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NEWS DIGEST



Checking out the rock formations

People stand on the side of Scenic Mountain Saturday looking at geological formations during a spring field trip sponsored by the Permian Basin Land Management Association.



Getting ready

Billie Russworm prepares decorations for the Big Spring State Hospital Volunteer Services Benefit Dance last Friday at the Stampede.

Warming up

Stanton High School junior varsity trackster Bill Joe Averitt stretches his leg muscles out before competing at the Region 6-2A track and field meet in Stanton recently.



Briefs

- Assistance needed:** A Christmas in April meeting is scheduled for April 25 at noon at the Lions Club Building, 1607 E. Fourth St. Project supervisors for participating organizations are encouraged to attend to go over project needs and material lists.
- Plenty at Senior Center:** Spring City Senior Center invites citizens 55 or older to come to the center for activities and lunch. Activities include ceramic classes, senior band, bingo, country and line dancing lessons, fashion painting and Dances Friday and Saturday night. The center also has available a van service for those 60 or older for lunching at the center each day and on Tuesday and Thursday for shopping, errands or doctor appointments. Call 267-1628 for more information.
- Health Fair planned:** Health Fair 1994 is scheduled for Ma7 at the Big Spring Mall. If interested in participating, call 263-7641.

Weather

•**Fair, low lower 60s:** Tonight, clear, low in the lower 60s, south winds 5 to 15 mph.
 •**Permian Basin Forecast:**
Tuesday: Sunny, high in the upper 80s, south winds 5 to 15 mph; fair night, low in the upper 50s.
Wednesday: Mostly sunny, continued warm, high near 90; fair night, low in the upper 50s.
Thursday: Partly cloudy, chance of rain, high in the upper 80s; fair night, low in the lower 60s.

TONIGHT CLEAR	TOMORROW CLEAR	TONIGHT SUNSET 8:16 PM SUNRISE 7:21 AM TOMORROW
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Water loss reaching emergency status

By TIM JONES
Staff Writer

The Big Spring City Council voted to solicit bids last Tuesday for a water loss audit, but the decision may be upgraded to "emergency status" this week, said Mayor Tim Blackshear.

"I'd like to talk about deeming this an emergency," Blackshear said Sunday. "We're still looking at a 60 day interval, even if we do so," he stated.

Last week, the council approved beginning the process to evaluate the high amount of unaccounted for water.

"It's like any other audit," Councilman Ladd Smith explained, "Finding the problem is the key; whether it's an isolated problem or broad spread."

Cost of the audit could be \$30,000 or more, but that pales in comparison to our potential lost revenue, Blackshear said.

"You'd think that kind of loss would surface," he stated, "But maybe it's along Beal's Creek or somewhere with other water concealing it, or deep underground, and undetectable."

"At any rate, it's a good possibility we'll decide to speed up the process and turn this around. I feel we'll determine by early this week, if the other councilmembers agree, that something faster needs to be done," Blackshear said.

The amount of water the city is losing over and above normal losses attributed to use of fire hydrants, street sweepers and other cleanup projects was originally discussed in the March 8 council meeting.

"The normal baseline losses for a city should be 8 to 9 percent," City Manager Lanny Lambert explained, at the time.

"We lost 17 percent last calendar year and 24 percent in the last four months, mainly due, we hope, to breaks in the water lines," Lambert said.

Jack L. Watkins, a property-owner and landlord, himself an engineer, had approached city officials expressing his opinion that losses the likes of these cannot continue.

Lambert agreed with that point, saying that "any line or water meter we want to replace will pay for itself, because overcoming \$900,000 worth of billable losses will fund any type of justifiable water line and meter replacement projects."

In March, Lambert and city council members thought an immediate water loss audit would also be important to undertake, as there may be hidden problems deep underground that could be accelerating the increase of lost water the city pays the Colorado River Municipal

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Students do what told couldn't - beat Odessa



From left are Jacob Quisenberry, Kevin Stephens, Viswa Subbaraman, Drexell Owusu and Josna Adusumilli. The group of Big Spring High School students recently competed in the Permian Basin Texaco Star Academic Challenge and came in second place.

Team takes second in academic challenge

By KELIE JONES
Staff Writer

Students at Big Spring High School that participated in the Permian Basin Texaco Star Academic Challenge were told that they probably would not beat Odessa-Permian High School in the first round.

But they did and went on to beat two other schools before placing second behind Midland Lee High School, the 1993 defending champions.

Five students competed in the academic meet April 8-10. In placing runner-up in this contest, the team brought home a trophy and scholarship funds in the amount of \$12,500, with \$10,000 being used to establish a permanent scholarship fund and the remaining \$2,500 to be split among team members for personal scholarships.

"We need to get the rules on how to distribute the money. We aren't sure if we can use the money from

this time for the first year and how to split it among the team members," said Virginia Miller, coach of the academic team.

Seniors Viswa Subbaraman and Kevin Stephens, junior Drexell Owusu, sophomore Jacob Quisenberry and freshman alternate Josna Adusumilli were the team members with Subbaraman serving as captain.

Subbaraman was on the team for three years, Owusu and Stephens for two years and the other two students were on the team for the first time this year.

"It was awesome! It was the greatest feeling in the world to walk across the stage and get the trophy. Everyone was clapping for us which was cool," said Subbaraman.

The team began practicing together after school once a week since the beginning of the school year. After spring break, practice was stepped up to twice a week then the week before competition, they practiced every day.

The team was formed by Miller and Sharion Richardson who also coached the students. About 15 students tried out for the team with the two coaches picking the ones that would represent the school.

The students were quizzed about their knowledge of math, science, fine arts, classical music, pop and country music, economics, geography, history and lots of literature.

The format of the challenge requires each competing school to select a team comprised of five outstanding students. These teams then competed in the tournament which took the form of a fast-paced game show.

Big Spring defeated Odessa-Permian, Kermit and Fort Stockton to reach the final match. KMD-TV will broadcast each of the quarter-finals, semi-finals and final matches in an eight week series beginning this Sunday, April 17 at 5:30 p.m.

This is the seventh year that Please see TEAM, page 2

Early voting begins for school, college

By KELIE JONES
Staff Writer

Early voting begins today in the Howard County Junior College District Board of Trustees and Big Spring Independent School District Board of Trustees. All four incumbent candidates are running unopposed. The regular election will be held Saturday, May 7.

Incumbent Harold Davis has served on the Howard College board since 1971 and is running in precinct three. Incumbent Donald B. McKinney is running unopposed in precinct four and has served on the college board since 1972. Board members serve a six-year term.

Incumbents Don Baker and Larry G. Hollar are running for BSISD school board positions. Baker is running for place four, has served on the board since 1987 and has been president for two years.

Hollar is running for place two and has been on the board for one and a half years. Hollar took Ford Farris' place when Farris moved to Dallas. Hollar and Baker are seeking three years terms on the board.

Early voting begins today and continues through May 3, between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, in the County Clerk's office located in the Howard County Courthouse.

Voting by mail is available by contacting Margaret Ray at the County Clerk's office at 264-2213.

The regular election will be held Saturday, May 7.



It's working

Water flows out of a fire hydrant after being released by Big Spring firefighter Richard Grove as the fire department is currently flushing out the water system around the city. The hydrant check will continue until the end of the month.

Group home site raises concerns

By KELIE JONES
Staff Writer

Two group homes for the developmentally disabled are planned to be built in Big Spring for Abilene State School. One will be located on Fordham Street near Moss Elementary and the other at the intersection of Hamilton and Alamesa.

Lee George Construction applied for the building permits on Thursday and City Attorney Mike Thomas will be looking them over to make sure the permits do not violate any city zoning laws. "I am going to look them over on the weekend and make a ruling on Monday," said Thomas.

"We are excited about the opportunity to build in Big Spring. One will house six women and the other six men. They will be working in the community or a workshop. The money to build the homes will be funded through a bond issue that was approved in 1987 as well as state and federal funds," said Joy Ellinger, Director of Community Relations for Abilene State School.

The possibility of having one of the homes located near an elementary school is raising some concerns from neighbors and the school district. "I have heard that they intend to go ahead with building that home. We can live with it although we are not totally for it. We sympathize with these people and their problems. We are going to work with everyone to insure there will not be any problems. We have some concerns that it's being built close to the school. We are not for it, but it's not our decision. However, it is our duty to voice these concerns," said Superintendent Bill McQueary.

Ellinger stated that the two group homes will employ 15 to 18 people and those living in the home will be supervised 24 hours a day. "People need to realize that when the kids are in school, these residents will be at work and away from the home. These people look just like you and I and want to be independent and earn a living just like everyone else. They are unique and once neighbors get to meet them and know who they are, people will realize that these people will make good neighbors," said Ellinger.

Ellinger wants to assure residents that these are not halfway homes for people have been in jail but rather for people who are developmentally disabled.

