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NEWS DIGEST



▲ New fire station open at the airpark

An open house followed a ribbon cutting ceremony to inaugurate the city's newest firestation at McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark Friday. Fire demonstrations were also conducted as part of the festivities.

◀ Obedience classes



Big Spring Kennel Club will offer obedience classes beginning June 14 for dogs 10 weeks to 6 months at the Malone-Hogan covered parking lot. Cost is \$35 per dog. For more information call Carole Owen at 263-3404.

Disaster strikes

Find out what happened when disaster struck for Elmer Clinton. Read today's Personalities, page 1B.



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Weather

•Partly cloudy, high upper 80s: Today partly cloudy. High upper 80s. East wind 10-20 mph. Fair night, low in the lower 60s. See extended forecast page 6A.

TONIGHT	TOMORROW	TONIGHT
PARTLY CLOUDY	PARTLY CLOUDY	SUNSET 8:50 PM
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Remembering those who died



Herald photos by Tim Appel

At left, Marcus Fernandez, a scout from Troop 5, looks at the American flag flying over him during Memorial Day ceremonies at Trinity Memorial Park Sunday. At right, Buck Turner, commander of the Permian Basin Chapter of American Ex-P.O.W.'s, salutes after the placing of the wreaths during the Memorial Day observance. Below left, spent cartridges fly from the rifles of the Goodfellow Air Force Base Honor Guard during a 21-gun salute.



Covering up

A young girl covers her face from the teargas in the predominantly black Overtown section of Miami after police were called in to calm the area following disturbances caused by the announcement of the not guilty verdict in the William Lozano manslaughter trial in Orlando, Fla. No widespread violence was reported.

Alcohol bill less than lawmakers wanted

The Associated Press

AUSTIN — Lawmakers sent Gov. Ann Richards a bill Sunday that would give local areas more control over alcohol consumption and prohibit public drinking near schools.

But the measure does not include a provision pushed by the House to increase the age at which people can dance nude or topless in bars from 17 to 21. Rep. Ron Wilson called that a disappointment.

"It appears that the House was in the posture of protecting the young women across this state, and some of the folks in the Senate decided to protect the pedophiles," said Wilson, D-Houston, before the House approved the measure Sunday. The bill passed the Senate Saturday.

A separate bill overhauling the criminal code raises the nude and topless dancing minimum age to 18, but that doesn't take effect until 1994, Wilson said.

But Wilson said he was pleased with other

portions of the bill extending the life of the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, which regulates the alcohol industry. "It gives local people more control over their own neighborhoods," he said.

Among other provisions, the bill would: — Require a hearing before a new alcohol license is granted to a sexually oriented business. If an existing business wants to renew a license, a hearing is mandatory if requested by half of those living within 300 feet of it.

— Prohibit consumption of alcoholic beverages, or possession of an open container, within 600 feet of a public or private school.

— Authorize cities to ban possession of an open alcohol container, in addition to prohibiting public consumption, in a central business district.

— Cancel an alcohol license if the licenseholder knowingly allows an unauthorized firearm on the premises.

— Prohibit a bar from substituting requested

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String of burglaries linked to two youths

By CONNIE SWINNEY
Staff Writer

Two youths, attempting to burglarize a local business, were also implicated five days ago in a series of vehicle burglaries on May 22 and 23 in the Barcelona and Coronado Hills apartment complexes.

A 14-year-old and a 15-year-old reportedly stole a vehicle, on Hillside Street, as well as approximately \$2,000 worth of items from about 10 vehicles in the complexes.

"They said they were stealing from vehicles in which the doors were unlocked," Detective Sgt. Griffin said.

Leading to the youths' capture, the Big Spring Police Department responded to an alarm call at a business on the 2500 block of Wasson.

A 15-year-old Anglo male was arrested inside the business and charged with burglary, police reported.

Approximately, two hours later,

police located and arrested another Anglo male juvenile, 14, who was also reportedly involved in the Texaco burglary.

"Further investigation of the juveniles resulted in the clearance of several crimes that occurred during the weekend, including the vehicle burglaries," Griffin reported.

The juveniles were also charged with thefts of road signs in the northern part of Howard County, police reported.

The vehicle, valued at \$10,500 was recovered, and the youth are reportedly still in custody at the Howard County Juvenile Detention Center.

"The police department urges citizens to secure their vehicles as a basic crime prevention measure," Griffin stated.

Residents who had their vehicles burglarized on either of these two days can contact the police department Tuesday to identify merchandise that may have been taken in the spree.

Taxable farm values shoot up by a third

By PATRICK DRISCOLL
Business Editor

Shock may jar many Howard County cotton farmers this week upon learning taxable farm values for this year may shoot up more than a third over last year, from an average \$90 an acre to \$124.

Changes in other countywide valuations, according to the Howard County Appraisal District, include a 27 percent average increase in business properties while mineral values continue declining, dropping 12 percent. City and county homes should average out even. Total county valuation - \$3.5 billion - may drop 2 percent.

A fourth of 25,000 properties in the county were reappraised by the district. Some 6,500 reappraisal notices were mailed late last week, about 4,500 to agriculture landowners. Reevaluation of all property is planned for next year.

Farm increases this year are largely due to two factors: Lower interest rates, which must taken into account when figuring tax valuations, and a dramatic increase in the five-year production average for cotton, used to determine income.

"I hate that we had to increase it," said Chief Appraiser Keith Toomire. "There is not much that the district can do because the method for figur-

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Briefs



State Rep. Ron Wilson, D-Houston, watches House proceedings Sunday at the State Capitol in Austin. Wilson is the sponsor of the concealed handgun bill, expected to be considered before the end of the session Monday.

Gun bill goes to the Senate

AUSTIN (AP) — The Senate voted Sunday to allow Texans this November to voice their opinions on whether they should be allowed to carry handguns.

Voting 21-9, senators approved a compromise calling for the non-binding referendum to be placed on the Nov. 2 ballot.

"A vote 'yes' is a vote to give your citizens and your constituencies the right to express an opinion, and a vote 'no' is a vote that says that you don't want to know," said Sen. Jerry Patterson, R-Pasadena, sponsor of the referendum proposal.

The measure, which still needs House approval, is considerably weaker than earlier proposals to legalize carrying of handguns.

Those efforts faded after Gov. Ann Richards promised a veto. She said allowing Texans to carry handguns would be a step toward more violence. The governor also has threatened to veto a referendum bill.

Edwards Aquifer bill approved by Senate

AUSTIN (AP) — Withdrawals from the Edwards Aquifer would be regulated by a permit system to ensure the lives of endangered species under a bill approved by the Texas Senate on Sunday.

The aquifer, the sole source of drinking water for San Antonio, extends 176 miles under six Central Texas counties.

The Legislature was forced to come up with a plan to regulate water withdrawals after a federal judge ruled rare fish, salamanders and plant life which feed off of the underground water source needed protection.

Regulation of the aquifer has been met with disdain by developers, city officials and farmers, who say their crops and property will be devalued by restrictions on water rights.

Plane crash kills one

HEBBRONVILLE (AP) — The pilot of a single-engine airplane died early Sunday when the Cessna crashed six miles east of Jim Hogg County Airport, authorities said.

The sole occupant of the plane, pilot Pete Hunter of Freer, was pronounced dead at the scene by Justice of the Peace Benny V. Garza, said Joe Carrillo, an investigator for the Duval County Sheriff's Department.



Associated Press photo

Gov. Ann Richards answers questions about the U.S. Senate race between Sen. Bob Krueger and Kay Bailey Hutchison during a news conference Friday in Austin. Texas' influence in the U.S. Congress is not expected to wane no matter who is elected.

Texas' influence ok who ever wins the special election

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Bob Krueger and the Democrats campaigning to keep him in the Senate beyond June 5th are pushing hard their message that it's important for Texas to have at least one Democrat in the Senate.

They suggest that the super collider, space station and Texas military bases may be in jeopardy if voters pick Republican Kay Bailey Hutchison to work side by side with the state's senior senator, Republican Phil Gramm.

"It's awfully important that we have a Democratic senator who has full access to that White House, who can work the Democratic side of the aisle in both the Senate and in the House, and speak to the Democratic members of the Appropriations Committee," said Treasury Secretary Lloyd Bentsen, who represented Texas in the Senate for 22 years.

Republicans scoff at any implication that Krueger has close ties to the White House, noting that the Democrat has kept himself at arms length from President Clinton during the campaign. The president hasn't been asked to campaign for Krueger, although several Cabinet officers and Vice President Al Gore have made swings through Texas.

Texas hasn't been represented by two Republican senators since 1875. But political observers say that regardless of the outcome of the June 5th matchup — which current polls show Mrs. Hutchison favored to win — Texas interests will continue to be answered at the White House and on Capitol Hill.

"There is probably less impact on the state than there might otherwise be just because Texas still figures so prominently in the administration in

the person of former Senator Bentsen," said Bruce Buchanan, a presidential scholar at the University of Texas.

"I don't see the state suffering directly from it from the standpoint of having less access to the White House or less favorable treatment from the Democratic majority in Congress because Texas is not depending solely on its congressional delegation for that influence," he said.

Kate O'Beirne, a congressional expert at the conservative Heritage Foundation in Washington, said the White House can't afford to sidestep Texas.

"Having Phil Gramm helps," she said. "He's a senator who the White House ignores at their peril."

The greatest impact, Ms. O'Beirne and Buchanan suggested, would be on the fortunes of Clinton and Democrats in the Senate, where Democrats hold a 57-43 edge.

"The way the vote situation is going on what promises to be a long series of very difficult Senate votes, the clearest impact — should this election go as predicted — will be on the calculus in the Senate on key measures like health care," Buchanan said.

Democrats already are three votes short of the majority needed to prevent Republicans from filibustering.

Jury to decide rap's role in trooper's murder

The Associated Press

AUSTIN — Nineteen-year-old Ronald Ray Howard likes rap music. Growing up in inner-city Houston, he and his friends listened to it, and lived by it.

This week, an Austin jury will decide whether he killed because of it.

When Howard goes on trial on charges of killing Texas Department of Public Safety trooper Bill Davidson, so will "gangsta rap," the outlaw fringe of the rap music genre.

Gangsta's themes center around drugs, sex, violence and hatred for police, and attorneys on both sides of the case say it will be a key to Howard's trial.

