non-existent entity" that could be in violation of state and

said a two-page document from a requested anonymity, questioned the legitimacy of a San Juan political action committee that received funds from Krueger during his 1990 railroad commission campaign. The report says Americans for the

federal laws. But Maldonado, a former staff

member of Krueger's 1976 unsuccessful Senate campaign, said the document from Kay Bailey Hutchison's campaign is part of a "smear"

Ag experts: Planting at property manager, lived alone at her northwest Houston home. Sawyers was Delaney's neighbor and had pre-

The Associated Press

LAMESA — Cotton farmer Brad Boyd smiles approvingly at the thick clusters of buttercups bobbing beside his fields in the West Texas wind.

"The old timers say a good buttercup crop means a good year," Boyd explained.

Tender cotton seedlings, planted the first couple weeks of May, are emerging from Boyd's 2,600 acres of sandy red loam. Heavy rains drenched the Texas cotton belt Monday evening.

Boyd and his counterparts across ed. The percentage of mortality the Panhandle and South Plains are attributed to firearms in this age hoping for kinder weather after storms last spring destroyed about • 57 percent of all deaths among half the region's 3.1 million cotton African Americans in this age group were firearm-related, as compared

Agriculture experts say about 3.2 million acres will be planted this year in the region.

• For males in this age group, the In 1992 "we had a season that racial differences were 64 percent of started out and finished as good as a all deaths among black males were season ever does, but it was punctuated by about five weeks of the worse weather ever," said Kater Hake, More Texans were killed by gunfire during 1991 (3,692), than were Lubbock cotton agronomist with the Texas Agriculture Extension Service.

Farmers ended up harvesting 1.48 million acres, said Shawn Wade, director of communications for Plains Cotton Growers. Average yield is 2.4 million acres.

"The last part of the year we had excellent growing weather, the tem-The following jokes were submitted peratures were there, we got some timely rains — everything came together for the cotton that was left,' Pete and Repeat were walking Wade said. "You can't say it was a down the street. Pete fell in the hole great year." and who was left? Repeat (and you

But many farmers who lost cotton to hail and rain-induced fungal disease in 1992 started over with alternative crops, including sorghum. That switch caused a pleasant side effect: Acres planted in sorghum last disease pressure is light." year are now healthier for cotton, Hake said.

'Sorghum is one of the best rotations for controlling seedling disease," he said. "Even though it's



Cotton farmer Brad Boyd is shown on May 14 with newly-sprouted cotton in the foreground, and buttercups in the field behind him. Tender cotton seedlings, planted earlier in the month are emerging from Boyd's 2,600 acres of West Texas soil near Lamesa. "Old timers say a good buttercup crop means a good year," Boyd explains.

awfully early to say, it looks like the Young cotton plants will remain

especially vulnerable until about mid-June, Hake said.

winds and blowing sand, which can where it should be.'

scorch the soft, succulent leaves. Hake said many farmers have waited a little later to plant.

"That's beneficial," he said. "We had some cold weather go through Threats come from hail, high while the seed was in the bag -

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Marie Ash

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ATTENTION CALENDAR USERS: Support groups will be listed regularly in Thursday's life! section. Bingo listings appear on Sunday Springboard.

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

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

•Big Spring Band Boosters will meet at 7 p.m. at the band hall. All parents of band members are encouraged to attend.

•Big Spring Art Association will meet at 7 p.m. at the West Texas Center for the Arts. For information call Elnora Hart at 267-2974 or Jerry Williams at 263-7185.

•The Colorado City senior citizen dance will be from 7:30-10:30 p.m. at the Civic Center. The Porky Proctor Band will be featured.

Wednesday •The Coahoma PTA and the Howard County Sheriff's Office is sponsoring fingerprinting of preschool and school age children at Coahoma Elementary School from 8:30a.m.-3 p.m. For information call Woodie Howell at 393-5666.

•West Texas Legal Service offers legal help on civil matters at the Northside Community Center for those unable to afford their own attorney. For information call 1-

686-0647. •"Crude Diamonds", Big Spring Chapter of Texas Country/Western Dance Assoc. will meet at 7-8 p.m. for basic lessons and 8-9 p.m. for advanced lessons at Elks Lodge. For information 267-1040 or 267-7043. Thursday

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•Big Spring Senior Citizen Center offers art classes from 9:30-11:30 a.m. 55 and older invited.

•Masonic Lodge #1340 will meet at 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster.

•The Big Spring Choir Concert will be held at 7 p.m. in the BSHS auditorium. The 6th, 7th, 8th, and high school choirs will be performing.

•Human Services Council will meet 10 a.m. at the Chamber of Commerce meeting room. Individuals representing any organizations, club or group providing human services to our community are invited. For information call Naomi Hunt 264- 2237.

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

•Spring City Senior Center will have a Country/Western Dance from 8-11 p.m. Area seniors invited.

•Spring City Senior Center: Fashion painting classes, 9:30-11:30 a.m. Free. Ages 55 and older. Saturday

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•The Coahoma PTA and the Howard County Sheriff's Office is sponsoring a bicycle safety rodeo on the parking lot south of Coahoma Elementary School, 10 a.m. Call Woodie Howell at 393-5666.

•YMCA State Gymnastics Championships, Dorothy Garrett Coliseum 9-11:30 a.m., Levels 4 & 5, ages 7 & 8, and 12 & up; 1-3:30 p.m., Level 5, ages 9 to 11; 6-9:30 p.m., Levels 6, 7c, 70 and 8 (most advanced). Call Glynna Mouton, 263-8395 or 267-3356.

•Big Spring Model Aircraft Assoc. will display their R/C aircraft at the Big Spring Mall from 10-4 p.m. Members will be available to answer any questions.

Monday

•There will be gospel singing at the Kentwood Center on Lynn Dr. at 7 p.m. For information call 393-

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

youth explosion

A friend is there Local teens say pals will stand by you

By CONNIE SWINNEY **Staff Writer**

Friends are people who have good personalities and positive attitudes. They also will protect you if someone is threatening you, or they will just listen when you have a problem.