Both homes will be built to look like any other house in the neighborhoods and will meet all building codes. Each will house six people and the homes should be

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Springboard

To submit an item to Springboard, put it in writing and mail or deliver it to us one week in advance. Mail to: Springboard, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, 79720; or bring it by the office, 710 Scurry.

Today

•Need good clean MEN'S clothes for homeless veterans. Call 263-3562 or drop off at 2409 Cheyenne.
•The Texas Alliance for the Mentally Ill (TXAMI) Big Spring Chapter will meet Tuesday, April 26, beginning at 6 p.m. at the Corral, 611 East Third St. This is a change from the regular meeting night. Jackie Shannon, president of TXAMI, will be the guest speaker. Refreshments will be served. Public invited.

•The Coahoma Exes Association is working on finalizing plans for an all school homecoming on July 2 in Coahoma. All students who have attended school at Coahoma are invited. Any ex-student or business people who would like to make a donation to help with expenses for mail outs and postage please direct to Tracy Frazier Treasurer, P.O. Box 565, Coahoma, Tx. 79511. If you have addresses of ex-students and would like to make sure we have them on our mailing list, please contact Donna Duke Merrick at 267-4957. For additional information, please contact Nancy Hodnett Graves at 267-2790 or Mollie Wyrick at 394-4353, or Shirley Ward Reid at 393-5545.

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

•Tops Club (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) will meet 6:30 p.m. Weigh-in starts at 6 p.m. at Canterbury South, 1700 Lancaster. For more information please call 263-1340 or 263-8633.

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

•New Phoenix Hope group of Narcotics Anonymous will meet 8 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliah.

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

•Disabled American Veterans & Auxiliary will meet 6:30 p.m. at 2305 Austin behind Elks Lodge. For more information call Vicki Ditmore at 267-7437.

•Big Spring-Howard County Retired Teachers will meet 11:45 a.m. in the Cactus Room at Howard College.

•Widows/Widowers support group will meet Tuesday at First Presbyterian Church, Eighth and Runnels (enter through patio on Eighth Street) at 5:30 p.m. Rev. Flynn V. Long will be the guest speaker. For further information, call 398-5522 or 263-4211.

•The Big Spring Area New Voice Club will have a meeting 6:30 p.m. at the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 W. Third. This is a support group for people with laryngectomies.

•Coahoma Exes Association will meet 7 p.m. Tuesday in the home of Ted and Donna Duke Merrick. This meeting is open to any person who would like to help finalize plans for the all school homecoming on July 2. For more information regarding address, please call 267-4957.

Tuesday

•The Muscular Dystrophy Association Clinic of Midland will have an open house 1-3 p.m. in the physical therapy department of the Abell-Hanger Medical Pavilion, 200 Andrews Highway. The monthly clinic is directed by Dr. John Foster Jr. and is for people who have been diagnosed with one of the 40 neuromuscular diseases covered by MDA.

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

•The Big Spring Senior Citizens Center will have ceramics classes from 9:30-11:30 a.m.; 55 and older invited.

•Pastoral counseling offered by Samaritan Counseling Center will be at First Christian Church located at 10th and Goliah. For an appointment call 1-800-329-4144.

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

•Diabetic support group for all seniors will meet 2 p.m. at Canterbury South. For more information call 263-1265.

•Voices, a support group for adolescent victims of sexual abuse, incest, rape, date rape, and any other crime of indecency, will meet 3:45 p.m. For more information call Rape Crisis/Victim Services at 263-3312.

•American Legion #355 will meet 6:30 p.m. in the Legion Hall. For more information call 267-6935 after 6 p.m.

•Big Spring Art Association will meet 7 p.m. at the Kentwood Center, 2805 Lynn. Call Kay Smith at 263-6466 for more information.

•C.R.I.E. (Children's Rights Through Informed Education) will meet 7:30 p.m. in the Chamber of Commerce meeting room. Open to public.

'Another form of slavery'

Student rebels against mandatory volunteering

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Lynn Steirer is a good student, but she won't be graduating this June with the other high school seniors in Bethlehem, Pa.

She is forfeiting her diploma to defy a school district requirement that each student complete 60 hours of community service work before graduation.

"It's like a form of slavery," Steirer says.

She lost a federal court battle over the rule, but high school students in New York and North Carolina are questioning anew the constitutionality of the growing trend of community service requirements.

School officials say the goal is to give students practical experience and instill good citizenship. The protesting students say the schools

are trying to impose personal values that should be taught by parents.

School districts across the country have long encouraged children to do community work, said Barbara Gomez of the Council of Chief State School Officers. Lately, she said, more districts are making it a graduation requirement.

"The philosophy behind it is sort of a giveback," said Peter Sgroi, a district teacher at Rye Neck High School in Mamaroneck, N.Y., who helped organize that school's community service program.

"We felt that the students have gotten enormous benefits from the resources of the community," Sgroi said. "We try to educate the students to be good as well as smart."

But Rye Neck junior Daniel Immediato doesn't want to work for free, said his father, Eugene. The school requires 40 hours of community ser-

vice, with at least half of it to be performed outside the high school.

"He said, 'If I'm going to go to work, I'm going to get paid,'" the 16-year-old son, who works as a lifeguard after school.

Aric Herndon, a ninth-grader at Chapel Hill High School in Chapel Hill, N.C., objects to his school district's requirement that he perform 50 hours of community service before graduation.

Herndon has earned his Eagle Scout badge, but the scouting won't count toward his service requirement. School officials want students to do work that gives them no personal benefit, such as volunteering in a homeless shelter or helping at an elementary school.

"I don't mind service; I've done a lot," Herndon said. But he added, "It shouldn't be forced."

Key issues topic of ATPE meeting

By KELLIE JONES
Staff Writer

Better health insurance, support for public school choice within districts and increased funding to combat school violence are key issues that the Association of Texas Professional Educators want to see addressed when the state legislator meets in January 1995.

The 62,300 member association met recently in Dallas for its annual convention to discuss issues that affect educators.

"Right now, there is no state health plan for teachers in Texas. Each district must come up with their own policies. Some districts have reasonable rates and others are very costly. We (ATPE) would like to see a state health plan for teachers for health care coverage," said local ATPE member Jeannine McKimney.

The ATPE continues to encourage sight-based decision making which means each individual school should be able to decide what is good for their students. "What Big Spring might need for its students could be different from what another town might need. We want to get away from Austin dictating what each school should do as a whole. They don't know what is going here and can't judge what we need," said McKimney.

Another issue ATPE is looking into to try and find out more about is the possibility of letting a parent send a child anywhere within the district and not necessarily to the elementary school that is in their area. Right now, if a parent wants to send a child outside of their area, they must obtain a transfer. "If this works out, it will give the choice to the parents and we support that. But, does this mean within just BSIS or can a parent send a child to Forsan or somewhere if they live in Big Spring. We are trying to determine the guidelines," McKimney added.

As a state organization, ATPE is concerned with the growing violence in the schools. McKimney said that during the convention, she talked with some teachers from metropolitan areas who are afraid to go to school. "The students must walk through metal detectors because they have been caught with guns and knives. We don't have that problem here but as a state group, we are concerned for everyone's safety. We need more funding to combat the problem. They could fund something similar to Just Say No and use

it to curb the violence," said McKimney.

One thing ATPE as well as another teacher organization, Texas State

Teachers Association, does not agree with is private school vouchers. These vouchers are checks given to each parent from state funds to educate their child. The money can be used to put that child in a private school if they want. What this means is taxpayers would be paying for the education of children who are in private school instead of a parent paying for the full amount.

"Private schools can turn anyone down. For example, if a child is emotionally disturbed or is a Chapter One student, not all private schools have these programs and can say that since they don't, that child can't attend."

"We also want the legislators to lobby for deregulation of the Texas Education Agency. Schools have to fill out waivers for lots of things like if one district wants to have an extra-service day, they have to have it approved by the TEA. This year, TEA has received 3,000 waivers from schools asking permission to change little things in their districts.

"TEA is the regulator of the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills. Last week, all fourth graders here had to do a science project for part of the TAAS test. It was required from the TEA to do this. The kids had to build foil boats and see how much mass it could hold before it sank. TEA wants us to do this but gave us no money to buy the foil or buckets or anything. We had to use our money from the small budgets we already have.

"Next week, the eighth graders have to do an experiment for TAAS to compare three brands of ketchup. They had to buy \$92 worth of ketchup for this because TEA said they had to do this experiment," added McKimney.

When ATPE members decide to support or not support certain issues, the state ATPE office will send officers to testify in legislative committees about why there needs to be a certain change in education. Also, all ATPE members are encouraged to call or write their representatives when an issue is coming up to a vote to let the legislator know what is going on.

ATPE is the largest educators' group in Texas and the largest such non-union group nationwide. ATPE made headlines last year when its convention delegates voted for a state income tax dedicated to public education.

