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Great American Smokeout survival

Volunteer Lisa Brooks watches as Eldred Gray picks up a smokers survival kit at the American Cancer Society table in the Big Spring Post Office Thursday during the Great American Smoke-Out.



Attentive driving

Joel Flores grasps the steering wheel with both hands as he attempts to maneuver his car around the course while playing a video game at the Big Spring Mall Saturday.

Christmas parade

The deadline for entries in this year's Big Spring Christmas Parade has been extended to Friday, Nov. 26, so be sure to get your entry form submitted.



Giving thanks

Have you stopped to consider all the reasons to be thankful? Think about it, you might be surprised, says Keith Gibbons, pastor of College Heights Christian Church. See page 8.



World

Mexicans workers:

Eating their lunch along a street choked with buses and fumes, Mexican workers pondered their future under free trade. Some predicted more jobs, others had doubts. See page 6.

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Clinton going for triple:

President Clinton, a self-described rug-merchant, is out to sell Pacific nations on stronger U.S. ties and to use that warming relationship to push global free trade. See page 5.

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A new health insurance program for small businesses which employ between three and 50 people became the backdrop Thursday for a battle over abortion in Austin. See page 2.

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The Lady Steers' duo of Kerry Gregg and Amy Earnst combined for 47 points and 21 rebounds in a 67-24 pasting of Lubbock Estacado in the Howard College Crossroads Tournament. See page 10.

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Fair, low in the 20s:

Tonight, fair. Low in the mid 20s. North wind 10-20 mph in the evening becoming light and variable. See extended forecast, page 7.

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Plastics pose problems for recyclers

City finds 'right thing'tough to do Coalition deals with change

By PATRICK DRISCOLL
Staff Writer

Recycling is the right thing to do, assures City Manager Lanny Lambert, but it's expensive when you cannot sell many recyclables. Basically, we're out of a market," Lambert said. "We haven't found anyone to take it."

"That doesn't mean that it's not the right thing to do," he said. "When do the citizens want to start paying the cost of operating a recycling program?"

Currently, the city is involved in several recycling projects and plans more.

One idea is to set up half a dozen recycling sites, possibly at fire stations. A waste company might be contracted to pick up recyclables. It's cheaper than another idea mentioned to city officials, curbside recycling.

Selected sites is "probably a good compromise," Lambert said.

Curbside recycling would be enacted by ordinance to require residents to separate garbage into separate containers. Some five to seven more trash pickup employees would probably have to be hired.

"That is going to be very, very expensive," Lambert said.

This summer, for the first time, city officials and the Howard County Coalition for the Environment pushed an education campaign to convince citizens not to throw grass clippings in trash and instead use it as mulch. Grass accounts for as much as a third of trash going into the landfill during summer and averages 10 percent for the year.

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By JANET AUSBURY
Staff Writer

The Howard County Coalition for the Environment is no longer accepting plastics for recycling.

In their Thursday night meeting, the board voted to discontinue plastics recycling because Reclaimers, the organization with which the coalition had been working, will no longer accept plastic.

Coalition president Gloria Hopkins said City Manager Lanny Lambert would make the city's baler machine available whenever the group might need it. The group may approach the city management about taking over plastic recycling if a market can be

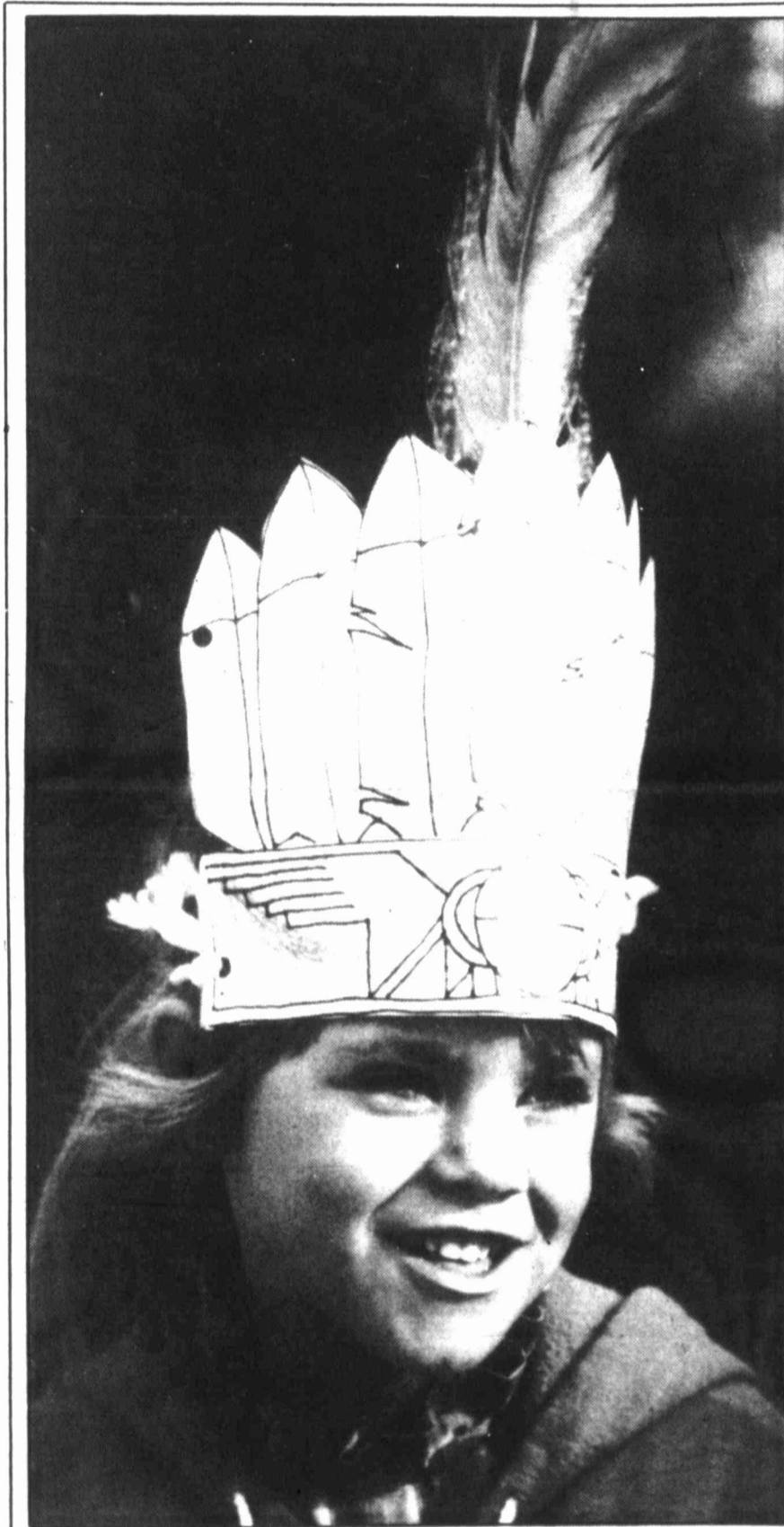
found. The coalition also voted to change its January recycling collection date to Saturday, Jan. 8 because Jan. 1 is a holiday. Collection is normally the first Saturday of every month.

Scheduled guest speaker Freddie Frankie, representing Litterbusters, an Odessa group, was not able to attend due to prior work commitments.

Hopkins said Frankie regretted having to miss the meeting and would like to speak to the group another time.

In other business, the coalition voted to order 120 conifers for \$180

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Well feathered

While sitting in a circle with the other "Indians," Kayla Hogan sports her headdress complete with feather as she listens about the first Thanksgiving feast at Proffitt Day Care Thursday morning.

Herald photo by Tim Appel

WASP vet remembers roles women played service in World War II

By JANET AUSBURY
Staff Writer

Florene Miller Watson, a Women in Airforce Service pilot in World War II and former teacher at Howard College, gave the keynote address at the VA Medical Center's Women Veterans' Day on Tuesday.

Watson, 73, was among the first 25 women trained for WASP duty at Avenger Field in Sweetwater. She served from 1942 to 1944, delivering planes, passengers, and cargo across the United States.

Born in San Angelo, Watson spent much of her early life in Odessa. She developed a love and talent for flying after her father bought a plane for the family.

Watson got her instructor ratings for ground school and for flight instruction, and taught others to fly. Then, shortly before the bombing of Pearl Harbor, tragedy struck closer to home: Watson's father and older brother were killed flying the family plane.

Pearl Harbor prompted Watson and her younger brother to volunteer for Army service. And so, Watson's airborne adventures began.

"The Army asked women to have 500 hours of flying time, compared to 200 for the men," said Watson. Although the difference in requirements seemed unfair, Watson and her sister pilots compared notes and found that on the average, they had 1,100 hours of flying time each.

"The men treated us quite well, and I think that's one of the reasons why," said Watson. "If we had been fresh out of flight school, I think it would have been different."

Watson flew every type of plane the military had at that time, and frequently brought papers with her so she could review and remember the particulars of each plane.

"I'd have to think about what kind of plane I was flying the next day and say, 'What am I forgetting about this thing that could kill me on takeoff?'" she joked.

Because Watson was needed to transport planes, cargo and people at a moment's notice, she also had authority to bump anyone off a commercial flight except the President of the United States, she said.

Watson, as well as other pilots, had their share of close calls during flights. Radar for communication and weather prediction was

not in use at that time, and pilots had to use compasses, other traditional flying instruments and good judgment to fly and land safely.

"One time I landed a fighter that was torn all to pieces, in Dallas at night, with no airport lights," recalled Watson. "I decided that if I'd made it through that one, God wasn't done with me yet."

Flights could also be a source of humor and practical jokes. Watson remembered how frightened some military men were to fly in a plane with women pilots at the controls during bad weather. She and her fellow pilots came up with a solution.

"We'd hide in the cockpit until all the men had gotten on, and we'd fly and land just like always, and the men would be chatting in the back," said Watson, laughing.

"Then, as soon as it was safe to unstrap and leave the cockpit, we'd parade down the aisle past the men. Their eyes would bug out and you could see them looking into the cockpit, waiting for the male pilots to come out, and of course, they never did!"

She and her fellow pilots were promised militarization but were not considered military until 1978, when Congress finally authorized the militarization of the WASPs.

Watson was paid at the level of a second lieutenant during her tenure, and had "authority, but no rank" over others. She volunteered her services to help out, not to become part of the military, but was pleased when the WASPs were officially made veterans of World War II.