All these things mean someone is a friend, a group of local girls said. "Just anybody can't be a friend," 14-year-old Latasha Wilbert said. "It depends on how they treat others,

and how mature they are. 14-year-old Fulani Williams agreed, and said a person must be

nice to win her friendship. "You can tell by their personality or their attitude," Fulani said.

Latasha added, "When you're in trouble, a friend will always be by your side. You can talk to thom. about anything; family problems or boyfriends.

Latisha Hall, Dee Hill, Brandi Scott and Brandi Moore, all 14 years old and friends, agreed with Fulani and

"A friend will try to help you out when you don't understand why someone is trying to hurt you," Latisha said. "If there's some violence, that friend will be there.'

All the girls agreed the best things to do with friends is to go shopping, out to eat, to the movies or on vaca-

Briefs

Bluebonnet brings

ple have, especially in Texas.

Ever seen an armadillo? Most peo-

But have you ever seen an

Students at Kentwood Elementary

are in for a special treat Wednesday,

when Casad will read to them from

one of her books. She will also talk to

sites all over the state, including a

place named Dinosaur Valley State

Park. There she sees dinosaur foot-

prints and meets one of her ances-

tors, which is like a grandparent's

grandparent's grandparent, or

In another book, Bluebonnet goes

to the Johnson Space Center in

Houston, which is where astronauts

do their work exploring space. In

other books, the armadillo goes to

the State Fair of Texas and sees the

Big Spring's Bluebonnet Savings

Bank (no relation to Bluebonnet the

armadillo) is the host for Casad's

visit. They have some of her books

on display at the bank, and Casad

will be stopping by there Wednesday

at 11 a.m. to tell parents about her

CLEVELAND — President Clinton

came up empty-handed in a high-

stakes auction of a puppy, but his

daughter, Chelsea, may get a dog

Attending a school fund-raiser

recently, Clinton got in a bidding war

for a golden retriever. He dropped

out at \$3,500, the dog sold for

White House spokeswoman Dee

Dee Myers said Monday that the

Clintons owned a dog in Arkansas,

but it got hit by a car and died sever-al years ago. "It's possible that Chelsea could be ready for a new

dog," said Myers, who was traveling

with the president on a speech-mak-

Chelsea, 13, already has a cat,

Bluebonnet the armadillo visits

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something like that.

Alamo in San Antonio.

Will Socks get a

puppy companion?

By The Associated Press

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ing trip today.

Brooke Casad

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Herald Staff Report

armadillo astronaut?

CASAD

shuttle.

tions. Some of their favorite things to do are play volleyball, basketball or run track together, they all agreed.

Even though these friends are very close, they said sometimes gossip and guys make it hard to be someone's friend.

"Some of us didn't get along when we were younger," Brandi Moore said. "But, we know we're going to be split up eventually, when we get into high school, so we all try to be friends.

Fulani said, "Sometimes, rumors will hurt friendship because you'd hear something like this person said this or that person told this person this or that.

"Your boyfriends could not even last a week, but a friend is different and can last forever," Brandi Moore said. "When you break up with a poyiriena, and you have problems, you can always talk to your friend about it."

Latasha added, "A friend is there to comfort you."

All the girls said their parents sometimes tell them who can be their friends, but it never seems to go that way

"My mom will say, 'Don't be hanging out with her, she's got an attitude," Brandi Scott said. "I am with the people that treat me right."

"Or, moms will go to other moms



to your problems, protect you from harm and have (From left) Latisha Hall, Dee Hill, Fulani Williams, Latasha Wilbert, Brandi Scott and (front) Brandi Moore good attitudes.

said they believe friends are special people who listen and start to gossip," Latasha said. "They'll talk about what they heard about some friend, and talk about if

they're bad or not. Friends, such as these girls, who become mad at one another, can make up by writing letters, playing as a team in athletics or just laughing out loud as a way of saying, "I'm

"You could lose a friend, if you

think someone is talking bad about you, when they're not," Latasha said. "That's why you have to be careful with friends until you get to know

them real good." All the girls agreed that sometimes they, hang out as a group; sometimes they split into smaller groups; and sometimes they might not see each other outside of school at all.

"We might hang out on weekends

with other friends," Latasha said. TA Latasha and her friends rarely borrow clothes, but they do borrow money, and paying it back is not always important when someone is a

"Sometimes you may feel like, friends betray you, but what you usually do is ignore them or be ignored, and we usually get some sense and make up."

Teen DJs spin hits

By The Associated Press

CARLSBAD, N.M. — In Carlsbad, so the joke goes, there are two kinds of music — county and western.

But three teen-age boys separated from their favorite radio stations when their parents moved from the big city to Carlsbad are regularly hauling their record collections to local top-40 music station KCDY-FM to play the music they like to hear the latest rock, rhythm and blues, and rap.

"But don't call it 'alternative," pleads Cincinnati transplant Eric Weddle, Alternative is the label used for everything from MTV and Nirvana to easy-listening new age synthesizer music.

Instead, Weddle calls his music 'underplayed, underexposed and under-appreciated."

In Carlsbad, residents can now turn in to hear groups such as Foetus, The Pixies, Love and Rockets and the Butthole Surfers playing songs with titles such as "My Name Is Mud" and "I Kill Kids."

Two listeners also have taped their own songs for the show, which tries to feature some local music as well.

The only thing strictly forbidden on Weddle's show is anything normally, played on local radio stations or

"We're not going to play Green Jello," Weddle tells a caller. "We're NOT going to play Pearl Jam either."

"Who is Green Jello?" asks fellow disc jockey Kevin Houston, who absorbed his musical knowledge from life in Albuquerque and Las Cruces. "The same guy calls every week and asks for Green Jello."