Team

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Texaco sponsored the academic competition. Andrews, Garden City, Grady, Greenwood, Hobbs, Jal, McCamey, Midland, Odessa, Reagan County, Stanton and Trinity High Schools also participated in the meet.

"The Texaco Star Academic Challenge reflects our commitment

to quality education in the United States. Its goal is to raise the public's awareness of the importance of high academic standards by giving academically gifted students opportunities for recognition and by providing educational incentives to students who pursue academic excellence," said E.L. Johnson, Jr. who is the division manager of Texaco's Midland Producing Division.

Water

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Water District for - in this case the city is losing return revenue on that water.

Currently, the percentage difference between what the city is billed for water by CRMWD monthly and what they've sold each month, is as follows:

October 1993, 21.3 percent; November 1993, 20 percent; December 1993, 25.8 percent; January 1994, 30.4 percent; February 1994, 23.6 percent; and March 1994, 38.3 percent.

For the past six months combined, the city has lost 289,668 million gallons and has lost revenue of \$1,050,915.

If a "normal baseline loss" of 10 percent were the

"end result" of this "emergency water loss audit," those figures, for the same six month period, would be 28,968.80 million gallons, at a loss of \$105,091.50.

When divided by six, to determine a "reasonable" monthly figure the city could live with, the tabulation comes to 4,828.13 million gallons at a loss of \$17,515.25.

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completed by October. The residents will not be chosen until the completion date draws closer. They will be from either the state school in Abilene or from Big Spring.

Police

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents:

•BSPD is investigating an aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, after an incident in the 400 block of South Benton. Frank Vega of Big Spring was cut in the face with a knife, taken to Scenic Mountain Medical Center by private vehicle, treated and released in good condition.

•A string of criminal mischief complaints were reported on east 11th Place: in the 700 block, one auto tire was slashed; in the 1300 block, two different car's tires were cut; in the 1400 block, two more car tires were cut and a vehicle in the 1600 block received a broken window. Also, a garden hose and sprinkler were stolen in the 1400 block of east 11th Place.

•A store in the 400 block of south Gregg Street reported \$334 stolen from the safe/cash drawer.

•A theft of 83 gallons of diesel fuel, worth \$98, was taken from a business in the 600 block of west interstate 20.

•Billy C. McGee was arrested for assault/family violence; bonded out.

•Patricia Ramirez Gonzales, Tequilla Annochell Marion and Richard Alan Jackson were arrested for public intoxication; all three bonded out.

•William Preston Kreeger was arrested for public intoxication; laid out fine, released.

•Eleix Calvin Marion was arrested for

disorderly conduct/abusive language; bonded out.

•Stephanie Ford was arrested for disorderly conduct; bonded out.

•Leah Rae Sealy was arrested for harboring a runaway; transferred to county jail.

•Domestic disturbances were reported: 1300 block of Dixie, 900 block E. Interstate 20 and 500 block of Westover.

•Threatening telephone harassment complaint filed in the 800 block of Aylford.

•Theft of \$400 worth of tools was reported from a building in the 3100 block of West Highway 80.

•In the 600 block of Main Street, a burglary report indicated \$150 currency stolen and \$150 worth of property damaged.

•Assaults were reported in the 1100 block of south Gregg Street, a slap in the face; and in the 1200 block of south Gregg Street, a slug to the face.

•Assault/family violence reported in the 400 block of northwest 11th Street.

•The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following incident(s):

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Briefs

Forsan schedules reunion for Aug. 6

Forsan School's All-Class Reunion will start at 9 a.m. Aug. 6 at the Forsan High School cafeteria.

Ex-students, teachers and friends are invited to renew friendships and exchange notes. Dress is casual. Pre-registration is desired. Fee is \$10 per person; students and children under 17 years old are \$6 each.

For more information, contact Boyce Hale, HC-76, Box 157-F, Big Spring, Texas 79720, 1-915-267-6957; or Darrell Adams, 2808 South County Road, Midland, Texas 79703, 1-915-697-4352.

Donations are welcomed so the student newsletter can be continued.

Contributions sought for scholarship fund

The 1941 Study Club has named its annual scholarship in honor of Doris Tiller, who had been a club member for 30 years. This scholarship is given annually to a senior from Coahoma High School, where Tiller taught for more than 25 years.

The scholarship has been set up at Coahoma State Bank and anyone may contribute. Contributions may be given in person or sent to Coahoma State Bank, P.O. Box 140, Coahoma, Texas 79511.

Oil/Markets

May crude oil \$16.60, up 2, and May cotton futures 80.40 cents a pound, down 53; cash hog is 50 cents higher at 43.75; slaughter steers is steady at 76 cents even; April live hog futures 46.45, up 48; April live cattle futures 75.65, down 60 at 10:10 a.m., according to Delta Commodities.

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Briefs

Flour Bluff considers abstinence-only curriculum

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — Flour Bluff Independent School District students would be taught under a proposed new policy that the only way to have safe sex is not to have sex at all.

Supporters of the plan criticize those who consider condoms a preventive option for sexually active students. Proponents want medical professionals to present an abstinence-based curriculum as the only way to prevent AIDS.

Opponents say such a plan would give students incomplete information. They also recommend speakers with firsthand knowledge can provide a powerful message.

"What they want is for kids to learn that sex is death," said Leslie R. Wolfe, president of the Center for Women Policy Studies in Washington, D.C., a feminist policy research center.

"The notion that you can prevent HIV by being abstinent and then getting married in a white dress and being monogamous is false. It's time to start telling the truth. The wedding ring does not confer safety. I can tell you there are many Christian women who were infected by HIV while they were in a monogamous marriage."

Reports of smuggling ring are questioned

DALLAS (AP) — The principal of an El Paso school wants to know whether any of his students are among the people possibly being targeted in a federal investigation into a marijuana smuggling ring.

Principal Burl Whatley would like to know who they are, if they are his students. If not, he would like the U.S. Customs Service to exonerate El Paso Coronado High School.

"My community is saying, 'OK, are you covering up, or what's going on?'" Whatley said. "If they're not here, then we need to know that."

"If they are, then we need to get them out of the public school setting. Most people would not want their child sitting next to a drug dealer," he said. "If there are current students, they should be arrested now."

Customs spokesman Roger Maier said the agency stands by its initial statements as to the number of individuals involved and the Coronado High School link.

Lottery company facing allegations

DALLAS (AP) — The company that runs the Texas lottery and soon will oversee the state's food stamp system is facing allegations about its bidding tactics in Texas similar to accusations it has faced in other states.

GTECH Holdings Corp., the leader in the U.S. lottery business, faced similar charges from competitors in at least four other states.

But GTECH executives point out that rivals' charges have never resulted in a finding that the company did anything wrong.

The criticism has not stood in the way of progress for the West Greenwich, R.I.-based company, according to The Dallas Morning News' Sunday editions.

Over the past five years, GTECH has quadrupled its annual revenue from \$140.6 million in 1989 to \$632.8 million in its fiscal year that ended Feb. 26, 1994.

Prosecutor wants to see Gacy executed

HOUSTON (AP) — A Houston attorney who watched John Wayne Gacy map out where more than two dozen bodies were buried is sickened by the serial killer's claim that he never confessed to some of the murders.

Lawrence Finder, a former assistant district attorney in Chicago, took Gacy's grisly confession on Dec. 22, 1978.

Gacy, 52, is scheduled to die in Illinois on May 10 for killing 33 young men and boys and hiding most of them in the crawl space under his home outside Chicago.

"He (Gacy) is the most evil man I ever met and I want to see him executed," Finder told The Houston Post in Sunday's editions.

During that session, Finder said, Gacy confessed to killing the missing boy he was arrested for — and eight other young men.

NASA researchers going underground

DALLAS (AP) — Space agency researchers have completed a successful six-day trip into New Mexico's Lechuguilla Cave for samples which they say could hold clues to the possibility of life on Mars.

Five scientists, including three from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, emerged late Saturday from the nation's deepest cave after taking specimens of rocks and organisms found 1,000 feet underground.

Trial set in grisly cheerleader murder

The Associated Press

WACO — A grisly murder and several threatening letters sent to cheerleaders have caused Copperas Cove to lose a bit of its small-town innocence.

Residents of the central Texas town of 25,000 say their town will never be the same.

"I used to have the front door open," said Judy Meriwether, the cheerleader director at Copperas Cove High School.

"My dog — he used to be an outside dog — now he sleeps at the foot of my bed," she said, adding that her doors are always locked now.

"I was really afraid and scared, and when I went out at night, I felt like someone was watching me," said Chalei Thiim, a 17-year-old cheerleader who received one of the letters.

"It (the letter) said that he knew my father and that he loved me, and he wanted to rape me, and that I was beautiful," Thiim told the Waco Tribune-Herald.