Defense attorney Allan Tanner says that on April 11, 1992, the night trooper Davidson was killed, Howard drove 120 miles from Houston to Victoria while listening to Tupac's "2Pacalypse Now" release and a tape by Houston rap group Ganksta N.I.P.

Howard, who was already on probation for car theft, was driving a stolen GM Blazer near Victoria when Davidson, 43, pulled him over for missing a headlight.

According to grand jury testimony, the trooper walked up to the window and Howard shot him in the neck with a 9-mm handgun his mother had bought him.

"My foot was already on the gas," Howard told the grand jury. "I heard

him scream as I was leaving." Tanner says the cop-killing rap that his client frequently played is a factor that must be considered in determining his fate. If convicted, Howard faces up to life in prison or the death penalty.

"We not saying it excuses anything," Tanner said. "But it should be considered in the sentence he gets."

Jackson County District Attorney Bobby Bell agrees. He intends to call as witnesses Tupac and members of Ganksta N.I.P.

"I don't think all that gangsta rap made him do it, but it reinforced it," Bell said. "He hated cops. Hated cops."

The power of rap music, and its role in this trial, may also influence a civil suit filed by Davidson's widow against California rapper Tupac Amuru Shakur and Time Warner Inc.

That product liability suit seeks unspecified monetary damages from the rapper and his recording company, contending they acted irresponsibly and contributed to the trooper's death.

Mrs. Davidson's lawyer, Jim Cole of Victoria, contends rapper Tupac's anti-cop message provoked Howard.

"His background, his education, where he lived, the types of music he listened to all go into what he did. I think if he hadn't been listening to this particular album at the time he killed Bill Davidson, he wouldn't have

Lyrics from song

The Associated Press

AUSTIN — The following is an excerpt from the rap song Ronald Ray Howard says he was listening to prior to allegedly shooting DPS trooper Bill Davidson. The lyrics are from "Souljahs Story," a song from Tupac's "2Pacalypse Now" release.

"Is it my fault just cause I'm a young black male.

Cops sweatin' me as if my destiny is makin' crack sales.

Only 15 nigga got my problems, cops on my tail so I bail till I dodge them.

They final pull me over and I laugh, remember Rodney King and I blast on my punk ass. Now I got a murder case, you speak of heaven punk, I never heard of the place."

done it."

But Time Warner attorney Jim George disputes that. "I think it's a fundamental question of old-fashioned cause and effect. This guy shot a cop to keep from going to jail, and it's as simple as this.

"The claim that rap music made me do it is simply another excuse for awful behavior. People have blamed bad behavior on everything from Twinkies to 'I ate too much sugar' and 'I grew up poor.' Our response is basically, 'Aw, come on...'"

Latest school finance bill ready to become law

The Associated Press

AUSTIN — Gov. Ann Richards' office said Sunday she will sign the latest school finance reform bill into law.

Richards scheduled a Monday morning signing ceremony at Peace Elementary School in Austin, her office said.

The signing comes one day before a court hearing is scheduled in the

long-running school finance case.

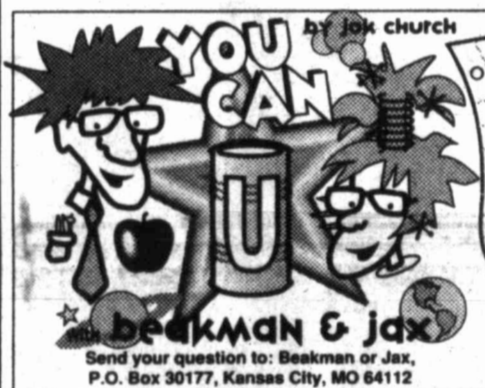
The Texas Supreme Court had given the Legislature until Tuesday to even out funding available to school districts with differing property wealth. Missing the deadline would have meant a court-ordered cutoff of state education aid. School districts rely on state funds and local property taxes.

After voters on May 1 rejected the "Robin Hood" share-the-wealth proposal, lawmakers last week completed work on another finance

plan.

The bill Richards plans to sign is meant to ensure that none of Texas' 1,048 school districts has more than \$280,000 in property wealth per weighted student. Students with special needs are counted as more than one pupil in the weighted system, to make up for the extra cost of educating them.

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 - Japanese — Tree Houses — Plants — Time Capsule — Swimming
 - Baseball — Dance — Origami — Leaves — Volunteering
 - Beekeeping — Rabbits — Gardening — Bike Hikes — Art — Fort Building — Soccer — Kites — Bubbles — Trucks — Maps
 - Traiblazing — Analyze Trash — Neighborhood Newspaper — Spanish — Judo

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easy contest rules: Basically, you have to make them up yourself — which I guess is a little harder than following someone else's rules. Anyway, do include the following: Figure out what you want to do, what you want to find out about, achieve, accomplish — and then go out and do it! Start at the library. Use an encyclopedia. You decide.

Do whatever it is you need to do to start, and just start. Then write and tell us what you did. Write a report. If you like, send photos or a videotape. You decide. You Can even use a copy of this report on the first day of school when they ask what you did on your vacation. You decide. Send whatever you want to send to: Summer Vacation Contest, P.O. Box 30177, Kansas City, MO 64112. We cannot return any entries. Make sure to include your name and address and phone number. Letters must be postmarked no later than August 1, 1993.

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Briefs

Mystery illness strikes Navajo reservation

The Associated Press

SANTA FE, N.M. — Health officials on Sunday said three more people have been hospitalized with an unknown illness that has killed at least 10 people around the Navajo Reservation.

Two people were transported to University Hospital in Albuquerque, bringing to four the number of patients in the most serious condition being treated at a special isolation ward.

None of the patients there had died since noon Saturday, but doctors said they don't know whether the treatment — primarily antibiotics — is working.

"There have been survivors of this syndrome who've been treated with anti-microbial agents, and that's the basis of the medical recommendations we're providing (to area doctors)," said Dr. Gary Simpson.

"I don't know that we can say with any confidence that individuals have responded or survived because of what we've done for them," Simpson said.

He said officials are quick to transport people to the specialized unit at University Hospital because the illness progresses quickly.

The three cases identified Sunday were reported by hospitals in Chinle, Ariz., Crownpoint and Zuni.

New Mexico Health Department officials said at a news briefing they still haven't identified the cause of the illness. They called the outbreak an epidemic of unexplained adult respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS).

Investigators are searching for an infectious substance, a toxic chemical or some other common cause, but laboratory tests have shown nothing. They say the illness may be contagious, but not highly contagious.

The sickness is occurring among relatively young, healthy people — mainly Navajos. It begins with flu-like symptoms, but in severe cases the lungs quickly swell, leaving the victims unable to breathe, which results in respiratory and cardiac arrest, then death.

Investigators pegged the number of cases and possible cases at 25, including some who are hospitalized at Indian Health Service hospitals. Several cases previously listed were unrelated and were removed, including one previously reported in Colorado.

Nine Indians and one Anglo have died. Overall, 19 of the 25 cases are Indian, one is Hispanic and the others are Anglo. Four people have recovered.

The most recent death was a 13-year-old Navajo girl who collapsed at a party in Gallup late Friday and died at noon Saturday.

Getting ready

Two Russian army soldiers carry decoration details for a huge outdoor market being installed in Moscow's Red Square to celebrate the 100th anniversary of GUM department store.

Child's alleged murderer found by Texas trooper

NEW YORK (AP) — An alert Texas state trooper stopped a newly repainted car and ended a five-state hunt for the man sought in the killing of a 4-year-old boy found in a trash compactor.

Stephan Poole, 31, was charged Sunday with murder in the May 20 death of his wife's foster son, Kayesean Blackledge. The boy was strangled and beaten before being thrown down the trash chute, police said.

Police say Poole drove the child from their New Jersey home to a Brooklyn housing project and killed him.

Poole could be returned to New York as early as today unless he fights extradition. If convicted, he faces a maximum of life in prison.

Panda poachers get death sentence

BEIJING (AP) — A south China court sentenced two men to death for trafficking in panda skins, the official Xinhua News Agency said.

The two, Deng Tianshun and Zhu Xiuying, bought three panda skins in 1988 and 1989 and sold them for huge profits, Xinhua said without giving any figures. It said in the report late Sunday that the Canton Intermediate Court gave life sentences to others involved in the case.

The giant panda is one of the world's most endangered animals, with about 1,000 surviving in the wild and another 100 in captivity. Illegal traders in rare animal parts can get as much as \$10,000 for a panda pelt in Hong Kong and Taiwan, a fortune to Chinese peasants who take the risk of poaching despite the severe penalties.

Crowds small at Yosemite

YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK, Calif. (AP) — The warnings apparently worked. The expected crowds of tourists and hours-long traffic jams at Yosemite National Park did not materialize over the Memorial Day weekend.

Last week, tourists without reservations were forced to wait up to three hours as all the park's entrances were temporarily closed.

Yosemite officials had said they would shut entrances again if too many people showed up over the holiday weekend. Delays of up to five hours were predicted in TV announcements, newspapers and on highway signs.

Tourists apparently headed the warnings and many stayed away. Park officials blamed the traffic problems on heavy winter snowfall that blocked access to two major roads within Yosemite and forced tourists into a smaller portion of the park's wilderness.

The heavy winter precipitation also has rejuvenated wildlife and waterfalls, attracting more sightseers.

Officer puts training to test with pet snake

PINEHURST, N.C. (AP) — Police officers are trained to handle life and death struggles, but they don't expect to use that training on their pet.

Pinehurst Police Officer Scott McLeod was feeding a chicken to his 12-foot Burmese Python at home when the snake went for his hand instead.

The snake latched onto his right hand and started to wrap around his arm. Pythons kill their prey by squeezing it.

"I had to wrestle the thing to keep it from getting to my upper body," he said.

McLeod said he didn't panic. With the help of his roommate's girlfriend, he cut the snake with a knife, but the 7-inch gash had no effect.

The woman retrieved one of the McLeod's guns and he was able to shoot the snake in the head. Only then was he able to pry the python off, about five minutes after it bit him.

McLeod said his hand swelled to about the size of a softball. He went to the hospital, where doctors gave him antibiotics to guard against infection.



Turkish protesters decry the latest violence against foreigners in a march in Solingen, western Germany, Sunday. A blaze, belived started by neo-Nazi arsonists Saturday killed five Turks, including two little girls, in the most deadly attack against foreigners since German reunification.