Carlsbad High School seniors Houston and Jeff Eastlack, formerly of Michigan, and sophomore Weddle aren't sure how many listeners they have, if any, after more than two months of doing their "Thursday Night at Eight" program. Most of their calls are from their girlfriends

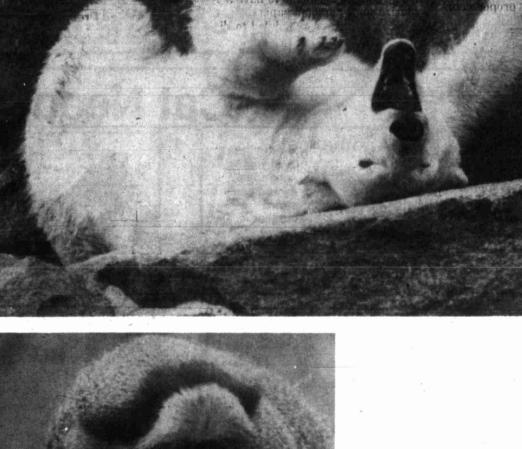
But any mistakes they make on the air are duly noted by their class? mates for humiliating repetition in class the next day.

"Our first show was ridiculously filled with errors," Houston said.

Another DJ at the station was not too helpful in getting them started, and they soon found out firsthand what "dead air" - or radio without any sound — means.

If they forgot to turn a monitor off and the record rolls to the next song, the three quickly vote on whether they hate that tune; they'll pull the needle off in mid-note if they don't like the song.

A recent show featured Houston cutting Weddle's hair on the air, and a call-in popularity contest between the groups Jesus Lizard and Nirvana. A half-hour into the contest, three people had called.



Associated Press photos



Look familiar?

Above, a polar bear at the Berlin Zoo in Germany stretches on a rock recently, looking a lot like a person stretching after waking up. At left, a mother monkey, called a De Brazza Guenon, shows off her babies in the Sydney, Australia, zoo. That type of monkey is an endangered species, so workers at the zoo are happy that some new ones were born.



CONTACT

Video exercise and snooze news

By The Associated Press

Hey gamers! More than just your thumb gets a workout at the video

According to Dr. Karen Segal of New York Hospital, playing arcadestyle videos increases your heart rate and blood pressure.

In fact, Segal says that playing a video game burns as many calories as taking a two-mile-per-hour walk. Does that mean couch potatoes can play video games instead of, say, hoops? Fat chance, says Segal. "No

video game could be that challeng-I must be dreamin' -- but why? Dreams are caused by brain activi-

up stories. Some scientists think dreams are

still studying why your brain makes

caused when the brain tries to make sense of electric jolts from other parts of the brain. Others think dreaming helps the brain recover from the day's work - or that it

improves learning and memory. Here are some more "dreamy" facts: You can't move much more than your eyes, face, toes and fin-

gers while dreaming because the paths between your brain and muscles are blocked. Babies dream much more than adults do. ty during sleep. But scientists are

Marie Ash placed her classified and 3 days later her house was sold! For quick results use the classifieds. Call 263-7331

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By BETTY DEBNAM

A Special Year and a Special Pet

Cats Are In!



STOP AND THINK! WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT CATS AND SOCKS? T' .N READ ON!

A special cat year



Several groups that protect animals have named

1993 as the Year of the Cat. Today, cats outnumber dogs as our favorite pets. cats: 62 million

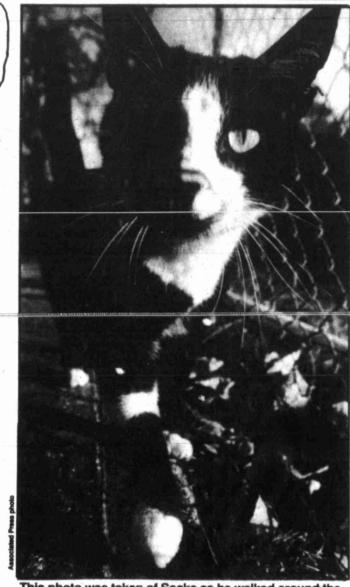
dogs: 53 million

Some people adopt cats because they think that cats don't need much care. But cats do have their own special needs.

The Year of the Cat is sponsored by the American Humane Association, the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, the Humane Society of the United States, and the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animal



Look through the classified section of your newsany pets



This photo was taken of Socks as he walked around the grounds of the Governor's Mansion in Little Rock. In Washington he is taken out on a leash!



Find Arkansas on a U.S. map. What states flown over to get to

A special cat



Cats are getting a lot of attention this year because a cat now lives in the White House.

nce upon a time, three years ago, there were two little kittens, a brother and a sister. Like many poor animals today, they were abandoned.

They were let go in a neighborhood in Little Rock, Ark.

A music teacher took them in to try to find them a home. Chelsea Clinton, whose father was

governor of Arkansas at the time, was one of her students.

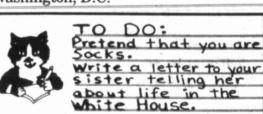
Chelsea's mother, Hillary, took Chelsea to one of the lessons.

They saw the kittens and decided to adopt the brother cat.

Chelsea named her cat Socks. Can you look at his picture and tell why? The piano teacher also found a home

for his sister, who is now called Midnight. Midnight still lives in Little

Socks lives in the White House in Washington, D.C.



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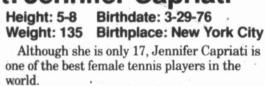


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Goldie Goodsport's Report **Supersport: Jennifer Capriati**

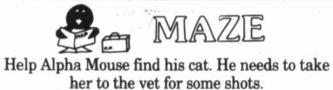


Since turning pro three years ago, she has won more than \$1 million. Last year Jennifer won two events, including

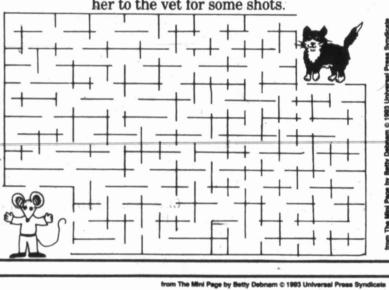
a gold medal at the Olympics. She made it to the semifinals in the German Open and the quarterfinals in the Australian

and French Opens and at Wimbledon. In 1991 Jennifer made it to the semifinals at Wimbledon and the U.S.