A few months after the letters were reported, police arrested Michael Patrick Moore for the brutal slaying of Christa Ellinger Bentley, the mother of one of the cheerleaders who received a letter.

Authorities later found evidence in Moore's apartment that may also link him to the letters: a detailed list of about 200 women and girls' names, addresses and phone numbers.

Police say Moore, an unemployed painter from Syracuse, N.Y., crept into Ms. Bentley's house as she slept just before 2:30 a.m. Feb. 26.

She was shot once in the side with a .22-caliber pistol and stabbed several times. Police say a 6-inch hunting knife was found at the scene.

Minutes later, Copperas Cove police spotted a car driven by Moore speeding along U.S. Highway 190 with its lights off.

Police then chased Moore, who bailed out of the moving car and started running. Sgt. Danny Austin said, Police stopped Moore, who had a knife sheath with him and blood on his hands, Austin said.

Moore confessed to killing Ms. Bentley, 35, said Russ Hunt, Moore's Waco attorney. Hunt didn't return calls by The Associated Press Sunday.

Moore, 30, is in Coryell County Jail on a capital murder charge in the slaying of Ms. Bentley. He's awaiting trial, and is being held in lieu of \$250,000 bond.

Moore hasn't been charged with writing the letters, but District Attorney Sandy Gately told the Tribune-Herald that she has information leading her to believe that he did write them.



Patrice Stanton of Keller holds two picket signs protesting her views on gun control and the U.S. government's tactics in regards to Second Amendment rights out at Mout Carmel, the former Branch Davidian compound outside Waco. Sunday. About 200 people attended the on-day outdoor event where Branch Davidians who survived the fire gathered with supporters.

Mount Carmel remembered Survivors return to site of Waco tragedy year later

The Associated Press

WACO — Several Branch Davidians who survived last year's siege say they have returned to what's left of their home to admonish the federal government for the fiery tragedy that claimed 79 lives.

"Don't let the pressure off the government, they want you to forget," said David Thibodeau, one of nine people who escaped when a fire erupted inside the group's compound April 19, 1993.

Thibodeau and several other Davidians gathered Sunday with dozens of supporters for what was billed as a "Day of Information."

Those who sided with radical religious leader David Koresh and his followers also hawked videos, T-shirts, hats, books and other items as speakers blamed the federal government for the tragedy.

"They murdered those people. The government came in here and burned them to death," said a crying John Borgman, a Denton County resident.

Borgman — who didn't know about the group until the siege began on Feb. 28, 1993 — and about 200 people went to the site outside Waco for the one-day event. The crowd overwhelmingly sided with the religious group.

Booths, tables, refreshment stands and a stage were erected near the remains of Mt. Carmel, which was once the Davidians' home.

After a 51-day standoff between the Davidians and FBI agents, the compound was devoured by an inferno. Koresh and 78 followers died that day.

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John Borgman Denton County resident

The government has said the Davidians set the fire and that those who died chose to remain inside, but the survivors have repeatedly and adamantly denied such claims.

"This is the first time I've been back out at this place since I left on the 19th," said survivor Clive Doyle. "I'm kind of numb... I miss it."

"Basically, we're trying to keep this alive in the minds of America," he said. "I don't believe the facts got out."

Survivors have maintained that the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms unlawfully attacked the compound Feb. 28 and that those inside were only trying to protect themselves when they fired back, killing four agents and wounding several others.

ATF officials have said they were attacked when they tried to serve search warrants at the compound and arrest Koresh, who preached of the Apocalypse.

Those who attended Sunday paid \$1 to park and another \$1 for a program, with the money going to a fund for the survivors. Several

booths sold videotapes, cassette tapes, books, T-shirts, caps and pins.

Also on hand were copies of the first chapter of a paper on the biblical Seven Seals that Koresh said he wanted to finish before surrendering to authorities.

Two large placards with the names of the dead were erected near a tree, and several tables were loaded with pictures and reports about the siege.

"It was a massacre," said resident Don Rex, a San Antonio artist who was wearing a sandwich board that compared the standoff to the legendary battle at the Alamo.

Like those who died at the Alamo fighting for Texas' independence, Rex said Koresh and the others died "for standing up for what they believed in."

"I can't believe what happened here," said Rex as he stood near the chain-link and barbed-wire fence that surrounds a quarantined section of the complex.

The sand-colored compound is gone. Now, there are only mounds of debris and dirt sitting amid the bluebonnets and others wildflowers blooming this spring.

"This used to be a place where people could go to live," said Thibodeau, 25.

The fire began several hours after the FBI began assaulting the compound with tear gas. The flames, fanned by stiff winds, quickly consumed the complex.

"The fire shouldn't have happened," Thibodeau said. "I feel cheated, left behind in an evil and deceitful world... It's hard to explain."

San Antonians among those killed in Iraq incident

The Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — Cornelius Anthony Bass and Laura Ashley Piper grew up separately in San Antonio. Tragically, they died together in Iraq.

Bass, a 22-year-old San Antonio MacArthur High graduate, and Piper, 25, who went to elementary and middle schools in San Antonio, were among the 26 people aboard two U.S. Army helicopters that were shot down over Iraq.

Bass, a private first class, was a mechanic aboard one of the destroyed aircrafts.

He enlisted in the Army in 1992 for six years and had planned to return home for a brief visit in May before heading to his next assignment in Denver.

Bass' father, Air Force Capt. Cleon Bass, said his son joined the Army to "find himself" in life.

"His objective was to go in, do his time and earn credit for college," the father said.

Piper, an Air Force second lieutenant, was pursuing a childhood interest and following a family tradition when she was killed.

Piper, who grew up in a military family, had a childhood interest in the Middle East that never stopped, said her father, retired Col. Danny Piper.

"She was excited about her mission to Iraq," said Col. Piper, an Air Force Academy graduate in 1967.

She became intrigued with the Middle East during her father's four-year tour of duty in Europe. She was awaiting pilot training at the time of her death, her father said.

Military officials say the fighters apparently mistook the two Black Hawk helicopters for Iraqi aircraft before Thursday's deaths. All the copters' occupants, including 15 Americans, died.

Piper attended Windcrest Elementary and Ed White Middle School in San Antonio. As a 16-year-old high school student in Fairfax, Va., she won election to the Fairfax School District Board of Trustees.

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Donors, recipients reunite as part of awareness week

The Associated Press

TYLER — In an unusual reunion, a U.S. congressman who received a lung transplant and two kidney transplant recipients met with the mother of the 18-year-old whose death prolonged their lives.

Rep. Floyd Davidson Spence, R-South Carolina, said he wanted to meet with Laura Saxon to personally "unite with the mother of the young man from whom I received my lungs."

Spence said he has become close friends with Ms. Saxon after she wrote to him from her home in Mobile, Ala., following the 1988 death of her son Gary Haney in a motorcycle wreck in Palestine.

Lindale resident Dot McKinley and Kitty Thompson of Laneville, who

each received one of Gary's kidneys, also were at a Sunday ceremony in Tyler that kicked off National Organ and Tissue Donor Awareness Week, April 17-23.

Spence received a successful double lung transplant in 1988 after a lengthy battle with emphysema. Spence and his wife, Debbie, have been advocates of organ and tissue donor awareness ever since.

"I can't explain all these things about why it happened to me," Spence said. "I thank God and all these people who enabled me to live this extended life."

Giving such a gift only takes filling out a small questionnaire while renewing a driver's license or filling out a donor card, but officials say they're still having trouble attracting donors.

RAIN WATCH '94 advertisement. Includes a cartoon of a child in a raincoat holding an umbrella. Text: "Take a guess and have some fun. Look for RAIN WATCH '94 in The Big Spring Herald April 25 - April 29th. Predict which day in May our rainfall accumulations will total ONE INCH. Prizes! Prizes! Prizes! Local Merchants will be giving away Fun & Exciting Prizes! READ THE BIG SPRING Herald 'Reflecting a proud community' For Details!"

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"The ultimate expression of free speech lies not in the ideas with which we agree, but in those ideas that offend and irritate us."

Chuck Stone, columnist, 1991

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It just doesn't get any better

Beating the odds and beating Odessa - can't ask for much better than that from our local and area students.

While the flogging of an American teen in Singapore has captured everyone's attention, here again, it's the good ones that get little attention.

But here in West Texas, Forsan student council members Susan Leopard, Shane Sims, Bryan Alexander and Misty Carter have shown great things do indeed come in "little" packages, being chosen as one of six state profile schools.

Our own Texaco Star Academic Challenge team of Jacob Quisenberry, Kevin Stephens, Viswa Subbaraman, Drexell Owusu and Josna Adusumilli proved to their doubters that Odessa Permian is not unbeatable.

What these kids have shown is a determination to be the best. It doesn't matter that they are not from the biggest schools around, they have shown an inkling of what it will take to succeed.

It makes for a better story than the punishment of a vandal.

What about our rights?