German Turks protest fatal firebomb
Five young girls die in the attack believed set by skinheads

The Associated Press

BONN, Germany — Thousands of Turks marched across Germany in outrage over a deadly firebombing at a Turkish home, while one official lamented that a recent crackdown on rightist groups has failed to stop such hate crimes.

Interior Minister Rudolf Seiters on Sunday offered no new measures to battle violent rightists, though he promised to deal harshly with those responsible for the attack in Solingen early Saturday. No arrests have been made.

"With 6.4 million foreigners in Germany, it's not only up to the police to be watchful, it is a task for all of society," Seiters said. "Society must be vigilant."

He said he found it "deeply shattering" that the steps he took in December — banning three neo-Nazi groups, hiring new police — hadn't been enough.

Thousands of outraged Turks marched in Solingen, Frankfurt, Berlin, Bonn and other cities Sunday, and the Turkish government issued an unusually sharp statement demanding German measures to stop the violence.

Johannes Rau, governor of North Rhine-Westphalia state, emerged shaken from a visit to the blackened apartment house where four Turkish sisters and a 12-year-old Turkish girl died in the early morning fire.

He said he wasn't sure how to stop skinhead violence against foreigners. Youths with shaved heads, wearing bomber jackets and jackboots, had been seen fleeing the apartment

house as it exploded into flames.

Officials in Solingen, about 15 miles northeast of Cologne, were criticized for failing to see the attack coming. Earlier in the month, two mosques and a Turkish supermarket were firebombed, but police didn't begin a probe of radical rightists.

Turks in Solingen were outraged Sunday. At one point, a group of 15 or so protesters, with police escort, marched down a main street shouting, "We want blood! We want blood!"

"If I weren't a peaceful man, maybe I'd go somewhere and buy a machine gun and use it," said Kavak Omer, a 37-year-old metalworker who has lived in Germany for 21 years.

"For most of my life this has been the most beautiful city in Germany. But now it's the ugliest city."



Blowing her horn Xanthe Burton, 4 of Brentwood, Calif., plays her horn to the rhythm of a marching band as a color guard passes by Sunday during a Memorial Day Parade in the Brentwood area of Los Angeles.

Judge decides fate of hangman's noose

The Associated Press

SEATTLE — The hangman's noose, long a symbol of justice on the American frontier, may soon be extinct.

As part of an appeal for a condemned triple murderer, a federal judge will decide this week whether execution by hanging is fair punishment or a grisly relic of a bygone era.

U.S. District Judge John Coughenour tantalized those eager for a hint about his leanings near the end of a three-day hearing when he wondered aloud: Has hanging remained in use despite cruelly questions "because the answer is so obvious?"

A lawyer for convicted killer Charles Campbell said no.

The definition of cruel and unusual punishment, barred under the U.S. Constitution's Eighth Amendment,

has been left open by the U.S. Supreme Court to allow for evolving societal standards, attorney James Lobsenz responded during closing arguments Wednesday.

"We used to have slavery," Lobsenz said, offering an example of changing sensibilities. "We don't have it any more."

The hearing was ordered by the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. Coughenour said his written decision in the case will be completed Tuesday or Wednesday for the 11-judge appeals panel reviewing the case.

The legal fate of the issue after that remains anyone's guess.

Execution by hanging remains an option in Washington, Montana, Delaware and New Hampshire. The last convict to die on the gallows was Washington child-killer Westley Allan Dodd, who was hanged in January.

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"Where men cannot freely convey their thoughts to one another, no other liberty is secure."

William Ernest Hocking, philosopher, 1947

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We asked:

What do you think of President Clinton's tax plan and do you think it will reduce the federal deficit?

"That's what I don't understand. We make these little fuel efficient cars to save money on gasoline. They want to raise the tax on the gasoline. It's not going to save money."

E. Garrett Patton

"I think it's ridiculous on the energy tax. They shouldn't be able to tax energy. They need to cut the federal government - too much waste. I don't think it will work to cut the

deficit. Tom Allen

"I think it will help. If people will let it work, it will work. People are fighting everything too much."

Dorothy Kennemur

"I don't like the energy tax because everything is too high anyway. It's going to hit everyone. I think it's worth reducing the deficit by raising taxes. Just so long as they stop helping other countries. There are too many people in America that need help. Especially the elderly."

Wilma James



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TOM ALLEN

Boycott movie outlines changes and lack of

My friend Diane and I spent Saturday night watching videos, laughing and talking. The laughing stopped and serious talking started while watching "A Long Walk Home." The movie centered on the Montgomery, Ala. bus boycott.

The boycott was started in December, 1955 when Rosa Parks a Black seamstress at the Montgomery Fair Department store refused to give up her seat on a bus to a white man. She was arrested and this sparked a 381-day bus boycott and the start of the modern civil rights movement. It also put the spotlight on a young Black minister by the name of Martin Luther King, Jr.

In the book, "I Dream A World" by Brian Lanker, Mrs. Parks states, "There was a lot of humor in it (the boycott) too. Somebody told a story about a white husband who had fired the family cook because she refused to ride the bus to work. When his wife came home, she said, (if you don't go get here, you better be on your way.) Some white people who were not willing to be deprived of their domestic help would just go themselves and pick up the peole working for them."

"A Long Walk Home" is the story of two women, a white housewife and her maid. When the housewife starts giving her maid a ride during the boycott, she doesn't realize the impact it will have on her life. I won't tell you any more about the movie because I'd like for you to see it for yourself.

As Diane and I watched that movie however, we were struck by how different some things are and how little



Brenda Brooks

others have changed. For example, in 1955, the idea of an African-American family moving into an all white affluent neighborhood and being greeted with cookies was the stuff dreams or nightmares were made of. But that's exactly what happened when we moved to Big Spring.

Children attend school with all races and to try to explain to them the logic behind segregation is difficult at best. No one in their right mind would walk up to me and demand to be called "Sir." So some things have changed.

Yet in one scene of the movie, one woman is talking about how lazy Black people are as she consumes a meal prepared by the cook who had walked nine miles to work. Last week in a letter to the editor of a major newspaper, I read the exact same words. It would appear that while our culture has changed and we're taught it is not politically correct to be an overt racist have we changed where it matters the most, in our minds and hearts?

Betty Shabazz states, "We can say 'Peace on Earth', we can sing about it, preach about it or pray about it, but if we have not internalized the mythology to make it happen inside us, then it will not be."

Write the Editor

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Because we cannot research and verify all information in letters, by publishing them we neither imply nor guarantee the accuracy of information stated by writers.

The White House needs to let Saddam know the Kurds have a safe haven

Scripps Howard News Service

As Bosnia turns into a sinkhole for Western credibility, it becomes vital that the United States and its allies hold firm in their commitment to the Iraqi Kurds. All talk of new safe havens for Bosnian Muslims will ring hollow indeed if Saddam Hussein gets away with disregarding the two-year-old safety zone in northern Iraq.

There are several indications that the unsleeping Butcher of Baghdad could be mulling escalation against the Kurds. He is building up his troop presence along the 200-mile border of the northern enclave. His forces

shell Kurdish farms and villages almost every day. His tanks and artillery would readily outmatch the Kurds' 30,000-man semi-guerrilla army.

Saddam undoubtedly knows that the 3.5 million Kurds are hard pressed lately. His own economic blockade of the north is a constant, but his withdrawal from circulation of pre-war banknotes this month dealt the Kurds' economy a heavy blow. Meanwhile, United Nations relief agencies complain of donor fatigue. The 236 U.N. guards stationed in the safe haven to oversee humanitarian relief can be paid through June and no longer unless new pledges of support come from

member states. The United States continues to patrol the skies of northern Iraq, enforcing the U.N.-mandated no-fly zone for Saddam's planes. But the administration must also prepare contingency plans for halting Iraqi aggression on the ground. The Kurds' haven was set up by the victors in the Gulf War after Saddam

Has anybody else noticed there is another food product commercial love affair brewing (yes, brewing) on television?

This guy is sitting in a lobby of a hotel and an attractive woman walks in. The concierge brings her a key and says, "Room 801."

So every weirdo in the lobby knows her room number now, but, lucky for her, the guy is her old boyfriend.

We soon learn they broke up because she ate one kind of butter and he ate another.

Couples have broken up over less than that in the '90s

But there's a new butter out now that can suit them both. So the guy produces some of it from an unseen dairy case, knocks on her hotel door, shows her the butter and they're in love again.

"Buy our butter and put your relationship back together," the commercial seems to be saying.

We don't see what happens after that, but this being the kinky '90s, one would expect they did something with the butter besides put it on toast, and made up for lost time.

If any hanky-panky did occur I pre-



Lewis Grizzard

sume they practiced safe sex and put on some sort of protective gear, butter being as slippery a substance as it is.

This, of course, follows the Taster's Choice coffee couple, last seen in a hotel room in Paris about to warm up something more than—it would seem from the closing kiss in the last commercial—a pot of fresh Taster's Choice.

Frankly, I find both these commercials hard to take. How many people build love affairs over coffee or butter?

The man in the Taster's Choice spot goes next door in his apartment building to beg coffee from his female neighbor.

In real life, she probably would have said, "Do I look like Juan Valdez to you?" and slammed the door in his face.

If he'd come back a second time, it

would have been a sexual harassment suit for certain.

But not on TV. They wind up falling in love and/or heat, and what they really need is to get together over some good toothpaste. Is it just me, or do these two have bad teeth?

If he'd gone next door to borrow a bottle of vodka, all this might have been more believable.

"Got any booze, Toots?" he might have asked.

"Got a glass, Big Boy?" she might have answered.

They might never have wound up in a Paris hotel room, but after five or six drinks they could have been in a Motel 6 in Toledo and never known the difference.

I never met a woman in a situation involving butter or coffee. I tried to meet a few in situations involving vodka during my more rowdy days, but every time I suggested we beat it to a Motel 6 in Toledo, they either called me a creep or resorted to violence.

I would never try such a thing these days, however, for fear of the dreaded sexual harassment suit, and the guy with the butter may not be

out of the woods yet, either.

What if he, once the buttering was done, remarked to her, "You look good enough to deep fry?"

Perry Mason couldn't get him out of something like that.

First, coffee. Now, butter. What can we expect next?

A man knocks on his neighbor's door. A beautiful woman answers and he says, "Hi. I seem to be out of Gold Bond Itch Powder. Oh, I see you raise sheepdogs in your one-bedroom apartment, too."

Six months later we see them shackled up in New York attending the Westminster Dog Show.