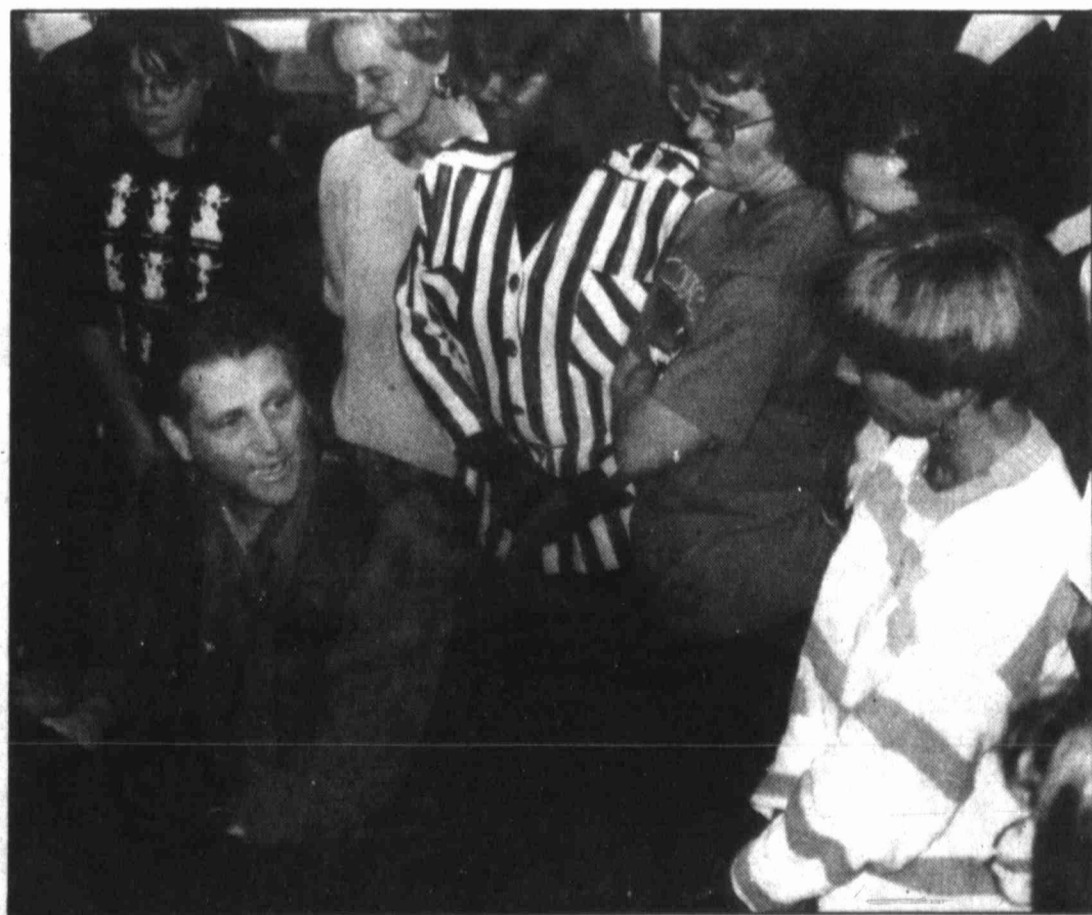
Watson no longer flies but has been invited to spend cockpit time in some of the best planes currently made, she said.

After finishing her flying service, she completed her bachelor's degree at Lamar University and her master's at the University of Houston. She has been married for 49 years and has two daughters.

Watson taught at the college level for 30 years, primarily business and secretarial courses. Her teaching career includes a stint at Howard College from 1959 to 1965, during which time she lived in Big Spring.

She currently resides in Borger and is active in many clubs and organizations.

"Take care of your health," she told her audience of fellow women veterans.



Clay Cotton, rock 'n' roll pianist and teacher, demonstrates his chord technique for a group of budding musicians in the Fireside Room at Howard College's student union building.

Cotton gives HC students guitar licks

By JANET AUSBURY
Staff Writer

Clay Cotton, rock 'n' roll pianist and teacher, emphasized chord techniques and fun to a group of students at the student union building at Howard College on Tuesday night.

As the 21 students listened and watched, Cotton explained basic chord structures and demonstrated what he called "tricks" — musical techniques that sound impressive and complicated but are not difficult to learn.

The students were varied in age, race and gender, but all appeared enthusiastic and pleased with what they were learning.

Kimberly Long, 13, commented, "I've never been taught like this before. I knew the chords but I

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Insurance plan abortion battleground

The Associated Press

AUSTIN — A new health insurance program for small businesses became the backdrop Thursday for a battle over abortion.

State insurance officials are considering guidelines for health insurance policies for employers of three to 50 people.

The new program, which is to start Jan. 1, is aimed at making moderately priced health insurance available to small businesses by offering basic benefits and grouping the risks of many employers together.

Under the plan, the employer must pay at least 75 percent of the premium.

Legislators who sponsored the Small Employer Health Insurance Availability Act say it will provide coverage to many Texans who have no health insurance.

Texas leads the nation in the percentage of people lacking health insurance. More than one-fifth of Texans, or over 3 million people, have none.

The proposed guidelines would require insurers to cover the cost of abortions in cases where the mother's life was endangered, the pregnancy was caused by rape or incest, or the fetus was not viable.

The State Board of Insurance is scheduled to vote on the guidelines Dec. 7.

During a public hearing before the board, anti-abortion activists claimed the guidelines were too broad and could be used to fund most abortions.

"Each employer will have to decide whether to offer a plan that includes abortion as a benefit or to seek inferior coverage for his or her employees," said Lisa Salcedo, a spokeswoman for the Texas Right to Life Committee.

She said the guideline would provide coverage for most abortions because it would cover the cost if the fetus is not viable, which means it cannot live outside the mother.

But abortion rights activists said the guidelines were too narrow. Peggy Romberg, executive director



Associated Press photo

Texas State Insurance Commissioner J. Robert Hunter (right) listens testimony with Deece Eckstein, a member of the state insurance board, and Claire Koriath, chairwoman of the board, during a meeting Thursday in Austin. The state officials, who are putting together guidelines for a new health insurance program for small employers, listened to activists on both sides of the abortion issue present their views during the meeting.

of the Texas Family Planning Association, said the policies should have no restrictions on abortion coverage.

"To exclude abortion services from the plan ... would result in imposing one belief on all the employees of small businesses and their families; denying them the choice," she said.

Ms. Romberg said most insurance policies provide coverage for elective abortions.

State Rep. Mike Martin, D-Galveston, the House sponsor of the health insurance bill, and Amy Johnson, chief of the Office of Public Insurance Counsel, said the abortion guidelines should be left to insurers to decide what coverage to offer.

"When we place it in regulation or in law then we invite discussion permanently from a political stand-

point," said Martin who supports abortion rights. "Considering how complex these issues are already, I don't know if that's a productive thing to do."

Also during the hearing, Bill Price, president of Texans United for Life, criticized Gov. Ann Richards because

he said Ms. Romberg said in a memorandum that someone on the governor's staff told her that the proposed abortion exclusions could be reversed.

Margaret Justus, a spokeswoman for Richards, called Price's charge "absurd."



Associated Press photo

American Airlines flight attendants picket at Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport Thursday morning in Grapevine, in what is planned to be an 11-day walkout. The airline, the nation's largest, and the union failed to reach a new contract agreement in two days of federally mandated talks.

Flight attendants' strike grounding, delaying American

The Associated Press

DALLAS — American Airlines flight attendants began the biggest airline strike in nearly five years on Thursday, delaying some flights, grounding others and sending some planes into the air minus any passengers.

Observers at airports nationwide found some cities were hit hard by the walkout, while others were affected less.

American would not divulge how many flights it was able to operate, but said some carried only cargo and mail. More flight attendants showed up as the day progressed, with more than half working at some hubs but likely not systemwide, spokesman Don Bedwell said.

The company said more than 60 percent of the flights at its home base and largest hub, Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport, had full crews by early afternoon.

Sources at another airline familiar with American's operation estimated 30 to 50 percent of American flights were disrupted by the walkout. The union, which struck at 7 a.m. Eastern time over wage and other contract issues, said 90 percent of the flight attendants honored picket lines.

Meanwhile, the more powerful Allied Pilots Association was voting whether to join the flight attendants, a move that would likely ground the airline. The flight attendants strike was the largest against an airline since Machinists struck the now-defunct Eastern Airlines in 1989.

The pilots union estimated only 10 to 15 percent of American's passenger flights operated Thursday. Pilot union president Rich LaVoy said the flight attendants "have effectively shut down the passenger revenue capability of American Airlines."

"The American Airlines system is presently in a state of chaos," LaVoy

said.

Thousands of passengers at American's main hubs in Chicago and Dallas-Fort Worth were shuffled to other airlines, particularly United and Delta, or put on later American flights. United handled about 8,000 displaced American passengers on Thursday in Chicago, where both airlines operate hubs.

The strike ended years of relative labor peace at the nation's biggest airlines. Executives at American and United airlines have been pushing for labor cost reductions, while unions say the airlines' troubles are in how managers operate the systems.

American officials were confident the airline could survive a flight attendant strike, betting that those who crossed picket lines and managers-turned-attendants would provide a large enough staff to fly its schedule.

The company said Thursday afternoon it had started recruiting job applicants who could be trained under government supervision in 10 days.

The Association of Professional Flight Attendants said their strike would last 11 days, a time frame chosen intentionally so any replacements could not start working before the strike ends.

Jets at some airports left with no passengers. At New Orleans, where the contract talks broke off around 3 a.m. Eastern time Thursday, flights took off carrying only cargo and mail.

American spokeswoman Mary Frances Fagan in Chicago said Thursday around 9 p.m. CST that American canceled its remaining flights out of O'Hare International Airport.

Delays and empty flights also were reported at Denver's Stapleton Airport, Phoenix, Fargo, N.D., the two airports in New York; Logan International Airport in Boston and Oklahoma City.

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Fort Worth police arrest suspects in double murder

The Associated Press

FORT WORTH — Police say the two men arrested in the slayings of two Fort Worth college students are members of the Crips street gang and have long criminal records.

Fort Worth police say they arrested two men, aged 19 and 21, and were questioning them late Thursday about the killings of Channing Freelove, 19, and Melanie Golchert, 18.