Eight of 10 Americans now living will be a victim of violent crime.

Enough leniency! Enough revolving-door prisons! Enough!

Sheriff Joe Arpaio in Phoenix, Ariz., is fed up with street criminals using the jail house for a vacation.

He has banned sexually explicit material from his county's five jails.

He now requires inmates to get their hair cut short.

Jail laundry, janitorial and grounds-maintenance work can and will be done by inmates without pay.

He says not only will inmates keep the jail clean, but they will also help keep the county clean. "I'll have them raking and chopping and shoveling all over the county."

"I'll have them picking up trash and cutting grass and cleaning up graffiti."

The American Civil Liberties Union will call it cruel and unusual punishment, of course, but Phoenixians are behind the sheriff — fed up with criminals running loose and prisons run like resorts. They want jail to be punishment!

The Justice Department Bureau of Statistics confirms that the average sentence for murder is only 15 years; the murderer is usually out in 1.8 years.

A rapist gets an average eight years but is out in 60 days.

A burglar will likely serve only 4.8 days.

And within three years, 60 percent are rearrested for another crime.

In Florida, Loran Cole, after a string of convictions, was sentenced to 5 1/2 years in prison.

He was out in one year.

And promptly raped and murdered a boy and girl campers in the Ocala Forest.

Americans have been inclined to blame lenient judges for minimal sentences without realizing that the judge's authority does not extend beyond the courtroom.

He has little or no influence on parole boards.

Members of parole boards perpetuate their paid positions by paroling.



Paul Harvey

Parole boards are sometimes corrupted, at worst by bribes and at best by prison wardens making dire threats about having to turn killers loose, thus to defend their own budgets and/or to seek more.

Even the FEDERAL parole board has an indefensible failure rate of 18 percent.

Californian Norman Bedford has a big idea. He is circulating a proposed ballot measure that would identify violent felons who've been released on parole.

Each would have a fluorescent red number implanted on his face.

Anybody could thus telephone that number to learn the nature of the parolee's violent crimes.

Bedford needs 305,000 signatures by July 22 to bring it to a vote.

The ACLU is opposed, of course.

In Jacksonville, Fla. ...

Curtis Head is a chronic criminal. He has been convicted for felonies 14 times.

The last time he was released "early," he broke into the home of Debbie and beat her mercilessly.

THAT TIME, he was sentenced to prison for LIFE.

Because, the court said, he was a habitual offender — he was SENTENCED to prison for LIFE.

That was only four months ago, and the Florida prison system wants to release him again now because, they say, their prisons are overcrowded.

Ladies and gentlemen of the parole board ...

Let him sleep on the floor!

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A taxing proposition

It's a little late for New Year's resolutions, but I'll make one anyway. I swear that I will never again write anything even mildly critical of the heroic President Clinton or his brilliant wife.

This is the first time I've taken such an oath and it isn't easy because I have been sniping at presidents — Republicans and Democrats — since Lyndon B. Johnson was in the White House.

But I'm calling it quits because I cannot endure the shrill shrieks of Clinton's liberal Democrat admirers.

Their furious howls are far worse than anything I ever heard from the conservative Republican supporters of Ronald Reagan, the tight-lipped hisses from George Bush's fans, or even the raspy snarls of Richard Nixon's crowd.

The Nixonites and Reaganites were big on the word "ilk," as in: "You and your liberal media ilk, who are trying to lead this country into the hands of the communists ..." etc., etc.

I couldn't take offense at being called an "ilk." My wife has called me far worse.

The Bushies were more restrained, as was their hero. When they were angry, they'd say something like: "You and others in the liberal media are just jealous because you are not a fine, upstanding, decent person like George Bush ..."

And how could I take offense at that, since those who know me are aware that I am not fine, upstanding or decent, and have never even given these virtues a whirl?

Ah, but the liberal Democrats — they come at you with dripping fangs.

"You and all of your filthy-rich right-wing Republican bastard pals ..." is the way one of them began. And she ended it with, "In your greed, you want to keep the working class down and your pockets stuffed."

How quickly a person can change. In almost a twinkle of time, I have been transformed from part of the liberal media ilk to a filthy-rich right-wing Republican bastard. It's the fastest switcheroo since the old



Mike Royko

Wolfman movies.

And there is the man who wrote: "It is obvious that you are doing the bidding of your fat-cat Republican employers. I once had respect for you. But now I see you are nothing but another journalistic whore. Why don't you just hang it up, retire? You are worse than a senile burnout — you are a senile sellout."

The only people who might be more surprised by that would be my employers, who have never once offered a suggestion as to what I should write. Not even one word, when I was counting Ronald Reagan's naps or trying to read George Bush's lips.

Another Clintonite wrote: "Where were you when Spiro Agnew was ...?" And he went on to list Agnew's sins.

Where was I? Agnew once invited me to his hotel suite to tell me that I was a dumb, misguided, unread, pinko fool. As politely as I could, I told him he was a double-talking, dishonest, bigoted national embarrassment.

Having cleared the air, we had a few drinks and swapped political gossip. That's what makes the job fun.

Even Agnew, hidden from public sight in Palm Springs, might be surprised at my personality change.

So would Mario Cuomo, who was my personal choice for president, although he was detested by conservatives.

And how did I do a Wolfman switch from part of the liberal ilk to rotten, low-down Republican lackey?

It wasn't Whitewater, since I have admitted I don't understand what it's all about.

Nor do I feel threatened, as many feminists have suggested, because Hillary Clinton is a strong, intelligent woman who has genuine power. My mother, my wife, and my two older

sisters, my first editor, and many of my associates, were or are strong, intelligent women. I hire strong, intelligent women. Strong, intelligent women are my kind of dolls.

On the other hand, I am not a weepy Alan Alda type. But few men are perfect.

What seems to have brought on all of this liberal animosity are my doubts that the Clintons are what they led us to believe.

On the one hand, they pushed the idea that anyone who made any money during the 1980s was greedy, crooked and an exploiter of the weak and helpless.

Actually, in every decade in our history, there are those who made money by being greedy and crooked. But most people who have a surplus in the bank did it through hard work and/or smarts.

So I merely pointed out that the Clintons — while posing as part of the underclass — had stashed it away back in Arkansas with as much greedy zest as the next hustler. When was the last time you — or anyone else — turned \$1,000 into \$100,000 by betting on cattle futures?

And I questioned the way the Clintons stretched the tax laws by inflating the value of the underwear he gave to second-hand shops. True, it didn't represent big money. But it is what the tax experts call an "aggressive" interpretation of the tax laws.

Now it turns out that the Clintons once forgot to tell the IRS about several thousand dollars that Hillary picked up in her cattle wizardry. So they have finally paid up.

But because I have taken an oath not to be critical of them, I'm not going to ask how the heck a couple of Yale-educated lawyers forgot to list \$6,000 in trading profits on their tax return.

If I did, some liberal would instantly shriek at me that it could happen to anyone. Doesn't everybody forget to list \$6,000 on their tax returns?

And they're probably right. I'll have to ask my accountant if he can develop any sweet memory lapses.

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Filibuster ends - 'not exactly'

By LARRY MARGASAK
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — To parody a popular rental car commercial, there's a real Senate filibuster and there's "not exactly."

So far this year, minority Republicans have tried the "not exactly" approach — temporary delays that jangle the Senate's nerves but eventually lead to legislative compromise.

Washington Today

The real filibuster has been threatened by Republican leader Bob Dole of Kansas, if he doesn't get the Whitewater hearings he wants.

Simply stated, it translates to this: Forget the issue; block everything.

That tactic, some experts say, could backfire on Republicans.

"I think it's pretty risky because so much is on the agenda right now," said Chuck Jones, a University of Wisconsin political science professor and visiting fellow at the Brookings Institution in Washington.

"If there's one thing Bill Clinton is good at doing it's identifying ... the agenda," he said.

Controlling neither the White House nor either chamber of Congress, the filibuster is the prime weapon for Republicans.

This blocking tactic, accomplished by a real or threatened talkathon, can be stopped only by a vote of 60 senators. The Democrats have 56.

The four-vote shortage breeds ideal conditions for the "not exactly" filibuster. Republicans delay action. Democrats condemn the stall. And eventually, the two sides reach an agreement.

A "not exactly" scenario unfolded last week, with the confirmation of Florida jurist Rosemary Barkett for a federal appellate judgeship. Her nomination had been pending since September because Republicans considered her soft on crime.

But a deal was finally struck. A six-hour debate was held, to let Republicans attack her views on crime and the death penalty. But when the talking stopped, she was confirmed.

Legislation to set national education goals was another "not exactly." Democrats blamed Republican Jesse Helms for delaying the measure, so he could get school prayer language in the bill, and for a post-midnight session, held when senators wanted to get airborne for their scheduled Easter-Passover recess.

Helms, in turn, blamed Democrats for not accepting his proposed compromise.