Or a couple bumps into each other in a medicine aisle at Kroger.

"Sorry," says he, "I was just looking for something to remove these unsightly canker sores."

"Me, too," she responds.

And 14 commercials later, the viewing audience sheds tears as the couple are finally able to kiss without pain.

What I'd really like to see is for the Taster's Choice honey to turn out to be a transvestite.

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A stupid clerk, a drunk, a woman

It was a slow Sunday night in a motel near a Birmingham hospital. If it hadn't been for the Memphis man, the night would have remained a quiet one.

The woman was in her late 20s, with blonde hair and a quick smile. Whatever her physical attributes, they were too much for the drunk visitor from Tennessee.

All of us were checking in, or waiting to, filling out the forms and trying to remember our license plate numbers. The young woman came in just after the man. He pointed like a hound.

She quickly made her first mistake, speaking when spoken to. My hunch is she hailed from a small town, where people still do that. It's amazing how long it takes to adjust to the city premise that only panhandlers and crazies speak to strangers on the street. In cities, most people look at you funny when you smile at them. That takes some getting used to....

"I'm from Memphis," the drunk declared, pivoting on his loafer to get a better look at the young woman. "Where are you from?"

"I'm from Tennessee, too," she said, hesitating. I suspect she smelled trouble. Or his breath.

Soon it became apparent the man wanted to exchange more than greetings. He put his arm around her shoulders and blew whisky in her face.

She shrugged him off, but tried to keep smiling. There were other people around. He grabbed for her hand, which she shook free. Wherever she moved, he followed, in a bizarre tandem shuffle that edged closer to the front counter.

"Let me buy you dinner, sweetheart," he insisted. "Anywhere you wanna go. Anything you wanna



Rheta Grimsley Johnson

order."

"No, thank you," she said.

"Oh, come on, baby, you've got to eat," the loud said.

"No, thank you," she said again. She no longer was smiling. The other people in the lobby were staring now.

"Let me tell you a joke," he said. The joke was vaguely obscene. An loud. He laughed at his cleverness and winked at anyone who made eye contact.

The motel clerk, a younger man who had heard everything so far, laughed, too. "You can buy me dinner," he said. "I wouldn't refuse."

The woman was scribbling by now, trying to finish the paperwork and get a room key. She fumbled for her credit card, making a point to keep the part with her printed name face down.

"Here's one I bet you haven't heard," the man persisted. This time the joke was downright dirty. An old woman seated in the corner of the lobby shook her head in disgust. Others were glaring at the drunk, whose volume and enthusiasm were growing.

Again, the clerk chortled like an idiot. The rest of us stood dumbfounded, watching this one-sided passion play.

The clerk handed the woman her key. "Room 222," he announced in a voice that could have been heard in

Bessemer.

"Another room, please, and don't announce my room number this time," said the young woman, whose sin was being friendly, not dumb. She glared at the clerk, her attractive face a meaningful contortion.

The clerk rolled his eyes but did as she asked. He had stopped smiling when he pushed a new key toward the woman.

"Whatya afraid of?" bellowed the man to the woman's back as she sprinted from the lobby. "You think I'm gonr a follow you to your room uninvited? Hell, I'll just buy somebody else dinner."

Women who travel to make a living become savvy to survive. It takes only one drunk in one lobby to teach a valuable lesson.

The clerk should have been reported to the manager. A guest was being harassed by another guest, and a firm word from someone in charge might have ended it a lot sooner. And any idiot knows you don't broadcast anyone's room number, male or female.

Probably the drunk was harmless, if obnoxious, the kind who would sleep it off and blush if he encountered the same woman the next day.

But just maybe he is the kind of fellow who simply won't take "No" for an answer, the kind who is violent. The kind who rapes.

When last I saw him, he was adjusting his bifocals and filling out forms, unmolested.

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This date in history

The Associated Press

Today is Monday, May 31, the 151st day of 1993. There are 214 days left in the year. This is the Memorial Day observance.

Today's Highlight in History: On May 31, 1889, more than 2,000 people perished when a dam break sent water rushing through Johnstown, Pa.

On this date: In 1809, composer Franz Joseph Haydn died in Vienna, Austria.

In 1819, poet Walt Whitman was born in West Hill, N.Y.

In 1910, the Union of South Africa was founded.

In 1913, the 17th amendment to the Constitution, providing for the popular election of U.S. senators, was declared in effect.

In 1916, during World War I, British and German fleets fought the Battle of Jutland off Denmark.

In 1961, South Africa became an independent republic.

In 1962, World War II Gestapo official Adolf Eichmann was hanged in Israel for his role in the Nazi Holocaust.

In 1970, tens of thousands of people in Peru died in an earthquake.

In 1976, Martha Mitchell, the estranged wife of former Attorney General John N. Mitchell, died in New York.

In 1977, the trans-Alaska oil pipeline, three years in the making, was completed with the final weld made by construction workers near Pump Station Three.

In 1989, House Speaker Jim Wright, dogged by questions about his ethics, announced he would resign.

Ten years ago: The Philadelphia 76ers won the National Basketball Association championship, defeating the Los Angeles Lakers in the fourth game of their best-of-seven series. Former heavyweight boxing champion Jack Dempsey died at his home in New York at age 87.

Five years ago: On the third day of the Moscow superpower summit, Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev said maybe it was "time to bang our fists on the table" to complete work on a strategic arms treaty while President Reagan said, "I'll do anything that works."

One year ago: An estimated 50,000 people demonstrated in Belgrade, Yugoslavia, against Communist-organized elections. "Crazy for You" was named Broadway's best musical at the Tony Awards, while "Dancing at Lughnasa" was named best play.

Today's Birthdays: Author-minister Norman Vincent Peale is 95. Actor Don Ameche is 85. Prince Rainier of Monaco is 70. Actor-director Clint Eastwood is 63. Opera singer Shirley Verrett is 60. Singer Peter Yarrow is 55. Anglican Church envoy Terry Waite is 54. Singer Johnny Paycheck is 52. Actress Sharon Gless is 50. Football Hall-of-Famer Joe Namath is 50. Actor Tom Berenger is 43. Actor Gregory Harrison is 43. Actress-model Brooke Shields is 28.

Thought for Today: "One does not love a place the less for having suffered in it unless it has all been suffering, nothing but suffering." - Jane Austen, British novelist (1775-1817).

Table with columns for time and program: 5 PM Jeopardy!, 6 PM ABC News, 7 PM ABC's World of Discovery, 8 PM Movie: Animal House, 9 PM House of Cards, 10 PM News (6443) Cheers, 11 PM Ent. Tonight Nightline, 12 AM R. Limbaugh News (3519) Now, 1 AM World News Now, 2 AM (407710)

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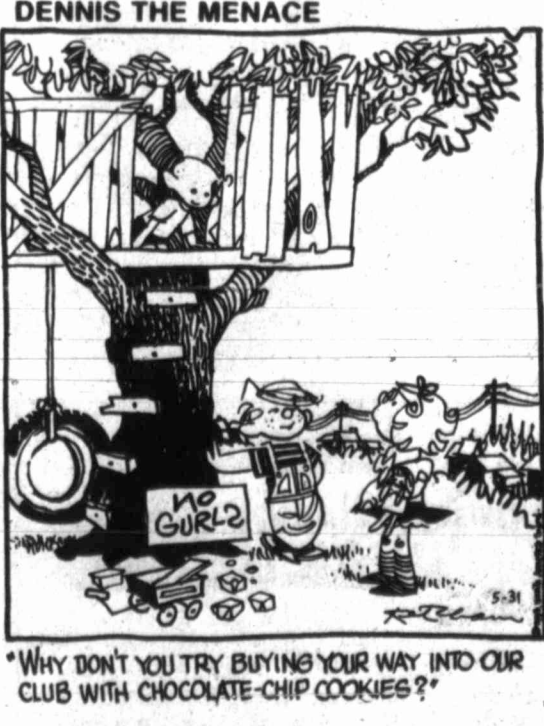
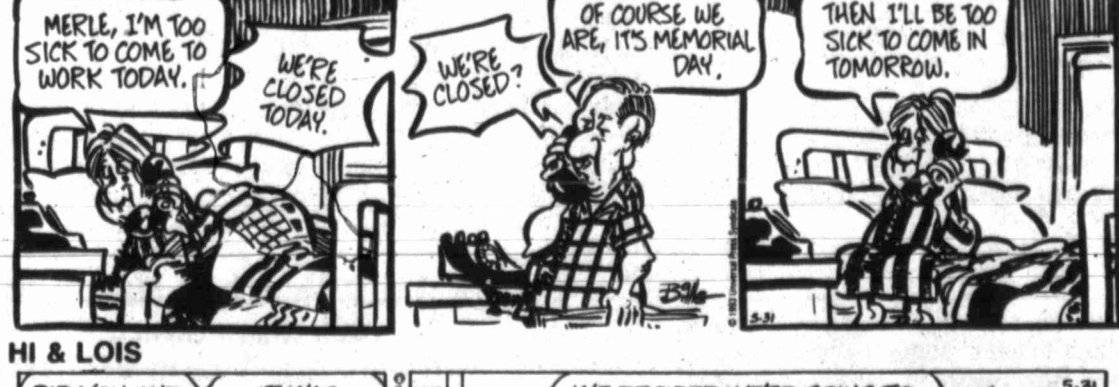


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Jacqueline Bigar - Horoscope FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 1, 1993. ARIES (March 21-April 19): Get more in touch with a situation that affects you and a partner. Be clear about the cost of running your household. Your strength and sense of direction help you get more of what you want. Tonight: Be a duo.***

Dear Abby - Letters...

Husband's phone etiquette is questioned DEAR ABBY: My sister, who lives in Ohio, is visiting me and my husband for three weeks. (We live in Florida.) "Sis" received a telephone call the other evening, and my husband answered the telephone and asked the caller who was calling. I told my husband that he was rude to have asked who was calling, since the call was not for him.



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Calm returns to Miami's inner city

The Associated Press

MIAMI — Florida National Guard troops packed their gear and went home as calm and a holiday atmosphere prevailed in Miami's inner city, two days after a policeman was acquitted in the deaths of two black men.

The verdict Friday in the case of suspended Officer William Lozano was followed by a night of brief disturbances and sporadic rock- and bottle-throwing.

But police reported no incidents Saturday and Sunday. Barricades that cordoned off the predominantly black Overtown and Liberty City neighborhoods were lifted.