The bodies of the women, who were shot to death, were found in a vacant Fort Worth field Saturday morning.

Sgt. Paul Kratz said that both men are "known gang members" of the Crips gang. When the arrests were made, the younger man was out on bail after being charged with attempted capital murder, police said, and the older suspect was out on bail on a weapons charge, police said.

Early in the investigation of the slayings, an informant told police that on the night Ms. Freelove was killed, she was planning to sell a pound of marijuana to a gang member called "Boot," according to documents.

The 19-year-old suspect is nicknamed "Boot," police said.

The men were each being held Thursday in lieu of \$500,000 bail in the slayings.

Kratz said police made the arrests almost on accident.

"This was totally unplanned," he told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Officers responded to a call at a Fort Worth Sack 'N Save grocery store, which had complained about two men harassing store clerks, police said.

At the store, an arresting officer, Don Hanlon, recognized one of the men as a suspect in the slayings of Ms. Freelove and Ms. Golchert, police said.

Hanlon called detectives, who were busy writing capital murder arrest warrants on two of the men, and was told to take them to the detectives' office, Sgt. Tim Ellis said.

On Tuesday, police arrested two women accused of hiring the killers of Ms. Freelove and Ms. Golchert, Sherrie Lynn Sikes, 24, and Brandi

Michelle Cirelli, 20, were accused of trying to hire an acquaintance to kill Ms. Freelove, and of possession of marijuana.

A police affidavit said Ms. Sikes and Ms. Cirelli were former lovers of Ms. Freelove's.

Police said witnesses reported that the women planned the contract killings the day after an emotional brawl involving Ms. Freelove, Ms. Sikes and Ms. Cirelli.

Ms. Sikes and Ms. Cirelli remained jailed on about \$60,000 bail. No formal charges had been filed against Sikes or Cirelli as of Thursday night.

Golchert was a student at Tarrant County Junior College, and Freelove, a high school honor student, was studying pre-med at Texas Christian University.

The women were originally portrayed as wholesome athletes who did well in school, but since have been linked to drug dealing.

Kratz would not comment Thursday night on any possible motives for the killings.

"We have a lot more information than a few days ago but I'm not going to talk about motive right now," Kratz said.

Upon hearing of the arrests, Ms. Golchert's mother, Fran Golchert, raised her right arm above her head in a gesture of victory and said, "Yes! Yes!"

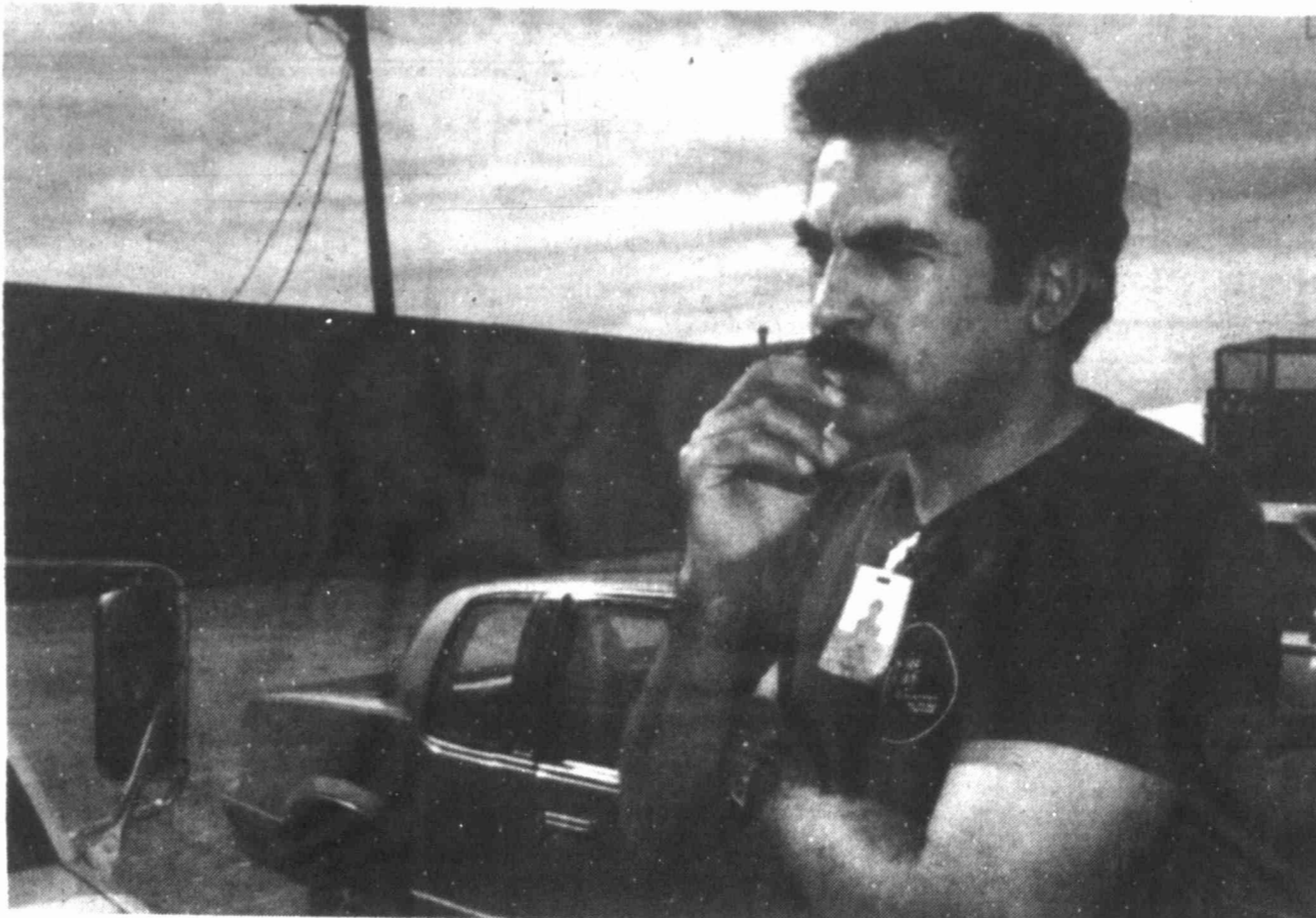
She praised the police, saying they had been helpful and cooperative.

Earlier Thursday, Fran Golchert, in her first public comments since her daughter's body was found, said Melanie Golchert was an innocent victim.

"She had an undying loyalty to her friends, which was a strength, but it was also a weakness," Fran Golchert said.

Fran Golchert and the teen's sister, former coach, high school teachers and friends gathered at a Fort Worth church Thursday night to rebut allegations that the 18-year-old junior college student was involved in drug dealing and other questionable activities.

Golchert, according to police, relatives and friends of the women, was not a drug dealer and was not involved in any lesbian relationships.



Associated Press photo

Garment worker Jose Najera discusses the North American Free Trade Agreement Thursday in El Paso. Najera, a cutter in a finishing shop the last six years, believes the agreement could possibly wipe out jobs like his. The industry has seen jobs creeping into Mexico for years.

Garment worker: NAFTA casts doubt about future

The Associated Press

EL PASO — Garment worker Jose Najera counts himself among the fortunate right now in an industry that has seen jobs creeping into Mexico for years.

When the U.S. House voted to approve the North American Free Trade Agreement, however, it threw a cloak of uncertainty around his future.

Najera has been a cutter in a finishing shop for the last six years and he earns about \$24,000 a year, so he is able to provide well for his wife and three children. And he has been encouraged by his company's recent expansions.

"The company has shown that it wants to work in El Paso, but the free trade agreement will give it an option" of going elsewhere, Najera said Thursday, the day after the historic House vote.

"On the border, we see how easy it is for companies to move your jobs

into Mexico where they can pay cheaper wages," he said.

Najera has reason to be concerned if some of the predictions about NAFTA are correct.

The treaty will merge the United States, Mexico and Canada into the world's largest trading zone by removing tariffs and investment barriers over the next 15 years.

Some economists say that will mean an increase in U.S. exports to Mexico. Yet there are also those who say that potentially thousands of low-wage jobs — like many in the apparel industry — will go south as well.

NAFTA proponents say those jobs would continue to move to Mexico without the trade treaty.

But Najera's fears that his industry will dry up are based on more than economic models. About 10 years ago, he said, the industry provided

good jobs and good conditions for many workers.

Then the southward trend began and the jobs began to disappear while wages dropped and working conditions worsened. The situation hasn't improved much, except for places like the factory where Najera works, although much of the progress can be credited to the workers' union, he said.

Even then, the situation could be better, he said.

"If the company hadn't brought the (high) percentage of work they're doing into Mexico, imagine the jobs we would have," he said.

With free trade, there are few assurances the industrywide percentage won't increase, he said.

"The only weapon we have is the quality of our work," Najera said, "and our productivity."

Briefs

Judge denies report of misusing employees

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas Court of Criminal Appeals Judge Chuck Miller is denying a newspaper report that he used state employees and equipment for personal and political purposes.

The Houston Post reported Thursday that four current and former court employees allege Miller used state workers to perform personal chores and used his state telephone to make personal and political long distance calls.

The sources, saying they feared retribution, spoke on the condition of not being identified.

Asked about the charges, Miller told the Post, "I don't believe I have ever done that."

Claire Dawson-Brown, chief of the Travis County district attorney's Public Integrity Unit, declined comment.

Harris County judge indicted for perjury

HOUSTON (AP) — Harris County Judge Jon Lindsay, accused of lying on two campaign expenditure forms, is an innocent victim of a vague election code, his attorney says.

Grand jurors on Thursday handed up two indictments alleging that the county's top Republican failed in two disclosures to report how he spent more than \$195,000 in campaign money. Lindsay, 57, faces up to a year in jail and a \$3,000 fine on each of the counts.

Lindsay was in New York on county business Thursday and unavailable for comment. He was expected to post \$500 bond for each charge after his return.

Lindsay has said the campaign money in question went to a divorcee excursion business that he and his son ran briefly out of Honduras. The expenditure was an investment to enrich his campaign war chest, he says.

But Harris County assistant district attorney Don Stricklin said Lindsay should have disclosed where the money went.

Dead girl's father protesting paroles

DALLAS (AP) — A slain girl's father says he blames the Texas criminal justice system for allowing a convicted sex offender accused in her slaying to be paroled just months after beginning a 10-year sentence.