But when the shouting ended, the bill passed.

Other "not exactly" measures delayed but passed this year include bills to spur competitiveness, reduce the federal work force and protect the California desert.

In each case, the Republican filibuster was focused on a legitimate issue and compromises allowed the measures to move ahead.

That's different from Dole's Whitewater threat. Using the filibuster to stymie all action could produce the same congressional gridlock that angered the public in recent years.

How would the country react?

Kim Wells, Republican chairman in Dole's home state of Kansas, predicted "there would not be any backlash at all" because "there's been a perception the (Whitewater) evidence and materials were slow in coming."

"When there has been pressure applied, there has been some movement," Wells said.

Thomas Mann, of the Brookings Institution, disagreed, commenting that a "systematic effort to slow things down because of Whitewater" would bring Republicans a negative reaction.

"What Republicans can do is try to use the threat of a filibuster to get Democrats to do business with them," Mann said. "It's a question of whether the bargaining is acceptable to Democrats, especially if it's temporary and tactical."

Majority Leader George Mitchell, D-Maine, addressed the issue on the Senate floor last week.

Responding to a political attack on Clinton by Whitewater critic Sen. Alfonse D'Amato, R-N.Y., Mitchell said he wouldn't allow "the Republican obsession with Whitewater" to derail health care, crime, welfare reform and other issues.

"We are not going to be sidetracked," he said.

EDITOR'S NOTE — Larry Margasak has covered Congress for The Associated Press since 1983.



Son of a son of a glass blower

"I'm their son." You're whose son? "The Glass Blowers."

You never know. Recently a column appeared here about the disappearance of a roadside attraction called the Glass Blowers, which was a fixture in Sarasota, Fla., starting in the late 1940s. The Glass Blowers — a husband and wife, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Deakin — blew glass in a storefront on North Tamiami Trail. You could watch them for free, and up to 40,000 people a year did. They made their money by selling the glass trinkets that were the products of their blowing.

Now they're gone — a restaurant sits in the old Glass Blowers structure — and the column wondered what had happened to them. Could they have become victims of the Walt Disney World era in Florida tourism? Was there no place for the Glass Blowers in the Disney age? No one in Sarasota seemed to know the answer.

Then their son called. He is John R. Deakin, 54, a pilot who flies 747s for Japan Airlines. He was phoning from Seattle.

"I blew glass, too," he said. "My parents had me start blowing glass when I was 12 years old. I hated it. I cannot tell you how intensely I despised blowing glass. Every minute I put in at the Glass Blowers was against my will."

He said both of his parents are dead; his father died in 1980, his mother in 1982. He holds nothing against them for making him blow glass: "Dad learned to blow glass during the Depression. In those days, having a trade was a valued thing, honorable work. We never had much money, but blowing glass gave us everything we had."



Bob Greene

He left home as soon as he graduated from high school — to get away from the Glass Blowers and learn to be a pilot — but he can still describe, in detail, blowing the glass.

"Sometimes there would be people standing 30 and 40 deep in the shop, looking at us. We worked at two elevated fire benches, with two sets of fires. Dad worked the one closest to the center, Mother the one closest to the wall.

"You would take a glass tube — the smaller ones were one-quarter inch in diameter, the larger ones an inch — and you would pick a point near the end and you would heat perhaps two inches of it, always rolling it. Roll it, roll it, roll it ... if you stop rolling it for even an instant, it sags and it drips."

"We made all kinds of little items. The one I remember the most is these little glass nests. Little glass birds' nests. Making those nests was a process like knitting, but with glass. Green glass in the bottom of the nest to look like grass, and three little white glass eggs. I must have made 100,000 of those glass nests. How I hated it ..."

He said that the assumption in the column — that the Walt Disney World era did away with the Glass Blowers and other simple Florida tourist attractions — is correct. "Oh, how Dad hated Disney," he said. "He considered Walt Disney World

to be a giant sinkhole in the middle of the state, taking all of our business. We would be driving in the family car, and when Dad would see a state of Florida sign that mentioned Disney, he would go into orbit."

Deakin realizes that his parents' business may have been destined to failure even if Walt Disney World had not come along. "When they died, I was shocked to find out just how little money they had," he said. "They owned the Glass Blowers building — we lived in the same building — but they had been able to save virtually nothing."

"My younger sister Kathrine took over the business after my mother died. Kathrine did not blow glass — she just ran the place as a store. My father, before his death, had blown enough glass to leave a considerable amount of goods to sell. But fewer and fewer people were coming in, and when they found out there was no one actually blowing glass, they lost interest."

"I felt very bad for my sister. Toward the end, literally days at a time would go by without a single customer coming in."

In the late 1980s, the Glass Blowers was sold and converted to a restaurant. Deakin said he was surprised to read the story about the Glass Blowers in the paper, and was happy to be able to answer the questions. He never goes back to the place, he said, but he can never forget it.

"You could easily cut your mouth blowing glass," he said. "You had to be careful, putting that thing in your mouth. I tell you, words cannot describe how much I hated it ..."

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Church members wonder about eye gouging

ARCADIA, La. (AP) — Pilgrim's Rest Baptist Church is not unlike hundreds of other small-town churches in northwest Louisiana.

The conversation at the church these days has taken a very unlikely turn, however. The church's 450 members wonder about an episode in Dallas that ended with one of their member's eyes being gouged out. The case has included allegations of voodoo and spiritual possession.

The victim, 29-year-old Shreveport teacher Myra Obasi, is permanently blinded. Her sisters, Doretha Crawford, 34, and Beverly Johnson, 35, are facing charges of aggravated assault.

Obasi has told Dallas police that her sisters gouged out her eyes with their fingers as they sought to "drive out the spirit of the woman's father within her" during a visit to Dallas.

"It's a bad thing. It's something that doesn't usually happen in this part of the country," deacon Leroy Blow of Arcadia said. "Our church is just as in the dark about this as everyone."

U.N. helpless to stop Gorazde takeover

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Muslims hid or stood stunned in a dreary rain as Serb tanks roared into Gorazde, and United Nations officials admitted they were equally helpless to prevent the takeover of what was supposed to be a protected haven.

"The Bosnian Serbs possess the capability to proceed at will into Gorazde," the special adviser to the U.N. Secretary-General, Chinmaya Gharekhan of India, said Sunday night in New York.

All the Security Council was able to muster was a nonbinding statement condemning "the escalating military activities by the Serb forces against Gorazde."

The tanks entered Gorazde on Sunday even as U.N. officials said the Bosnian Serbs had agreed to end their advance on the city, which has been under siege for most of the two-year war. Pockets of resistance remained, particularly at the hospital which was under intense sniper fire, but Serbian forces appeared free to move elsewhere about town.

Bosnia intervention downplayed by Clinton

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration is playing down the likelihood of military intervention in the besieged Bosnian city of Gorazde.

Serbian tanks moving into the Muslim enclave have made NATO air strikes virtually impossible, President Clinton said Sunday.

Because of the proximity of Serbian forces to U.N. observers and Gorazde residents, "it wouldn't necessarily be possible now for close air support to have the desired military effect," Clinton said.

Clinton, who met with Democratic senators Saturday night in Williamsburg, Va., and attended a car show Sunday in Concord, N.C., spoke to reporters at Newport News-Williamsburg International Airport on a day of conflicting news out of Bosnia. Reports that Serb forces around Gorazde had agreed to a cease-fire surfaced almost at the same time that officials reported Serb tanks rolling into the city center.

Meeting attempt to stop election boycott

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — President F.W. de Klerk met today with Zulu nationalist leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi in what was believed to be a last-minute attempt to end Buthelezi's boycott of next week's election.

The meeting was not announced in advance and followed the breakdown of international mediators' attempts last week to resolve South Africa's political deadlock. A spokesman in de Klerk's office refused to say if anyone else, such as Zulu King Goodwill Zwelithini, was attending.

De Klerk, Buthelezi, Zwelithini and African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela are expected to hold one last summit before the nation's first all-race election April 26-28. Their last summit two weeks ago ended with no progress made on the Zulu leaders' demands for post-election Zulu autonomy.

Buthelezi, head of the Inkatha Freedom Party, and Zwelithini fear the ANC — the likely winner of the election — will impose a strong central government and trample on Zulu rights. They are demanding a high degree of autonomy for the KwaZulu homeland they lead.

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The crew of a Bosnian Serb armored personnel carrier take a break some two miles from the center of Gorazde, the embattled Muslim enclave in southeastern Bosnia-Herzegovina, recently. Bosnian Serb tanks lumbered into Gorazde Sunday even as United Nations officials spoke of reaching an agreement for the Serbs to back off.

Serbs roll over Gorazde

The Associated Press

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina — The U.N. commander in Bosnia warned of a "major humanitarian catastrophe" as Bosnian Serb forces again pounded the anguished Muslim enclave of Gorazde today.