In 1990 she made it to the semifinals in the French Open. Jennifer's father taught her to play tennis at the age of 3. She has a younger brother.



her to the vet for some shots.



Rookie Cookie's Recipe **Lemon Sauce**

You'll need:

- 1 tablespoon butter or margarine • ¹/₂ cup sugar
- 2 tablespoons light corn syrup
- juice from 1 lemon • 1/2 cup water

What to do:

1. Place all ingredients in a medium saucepan. 2. Cook over medium heat 15 minutes or until thick. Serve over fruit, gingerbread or ice cream. Makes about 1



FIND

Words about cats are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward or diagonally. See if you can find: CAT, KITTEN, FUR, LITTER BOX, SCRATCH, TAIL, WHISKERS, CLEAN, FOOD, WATER, COLLAR, SHOT, NOSE, VACCINE, TAG, BOWL, COAT, BED, TOY, EARS, MEOW, CLAWS.



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Mini Spy

Alpha Betty is getting her pick of the kittens that Mini Spy's cat had. See if you can find:

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Cat Needs From A to Z

Another cat

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Handle with care

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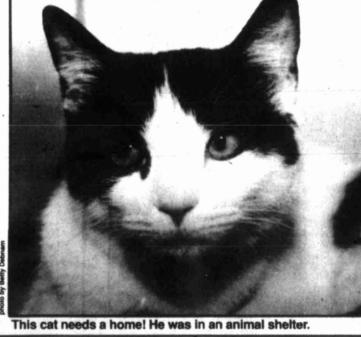


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Playtime

Quiet time

Rabies shots

Consultants: Dr. Lisa Marsico and Dr. Peter Farrell of Del Ray Animal Hospital, Alexandria, Va.; and Jerelee Benjamin of the Animal Welfare

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Zero unwanted litters Millions of unwanted cats are put to death

By MIKE BUTTS

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Bulldogs rally to claim 6-2A crown

By MIKE BUTTS Sports Editor

Forget the eight errors. Forget the six walks. Forget even the three passed balls and two wild pitches.

The Coahoma Bulldogs won the District 6-2A championship at Jack Barber Field Monday with a 15-12 victory over Wall in a one game playoff. And after finishing behind Wall in football and boys' basketball, the Bulldogs enjoyed the win despite their overall sloppy play. They will face Presidio at 4:30 p.m. Saturday in Monahans in the state baseball playoffs.

"We have our district championship this year," Bulldog coach Doc Rowell said. "We didn't have it in

anything else and it's good for our seniors to have (that) success."

That success came thanks to a game where runs were scored with the frequency of mistakes made in the field. Pitchers issued a total of 18 bases on balls in the contest and Wall added three of their own passed balls to Coahoma's total.

The Bulldog's (4-1 in district, 12-5 overall) broke out for nine runs in the last two innings to get the win. They had erased a 9-1 deficit to tie the score at 9-9 halfway through the sixth. Catcher Bryan Sledge's grand slam home run ignited a six-run top of the seventh for Coahoma.

"When we were down 9-1 ... I thought my kids would come back heat on (his back) and let Everett

and make an accounting of them- (Blackburn, Howard College trainer) selves," Rowell said. "I didn't know whether we'd win or not."

Steven New got the win in relief for the Bulldogs. He gave up five runs in four and 1/3 innings. But in a game with 27 runs scored, that amounted to stopping the bleeding for Coa-

Starter and Bulldog ace Brandon McGuire had a woeful two and 2/3 innings, but Rowell said the Coahoma sophomore's back gave him problems. Rowell has said his team will go only as far as McGuire takes them in the playoffs.

"He just wasn't himself today." Rowell said. "We're gonna put the

look at him and do what we can do."

Wall (12-5, 3-2) got nine runs off McGuire with the aid of four errors. In the second inning five consecutive base hits led to five runs and a 7-1 Wall lead.

But Coahoma matched Wall's big inning with a five-run fourth. Wall starter Aaron Alford retired 10 of the first 13 batters he faced in giving up run through three frames. In the fourth he began to falter. Coahoma first baseman Dave Park led off with a single, and Alford walked five straight batters for three runs.

Wall coach Herb Biedermann said he would have used shortstop Manny Martinez to replace Alford, but Mar-

tinez hurt his leg tagging out Steven New at second in the fourth.

In the bottom of the sixth Wall broke the 9-9 tie with two runs. A throwing error by New on a pickoff attempt at first, New's inability to field a bunt and Jeff Phernetton's throwing error gave Wall the scores.

Wall's first error was crucial to Coahoma's comeback in the seventh. Jason Arguello led off the inning by flying out to short. But the Bulldogs then sent 10 more batters to the plate and led 15-11 by the time the frame was completed.

Alford hit New with a pitch, Jay Bingham reached on an error and McGuire was intentionally walked with first base open after a passed

Cavs' worst nightmare

Once again, Michael

ball. That set up Sledge.

"I just tried to keep from popping it up," Sledge said. "Coach Rowell told me to not to pop it up, just keep it in play. He (Alford) threw me a fastball over the middle and I tried to drive it and it went out."

Wall will play Van Horn as the District 6-2A runner-up at a date and place to be determined latter.

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LOB - Coahoma 9, Wall 8. Errors - Coahoma (Sledge 2, Bingham, Harmon, McGuire, New 2, Phernetton). Wall (Orsak). SB - Coahoma, Harmon; Wall, Ullrich 2. Box, Schniers, Wilke. 2B - Wall, Garcia. HR - Coahoma (Park, Sledge); Wall (Garcia).