A state senator, along with other friends of Ashley Nicole Estell's family, also Thursday criticized the Texas Board of Criminal Justice for releasing Michael Blair, now charged with murder in the 7-year-old's slaying.

"It's the Texas system that gave him the opportunity to go back out on the street," said Dick Estell, speaking softly and at times choking on his words. "If the state of Texas had done its job, my beautiful daughter might be alive today."

Estell urged the prison board's Subcommittee on Parole/Release Policies to abolish so-called "good time."

"I am here tonight to ask for your help to make sure that other families don't have to experience the same pain that we've had to endure," said Estell.

Ramos sells Houston leaders on Philippines

HOUSTON (AP) — Philippine President Fidel Ramos says the Asian democracy is more stable than ever before and ripe for investment from the United States and other nations.

Facing an epidemic of kidnappings at home, including the recent capture of a Texas-based missionary, Ramos assured business leaders Thursday that his country is safe.

"Today I can tell you in all truth and sincerity that our democracy has never been as stable as it is now," said Ramos, on a tour to promote the Philippines for American investment.

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Oliver Wendell Holmes Sr., essayist, 1860

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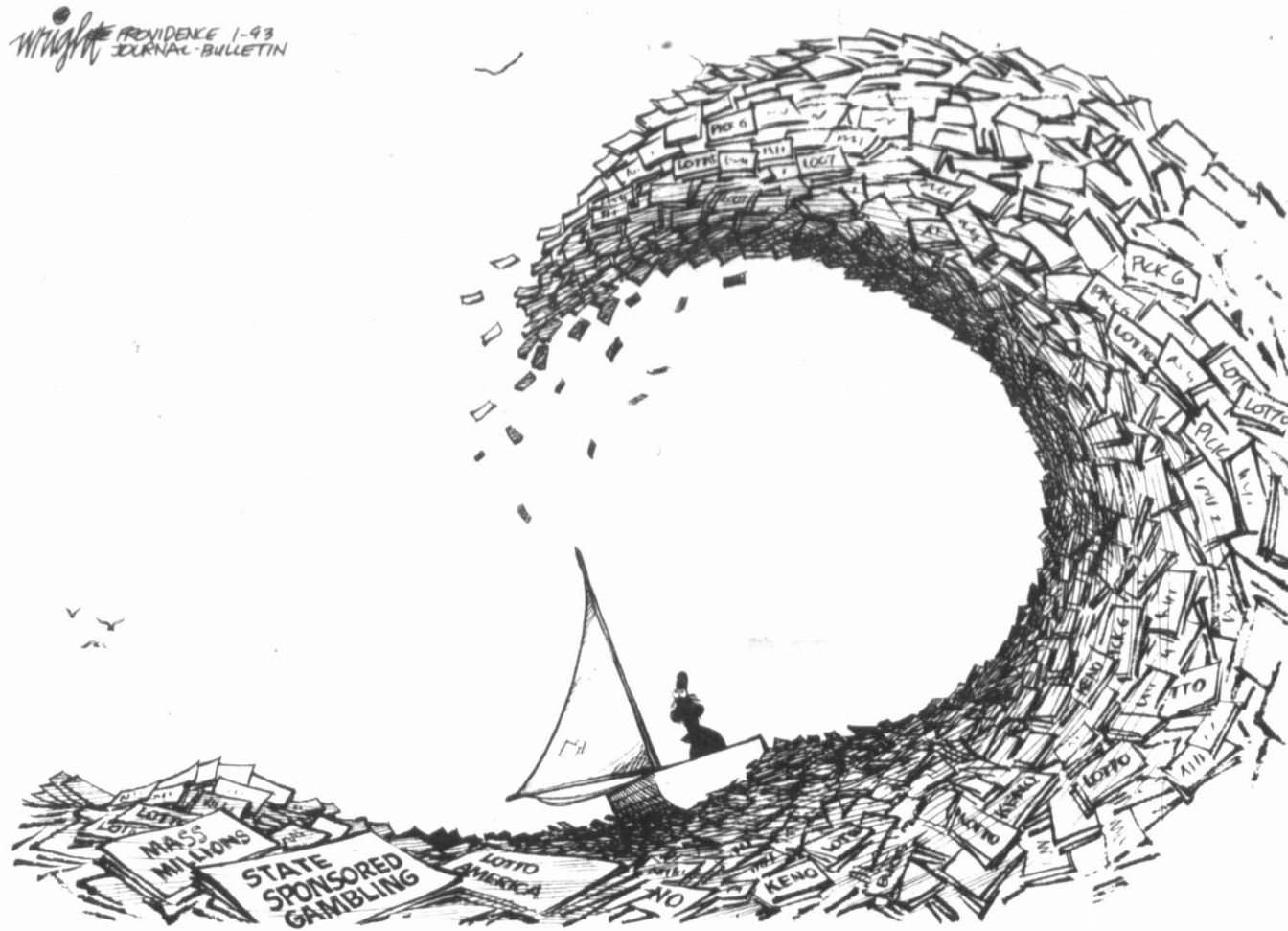
SIR: I recently came across the word "vegan" in a novel. Later I saw it in the newspaper in an advertisement. How long has the word been used and where did it come from?



Lydel Sims

cyborg, moped, napalm, telex, modem and so on. Acronyms themselves are thousands of years old, but that word first appeared only in the early 1940s, and took the place of "acrostics" and other terms that didn't exactly fit, one way or another.

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Faith in 'We the people' restored

Once in a while, something comes along to reinforce my belief our founding fathers really did hit on a stroke of genius when they framed the Constitution.

There are times, I'll grant you, that negativism invades what little gray matter the round one has, and pessimism rules.

Take, for instance, a recent column in which yours truly lamented that only a portion of the American public actually goes to the polls to elect our representatives in government or decide constitutional amendments and the like.

I'm still reasonably sure the founding fathers did, indeed, believe a majority of those eligible to vote would always do so, and be mightily confused by much of today's political world.

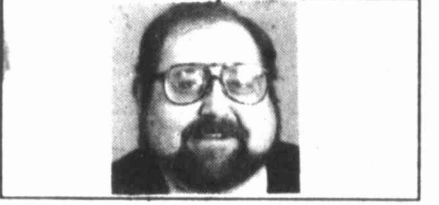
But in establishing our republic, they banked on one prime principal — that the nation's collective conscience would wind up with the "right" decision.

Yours truly, of course, has always been a great believer in P.T. Barnum's observation that "there's a sucker born every minute."

I'm not certain, mind you, but he may also have once said that nobody ever lost a dime underestimating the taste and intelligence of the American public.

If he didn't, he should have. That said, it was good to learn Thursday evening that an Associated Press poll shows that most people don't believe Ross Perot is helping the country solve its problems.

For a minute there, I thought I was the only one. While the House turned a deaf ear to Perot's campaign against the



John A. Moseley

North American Trade Agreement Wednesday night, there was a slight fear that many Americans would jump on his "we'll replace you on election day" promise.

But then this poll finds that only one in three Americans sees Perot as playing a positive role, and even Perot voters give him mixed ratings.

The conventional wisdom is that Perot's popularity was bruised badly during the NAFTA fight, but the poll shows many are withholding judgment: 42 percent don't know enough to tell their impression of Perot, while 27 percent say it is favorable and 30 percent unfavorable.

Among other findings, was that just over two-thirds of those who call themselves '92 Perot voters have a favorable impression, but 32 percent now rate him unfavorably or don't know; 12 percent think what Perot is now saying and doing will hurt the country's efforts to solve some of its problems, while 39 percent don't see much effect positively or negatively and 15 percent are not sure; only 20 percent of those polled say that if Perot had been elected president last November, he would be doing a better job than President Clinton; 27 percent say Perot would be doing a worse job in the White House; and the majority say he would be doing about the same as Clinton, or they're not sure.

Still finding money for Israel

WASHINGTON — In a harsh budgetary era of "no money diplomacy," trimmed pork barrel and shrinking domestic spending, a seemingly untouchable priority in the federal budget is not only surviving but thriving.

The fortunate beneficiary is — could only be — Israel, whose prime minister, Yitzhak Rabin, visited recently with President Clinton at the White House and emerged with aid commitments that will approximately double the reported \$3 billion in annual U.S. grants to Israel.

Clinton also promised a new "sale" of military hardware to Israel. In this one, Israel will buy 20 F-15 jet fighters for \$1.8 billion and will pay the United States out of the annual cash grants America sends to Israel, stretching the payments over 10 years.

Terms of the imaginary "sale," as usual, will require U.S. assumption of interest and other costs of handling money to Israel to be paid back in dribbles over 10 years, costs to American taxpayers which could more than double the \$1.8 billion price of the F-15 jets.

Clinton's readiness to grant Rabin access to the U.S. Treasury came as Congress and the White House haggled over spending and budget cuts with nothing — so it's said — out of range of budgetary review or reduction.

Federal and military retirees, Social Security recipients, elderly covered by Medicare and millions of Americans supported by welfare and other social programs have been warned that cuts in cost of living increases and even reductions are in



Leonard Larsen

prospect. Defense personnel and procurement programs have been cut, along with slashes in farm subsidies, health and scientific research, federal construction projects and payments to federal employees whose wages have been threatened while discussions of reductions in force range upward to 250,000 federal jobs.

That debate over big-ticket federal spending has gone on as the pork barrel-busters in Congress have complimented themselves for dozens of small-change victories, like cutting subsidies for bee-keepers and wool-growers and federal support for any unfashionable project out in the American boondocks.

All those congressional grandstanders along with Democratic and Republican leaders in Congress registered no budgetary protest as Clinton filled Rabin's list of financial requests.

In addition to the "usual" \$3 billion in annual cash grants, Israel — as Clinton spelled it out — also will receive another \$2 billion installment on the \$10 billion in U.S.-guaranteed loans.

Israel is due to lose \$437 million off that \$2 billion loan grant because of violations of its agreement not to

Perot managed to blackmail the Texas Legislature to get a poorly-conceived educational reform package passed a few years back, it was nice to see Congress has a little more backbone.

As a result, both major parties are watching to see whether Perot supporters remain loyal, and how they behave in two-way congressional elections next year in which he has threatened to exact revenge for pro-NAFTA votes.

Although he didn't carry any states in the election, he drew more vote share than any independent or third-party presidential candidate in 80 years.