"Very quiet, all day long and we expect it to continue that way," Miami police spokesman Armando Villorin said late Sunday.

Police remained on 12-hour shifts heading into Memorial Day. Some 200 members of the National Guard, who had been on standby alert at an army, were told early Sunday by Gov. Lawton Chiles that they could go home.

"I think we're all thankful that it turned out the way it did," said the Guard's spokesman, Lt. Col. Ken Forrester.

A holiday atmosphere prevailed during the rain-splashed weekend.

"I just want to be able to enjoy Memorial Day," Patricia Butler, 28, said Saturday while riding her bike.



Associated Press photo

Police in Miami arrest a man during disturbances following the not guilty verdict in the William Lozano manslaughter trial in Orlando, Fla. Lozano was being tried for the death of two motorcyclists in 1989 while he was on duty as a Miami policeman. Quiet returned to Miami following the brief outbreak.

She said she was looking forward to a holiday basketball tournament today.

A jury in Orlando acquitted Lozano in the 1989 shooting that killed a speeding motorcyclist, who was fleeing another police officer. The resultant crash fatally injured a passenger on the motorcycle.

Three days of rioting erupted after

the deaths four years ago. Some black residents said their neighborhood was put on trial rather than Lozano, and that Friday's spotty violence was instigated by the heavy police presence.

"We weren't thinking of any riots, riots didn't cross our mind," said Tianda Flagg. "When police started coming out with guns, that's when these poor girls and boys started act-

ing foolish." Other residents, however, credited police for the prevailing calm.

"I believe all the police had an effect," Quantika Johnson, 19, a cashier in Overtown, said Saturday. "They see all these police, otherwise they don't care about the neighborhood. They see police and come under control."



MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Maya Angelou says her new book, "Lessons in Living," is something of a "how-to" manual: "how to live with some grace, some laughter, some courage ... and some resistance."

The poet spoke Sunday at the American Booksellers Association Convention.

Angelou, 65, said her life has definitely changed since President Clinton asked her to write a poem for his inauguration.

The resulting poem, "On the Pulse of the Morning," and her memoir "I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings" have been best sellers. Strangers come up and hug her. She gets more than a thousand letters a week, some addressed simply to "Maya Angelou, North Carolina."

"That has put a decided strain on the post office in our little village," joked Angelou, a resident of Winston-Salem, N.C.

recovery program is her own, a patchwork of attending a few meetings, reading books on the subject and talking to friends.

CINCINNATI (AP) — Two-time Pulitzer Prize winner Edward Albee set an opening date and has begun auditioning actors for his new play, "Fragments." Now all he has to do is write it.

The author of "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?" said he plans to write the new play this summer at his home in Montauk, N.Y.

"I don't expect to deliver the script until the first day of rehearsals," he said last week.

"Fragments" will open Oct. 6 at Cincinnati's Ensemble Theater, which commissioned the piece, and will be Albee's first American premiere in a decade.

Albee, who will also direct the play, says he's happy to be working outside New York because his kind of theater is too challenging for the "middlebrow" audiences being courted by Broadway producers.

"The only thing to do about New York is ignore it," Albee said. "What's going on in regional theaters is better than what's going on in New York."

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Donald Fagen says his new album "Kamakiriad" offers a more positive outlook on life than his Steely Dan hits of the 1970s.

"In Steely Dan, we were responding to the times we lived in," Fagen said in the Saturday Daily News of Los Angeles. "Because of the way we grew up and our familial and cultural circumstances, we were optimistic but there was a sense of bitterness that a lot of kids had at the time."

Fagen, 45, and his Steely Dan partner, Walter Becker, churned out a string of hits dealing with life's losers, rejects and misfits, including "Rikki, Don't Lose that Number," and "Hey Nineteen."

They broke up after the 1980 album, "Gaucho," but are now planning a reunion tour.



Associated Press photo

Up on the roof

Tonya Peek, front, and Jennifer Cook peel away the roof of a house Tuesday in New Iberia, La. The two girls are part of a group of 29 youths from Ingleswood United Methodist Church in Grand Prairie volunteering their time for Habitat for Humanity. This home is being removed to make way for another.

Value

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ing ag value is prescribed very plainly in the property tax code and does not leave much margin for the district.

Taxable value is figured by dividing a cap rate into income after expenses. The cap rate is the higher of either 10 percent or the interest rate set Dec. 31 by the Farm Credit Bank of Texas plus 2.5 percent. This year's cap rate is 11 percent.

Income is determined using a five-year production average. Cotton bales for 1991, the year being added, numbered 64,000 out of 88,400 acres harvested for Howard County, according to the Texas Agricultural Extension Service at Texas A&M University. That compares to 7,700 bales out of 28,900 acres harvested in 1986, the year being taken out of the average.

Other property valuations this year:

- Mineral values declined \$58.4 million, to \$428.5 million, a 12 percent drop. It was more dramatic in

the Big Spring Independent School District, where there's a 34 percent drop, or \$28 million, bringing it to \$54.5 million.

Mineral values drop steadily each year, Toomire said. "I would figure in 20 years we're not going to have any mineral values here, unless some new technology comes around or ... prices go sky high."

County business values increased \$12 million, to \$56 million, a 27 percent change. A proportional share is due to higher valuations for car lots, including the new Chrysler dealership and inventory for the new H.E.B. grocery store.

Home valuations should average out even. "Some increased, some declined," Toomire said. "I imagine as a whole it stayed about the same." Total figure for homes unavailable Saturday.

Informal hearings are being scheduled by the appraisal district at 315 Main, with walk-ins and calls welcome, Toomire said. Appointments can be made after June 13. Phone 263-8301.

"Informal hearings will be conducted on a first come first serve basis," he said. "Call ins will be taken if there is an appraiser available. If none is available we will take a number for daytime and after 5 p.m. and return all calls."

Landowners still dissatisfied can file a notice of protest with the district, with formal hearings beginning June 28. Toomire warns that appraisal officials can discuss cases before a hearing but appraisal board members cannot.

Police

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents:

- Beverly Hope Fader, 49, of Big Spring was arrested and charged with aggravated assault with a vehicle.
- Patrick Morris Fader, 51, of Big Spring was arrested and charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and public intoxication.
- Robert Earl Jones, 21, of Big Spring was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana, under two ounces.
- John Emmett Berstrom, 30, of Big Spring was arrested and charged with driving while intoxicated.
- Luanna Trevino Franco, 29, of Big Spring was arrested and charged on two warrants.
- Jesse Ramirez Castillo, 28, of Big Spring was arrested and charged with

failure to appear in court.

- Richard Norman Ramirez, 27, of Big Spring was arrested and charged with driving while intoxicated and unlawfully carrying a weapon.

- Robert Melvin Ford, 42, of Arlington was arrested and charged on warrants for assault and criminal trespass.

- Mark Vincent Kelly, 30, of Big Spring was arrested and charged with burglary.

- A ten-speed bike, valued at \$150, was reportedly stolen on the 1200 block of Barnes.

- Silk roses, valued at \$50, were reportedly stolen from a tombstone at the Mt. Olive Cemetery.

- About \$1,600 worth of items, including weapons, and a tape deck, were reportedly stolen from a residence on HC 69.

- An unauthorized use of a vehicle was reported on the 100 block of Pine.

- Sports cards, valued at about \$800, were reportedly stolen from the 1900 block of Mittel.

Deaths

Roy Olen Thurston

Roy Olen Thurston, 81, of San Angelo died Saturday May 29, 1993, in Human Community Hospital in Plano.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday June 1, 1993 in Johnson's Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Marianne Bowers officiating. Burial will follow in Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens.

Roy was born July 3, 1911 in Brown County. He was a resident of San Angelo for 23 years and had lived in Olney for the past year.

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Sarah Grubbs, 68, died Thursday. Graveside services will be 2:00 p.m., Tuesday at Trinity Memorial Park.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church
1009 Hearn Street,
Big Spring, Texas 79720

"Returning Catholics" - Come Home

Some of us drifted away. Some of us left in anger. Some of us left in spirit, but remained as peripheral Catholics. We may have joined other churches. We may have ignored our spiritual dimension. We may have felt nature, friends or solitude met our spiritual needs.

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"Returning Catholics" provide an opportunity to share their search, to share their stories and questions. All are welcome to come and share at our first gathering to be held June 4 at 7:30 p.m. at the parish school library.

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To submit an item to be put in writing and mailed to us one week in advance: Springboard, Big Spring P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, TX 79601. Bring it by the office, 710 ATTN: CALEND. Support groups will be listed in Thursday's list. Bingo listings appear Springboard.

Today

- Tourist Information Volunteers, new and meet at the Chamber on Tuesday, June 29th. Call 263-7641

- Ride in an airplane, dinosaur or pretend astronaut, throughout the Flight Exhibit at the Museum. Call 267-8255

- There will be gospel the Kentwood Center on 7 p.m. For information call 5709.

- The Big Spring Sing at the West Texas Center, at 7:30 p.m. for call the Center after Vickie Fryar after 6:24.

Tuesday

- Spring Tabernacle (Wright St.), has free brew and beer on the premises, and set the brewpub license fee at \$500.

- Authorize the use of national sweepstakes promotions in Texas by the alcoholic beverage industry.

- Allow the industry to advertise at racetracks and supplement purses, and to advertise in municipally owned professional sports facilities.

- Require minors who buy alcohol to attend an alcohol awareness course on a second offense.

- In Houston, require a hearing if someone raises grounds for permit suspension or denial, and the bar or similar business is within 300 feet of a home, church, school, hospital, day care facility or social service facility.

- Transfer mixed beverage tax collection and auditing from TABC to the state comptroller on Jan. 1, 1994.

- "Grandfather" current permit-holders, protecting them from new distance requirements or changes in neighborhood composition that would affect their permit status.

- Bill Cryer, spokesman for Gov. Richards, said she would review the measure. He said he didn't immediately know of any strong objections that would keep her from signing it into law.

Wednesday

- West Texas Legal help on civil matters unable to afford Northside Community information call 1-686

- Crude Diamond: Chapter of Texas Co. Dance will meet 7-8 lesson and 8-9 p.m. at the Elks Lodge. For info call 267-1040 or 267-704

Thursday

- Spring Tabernacle (Wright St.), has free brew and beer on the premises, and set the brewpub license fee at \$500.