Pittsburgh's Al Martin watches as the ball pops out of inning of the Pirates' game with the New York Mets his glove after he dived for a line drive in the third

Mets' manager under fire

doing everything we can to make

changes that are appropriate

Wilpon didn't say what changes.

runs in the first inning and the Mets

trailed the rest of the way. Two of his

wins are against Colorado and Flori-

Dwight Gooden (4-4) gave up three

changes.

By The Associated Press

The chants at Shea Stadium were:

"Jeff Must Go!" Was it Jeff McKnight, Jeff Kent, Jeff Innis, Jeff Kaiser or Jeff Tor-

Everyone knew which Jeff the boos were directed at - it was the manager of course.

"We deserve the boos," Torborg said. "Empty ballparks become obnoxious. You tend to hear the individual voices.'

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Mostly, the Mets and Torborg are now hearing the voice of doom.

Randy Tomlin (2-4) improved to 9-0 lifetime with a 2.05 ERA against New York as Pittsburgh beat the Mets 9-4 Monday night.

The Mets have lost four in a row, seven of eight and 17 of 21. Lastplace New York now trails first-place Philadelphia by 14 games in the NL

East, and is fading fast. "We're all accountable," Mets a winner of Dave Burba (3-2).

"This is the worst I've ever seen it since I've been here," said Gooden, who gave up five runs and 10 hits in seven innings. "I don't hear the fans

sure they are. I understand it." GIANTS 8, ASTROS 7, 10 INNINGS Barry Bonds tied the score with a two-run homer in the seventh inning and Robby Thompson hit a sacrifice fly in the 10th as San Francisco beat Houston at Candlestick Park. It was the first-place Giants' third straight

victory, giving them a two-game lead over Houston in the NL West. Thompson's sac fly off Doug Jones (1-2) scored Kirt Manwaring from third base and gave the Giants their sixth victory in seven games, making

owner Fred Wilpon said. "And we're PHILLIES 10, MARLINS 3

John Kruk had a career-high five hits and three Philadelphia pitchers stranded 17 runners to beat Florida and Charlie Hough (2-4) at Joe Robbie Stadium. The Marlins wasted nine hits and 11 walks. BRAVES 5, EXPOS 2

Steve Avery, 0-4 lifetime against Montreal entering the game, gave up two runs in 5 2-3 innings to help Atlanta beat the visiting Expos. The Braves have won eight of their last 10 games, while the Expos had a booing when I'm pitching, but I'm four-game winning streak snapped.

DODGERS 5, REDS 4 (10 INNINGS) Jeff Reardon blew a three-run Cincinnati lead in the ninth inning, andCory Snyder lined a two-out RBI single in the 10th to lift Los Angeles at Dodger Stadium. The Reds had their seven-game winning streak snapped.

PADRES 4, ROCKIES 0 Andy Benes pitched a three-hitter

and started the winning sixth-inning rally with a double as San Diego beat visiting Colorado to extend the expansion Rockies' longest losing streak to seven games.

By The Associated Press

RICHFIELD, Ohio — The situation was so eerily similar, Michael Jord couldn't help thinking back to 1986

Vou dream about a challenge nice this. I had very similar thoughts, positive thoughts," Jordan said Monday night after he sank yet another oncein-a-lifetime shot at the buzzer to beat the Cleveland Cavaliers 103-101, sending the Chicago Bulls to their fifth straight Eastern Conference finals.

NBA PLAYOFFS

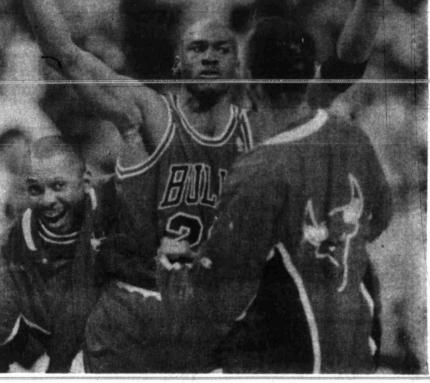
Chicago, which has won nine consecutive playoff games dating to last year's NBA Finals, now awaits the winner of the New York Knicks-Charlotte Hornets series.

In 1989, Jordan hit a 16-footer over Craig Ehlo to beat Cleveland at the buzzer 101-100, eliminating the Cavaliers in a deciding first-round

Monday night, the score was tied at 101 when Jordan went one-onone with Gerald Wilkins, the man

this purpose. As Jordan worked on the right wing with less than 10 seconds to play, Wilkins slapped the ball away, but Jordan quickly retrieved it. His back to Wilkins, he worked in toward the foul line, glanced up at the clock at the far end of the court - it showed 3.5 seconds — then wheeled and shot a fadeaway over Wilkins' outstretched hand.

HORNETS AT KNICKS New York has had to struggle in



Michael Jordan of the Chicago Bulls raises his arms after the Bulls defeated the Cleveland Cavaliers 103-101 Monday night at Richfield Coliseum.

every contest, winning Game 4 Sun- career-high 21 points in Came 3. day when Rolando Blackman's 20footer with 5.4 seconds left broke a do. This is no time to shed tears,"

'There's no question we can play with them," Charlotte's Larry Johnson said. "Every game we have played in this series could have gone

either wav.' SPURS AT SUNS

San Antonio will be missing rugged Antoine Carr, who hurt his left ankle early in Sunday's victory over Phoenix. Carr had scored a playoff

"We've got to do what we've got to said J.R. Reid.

ROCKETS AT SUPERSONICS

The SuperSonics have to contend with Hakeem Olajuwon. In Game 4, Olaiuwon blocked eight shots while scoring 24 points and grabbing 12 rebounds. For the series, the Rockets center, the NBA's top defensive player, is averaging 25 points, 12.8 rebounds and 5.5 blocks.

Mariners' backup clouts 2nd grand slam

By The Associated Press

All of a sudden, Mike Blowers seems invincible with the bases loaded.

Blowers, who hit his first career grand slam on Sunday, hit another Monday night tie a major league record and lead the Seattle Mariners over the Texas Rangers 16-9.