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Lewis Grizzard

Bonkers Journalism

Editor's Note: Lewis Grizzard is on vacation. The following is a "best of Grizzard" repeat.

I was walking through a convenience store and I noticed one of those tabloid newspapers that always have the great headlines. The lead headline on this particular paper screamed, "WWII PLANE FOUND ON MOON!"

This, of course, was rather mild compared to other headlines you see in the world of journalism-gone-bonkers.

Some of my other favorites over the years have been, "GIRL, 11, GIVES BIRTH TO CALF!" "GHOST OF ELVIS HAUNTS MR. ROGERS!" "WOMAN PUREES HUSBAND IN HOME BLENDER!"

This is my 23rd year as a journalist. Some of it has been great fun. I covered a national political convention once where they gave the press free beer.

I've talked to two presidents, one man who claimed to be Jesus, and another who said he knew who was buried in the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, but was sworn to secrecy.

But there are the slow periods, too, when all you've got cooking is tax reform, high winds in Kansas and another ballplayer headed for a drug rehab program.

I was thinking as I left the convenience store how much easier this profession would be if we could do like the tabloids and simply make up the news. That, essentially, is what those publications do. They make up news stories, put big headlines on them and place them in racks in convenience stores and grocery stores.

And they get away with it because a lot of people with pin-sized brains take this stuff seriously.

There's a lot of things I could write about today: the trouble in Panama, the presidential election, the West Bank, the fall of the dollar — but I'd rather make up some news.

Did you hear Big Foot made a recent appearance on "Soul Train," for instance?

You didn't know about that? "Dangdest thing ever," said Lewanda J., a "Soul Train" regular who danced with B.F. "He is a dancin' fool, but I had to watch out he didn't step on my head with one of those big feet."

If you didn't know about Big Foot, you probably didn't hear about the baby who was born in Yonderille, S.D., with six heads either.

Said the proud parents, "We got half them heads named, but we're still working on the other three."

How about the fact that Cleveland recently disappeared from the face of the earth? Heck of a thing. Authorities think it might have been the work of urban planners.

Then there was the episode where a 34-year-old woman from Delores, Texas, married a frog.

"It was between him and that nice goat who lives up the street," she said. "I just hope I haven't leaped into anything too fast."

Did you know that Merv Griffin and Yasir Arafat sure the same person? Did you hear that you can lose weight with the new elephant diet? You can eat one elephant a day, but you have to catch your own elephant.

I'd like to go on but a story just broke that George Bush is actually from Uranus.

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"Whaddya think — do I look like Princess Diana?"



This date in history

The Associated Press Today is Friday, Nov. 19, the 323rd day of 1993. There are 42 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On Nov. 19, 1863, President Lincoln delivered the Gettysburg Address as he dedicated a national cemetery at the site of a Civil War

battle in Pennsylvania. On this date: In 1794, the United States and Britain signed the Jay Treaty, which resolved some of the issues left over from the Revolutionary War. In 1831, the 20th president of the United States, James Garfield, was born in Orange, Ohio.

'Rug merchant' Clinton looking for trade triple-play

The Associated Press

SEATTLE — President Clinton, a self-described rug-merchant, is out to sell Pacific nations on stronger U.S. ties and to use that warming relationship to try to push Europeans into a global free trade agreement by mid-December.

The setting is the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation forum of 15 mostly booming economies on the Pacific Rim that together comprise the

fastest growing area of the world. Clinton, buoyant from a congressional free-trade victory this week, wants to steer the United States into a more profitable share of the Asian market.

"Someone sort of made fun of me the other day," he said Thursday on arriving at Boeing Field in this eastward-looking emerald city. "They said, you know, President Clinton is almost like a rug merchant out there selling American products. Well, I'm not ashamed."

He referred directly to promoting

sales by Boeing, the nation's largest exporter, but the message was far broader than that: The United States does 50 percent more trade with Asia than with Europe; more than half of U.S. trade last year was with other Pacific Rim nations.

And the administration came prepared to deal. It has decided to allow the sale to China of an \$8 million Cray supercomputer to help in forecasting natural disasters, U.S. officials said Thursday night.

Tentatively approved, as well, was

sale of power turbines for nuclear generators, the officials said, speaking on condition of anonymity. One official said final approval depended on China showing a willingness to respond to U.S. concerns in several areas, including improved treatment of political dissidents, curbs on prison labor and barriers to U.S. imports.

The supercomputer decision surfaced as Clinton prepared to meet today with Chinese President Jiang Zemin. The top item was human

rights, along with China's reluctance to accept international restrictions on missile technology exports and its \$18 billion trade advantage over the United States.

Preliminary talks between Secretary of State Warren Christopher and Foreign Minister Qian Qichen produced Chinese assurances there would be Red Cross visit to 3,300 "counterrevolutionaries" held in prison.

But a senior U.S. official said "there has not been significant over-

all progress."

In advance of today's meeting, a Chinese official criticized U.S. policy toward China.

"U.S. sanctions on China should have been lifted a long time ago," Wu Jianmin, spokesman for the Chinese foreign ministry, said Thursday. "The method of sanction is a Cold War relic and the Cold War is over. ... It is not just China that is hurt by U.S. sanctions, but the U.S. also is harmed."

Senate attempting to wrap up NAFTA without wrangling

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Senate is pushing to approve the North American Free Trade Agreement by week's end, minus the fanfare and clamor that marked the House's crucial vote of approval.

In a nearly empty chamber, senators delivered monologues about the trade pact Thursday in a debate that even opponents conceded would end with final congressional passage of the continental trade pact.

An Associated Press survey showed at least 53 senators were likely to vote for the agreement. Only 12 were undecided, with the remaining 35 likely to vote against it.

"They say the jury is rigged over here," admitted one critic, Sen. Ernest Hollings, D-S.C.

Three thousand miles away, President Clinton alighted in a buoyant mood at an economic conference with Asian and Pacific leaders in Seattle. On his way, he said NAFTA's erasure of tariffs among the United States, Mexico and Canada would smooth the way for an even bigger prize: the dropping of worldwide trade barriers.

"By taking the courageous step of opening trade in our own hemisphere, we have the economic, the political and the moral standing to make the case that that ought to be done throughout the world," Clinton said.

Riding the momentum from the House's unexpectedly decisive 234-200 approval of NAFTA late Wednesday, Clinton said Vice President Al Gore will visit Mexico shortly to dis-

cuss "how best to launch this great new era in North American relations." Gore, accompanied by White House Chief of Staff Mack McLarty, was to meet with Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari.

Little that was happening in the Senate seemed likely to slow that momentum.

The Senate's NAFTA debate was considered so routine that senators turned to it because they needed something to do during a lull in consideration of the crime bill. Just a handful of people watched the NAFTA debate, in contrast with Wednesday, when the Capitol was overflowing with reporters and lobbyists monitoring the House showdown.

As it did in the House, NAFTA's strange politics was turning some Democrats against their own president and pulling many Republicans toward him. But leaders of both parties said passage was certain, and all that was left was for senators to talk their way through the 20 hours of debate the rules allowed.

"Not only will NAFTA benefit the consumer ... but it communicates a clear signal that America is out to sell its products to the world," said Sen. William Roth, R-Del.

But that wasn't enough for some Democrats.

Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, D-N.Y., cringed over a pact with a Mexican government he said created "a culture of impunity" for human rights violators. He also warned of the specter of lost American jobs, which has driven unions to fight the agreement.

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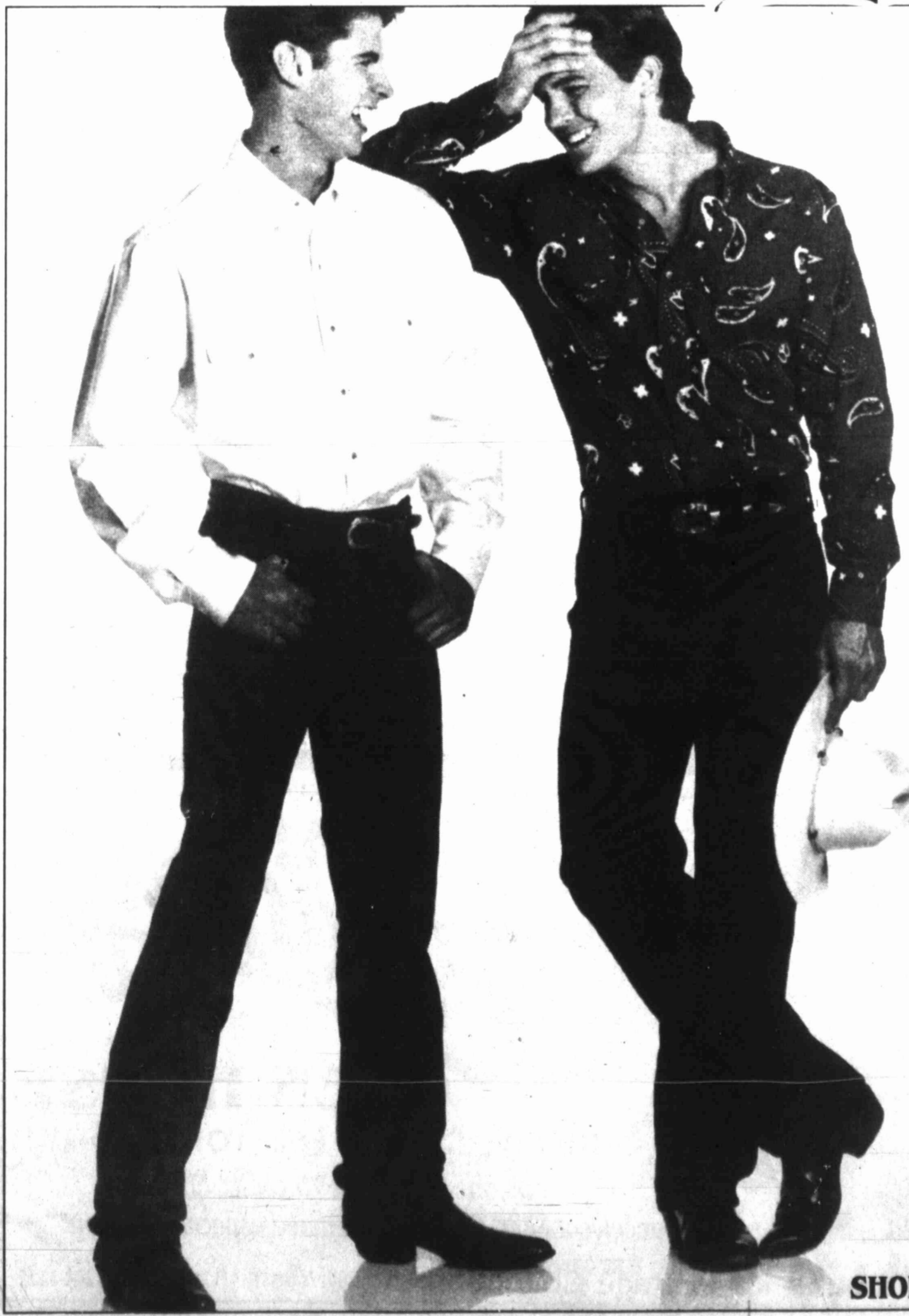
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Mexican workers expect jobs, but wary

The Associated Press

MONTERREY, Mexico — Eating their lunch along a street choked with buses and fumes, Mexican workers pondered their future under free trade. Some predicted more jobs, while others feared the rich were the real winners.