- Big Spring Senior offers art classes from a.m. 55 and older inv from 12:45-1:45 p.m.

- Genealogical Society Spring will meet at 7 Howard County library room. Visitors welcome through west entrance. Locked after meeting.

- LULAC #4375 will at the Howard County For information call 2740.

- Masonic Lodge # at 7:30 p.m., 2101 La

- Friday night gam Forty-two, Bridge at from 5-8 p.m., Ker 2805 Lynn Dr. Public

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Today

•Tourist Information Center Volunteers, new and current will meet at the Chamber at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, June 29th. RSVP by June 21st. Call 263-7641.

•Ride in an airplane, see a flying dinosaur or pretend you are an astronaut, throughout the summer. Flight Exhibit at the Heritage Museum. Call 267-8255 for information.

•There will be gospel singing at the Kentwood Center on Lynn Dr. at 7 p.m. For information call 393-5709.

•The Big Spring Singles will meet at the West Texas Center for the Arts, at 7:30 p.m., for information call the Center after 1 p.m.; or Vickie Fryar after 6 p.m. at 267-6224.

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

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

•Christensen-Tucker VFW #2013 will meet at 7 p.m. on Driver Rd. For information call 267-5290.

•Coahoma Senior Center Project Group will meet at 11 a.m., at the Coahoma Community Center, 306 North Ave. Visitors welcome. For information call 394-4439.

•AARP will meet at 10 a.m. at the Kentwood Center. For information call 267-7046.

Wednesday

•West Texas Legal Service offers legal help on civil matters for those unable to afford an attorney. Northside Community Center. For information call 1-686-0647.

•"Crude Diamonds" Big Spring Chapter of Texas Country/Western Dance will meet 7-8 p.m. for basic lesson and 8-9 p.m. for advanced at the Elks Lodge. For information call 267-1040 or 267-7043.

Thursday

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

•Big Spring Senior Citizen Center offers art classes from 9:30-11:30 a.m. 55 and older invited. And bingo from 12:45-1:45 p.m.

•Genealogical Society of Big Spring will meet at 7:15 p.m. in the Howard County library conference room. Visitors welcome. Enter through west entrance. Doors must be locked after meeting begins.

•LULAC #4375 will meet at 7 p.m. at the Howard County Courthouse. For information call Nina at 267-2740.

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

Friday

•Friday night games of Dominoes, Forty-two, Bridge and Chickentack 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

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

•West Texas Orchid Society will meet at 2 p.m. at the home of Lonie Mitchell, 4022 Monty Dr., Midland. For information call 699-1840.

Monday

•There will be gospel singing at the Kentwood Center on Lynn Dr. at 7 p.m. For information call 393-5709.

Benefit slated

American Legion Post 506 is sponsoring a benefit barbecue and auction for Laverne Maddox, Saturday, June 5 at 3203 W. Hwy. 80.

The meal begins at noon, continuing to 4 p.m., \$4.50 a plate. The auction begins at 4 p.m., continuing until all merchandise is gone.

'You never think it's going to be you' Disaster won't change Clintons

By DEBBIE LINCEUM
Features Editor

It's an ironic twist of fate that sent Elmer Clinton to the Howard County Red Cross office Thursday.

The retired truck driver-turned-minister and his wife have spent several years distributing food and clothing for the area's needy. But they suddenly found themselves destitute last week after a fire destroyed their home.

"When you've been doing something like we've been doing, you see other people in need," Clinton said. "You just never think it's going to be you."

The couple lived in a complex of three connected mobile homes. In one they stored items used in their ministry, including musical equipment and donated goods.

Clinton was at home when the fire - believed caused by a gas leak - broke out in the kitchen, about 4:30 p.m. Monday. He had left that room only moments before.

"My friend had called me, so I went into the next room to answer the phone," Clinton explained. "We were talking. I heard the sound, like an explosion, and told him to hold on a minute, something was wrong."

Soon the entire complex was engulfed in flames and choking smoke. The 64-year-old managed to



Personalities...

save two of his pet birds, but his Chihuahua, Pee Wee, and seven cockatiels were killed.

He escaped with only the clothes he was wearing; everything else was lost. His wife, June, lost her false teeth, they both lost their glasses and Clinton lost his hearing aid.

The Red Cross will replace many of the destroyed items. At first, the Clintons will get food and clothes, shoes and household items. They are living in a trailer loaned from a friend.

Clinton is hoping to find a house. "My wife says she doesn't know if she can live in another trailer," he said. As soon as they are settled, the agency will probably arrange for donated furniture and other items.

"I'm just thankful it didn't happen a few hours later," Clinton said. "It would have killed us all for sure."

When the blaze began, Mrs. Clinton was gone to pick up her mother, who lives at Canterbury and was planning to visit for the evening.

"If I'd lost them, I'd have lost everything," Clinton said.

After he escaped the fire at the back of the mobile home, Clinton said he tried to run around to the front, but collapsed. Meanwhile, his son, Cliff, was returning with a church van he had been repairing.

"I don't remember anything except my son picking me up, holding me next to him and praying," Clinton said.

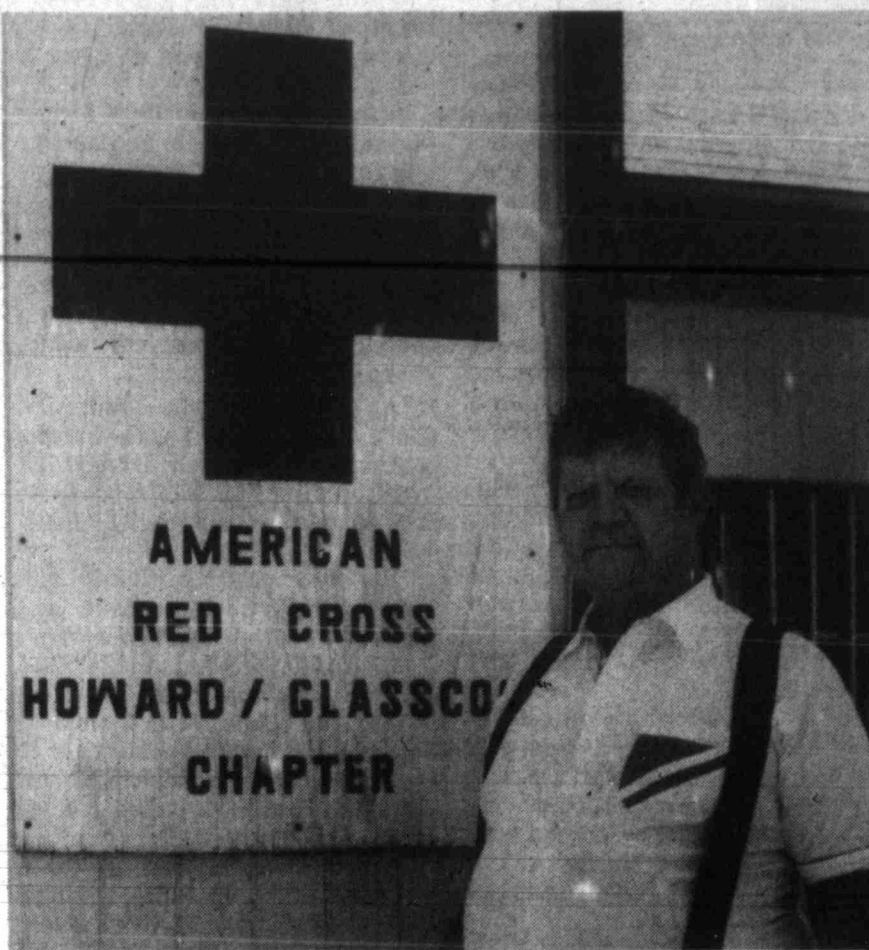
He spent two days in the VA Medical Center for observation after suffering from smoke inhalation and burns.

Clinton said since the incident, he has found others' generosity amazing.

"You really find out who your friends are," he said, "and people I don't even know have been coming up to me, giving me something."

"I know it's hard times for everybody right now. Nobody has enough to give away, but they do."

"I really value my friends," Clinton



Elmer Clinton stands next to the sign marking the Red Cross office recently. He and his wife, who have been operating a food and clothing bank for the needy, lost everything in a fire at their three connected trailer homes last week.

said. "A lot came forth I hadn't seen in a long time. When you're down, that gives you a boost."

As soon as he gets back on his own feet, Clinton said he'll continue help-

ing others in need.

"I'll keep on doing what I was doing," he said. "I've tried to help when I could, but I never thought it would come back on me that way."

Sheldon's newest is affirmation of his best-seller sta

Among the new books available at the Howard County Library are the following:

"The Doomsday Conspiracy" By Sidney Sheldon.

This book has been called the most ingenious and surprising that this writer has introduced. Navy Commander Robert Bellamy is assigned to investigate the crash of a weather balloon in the Swiss Alps and all witnesses to the accident must be found and questioned. Easier said than done!

"Black Blade" by Eric Lustbader.

In New York City, a chain of brutal murders begins. In Washington, a plot conceived at the highest levels of American government is at work to bring the economic colossus of Japan to its knees.

In Tokyo, a critical power struggle is nearing its final stages for control of the Black Blade Society, an ostensibly political cabal whose motives may encompass far more than politics. Adventure and romance, intrigue and sex, provide a feast of

insights into the mysteries of the Oriental mind.

"The Missiles of October" By Robert Smith.

Using recently declassified documents, Thompson reexamines the intricate diplomatic posturing and often covert U.S., Soviet, and Cuban actions that led up to the confrontation, giving grounds for a dramatically different account of the crisis.

Starting with the unprecedented political machine that pushed JFK into the White House, Thompson recreates the climate of anti-Communist hysteria. Political one-upmanship, and dynastic ambitions that infused the Kennedy administration.

In addition, he presents evidence that Kennedy knew about the missiles by March of 1962, well before the official warning. He describes the secret negotiations between Robert Kennedy and the Soviet Ambassador and it with these facts in hand that he spins a spellbinding account.

"A Murder In Wartime" By Jeff



Betty Condray

Stein. In 1969, members of a top-secret Green Beret intelligence organization were arrested by the Army for the murder of a suspected North Vietnamese double agent. The officers thought they had killed the man with CIA approval, but now the CIA and the military were hanging them out to dry in one of the most bizarre homicide investigations in the history of the U.S. Army.