"I was walking up there and said, 'Gosh, wouldn't it be nice to do it two nights in a row?" Blowers said. "Actually I was trying to protect the plate. I hit it well and I was hoping it would get over."

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Blowers has gotten 21 starts at third base because third baseman Edgar Martinez, the defending American League batting champion, has an injured hamstring. Blowers set career highs with four hits and five

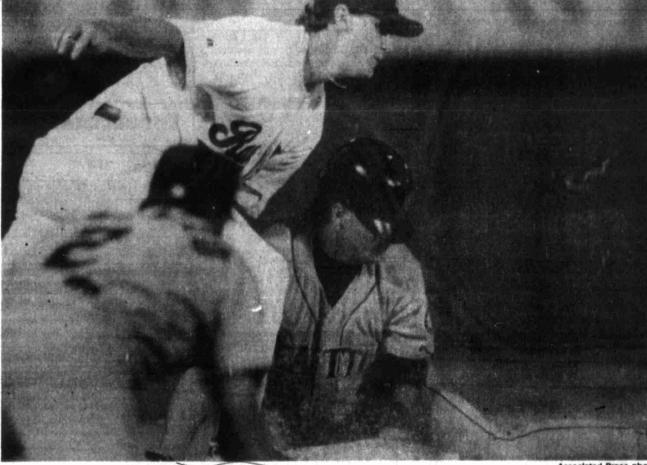
It was just 24 hours earlier when he connected off Oakland's Bobby Witt. This time he homered off Craig Lefferts (1-5).

Seattle had a club-record 23 hits and tied its record for runs scored. Rich Amaral tied the Mariners' record for hits by going 5 for 5. Jay Buhner homered twice, giving him three in two games, and drove in

In other games, Toronto beat Boston 9-3, California beat Chicago 11-4, New York beat Minnesota 11-5 and Cleveland beat Baltimore 2-0. Milwaukee and Detroit were rained out after two innings with the score tied 1-1.

BLUE JAYS 9, RED SOX 3 Toronto batted around against Roger Clemens in a five-run sixth and beat him in Fenway Park for the

first time in five seasons. Clemens (5-3), who pitched with an extra day of rest after throwing 143. pitches in a shutout against Baltimore, was tagged for six runs and eight hits in 5 2-3 innings, the first time he didn't pitch into the seventh since last Sept. 17. Clemens had won his previous six home starts against



Seattle's Mike Blowers, right, slides into third base as became the 13th player in major league history to hit Texas' Dean Palmer tags him out during the fifth inning of their game Monday night in Arlington. Blowers

Pat Hentgen (5-2) pitched five-hit ball for seven innings, struck out four and walked three.

ANGELS 11, WHITE SOX 4

Scott Sanderson (6-1) gave up three runs and six hits in five innings, struck out three and walked two. Rene Gonzales and Gary DiSarcina each singled home two runs in a four-run fifth inning for the visiting Angels.

Frank Thomas, Robin Ventura and George Bell homered for the White Sox, who have 23 homers in their last nine games. Dave Stieb (1-2) allowed six runs and five hits in 4 1-3

YANKEES 11, TWINS 5 Jimmy Key (4-1) held an opponent under three runs for the seventh INDIANS 2, ORIOLES 0 time in nine starts, and New York had a season-high 18 hits. Key scattered eight hits in seven innings at the Metrodome, struck out eight and walked none.

Eleven of New York's hits were off Kevin Tapani (2-4), who entered with a 6-1 record against the Yankees, but lasted just 4 1-3 innings. Minnesota, which has an AL-worst 5.41 ERA — including 5.67 for starters gave up 17 hits in Sunday's 11-5 loss to Boston.

grand slam homers in consecutive games

Jose Mesa (4-2) pitched three-hit ball and struck out seven in eight innings at Baltimore against his former teammates.

Albert Belle homered, and Eric Plunk got the final out of the four-hitter for his second save.

Ben McDonald (2-5) pitched 8 1-3 innings and gave up only four hits after Belle's two-run homer in the first inning, losing his third straight decision. Baltimore fell into last place in the AL East with its fifth loss in six

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Steers, Mustangs

set practice game Big Spring's baseball rivalry with

Andrews is not over yet. The Steers, District 3-4A champions, and the Mustangs, 3-4A runner-ups, play a practice game today at 5 p.m. at Howard College's Jack Barber Field.

"We need to be in a game situation," Steer coach Bobby Doe said. 'We haven't played in a week."

Big Spring ended its regular season last Tuesday with a 4-1 loss to Tourney June 4-5 Sweetwater. Doe said he will use at least three pitchers in the practice at Mize Field game - John Kennedy, Luis Bustamante, Frankie Martinez and maybe Todd Parrish. He said Andrews will also use three pitchers.

The Steers (15-9) open the playoffs Friday at 6 p.m. at Midland Angels Stadium against Frenship. Frenship won District 2-4A and beat Canyon Randall in the bi-district round of the playoffs last weekend. It is 20-9 this season.

Andrews plays Plainview in a best of three series for its playoff. The Mustangs' games are scheduled for 7 p.m. Friday and 1 p.m. Saturday at Lubbock Christian University.

Roper, Dunavon

top WJCAC list
Howard College topped off its 39-18 baseball season with first-year coach Brian Roper receiving Western Junior College Athletic Conference coach of the year honors and Chad Dunavon getting the league's MVP award.

Five other Hawks made the allconference team and four received honorable mention.

Roper led the Hawks to a third place finish in the WJCAC despite having only four sophomores on the team. The Hawks were in the race for a second place playoff spot until the last weekend of conference play.

Dunavon, a sophomore from Fort Worth, led junior college players nationwide in home runs (20) and RBIs (72).

"I feel pretty good about having six

guys on the first team list, and four of them are coming back and that makes me feel even bigger," Roper

Roper refused to take much credit for his coach of the year recognition. "It's flattering to get those awards but we didn't win 39 games by strategy alone, by me making decisions during games" he said.