While big business celebrated NAFTA's passage and made plans to compete, many workers earning \$10 a day toiling at factories in this northern financial capital weren't sure whether to applaud.

"I think American companies will come here. They say we'll get more jobs," said Jacinto Flores, 23, a shipping clerk at Crisa, a subsidiary of Vitro, North America's second-largest glass manufacturer.

A friend sounded less certain. "I heard the United States didn't want to accept it, but they had to because otherwise Japan would go forward," Eloy Zedillo, 25, mused.

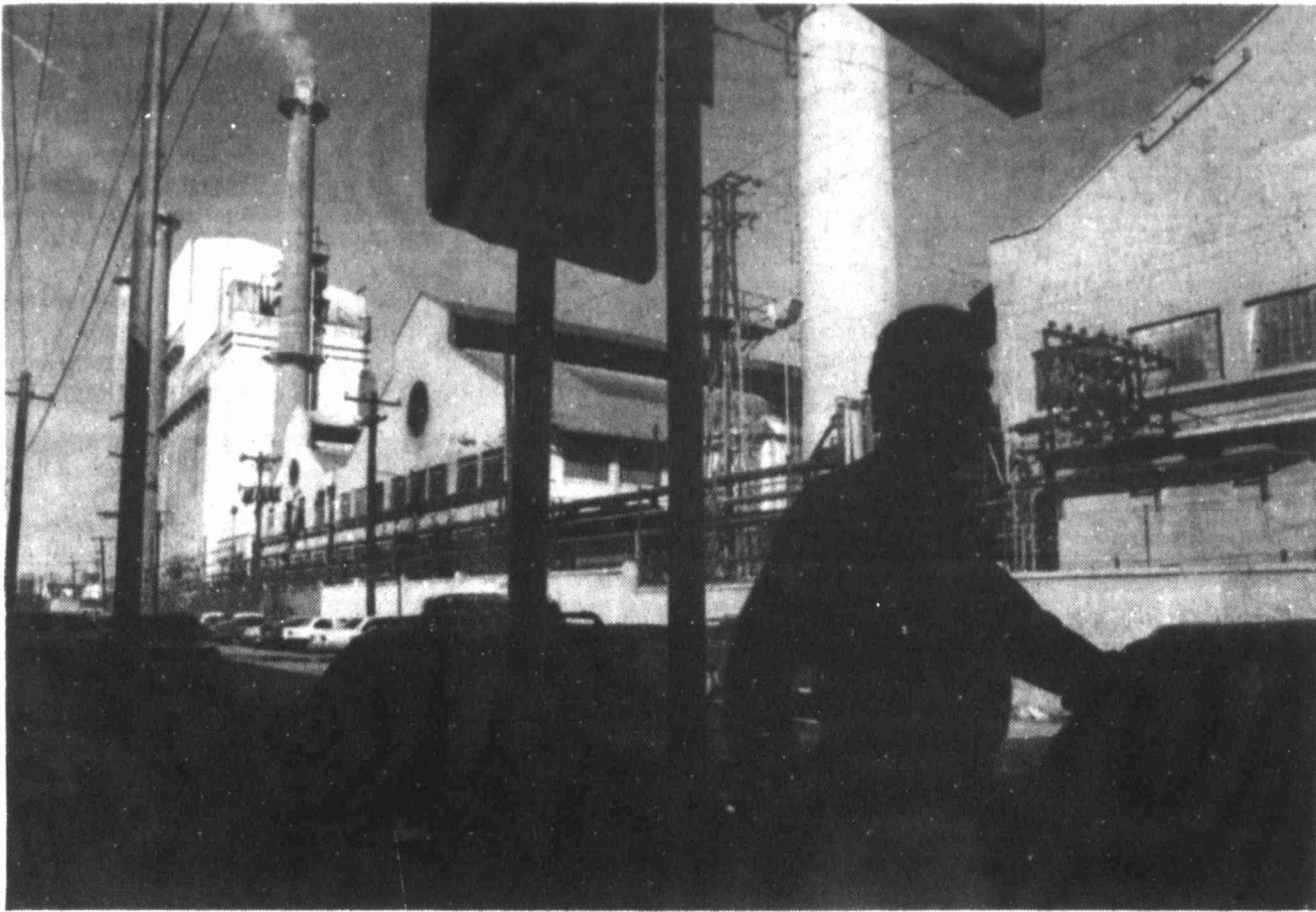
The free trade agreement has been a question mark in the minds of many Mexican workers from the start. The government and the media, much of it government-controlled, have done little to clear up the doubt.

The North American Free Trade Agreement would remake the economic relationships among the United States, Canada and Mexico, gradually reducing tariffs over 15 years.

President Carlos Salinas de Gortari has promised the pact would bring more investment, jobs and higher wages to Mexico's poor and businesses here agree.

"Competition generates jobs," said Enrique Zambrano, president of the Monterrey Chamber of Industry and Manufacturing. "That's basic economics."

Few proponents mention that competition also forces companies to



Associated Press photo

An unidentified man walks past the Vitro Crisa glass factory, home of Mexico's largest glassmaker, in Monterrey, Thursday afternoon. Mexican workers are pondering their future under free trade, expecting more jobs, higher wages and, hopefully, a little respect.

streamline.

Consider Monterrey, the capital of Nuevo Leon, a state in northern Mexico. Just 130 miles south of the Texas border, Monterrey is a free trade haven boasting some of the world's richest companies. It's also a city where some 2,000 small and mid-sized businesses have gone bust in the past two years.

Many were inefficient. Many also

were victims of the lower trade tariffs and other reforms that have come with Mexico's move toward a more open economy.

Mom and pop corner grocery stores have been replaced by 7-Eleven convenience stores and Mexico's own Oxxo stores. Many taco stands have lost business to McDonald's, Kentucky Fried Chicken and Wendy's.

Florentino Rangel, an X-Ray technician who can't find a job in his field and works "doing a bit of everything" at Vitro, isn't convinced any glory will come to the Mexican worker under free trade.

"U.S. businesses will come and enjoy themselves in Mexico," scoffs Rangel, 26. "But everything will remain the same... The rich will continue to be rich and the poor will continue to be poor."

Key supply routes to needy Bosnians remain blockaded

The Associated Press

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina — Key supply routes to millions of needy Bosnians beset by war and winter cold remained blocked today despite an accord by leaders of Bosnia's three warring sides to open them.

U.N. officials conceded it could take a few days for word of the pact signed Thursday in Geneva to reach local military commanders and for aid trucks to be loaded. Similar agreements have collapsed previously because local commanders ignored them.

Cmdr. Idesbald van Biesebroeck, a U.N. forces spokesman in Sarajevo, said a key north-south route through the central Bosnian towns of Prozor and Gornji Vakuf was still blocked by Croat militias.

"We may have to wait until tomorrow to see any change in the mentality," he said.

U.N. aid deliveries to central Bosnia were suspended three weeks ago after a Danish driver was killed by gunfire blamed on troops of Bosnia's Muslim-led government. It was the latest in a string of attacks on aid convoys.

On Thursday, Serbs citing "bad road conditions" held up convoys bound for the Muslim enclaves of

Tuzla and Gorazde in eastern Bosnia, said Peter Kessler, a U.N. relief spokesman in Zagreb, Croatia.

"We are willing to risk the trucks if there are a few bumps in the road," he said.

He said he found it "significant" the Serbs stopped the convoys the same day their leader was in Geneva signing the accord on humanitarian aid. The trucks remained stalled today, he said.

In the agreement signed in Geneva, the leaders of Bosnian Serb and Croat nationalists and the government pledged to stop harassing convoys and allow winter supplies to reach nearly 3 million civilians threatened by cold and starvation.

The U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees, Sadako Ogata of Japan, warned that it "was the last chance for the parties to avert disaster."

War broke out 19 months ago when Serbs, who now control about 70 percent of Bosnia, rebelled over the republic's secession from Yugoslavia. Much recent fighting has been between Croat and government forces over land not held by Serbs.

The Bosnian government's Institute of Public Health today issued new estimates of war casualties: 141,398 killed, missing or dead of malnutrition and cold and 157,827 wounded.



Associated Press photo

An unidentified woman mourns over the grave of a loved one at a cemetery in Vukovar, Croatia, some 80 miles west of Belgrade. On Thursday, many in Vukovar marked the second anniversary of the fall of the town to the Serb dominated Yugoslav National Army during the war between Croatia and Yugoslavia.

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French police round up suspected Kurd radicals

The Associated Press

PARIS — Authorities rounded up 110 suspected Kurdish radicals during a pre-dawn sweep Thursday in at least a dozen communities across France.

The suspects were believed to have ties to the Kurdistan Workers' Party, an insurgent group fighting Turkey for an independent Kurdish state.

Forty people were detained in Paris, including the suspected top two officials representing the organization in France, a police source

said.

No charges had been filed by late afternoon, but the Interior Ministry said several suspects would be expelled and at least 51 would be held for another day.

Police seized accounting books, documents on clandestine immigration and money laundering, and material possibly related to Molotov cocktail attacks in recent weeks against the Bosphorus Bank in Paris, the source said on condition of anonymity. Police found no firearms.

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Herald National Weather

The Accu-Weather™ forecast for noon, Saturday, Nov. 20.