The case became an epic, behind-closed doors courtroom struggle between two West Pointers: Robert Rheault, a decorated Green Beret colonel from a prominent New England family, and Gen. Creighton

Abrams, the supreme American commander in Vietnam. It pitted the Special Forces - tough, bright, unfettered by the past, the fighters of a new kind of war - against an Army establishment that proclaimed its opposition to terror and assassination.

"A Question Of Choice" By Sarah Weddington.

There is no more politically and emotionally charged Supreme Court decision the Roe vs. Wade, the 1973 ruling that recognized the right of privacy and allowed women legal medical abortions. Today, as that decision and the choice it protects are under serious attack, the lawyer who won the case comes forth to tell her story.

Her account of what Americans won in 1973 serves as a dramatic backdrop to the narrative of what has happened in recent years. The next several years will in all likelihood mark the test of Roe vs. Wade

and the constitutional right of choice. Ultimately, this book reaffirms faith in the American Constitution, which never allows one group's views to be written in stone.

"Head To Head" By Lester Thurow.

With the dismantling of the Berlin Wall in 1989 and the implosion of the USSR in 1991, the Cold War era has ended. Immediately, a new economic struggle begins. Three economic superpowers emerge, each playing the game of capitalism in a strikingly different manner.

For the first time the United States is the second largest economy in the world! The book is full of surprises; one attribute of the new competition is that radical new skills and radical new ways of thinking are vital to success.

Betty Condray is a member of Friends of the Library.

Birth of Barney

Designer tells purple dinosaur secrets

By The Associated Press

LONGVIEW — Irene Corey, a theatrical designer for 30 years and author of two books in that field, never thought her claim to fame might be a children's dinosaur that, in her words, "looks like purple mashed potatoes."

It's a long leap from the internationally recognized mosaic designs she did for "The Book of Job" to the foam and fabric dinosaur who delights young children and distresses many parents, as well as television critics.

He is to some too good, or simple, to be true, which, of course, he's not. An actor performs in a Barney suit.

Barney's success story has been told by the news media many times: the brainchild of Dallas-area mother Sheryl Leach, the 6-foot dinosaur was shown first on home videos, then the 1992 start of the PBS television series "Barney & Friends." A lesser known fact is that the original Barney was designed and fabricated in the studio of Irene Corey and Suzanne Braddick in Dallas.

Virtually every day, some 2 million children are said to watch the show. Barney gets 10,000 fan letters a week, and has a fan club estimated at 260,000.

There are Barney dolls — youngsters wouldn't be caught without them — and reports of a TV special, recording contract, more Barney books, toys and games by Christmas and a Barney movie by the end of 1994.

The Lyons Group of Allen, which handles Barney, is private, and their profits have not been disclosed. But published reports show video sales totaled \$55.5 million in 1992, and

Barney toys generated more than \$25 million in the last quarter alone. Barney toys could reach \$200 million this year, according to one report.

One of the group's early calls was to Corey, whose company, Irene Corey Design Associates, has for 10 years specialized in the design and creation of specialty animal costumes. Co-owner Suzanne Braddick is Corey's niece. Their studio is in East Dallas. Together, they specialize in solving unusual problems.

At the time, 1988, Barney was just another job, like the armadillo for Paramount Pictures' "Unnecessary Roughness" or the dolphin for that studio's upcoming film, "Blue Chips," or outsized bears, rabbits, squirrels and whatnot. They've made a "gumbeaux" gator for the Louisiana Tourist Commission, a walking Hershey bar for Hershey's amusement park, a red telephone suit for Martin Mull and several designs for productions of the Dallas Children's Theater.

"We had no clue" as to how successful Barney would become, Corey said in an interview at her home.

Barney partner Dennis DeShazer told Corey, "We want a dinosaur that is realistic enough that little boys will know what it is and little girls won't be frightened," according to Corey.

Work began. Corey said her first sketches of a Tyrannosaurus Rex drew this comment, "No, no, no, too realistic."

"I calmed it down, and they said, 'No no — no teeth. And none of those (ridges),' until it came down to this very smooth round creature, which is what they wanted."

"This is what a designer must do," Corey said. "They come to me with their concept, and I have to crawl inside their concept and come out



Irene Corey, right, and Suzanne Braddick, both co-owners of Design Associates in Longview, look at a the Dinosaur, who was also one of their design projects. In the background is Baby Bop, the little friend of Barney the Dinosaur.

with a 3-dimensional version of it. That's the process."

In this case, David Joyner would literally crawl inside Barney. A Dallas craftsman, Gene Shelton, helped with the inner structure for operating Barney — his eyelids and mouth, for example. And if truth be known, Barney, aka Joyner, views the world through the costume's mouth, which one writer claimed "looks like a clerical collar."

"I am amazed at how active David Joyner could make this huge costume. He can do a 360-degree spin in it, which is most remarkable," Corey said.

Barney, like his real-life predecessors, evolved.

Corey received a copy of a "Peanuts" cartoon that ended with

the question, "Why is Barney purple?"

"We know the only person in the world who can answer this question ... Over to you, Irene!" said a personal note with the cartoon.

On request, the first Barney made at the Corey-Braddick studio was purple-purple but looked blue on the video.

"It didn't look purple enough, so we changed to more pink," Braddick said.

"Magenta," Corey said. What has been described as an apple-green stomach and six yellow toenails add to the color scheme.

Braddick said another change was to "move from painted foam to fabric," — or nylon fleece — "because it could be dyed to the right color."

They had used foam first because the originators didn't want to see seams in the fabric, which lasts longer than painted foam and holds together better.

"If you ask a child, 'What's Barney? How do you think Barney moves?' they don't know," Braddick said. "I asked a boy, 'Do you think there's a person inside Barney?' He said no."

The Corey-Braddick studio has not ridden the Barney financial wave, Corey said, because it is actors, not designers, who receive residuals. That is a common plight among many designers, she said, unless your name is Disney or Henson.

In addition to four Barneys, all made by hand, the studio has turned out Baby Bop.

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Fittipaldi takes second Indy win

By The Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — The first time Emerson Fittipaldi was the fresh face in Victory Lane, rescuer of an Indianapolis 500 dented by the sameness of speed and more speed, a winner not named Unser or Foyt or Andretti or Mears.

Four years later, he is the familiar face, guardian of an Indianapolis 500 notable for less speed, a big-name winner for a race without a Foyt or a Mears for the first time in 36 years.

Indy is safe for another year. Fittipaldi, riding a 200 mph sling-shot, turned the most competitive 500 ever into a dash to the finish Sunday and spoiled the debut of Nigel Mansell, the Englishman who dared to go straight from Formula One champion to Indy winner — and almost pulled it off.

On a restart after a yellow caution flag with 16 laps to go, Fittipaldi was the first on the gas and shot past a surprised Mansell, the race leader. By the time Mansell looked up, both Fittipaldi and Arie Luyendyk, the pole-position starter, were in front of him.

That's the way they finished, Fittipaldi pumping his right fist into the air as he took the checkered flag for his second time and a record ninth for car owner Roger Penske.

"Because of the time of my career, my age, I wanted to win a second Indy," said the 46-year-old Brazilian. "The first win at Indy was important. The second is like a dream. I was very emotional at the end."

"When I went around the track for the victory lap, I was screaming to

the crew, 'We won! We won!' To win this race that I watched as a 7- or 8-year-old on television, it is fantastic."

Fittipaldi, like Mansell a former Formula One champion and an emigre to Indy racing, was among a record 12 drivers who accounted for 24 lead changes. True to the Penske style that four-time winner Rick Mears perfected before retiring this year, Fittipaldi bided his time most of the race and never led until his final charge.

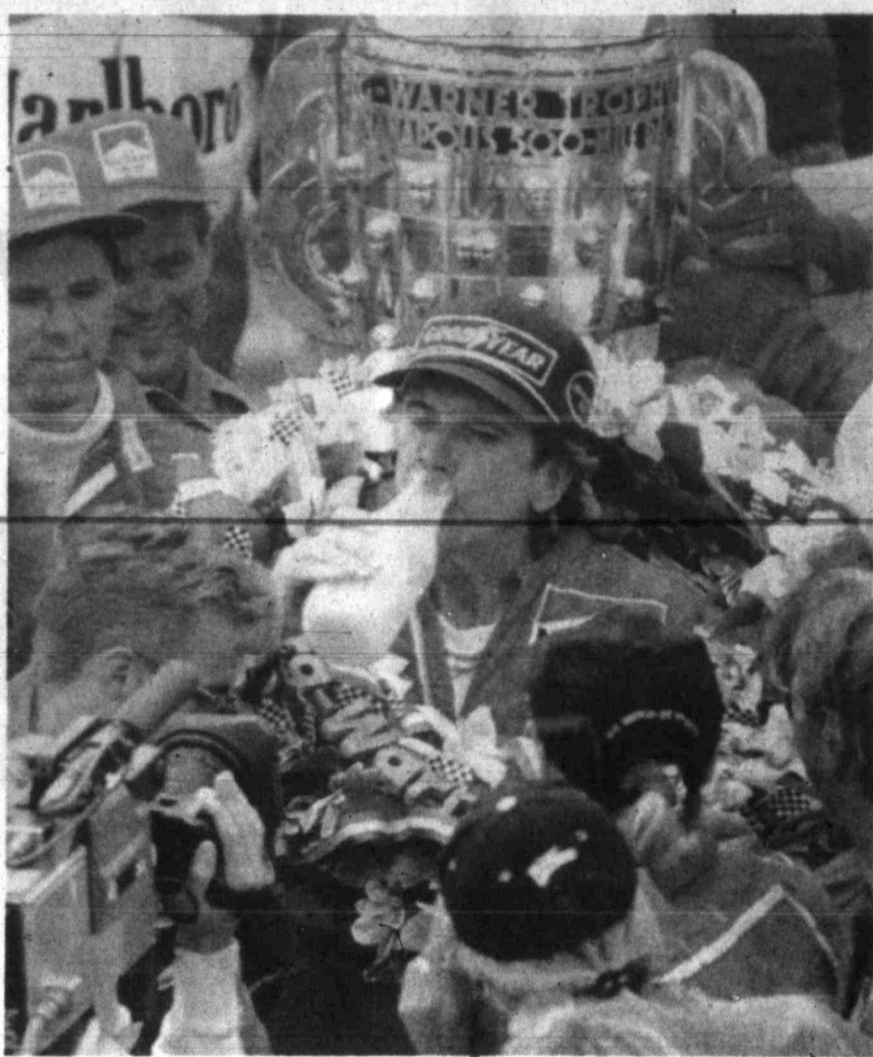
"At that time I was concerned about Arie, because I knew he was coming quick as well. I knew if I could go through I was going to be faster than Nigel and Arie," Fittipaldi said.