Other Howard players on the first team: John Major (freshman pitcher), Matt Higgs (sophomore pitcher), Troy May (freshman leftfielder), Sergio Martinez (freshman second baseman). Chac Morford (freshman catcher)

Honorable mention: Brain Shaver (sophomore first baseman), Jeff Orth (freshman right fielder), Dave Bies (freshman DH), Kelly Jones (freshman pitcher).

The first annual "The Crew" softball tournament is June 4 and 5 at Cotton Mize Field in Big Spring. Entry fee is \$100 dollars with first and second place team trophies and individual T-shirts.

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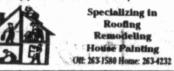
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PITCHING (5 Decisions)-Hanson, Seattle, 5-0, 1.000, 1.37; McDowell, Chicago, 7-1, .875, 4.42; Sanderson, California, 6-1, .857, 3.21; Mussina, Baltimore, 5-1, .833, 2.40; Wells, Detroit, 4-1, .800, 1.86; Key, New York, 4-1, .800, 1.87; Krueger, Detroit, 4-1, .800, 2.67; Leibrandt, Texas, 4-1, .800, 3.16.

STRIKEOUTS-RJohnson, Seattle, 77; Clemens, Boston, 63; Langston, California, 55; Appier, Kansas City, 52; Finley, California, 51; Key, New York, 50; Cone, Kansas City, 48. SAVES—Aguilera, Minnesota, 12; Mont-

gomery, Kansas City, 10; Henry, Milwaukee, 9; DWard, Toronto, 9; Russell, Boston, 9; Farr, New York, 8; Hernandez, Chicago, 7; Olson, Baltimore, 7: Henneman, Detroit, 7: Charlton, Seattle, 7.

Texas League

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-15 El Paso(Brewers) 18 .526 Midland (Angels) 16 22 .421 Wichita (Padres) 23 15 Monday's Games

Shreveport 6, Wichita 2 San Antonio 4, Jackson 2 Arkansas 12, Midland 7 El Paso 10, Tulsa 0 Tuesday's Games Wichita at Shreveport San Antonio at Jackson

Arkansas at Midland Tulsa at El Paso Wednesday's Games Wichita at Shrevepor San Antonio at Jackson Arkansas at Midland

Tulsa at El Paso

BASKETBALL

NBA playoffs

All Times EDT First Round (Best-of-5) Thursday, April 29 Cleveland 114, New Jersey 98 Boston 112. Charlotte 101 Houston 117, LA Clippers 94

San Antonio 87, Portland 86 Friday, April 30 New York 107, Indiana 104 Chicago 114, Atlanta 90 Seattle 99, Utah 85

LA Lakers 107, Phoenix 103 Saturday, May 1 Charlotte 99, Boston 98, 2OT Portland 105, San Antonio 96 New Jersey 101, Cleveland 99

LA Clippers 95, Houston 83

LA Lakers 86, Phoenix 81 Chicago 117, Atlanta 102 Utah 89, Seattle 85

Sunday, May 2

Monday, May 3 Charlotte 119, Boston 89 Houston 111, LA Clippers 99 Tuesday, May 4 Chicago 98, Atlanta 88, Chicago wins series 3-

Indiana 116. New York 93 Utah 90, Seattle 80 Phoenix 107, LA Lakers 102 Wednesday, May 5

Charlotte 104, Boston 103, Charlotte wins series 3-1 San Antonio 107, Portland 101 Cleveland 93, New Jersey 84

Phoenix 101, LA Lakers 86

LA Clippers 93, Houston 90 Thursday, May 6 New York 109, Indiana 100, OT, New York Seattle 93, Utah 80

Friday, May 7 New Jersey 96, Cleveland 79 San Antonio 100, Portland 97, OT, San Antonio wins series 3-1 Saturday, May 8

Houston 84, LA Clippers 80, Houston wins series 3-2 Seattle 100, Utah 92, Seattle wins series 3-2 Sunday, May 9

Cleveland 99, New Jersey 89, Cleveland wins Phoenix 112, LA Lakers 104, OT, Phoenix wins

Sunday, May 9 New York 111, Charlotte 95 Monday, May 10 Seattle 99, Houston 90 Tuesday, May 11 Chicago 91, Cleveland 84 Phoenix 98, San Antonio 89 Wednesday, May 12 New York 105, Charlotte 101, OT Seattle 111, Houston 100 Thursday, May 13 Chicago 104, Cleveland 85 Phoenix 109, San Antonio 103

Friday, May 14 Charlotte 110, New York 106, 20T Saturday, May 15 San Antonio 111, Phoenix 96 Chicago 96, Cleveland 90 Houston 97, Seattle 79

Sunday, May 16 New York 94, Charlotte 92, New York leads series 3-1 San Antonio 117, Phoenix 103, series tied 2-2

Houston 103, Seattle 92, series tied 2-2 Monday, May 17 Chicago 103, Cleveland 101, Chicago wins series 4-0

Tuesday, May 18 Charlotte at New York, 8 p.m. Houston at Seattle, 10 p.m. San Antonio at Phoenix, 10:30 p.m. Thursday, May 20 New York at Charlotte, TBA, if necessary Seattle at Houston, TBA Phoenix at San Antonio, TBA

Saturday, May 22 Houston at Seattle, TBA, if necessary San Antonio at Phoenix, TBA, if necessary Sunday, May 23 Charlotte at New York, TBA, if necessary

SPORTS

TV sports

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Expos at Braves, 6:30 p.m., WTBS (11). Mariners at Rangers, 7:30 p.m., HSE (29) Reds at Dodgers, 9:30 p.m., ESPN (30).

Islanders vs. Canadiens, 6:30 p.m., ESPN (30).