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Permian Basin Weather

Saturday: Mostly sunny. High in the upper 50s. Variable wind 5-15 mph. Low in the 30s.	Sunday: Mostly cloudy. High in the lower 60s. Low around 40.	Monday: Mostly cloudy. High in the upper 60s. Low in the lower 40s.
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Cotton

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play for five or six minutes, that's great too. Let's have some fun!" didn't know there were so many things you could do with them."

Kristy Hooser, 15, added, "It's very interesting and easier than I thought it would be."

Cotton also showed his audience several standard endings to close popular songs, in a style he called "mix and match." He urged students to vary their styles and keep listeners from becoming bored.

J.D. Bilbro, 63, is no newcomer to piano playing but still learned from Cotton's demonstrations. "What I've seen and purchased here tonight will enable me to do what I've wanted to do for 40

years," he said.

"I feel confident that I will be able to play better than acceptable," added Bilbro, who originally taught himself to play piano by applying what he had learned while playing the guitar.

"I never had found a teacher who would teach me to play by ear. This is icing on the cake."

Cotton said his students should enjoy playing the piano and not force themselves to practice excessively.

"Don't put unrealistic demands on yourself or kick yourself for not meeting a schedule," he told students.

"If you enjoy practicing for five or six hours, that's great. If you

Boyer

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offer, according to Boyer, is its people. "We have good doctors, nurses, staff. The one thing that has been lacking is good, caring management."

SMMC is currently seeking an associate director, a director of human resources and a director of nursing.

"We're getting outstanding applicants," said Boyer.

He added that people are applying from as far away as Albany, N.Y., but preference will be given to applicants from West Texas.

Boyer is glad to return to West Texas. "I left more friends in Odessa than anywhere else," he said.

"I feel like I've come home."

Oil/Markets

December crude oil \$16.78, up 9, and December cotton futures 60.55 cents a pound, up 127; cash hog is steady at 42.25; slaughter steers is steady at 73.50; December live hog futures 45.17, down 60; December live cattle futures 73.32, down 50 at 10:18 a.m., according to Delta Commodities.

Name	CURRENT QUOTE	CHANGE from close
ATT	56	+
Amoco	55.5	+
Atlantic Richfield	109.9	-
Atmos Energy	27.1	+
Bethlehem Steel	17.7	+
Cabot	55.5	+
Chrysler	89.9	+
Coca-Cola	42	+
De Beers	19.4	+
DuPont	48.1	+
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Noon quotes courtesy of Edward D. Jones & Co., 219 Main St., Big Spring, 267-2501. Quotes are from today's market, and the change is market activity from 3 p.m. the previous day.

Coalition

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plus tax for individuals who have ordered seedlings from the group.

The coalition also announced that the Women's Club will assist with December recycling collections, and plans are underway to try to encour-

age participation by other local groups such as the Rotary Club.

The board also elected Hopkins to another term as president, Peggy Skiles as vice president, Chris Pierce to a three-year term as board member, and Nancy Koger to a two-year term as board member.

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The Brooks Family

Deaths

Leta S. Miller

Leta S. Miller, 91, Big Spring, died Thursday, Nov. 18, 1993, in a local nursing center.

Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Marie Miller

Marie Miller, Arcadia, Calif.; formerly of Big Spring, died Thursday, Nov. 18, 1993, in Arcadia.

Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Ray H. Boren

Services for Ray H. Boren, 81, Big Spring, will be 2 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 20, 1993, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Charles McIntyre officiating. Masonic graveside services by Staked Plains Lodge #598, A.F. & A.M. will follow at Trinity Memorial Park under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

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906 GREGG BIG SPRING

Col. Ralph Brooks, USAF Ret., 62, died Wednesday. Services will be 11:00 A.M. Saturday at First Baptist Church. Interment will follow in Trinity Memorial Park.

Ray H. Boren, 81, died Wednesday. Services will be 2:00 P.M. Saturday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow in Trinity Memorial Park.

Thelma LaFaubion, 62, died Thursday. Graveside services will be 2:00 P.M. Monday at Trinity Memorial Park.

Leta S. Miller, 91, died Thursday. Graveside services will be 11:00 A.M. Monday at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Marie Miller died Thursday. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

on July 14, 1945, in Waco. He came to Big Spring in 1945 from Waco and worked in civil service at the VA Medical Center as a contract representative until he retired.

He was a member of St. Mary's Episcopal Church; the Staked Plains Lodge #598 A.F. & A.M.; the Suez Shrine Temple; and the Jesters.

Survivors include his wife, Kay Boren, Big Spring; two daughters: Cathy McGarrity, El Paso, and Mary Emerson, Sealy; three sisters: Marie Trout, Jessie McCullough, both of Denison, and Winne Thompson, Aurora, Colo.; and four granddaughters.

He was preceded in death by one brother.

The family suggests memorials to Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children/Shrine Burn Institute; 610 Texas Ave.; Galveston, Texas 77550 or a favorite charity.

Sylvester Sulak

Private family services for Sylvester Sulak, Jr., 78, Big Spring, will be held at a later date.

Mr. Sulak died Wednesday, Nov. 17, 1993, at his home following a long illness.

He was born Feb. 1, 1915, in Hill County. He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the Marines in the Pacific Theater. He had been a resident of Big Spring since 1957. He was a retired civil service employee, having worked at Webb Air Force

Base until its closing. He was a member of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church.

Survivors include one son, Joe Sulak, Folsom, Calif.; two daughters: Susan Sulak, Phoenix, Ariz., and Sylvia Puffer, Midland; two sisters: Doris King, West, and Lil Schroeder, Texarkana; one brother, Wesley Sulak Sr., West; and five grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be made to the American Cancer Society.

Dan Paxton

Graveside services for Dan Paxton Jr., 53, Big Spring, were 3 p.m., today at Mount Olive Memorial Park with the Rev. Ernest Wilson, pastor of Mount Bethel Baptist Church officiating. Arrangements by Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Mr. Paxton died Wednesday, Nov. 17, 1993, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center following a two week illness.

He was born July 28, 1940, at Brady. He had been a resident of Big Spring for 30 years, coming from Tucumcari, N.M. He had been employed at Jiffy Car Wash for 15 years.

Survivors include one son, Dwayne McVae, Big Spring; two daughters: Alice Mills and Kizzie Mills, both of Tucumcari; two brothers: George Paxton, Levelland, and Herbert Paxton, Big Spring; one sister, Betty Ann Paxton, Levelland; and five grandchildren.

City

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"We didn't notice a perceptible difference," Lambert said of the new program. "I don't know if we'd have noticed it either way."

The city also plans to donate space at the airport for the coalition to store collectables. "We've got plenty of old hangar space," Lambert said.

Use of the city baler to shred plastic jugs was promised to the coalition as well. "They can use it if it'll work," Lambert said.

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Sylvester Sulak, Jr., 78, died Wednesday. Private family memorial services will be at a later date.

Dan Paxton, Jr., 53, died Wednesday. Graveside services will be 3:00 P.M., Friday at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Police

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents:

- Criminal mischief over \$20 under \$200 was reported at the Howard College parking lot. Damage was done to two tires.
- Criminal mischief over \$20 under \$200 was reported at SWCID. A person unknown put paint on a truck lid.
- Criminal mischief was reported in the 1500 block of Tucson. Damage in the amount of \$7430 was done to five tires, and automobile body parts.
- Adolpho E. Botello Jr., 24, was arrested for public intoxication.

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Clubs

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Howie, and Jane Ramsey. Music was provided by Lana Piercefield, Sandy Wallace, and Gayla Williams. President Virginia Martin led the group in the Pledge of Loyalty. Beth Cook gave the devotional.

Quilter's Guild

Santa Claus, Santa Claus, Santa Claus was the topic of conversation at the November meeting of the Signal Mountain Quilters' Guild. The project for this month was a quilted Santa Claus and the variety was endless.

Even though the same pattern was used by everyone, the differences in fabrics used, color combinations, and faces made each of the Santas individual. The finished Santas may be used as a compliment to a Christmas tree or in conjunction with toys and/or other holiday decorations.

Hostesses for lunch were Nell Clark, Maria Leannah and LaRue Deviney. The group enjoyed bean soup and guacamole salad with raspberry bars for dessert.

The next meeting will be Dec. 10 at the Green House restaurant. There will be a "Dutch Treat" luncheon and gift exchange by means of a Chinese auction. It was agreed that anyone wishing to participate in the "auction" should provide a gift, preferably related to quilting, and made by the member, if possible.

The Signal Mountain Quilters meet on the second and fourth Friday of each month except in November and December. The guild meets in the Parish Hall of St. Mary's Episcopal Church. For more information about the guild interested parties may call 264-7107 or 267-1037.

Members present at the November meeting were Johnnie Bennet, Nell Clark, Willie Campbell, Polly St. Clair, LaRue Deviney, Mary Grummett, Christina Batterton, Maria Leannah and Jean Money. Frances Martinez of Albuquerque, NM was welcomed as a visitor. Christina Batterton's 2-year-old daughter, Amber, was a special guest.

City Club TAFCE

The City Club, a member of the Texas Association for Family and Community Education (TAFCE) met for their annual Thanksgiving meeting, with a traditional Thanksgiving meal. The group met at Jamie Burns' home with eight members and one guest, Nancy Koger.

Nancy Koger, a member of the Howard County Coalition for the Environment, gave the program. She said all residents should be interested in taking care of the environment and the future of the world. This organization has a collection point once a month at the Herald parking lot.

She suggested that we "precycle" and gave several ideas how to do this: Take your own shopping bag; buy products packaged in materials easily recycled or in recycled packages; get your name off the junk mail list; use sponges on spills instead of paper towels; buy products that are made to last.

The regular business meeting was held after lunch. The City Club Xmas party will be at Mildred Callihan's Dec. 10 and will be a luncheon. After a gift exchange, there will be entertainment by playing games.

The County Wide Christmas Party will be Dec. 6 at 12:30 at Days Inn and will be a Dutch Treat luncheon. All members are urged to wear red clothes. There will be a gift exchange and a musical program by Tamara Sneed as well as a Sing-A-Long.

Child Study Club

The Child Study Club met in the home of Lesia Sturm on November 10, 1993. The meal was provided by

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Karen Fraser and Sandy Fleharty. Linda Perez, Program Director of the YMCA, spoke to our club concerning "Youth Fitness." She stressed the fact that parents need to get involved with the physical needs of their children, as well as their nutritional needs.