Many refugees there spent the night on the streets for lack of shelter in what was supposed to be a U.N.-protected haven.

Bosnian Serb forces said they had overrun virtually the whole Gorazde enclave, apart from the center of town and a stretch some 4-5 miles long on the northern bank of the Drina river.

"It's quite certain that if they wished to enter the town, they would be able to do so," Lt. Gen. Sir Michael Rose, commander of U.N. forces in Bosnia, told the British Broadcasting Corp. "The town is at their mercy and we are on the edge of a major humanitarian catastrophe."

Shells were exploding at a rate of one every 20 seconds, "dropping at

random into the city center," said Ron Redmond, spokesman for the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees in Geneva.

"The hospital has taken a direct hit on its roof," and at least five shells have landed in front of the hospital, he said, citing a report this morning from the four UNHCR staff in the town. A refugee center also was hit. There was no immediate word on casualties.

Rose said in Sarajevo that six British liaison officers were evacuated from the town because the batteries powering their equipment had run down. That left five U.N. military observers, the UNHCR staff and a team from Doctors Without Borders as the only foreigners in Gorazde.

Rose told reporters in Sarajevo the Serbs had "consistently and totally ignored" U.N. mediators and appeals to stop the attack.

But he suggested further NATO air strikes would not help. "Clearly we are not about to change the balance of forces between the warring parties by the use of strategic air (support). We

have neither the mandate nor the support of NATO to do it," Rose said.

Two NATO airstrikes against Serb forces around Gorazde last week, carried out at the request of U.N. troops on the ground, failed to deter further Serb attacks.

On Saturday, a British jet was shot down over Gorazde while moving against a Bosnian Serb tank shelling the town.

Ham radio operator Enes Musovic reported bitterly from Gorazde.

"NATO fighters continue to fly over the bloody sky of Gorazde, but not to help the people of Gorazde, but to record the last moments of life of these people," he said.

By taking control of Gorazde, 35 miles southeast of Sarajevo, Serbs would improve their road links between land they captured from Bosnian government forces to the east and south.

Gorazde was designated one of six U.N. "safe areas" last year, but only a handful of U.N. military observers was deployed there.

Crime bill snagged on assault gun ban

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The House and Senate may be heading for a standoff on whether sweeping crime legislation includes a ban on assault weapons, a key congressman says.

Rep. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., the chairman of the House Judiciary subcommittee on crime, said Sunday the House is 15 to 20 votes short of a majority in favor of the ban while a Senate crime bill passed last fall already includes the provision.

The ban on assault weapons such as Uzis and AK-47s could prove a sticking point in House-Senate negotiations on the multibillion-dollar crime legislation designed to put more police on the streets and more criminals in prison.

A head count of the House conducted by Democratic whips turned up the majority opposition to the assault weapons ban, Schumer said.

"We're behind," said Schumer, a leading sponsor of the weapons ban proposal. "It befuddles me at a time when these street sweepers are everywhere, when there's more death, when assault weapons are used only to kill people."

The Senate last fall passed a \$22 billion crime bill that included the weapons ban. The House version, scheduled for continued debate this week, has no ban.

Schumer said the National Rifle Association is lobbying hard against

the assault weapons ban, particularly among members who voted for the Brady bill, which established a five-day waiting period and background check for people buying handguns.

"Members kept coming to me and saying, 'Look, I voted for the Brady bill. I thought it was the right thing to do and the gun lobby came down very hard on me and I can't vote against them,'" Schumer said.

The NRA ran a full-page ad in USA Today recently labeling Schumer "the criminal's best friend in Congress."

The NRA was closed Sunday, and a spokesman for the lobbying group could not be reached.

Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del., chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, said Sunday he will insist that the final crime bill ban assault weapons.

"I want a crime bill with assault weapons (banned) in it," Biden said on NBC's "Meet the Press." "I will not trade off anything for that."

One reason the House crime bill lacks the assault weapons provision is the opposition of Rep. Jack Brooks, D-Texas, the chairman of the House Judiciary Committee.

Schumer and other House members are hoping to get a vote on the weapons ban as a separate bill. If it passes, House-Senate negotiators working on the crime bill would probably include the ban in the final version, Schumer said.

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Advertisement for Marcus Yanez's 28th birthday. It includes a photo of him and text: "Happy 28th Birthday! MARCHUS YANEZ!! Love, Mom, Estelle & family, David & Eddie"

Flogging still on despite U.S. appeals

The Associated Press

SINGAPORE — Singapore gave no indication today that appeals from Washington to spare an American teen-ager from flogging would deter it from meting out the punishment.

Lawyers for Michael P. Fay, 18, have until Wednesday to ask President Ong Teng Cheong for a pardon. A decision is expected later this week on the appeal for clemency.

Public statements from officials have insisted that the law must take its course and would be applied evenly to Singaporeans and foreigners alike.

Fay pleaded guilty last month to two charges of vandalism, two of mischief and one of possessing stolen property. Three lashes of a rattan cane are mandatory upon conviction for each vandalism charge. Fay also faces four months behind bars and a \$2,245 fine.

President Clinton sent a personal letter to Ong appealing that Fay not be flogged.

Comments by other American officials over the last six weeks brought swift reaction.

After Fay was sentenced, U.S. Embassy Charge d'Affaires Ralph Boyce said there was "a large discrepancy between the offense and the punishment."

Security hirings questioned in Colosio's murder

The Associated Press

TIJUANA, Mexico — From the police chief to the illegal immigrant to the waiter, all Mexico is asking: Why were has-been police agents with shady pasts guarding the man widely expected to become Mexico's next president?

Some of the guards hired for Luis Donaldo Colosio's security detail at his last campaign stop had been fired from Tijuana's police force for misconduct. The local police chief said ruling-party officials requested only two officers at the airport and four motorcycle cops at the scene of the candidate's speech.

The guards' questionable backgrounds have helped nourish a tangled web of conspiracy plots spreading outward from Tijuana, the border city where Colosio was killed by a gunman during a March 23 rally.

Government officials have largely been silent, often evasive and sometimes misleading. Some Mexicans believe the truth may remain hidden forever.

"Why should we believe the government?" said Andres Garcia, sitting atop a sand dune while waiting for nightfall to cross illegally into California. "They've lied to us all our lives."

Waiter Jesus Velazquez agreed. "Everyone is fed up with police, the government, with corruption, with drug traffickers. No one believes anything anymore."

Theories on who is responsible abound. They range from a lone gunman to many co-conspirators, from high echelons of the government to warring drug cartels and feuding elements within Colosio's governing Institutional Revolutionary Party, or PRI.

"It would take a sum of all interests and groups to plan something like this," said Jose Perez Canchola, the attorney general for human rights.

He was present when the suspected gunman, Mario Aburto, a 23-year-old factory worker, was first questioned by authorities two hours after the assassination.

When a videotape of the shooting turned up days later, authorities brought in lip readers to examine it. The footage appeared to show several guards talking to each other just before and during the killing, said a high-ranking government official in Mexico City, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Several guards were then arrested. Among those detained was Rodolfo Rivapalacio, a former Tijuana police detective who headed Colosio's security detail for the campaign stop.

Originally charged with conspiracy in the killing, he was freed Sunday for lack of evidence.

In 1987, his former wife was stabbed with an ice pick 17 times and her boyfriend was shot by an apparent hit-man in nearby San Diego, Calif. According to detective Joe Navarro of the San Diego police department, Rivapalacio was a suspect in that case, which remains open.

"At this point all we have is that he made threats against his wife," Navarro said in a telephone interview, noting no charges were ever filed.

The detective said he asked Tijuana's judicial police force to help but they stonewalled his investigation. He also asked Rivapalacio to come in for questioning but to no avail.

And when an Associated Press reporter and other journalists went to Rivapalacio's home on Wednesday, a woman came out, yelled at the group and said he would have no comment.

Hours before Colosio arrived in the Tijuana shantytown of Lomas Taurinas, Rivapalacio and two other local

Doubts are raised about lone killer

The Associated Press

TIJUANA, Mexico — Secret Service agents say they found a weapon used to kill Mexico's leading presidential candidate after the alleged assassin admitted using a different firearm, police documents show.

The conflicting reports raised fresh doubts whether Luis Donaldo Colosio, killed at a March 23 campaign rally here, was slain by a lone gunman, as investigators have maintained.

Mario Aburto confessed to the crime and has been charged with the murder. Three men hired for crowd control at the rally have been charged with being co-participants in homicide.

Authorities say the three men helped clear a path through a crowd for Aburto to shoot Colosio, the leading contender for the Aug. 21 election as candidate of the ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party, or PRI.

But doubts persist whether Aburto acted alone because no ballistics report has been made available and authorities say only one bullet was found, even though Colosio was hit twice.

In a report of Aburto's interrogation at the Attorney General's office here, Aburto identified a Taurus .38 revolver as the weapon "he used to fire the shots" at Colosio.