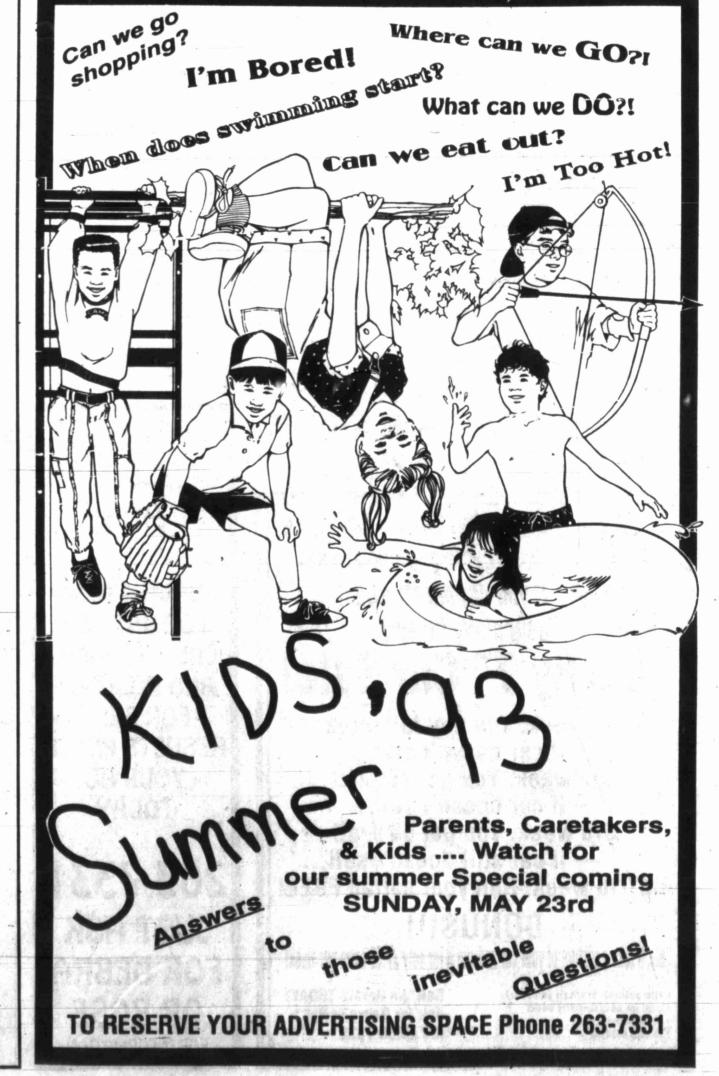
Hornets at Knicks (game five), 7 p.m., TNT (28). Spurs at Suns (game five), 9:30 p.m., TNT (28).

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HOWARD COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT

HOWARD COUNTY COURTHOUSE ANNEX PHONE (915) 263-8301 P.O. DRAWER 1151 . 315 MAIN STREET **BIG SPRING, TEXAS 79721-1151**

PROPERTY TAX PROTEST AND APPEAL PROCEDURES

The law gives property owners the right to protest actions concerning their property tax appraisals. You may follow these appeal procedures if you have a concern about:

the value placed on your property

any exemptions that may apply to you

the cancellation of an agricultural appraisal the taxable status of your property

the local governments which should be taxing your property any action taken by the appraisal district that adversely

affected you.

You may come by the Appraisal District Office located at 315 Main Street, or mail your protest at Drawer 1151 Big Spring, Tx 79721.

REVIEW BY THE APPRAISAL REVIEW BOARD

If you can't resolve your problem informally with the appraisal district staff, you may have your case heard by the appraisal review board (ARB).

The ARB is an independent board of citizens that reviews problems with appraisals or other concerns listed above. It has the power to order the appraisal district to make the necessary changes to solve problems. If you file a written request for an ARB hearing (called a notice of protest) before the deadline, the ARB will set your case for a hearing. You'll receive written notice of the time, date and place of the hearing. The hearing will be informal. You and the appraisal district representative will be asked to present evidence about your case. The ARB will make its decision based on the evidence presented. You can get a copy of a protest form from the appraisal district office at 315 Main Street, Big Spring, Tx.

NOTE: You shouldn't try to contact ARB members outside of the hearing. The law requires ARB members to sign an affidavit saying that they haven't talked about your case before the ARB hears it.

REVIEW BY THE DISTRICT COURT

After it decides your case, the ARB must send you a copy of its order by certified mail. If you're not satisfied with the decision, you have the right to appeal to district court. If you choose to go to court, you must start the process by filing a petition within 45 days of the date you receive the ARB's order. If the appraisal district has appraised your property at \$1,000,000 or more, you must file a notice of appeal with the chief appraiser within 15 days of the date you receive the ARB's order.

MORE INFORMATION

You can get more information by contacting your appraisal district at Howard County Appraisal District, 315 Main St., Big Spring, Tx (915) 263-8301. You can also get a pamphlet describing how to prepare a protest from the appraisal district or from the State Comptroller's Property Tax Division at 4301 Westbank Drive, Building B, Suite 100, Austin, Texas 78746-6565.

DEADLINE FOR FILING PROTESTS WITH THE ARB*

USUAL DEADLINE

On or before May 31 (or 30 days after a notice of appraised value was mailed to you, whichever is later).

Late protests are allowed if you miss the usual deadline for good cause. Good cause is some reason beyond your control, like a medical emergency. The ARB decides whether you have good cause.

Late protests are due the day before the appraisal review board approv records for the year. Contact your appraisal district for more information.

For change of use (the appraisal district informed you that you are losing agricultural appraisal because you changed the use of your land), the deadline is before the 30th day after the notice of determination was mailed to you.

For ARB changes (the ARB has informed you of a change that increases your tax liability and the change didn't result from a protest you filed), the deadline is before the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you.

If you believe the appraisal district or ARB should have sent you a notice and did not, you may file a protest until the day before taxes become delinquent (usually February 1). The ARB decides whether it will hear your case based on evidence about whether a required notice was mailed to you.

* The deadline is postponed to the next business day if it falls on a weekend or holiday.