In the business meeting, the club decided to provide Christmas gifts to a boy and a girl from the Angel Tree. Karen Fraser will buy for the girl and Sue Bagwell volunteered to purchase gifts for the boy. Monthly cash donations were also taken. These donations will accumulate and be distributed to a needy cause at the end of our club year. Also, secret pal gifts were given.

The next monthly meeting will be December 8. Sherri Key will be the hostess. A Christmas party is planned for this meeting.

Girl Scout leaders

Area Girl Scout leaders met at their monthly Service Unit Meeting to discuss the November agenda.

The opening was conducted by Jonel and Barbara Smallwood, and Shelley Chudje received the Volunteer of the Month award. Becky Eckert, secretary, read the minutes of the October meeting. Susan Loper gave the treasurer's report, and Jane Del Bosque was introduced as the Membership Director.

April Ferguson discussed Project Wild which is a training session in Odessa open to Girl Scout leaders. Loper discussed the success of the All-Scout Skate Day where area Girl Scouts were invited to Skateland. She also discussed Madhouse II, an older-girl event held at Camp Boothe Oaks over the Halloween weekend. In this event, the girls enjoyed a pumpkin carving contest, craft activities, performing in the Talent Show, and won second place in the Cookoff Contest.

Donna Dugger, Product Sales Director, announced that Girl Scout calendar sales and magazine subscription/renewal sales begin the second week of November and end the last of November.

Upcoming Level events were planned and discussed, and the Heritage Museum Christmas Contest was announced. Lori Groves gave information about the Sexual Crimes Seminar on Nov. 19-20.

Karen Bearden discussed the maintenance of the Girl Scout Hut, and a clean-up day was announced for Nov. 14.

Craft ideas were shared by Peggy Hale, Jody Hatcher, Jane Del Bosque and Susan Daniel. Secret Sister gifts were exchanged, and the closing was conducted by April Ferguson.



Tops in YHC

The Howard County Youth Horseman Club recently announced its high point winners of the year. They are, pictured, top row from left, Jarrod Price, Seth Stovall, Meagan Thernett; bottom row from left, Erika Cate, Shawn Reid and Casey Reid. Not pictured are Kevin Rich, Paula Perry, Tracey Green, Ed Luhman, Kim Green and Ashley Will.

Museum sets 'Favorites' show, seeks local collectors

Special to the Herald

Big Spring's Favorites will be on display at the Heritage Museum Dec. 9, from 6:30-9 p.m. local art collectors will be loaning items from their collections for the exhibition.

Since the Big Spring collectors have an eclectic range of interests, there will be works from Atkinson to Zorn. Individuals interested in sharing special items from their collections for this show should contact the Museum, by Dec. 5.

The fund-raiser will also allow patrons to test their palates with a sampling of Texas wines and brews. A selection of different vineyard's offerings will be available to anyone interested in tasting some of Texas' award winning wines.

Regional brews will also be provided from the Texas Hill Country and other areas.

Tickets for the special collectors' art showing are \$15.00 per person or \$25.00 per couple and may be purchased in advance at the Heritage Museum, 267-8255.

Early deadlines next week

Deadline for church and club news to be published in the Friday, Nov. 27 edition of the Herald will be Tuesday at 5 p.m. In addition, the deadline for wedding, engagement, anniversary and other information for the Sunday, Nov. 28 paper will be Tuesday at noon. Thank you for observing these deadlines. Call Debbie Lincoff, 263-7331, ext. 112 for more information.

Church

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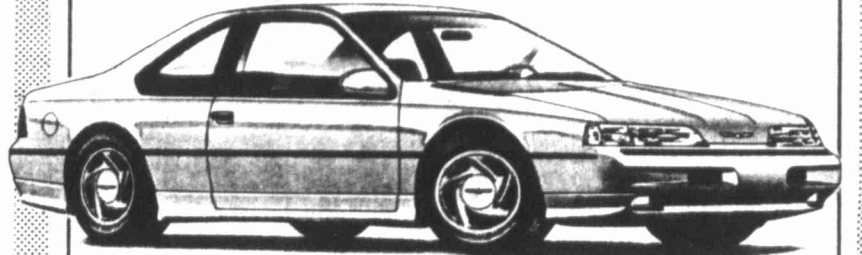
First United Methodist Church will host the annual event.

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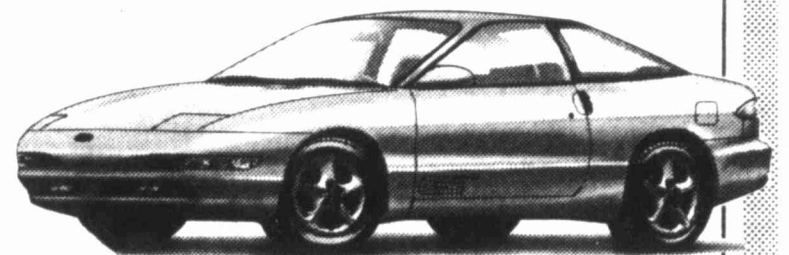
year's message. Among many other guests participating in the service will be the Big Spring High School Choir under the direction of Linda Lindell, Mayor Tim Blackshear, local ministers from various denominations and chaplains of the federal prison and VA Hospital.

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Texas Playoff Preview

Permian's ouster gives Converse Judson a boost

By The Associated Press

DALLAS — To Dallas Carter coach Freddie James, this weekend's game against DeSoto reminds him of his programs on-field glory days of 1988.

To DeSoto coach Ben Dial, playing the state's best team in the playoffs evokes memories of his high school playing days in 1960 as a junior at Falwell.

To fans, the Cowboys-Eagles matchup is just plain big.

Many observers say Saturday's Class 5A Division II game is the equivalent of playing the title game in the second round. Go ahead and crown that game's winner as the champ, some suggest.

"A lot of people are looking at it that way and they have cause to if you read the stats, ratings and stuff like that," said DeSoto coach Ben Dial. "But we have to be cautious of thinking this is THE game."

No coach will admit that any game before the championship is a be-all, win-all to end-all. At least James and Dial will say it has greater connotations than most second-round games.

"This is probably one of our biggest games in years," James said.

James said his team may not have played a game this anticipated since 1988 playoff victories over Odessa Permian and Marshall. The Cowboys went on to defeat Converse Judson in the title game, but had to give the

Rockets the crown after losing a prolonged legal battle.

The state avoided a the potential of a similarly scarred postseason Wednesday when a federal judge upheld the University Interscholastic League's order to kick Odessa Permian out of the playoffs.

Lubbock Coronado, which lost 34-17 to Permian last weekend, replaces the Panthers and will play host Saturday to El Paso Coronado.

With Permian out of Division I, defending champion Judson, which ended the season No. 2, becomes the favorite.

The team to beat for the Division II title will be either Carter or DeSoto.

James said it'll take at least three touchdowns for a Carter victory, prompting Dial to proclaim the Eagles will need four TDs.

The big matchup is DeSoto's offensive machine against Carter's state-best defense. The Eagles are led by the trio of quarterback Larry Oliver, receiver Stacy Mitchell and running back Byron Hanspard.

The game will be the marquee event Saturday night at Texas Stadium. The 8 p.m. kickoff was chosen by Dial when he received the second choice.

Dial is trying to keep the players focused on the game as simply the next step to get into the third round.

Another big game is in Class 3A where defending champion Southlake Carroll takes on Reagan

County in another battle of 11-0 teams.

The same teams also were undefeated when they met in the second round last season. Carroll won 50-14.

Awaiting that winner will be the survivor of Amarillo River Road (10-1) and Vernon (9-2). Vernon and Carroll fought a memorable third-round game last season.

The entire Region II in 4A bears watching this weekend as four good teams will be sent home.

Defending champion Waxahachie (11-0) leads the pack. The Indians face Henderson (10-1), with that winner advancing to play the winner or Highland Park (11-0) and Dallas Hillcrest (9-2).

Whoever advances out of that region could eventually meet 1991 champ and 1992 runner-up A&M Consolidated — that is, if the 10-1 Tigers can get past Bay City (10-1) on Friday.

Then, that winner must get by the winner of La Marque (10-0) and West Orange-Stark (10-1) to remain in the title chase.

The most interesting 2A game could be yet another battle of 11-0 squads, this one between Honey Grove and Scurry-Rosser.

Lindsay (10-1) plays top-ranked Gunter (10-0) in Class 1A's biggest battle of the weekend.



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Pictured above is one of two signs unveiled on Interstate 35 Thursday showing that the city of Troy, Texas, has changed its name to Troy Aikman, Texas, for the remainder of the NFL regular season - longer is the Cowboys make the playoffs. Troy Aikman, the town, is about 115 miles south of Dallas. The Cowboys play at Atlanta this Sunday, but Aikman may not play. He's still suffering from a pulled hamstring, which happened two weeks ago in the Cowboys 31-9 win over the New York Giants. Dallas still leads by one game over the Giants in the NFC East.

Briefs

Goliad opens at Snyder

SNYDER - Goliad Middle School traveled to Snyder Thursday and lost a season-opening doubleheader in boys' basketball.

Snyder defeated Goliad White in the 'B' game, 34-21, and beat Goliad Black in the 'A' game, 31-26.

In the 'B' game, Arthur Olague led Goliad in scoring with six points. Blake Proffitt scored five, Marchello Williams had four and Thomas Garza scored three. Phillip Kuykendall had two points, while Gilbert Rubio had one.

In the 'A' game, Wayne Childs led Goliad in scoring with six points.

Eight different players scored for Goliad. In addition to Childs, Jeremy Brunson had five points, and Casey Cowley had four. Tory Mitchell had three points, while four players had two - Brian Vanderbilt, Chris Conatser, Joe Owens and Michael Strain.

Lady Bearkats beat Borden

GARDEN CITY - Garden City's girls' basketball team had no trouble winning its season opener Tuesday, beating Borden County 65-33.

Melinda Braden led Garden City with 21 points. Brooke Eoff added 18, while her sister, Kelly, scored 11.

Melody Harrison scored 15 for Borden County.

Coahoma Basketball taking registrations

Coahoma boys and girls in grades 4-6 are eligible to be part of the 1993-94 Coahoma Youth Basketball season.

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