"It's all a matter of timing, and experience is so important, and that's why Mansell didn't do well."

The final yellow came on the 192nd lap when Mansell, desperate to make up time, brushed the wall but was still able to continue. After the green was displayed with six laps remaining, Fittipaldi pulled steadily ahead, turning the fastest lap of the race at 214.807 mph on the 198th lap and winning by 2.862 seconds. He finished the 500 miles in 3 hours, 10 minutes, 49.860 seconds, an average of 157.207 mph.

Mansell, trying to become the first rookie winner since fellow Englishman Graham Hill in 1966, was 4.2 seconds behind Fittipaldi, and seven other drivers were on the lead lap.

"I was getting ready to go down the straight, and all of a sudden I saw vroom! vroom!" as first Fittipaldi and then Luyendyk roared past, Mansell said. "And I thought, 'You shouldn't do that.'"



Emerson Fittipaldi swigs orange juice instead of the traditional milk after winning the Indianapolis 500 Sunday. Fittipaldi smilingly said he likes orange juice better.

"I was worried about being legal and they were on the gas already for a second or two. Everybody, like, cheats on the restart. ... I learned a lot out there."

Mansell, who replaced Michael Andretti on the Newman-Haas team this season, was the second reigning Formula One champion to lead at Indianapolis, and the first to do it as a rookie. His teammate, Mario Andretti, led 73 laps and had a lead at one time of as much as 25 seconds. But not even he dominated the

race, which seemingly had a new leader every time the front-runners came in for pit stops.

By the 159th lap, the first nine cars were separated by less than 10 seconds. Three laps later, only seven seconds separated the top seven.

Andretti gave up the lead for good after the 174th lap, when Mansell got around him and Fittipaldi. Mansell stayed in front the next 10 laps before he, too, was passed.

Raul Boesel, a front-row starter alongside Luyendyk and Andretti,

It was a safe and memorable day at brickyard

INDIANAPOLIS — Too slow. Too much traffic. Too little fun.

If this were any other Sunday drive, it would have been rated a disaster. Instead, those elements came together to produce the closest, most competitive and most memorable Indianapolis 500 in a long, long time.

"We finished — forget where we finished," said Dominic Dobson who, for the record, finished 23rd. "This was one of the most amazing races I have ever been in."

"When has there been this many cars finish? I would never in my wildest dreams have thought 24 cars would finish the Indy 500. If they were going into this race to have a slower, safer and more competitive Indy 500," he added, "then they hit on all three."

That opinion was hardly unanimous.

Dutchman Arie Luyendyk said, "To be honest, racing has been more fun here." He finished second. Canadian Paul Tracy likened his day to being stuck on the "interstate behind traffic in both lanes going 35 mph." He finished 30th.

But nearly everyone who finished ahead, between or behind those two had better things to say about a race and a reconfigured track that kept the drivers closer together in the corners and farther apart on the way to the pits.

Those changes were responsible for a fast lap Sunday of only 214.870 mph — nearly 15 mph slower than last year's fast lap. But they may also have been the reason for all the suspense Sunday. There were 12 different leaders, 24 lead changes, an incredible 10 drivers on the lead lap at the end, and an even more incredible two dozen cars still running when the checkered flags were waved. Unpredictability, in fact, was the order of the day.

Emerson Fittipaldi gulped orange juice in Victory Lane instead of the traditional first swig of milk from a bottle, sending shock waves through the state's dairy industry. Four-time winner Rick Mears came onto the track behind the wheel of a golf cart instead of a race car. Four-time winner A.J. Foyt exploded in rage only twice during the race instead of the customary two dozen times. Even the rowdies in the infield behaved. All day long.

That is not to say there weren't problems. "It was very tough to follow the car ahead of you," Fittipaldi said. "The turbulence was high; there was only one groove, one line, and it was very



Jim Litke

difficult to maneuver in traffic.

"But you know, I think the track was safer. I think we had a much safer race than last year. I think," he added, "the track achieved what they wanted to achieve with safety."

Until Sunday's conclusion, no one could be certain the changes would produce any of the desired results — let alone all of them. The owners and crews who were going to be the guinea pigs for this experiment worried about the new guidelines and penalties to improve traffic flow in the pits. In one breath, a driver would say that he was prepared to show restraint in the narrower corners; in the next, he'd say he couldn't be certain about the next guy.

"There were various predictions on what would happen in the race. Some people predicted there would be a mammoth junk pile in the first turn, but that didn't happen," said owner John Menard, whose best finisher from a three-car entry was Eddie Cheever at No. 16.

"I thought it was a great race."

"All in all, we can't holler," Foyt said. "We had some problems, but it was a safe race. And considering where we started, I thought they did a helluva job."

The loudest complainer was Brazilian Raul Boesel, who had three top 10 finishes in seven previous starts at the Brickyard. He finished fourth Sunday after being penalized twice for violations in pit lane. In both cases, Boesel was required to go around the track and stop again at his pit. A half-hour after the race, he was still steamed.

"In my mind," Boesel said, "I won the race."

That would come as news to Fittipaldi, his countryman, and just about everyone else.

Because whatever other blemishes there were Sunday, Fittipaldi drove so superbly that even the soft-spoken Mears kept heaping superlatives on his former teammate.

"Great. Smart. Patient. Textbook driving," Mears said, shaking his head slowly after watching the race from Emmo's pit. "Absolutely textbook driving for a race that unfolded the way this one did."

'Scared' Supersonics even series

By The Associated Press

SEATTLE — Nothing like the smell of danger to bring the Seattle SuperSonics to life.

"This team plays a lot better when we have to," Sonics coach George Karl said. "When people start to write us off, we play well."

They played well Sunday, beating the Phoenix Suns 120-101. And now, by taking Charles Barkley out of the game yet again in the second half, they're dead even with the Suns at two games apiece.

"History tells us if you go down 3-1, it's going to be tough to win a series," Karl said. "So now the war begins."

Phoenix coach Paul Westphal thought the war began Sunday.

"This wasn't a contest," he said. "They beat us every way you can beat a team. They did everything well."

The series returns to Phoenix for Game 5 Tuesday night. Game 6 will be Thursday night at Seattle. If necessary, Game 7 will be next Saturday or Sunday at Phoenix.

Each team has a road victory in the series. Seattle won once in Phoenix during the season.

"The pressure's definitely on them because they know we can win on their home court," Eddie Johnson of the Sonics said.

Added Barkley: "If we lose another home game, we don't deserve to move on."

Game 4 turned out to be a battle of Barkley against the Sonics frontline of Shawn Kemp, Derrick McKey and Sam Perkins. While Barkley scored 27 points on 11-of-20 shooting, Kemp and McKey each scored 20 points and Perkins had 19.

Seattle held the league's MVP to a pair of baskets in the second half after a 23-point opening half.

McKey, playing with unusual



Shawn Kemp of the Seattle SuperSonics jams the ball for two points during Sunday's NBA Western Conference playoff game in Seattle against the Phoenix Suns.

aggressiveness and making the most of his 6-foot-10 height, scored his playoff-high this season. Kemp had eight rebounds and four blocks.

The Sonics ran up the most points against the Suns in the playoffs this season.

Kemp may have been motivated by

a comment from Barkley after Game 3. Barkley said Kemp, the Sonics' lone all-star, was decidedly lacking in all-star moves.

"Ask Barkley what he thinks of my game now," Kemp said.

At halftime, the Sonics led 61-58, but Barkley looked like he was head-

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ed for a 50-point game. But Seattle took the game away from Phoenix, outscoring the Suns 21-7 in the first 7:27 of the second half, taking an 82-65 lead.

The Suns drew within 103-93 with 3:24 left on Frank Johnson's two free throws, but Eddie Johnson's three-point play made it 106-93 with 3:11 remaining.

McKey and Kemp ignited the second-half start. McKey took care of Richard Dumas and Cedric Colballos; Kemp delighted the Seattle Coliseum crowd of 14,812 with a dunk and a layup.

And Seattle's fans took care of Barkley, who exchanged words with them in Game 3.

When Barkley shot an air ball on a 3-point attempt 2:16 into the fourth quarter, the fans cheered. When Barkley was removed with his fifth foul, he went to the end of the bench. The fans contemptuously chanted his name.

In the second half, Barkley attempted only seven shots. He made a 15-footer in the third quarter and scored off an offensive rebound in the fourth. He took three shots in the third quarter, four in the fourth.

"By the time I got the ball more in the second half, Paul was telling us just to shoot 3s," Barkley said.

Grangers pitches Aggies to CWS berth

By The Associated Press

COLLEGE STATION — Jeff Granger scattered six hits in 6 2-3 innings Sunday as Texas A&M routed North Carolina 14-2 to advance to its first College World Series since 1964.

Granger, the MVP of the NCAA Central I tournament, allowed only two runs in winning his second game of the tourney. He struck out seven and walked only one in upping his record to 14-3.

Billy Harlan led a 12-hit A&M attack with three hits, including a double and triple.

The second-ranked Aggies (52-9) advance to the College World Series in Omaha, Neb., which begins Friday. The Aggies had lost in the regional finals four times in the previous six seasons.

"It's a great feeling to win," Aggies coach Mark Johnson said. "I'm a fairly optimistic person; I look for good things to happen. I anticipated

winning, but I did last year also and in '89."

The Tar Heels, who dropped into the loser's bracket with a 9-8 setback to Hawaii in the first round, ended the season at 43-20.

With ace left-hander Granger on the mound and a partisan Olsen Field crowd of 5,387, UNC didn't stand a chance.

"He's definitely an All-American," North Carolina coach Mike Roberts. "He's the best pitcher in the country probably."

Granger was only half the Tar Heels' problem. UNC also couldn't keep A&M off the base paths.

The Aggies collected their 12 hits against five Tar Heel pitchers, ending the tournament with 48 runs and 56 hits in four games.

"We came out and hit the ball well," A&M center fielder Brian Thomas said. "That was definitely the key to us playing well in this

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Texas A&M teammates celebrate after the Aggies defeated North Carolina 14-2 Sunday at the NCAA Central I Region final. The victory allows A&M to advance to the College World Series for the first time since 1964.

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