The revolver had two in the chamber. It can carry up to six bullets.

The weapon was in a plastic bag during questioning and was identified by Aburto at about 7:30 p.m. on March 23, Jose Perez Canchola, the attorney general for human rights who was present during Aburto's questioning, said Sunday.

But in a police report read Saturday by an AP reporter and another foreign news correspondent by police director Federico Benitez, secret service agents returned to the hospital where Colosio was taken at 9:30 p.m. with a different bag that they said contained the murder weapon.

It is not known what weapon was inside the second bag or where that bag was taken. No comment was available from secret service authorities or the attorney general's office.

Canchola said the report, filed by David Rubi Gomez, a municipal police officer, "raises a lot of doubts about the one gun theory."

Miguel Montes, special prosecutor in the case, has said ballistics tests showed the bullet found matched the Taurus revolver, and that the two shots came from the same gun.

party functionaries met with municipal police director Federico Benitez.

"They asked that there be no police presence anywhere near or around the candidate," said Benitez in an interview. "They said they would be in charge, the PRI, of Colosio's security."

Tijuana has 1,720 officers, but the PRI requested only two officers at the airport and four motorcycle officers at the scene, said Benitez. "They said Colosio didn't want a lot of visible police presence," he added.

Colosio was killed while conducting a populist campaign marked by attempts to mingle with the people and avoid appearances of heavy security.

Still, many police officials, speaking off the record for fear of dismissal, thought the PRI request unusual.

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St. Louis defender Murray Baron (34), Blues left wing Philippe Bozon (36), Dallas center Brent Gilchrist (41) and St. Louis goalkeeper Curtis Joseph (31) follow the puck into the net Sunday in Dallas. Gilchrist got the goal, and Dallas went on to beat St. Louis, 5-3.

Rodriguez: Not your average nine-hole hitter

By DAVE HARGRAVE
Sports Editor

Many junior college teams only dream of having a .400 hitter.

Howard College has a .400 hitter batting last in its batting order.

Hawk shortstop Freddy Rodriguez, a 1991 graduate of Big Spring High School, has parlayed an impressive debut season in 1993 into a fabulous 1994. Howard is 38-5, ranked ninth in the nation and leading the Western Junior College Athletic Conference, and Rodriguez has been a major contributor. He was hitting an even .400 with two home runs and 23 RBIs going into this past weekend's three-game set at Frank Phillips College.

He's done most of the damage from the No. 9 spot.

"He's a dead fastball hitter, and you're going to see more fastballs down there," said Howard coach Brian Roper. "He's sure got a lot of RBIs down there, too, and it's good to have somebody down there that can produce like that. Just because he hits in the nine hole doesn't mean he's our worst hitter, because he's not. I just line them up that way as strategy for me."

Roper, echoing the idea many major-league managers profess, said he likes to think of his No. 9 hitter as "a second leadoff hitter." The idea has worked to perfection, since Howard has three leadoff-type hitters - Rodriguez, leadoff man Troy May (.370) and No. 2 hitter Brian Ogle (.308) batting consecutively. That threesome sets the table for Howard's RBI men in the heart of

the order. Rodriguez has batted in other slots this season - early in the year he often batted sixth - but in the majority of his 35 games played he has hit ninth.

It doesn't bother him a bit. "I'd prefer batting in the ninth position. I don't know why, but I just feel more comfortable hitting there," Rodriguez said. "I guess it gives me time to watch the pitcher, through the top eight batters, and it gives me a little time to see how he's throwing. I just feel more relaxed batting ninth."

A knee injury in 1991 forced Rodriguez, a baseball and football star at BSIS, to spend a year rehabilitating. It cost him a scholarship at Frank Phillips, but by the fall of 1992 Rodriguez had earned a scholarship at Howard.

Rodriguez hit .349 in his freshman season with four homers and 22 RBIs. He's topped that this year and added speed to his game, going 7-for-7 on steal attempts and legging out nine doubles and a triple. His slugging percentage is .589.

Rodriguez's only trouble this season has come at shortstop. Rodriguez reaches many grounders that other shortstops in the WJAC don't touch, but that may partly contribute to his poor fielding percentage of .879. Rodriguez has 29 putouts, 80 assists and 15 errors.

"I'm not the best defensive player, but whenever I'm out there I just do the best I can," Rodriguez said. "I make mistakes just like everybody else, but the next time I just try to do better."

"That's one thing I'm looking for from him, is a little more consistency," Roper said. "That's not to say that he's a poor defensive player, because he's not. He's very good."

Rodriguez said his injured knee hasn't bothered him since he's



RODRIGUEZ

Goalie gamble pays off for Stars

By The Associated Press

DALLAS — Bob Gainey isn't known as a gambler. His teams play grinding defense and take a conservative approach to offense.

But the coach of the Dallas Stars isn't afraid to live dangerously. He did so on Sunday when he started Darcy Wakaluk in goal for the first time in a playoff game, putting veteran Andy Moog on the bench.

Wakaluk responded by turning back 33 shots in a 5-3 victory over the St. Louis Blues in the first Stanley Cup hockey game in Texas.

Grant Ledyard and Trent Klatt scored late third-period goals to put away the Blues to give Wakaluk his

first playoff victory. Gainey said it wasn't as big a gamble as it looked although it could open the door to second-guessers.

"The decision was not too difficult to make because I felt I couldn't go wrong," Gainey said. "I have confidence in both. Darcy has been playing very well."

Moog took the decision well although he has a reputation as a great playoff goalie. He said it was the correct call.

"You can't go over past history, you have to go over recent history," Moog said. "I think in the last three games I let in 15 goals. That was the motivation for the decision. And it was the right one."

Wakaluk said he was a little

amazed. "I was surprised," Wakaluk said. "I found out after practice yesterday. We will still need Andy. The playoffs are too long. Andy gave me some pointers to watch for. The main thing he told me was to stay relaxed."

The Blues and Stars will play Game 2 of their best-of-7 Western Conference quarterfinal series on Wednesday night in Reunion Arena.

St. Louis tied the game 3-all early in the third period on a power play goal by Brett Hull and a 60-foot wrist shot by Phil Housley.

But Ledyard delighted the sellout crowd of 16,914 fans by tipping in a Craig Ludwig shot with 3:49 left. Then Klatt put the game away with

1:37 to go on a perfect pass from Mike Modano.

St. Louis coach Bob Berry said "we didn't start playing until the third period. We got into penalty trouble early."

Berry said he had a hunch Wakaluk might start in goal.

"We talked about it," Berry said. "He had a really good year. It didn't surprise us."

Dave Gagner and Brent Gilchrist scored power play goals in a span of 85 seconds to break open a goalkeeper's duel for a 2-0 lead in the second period. Gagner banked a shot from behind the net off Curtis Joseph's pads and Gilchrist scored on a rebound off a Russ Courtnall shot.

Briefs

Howard Lady Hawks sign post player

The Howard College women's basketball team signed 6-foot-1 post player Ginger Price over the weekend.

Price averaged 12.9 points and 10.3 rebounds per game for A&M Consolidated in her senior season. She was first team All-District.

Price joins three others who have signed with Howard since the Lady Hawks returned from the national tournament - Summer Swododa, Vicki Miller and Big Spring's Amy Earnst.

Earnst and Miller are also post



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players.

Stanton hosts softball touney

The eighth-annual Pop-Up Softball Tournament will be played Friday through Sunday in Stanton.

Deadline to enter is Wednesday at 6 p.m.

Teams in first through fourth place will receive clock plaques. Members of the champion and runner-up teams will receive T-shirts, and the 10 All-Tournament players will receive Miller Lite hats.

The tournament Most Valuable Player will take home a TPS bat bag.

The entry fee is \$100 per team. For more information, call Tommy Ramos (756-3332), Auggie Ramos (756-3470) or Orlando Esparza (686-8156).

Midlander offers youth tennis camps

The Dunlop Junior Summer Tennis

Camps will be at the Midlander June 13-17 and July 18-22. Discounts will be available for those who register before May 20.

For information on this or any other tennis program at the Midlander, call Jon or Luis at 682-0813.

BSHS produces Steer calendar on its own

Potential sponsors of the yearly Big Spring Steer football poster/calendar need to know that Big Spring High School is solely responsible for its production.

High School Sports Network, a business in Arlington, produces similar items for other schools but has nothing to do with the Steer calendar. Potential sponsors will be approached by BSHS coach George Martin and no one else.

Inquiries about the calendar made by High School Sports Network or any other business should be ignored. All aspects of the calendar's production are controlled by Big Spring High School.

U.S. marathoners flourishing, but still having trouble winning

By The Associated Press

BOSTON — Just because no American was a big favorite in today's Boston Marathon doesn't mean U.S. long distance running is not flourishing.

After a drought during the late 1980s, Americans are making a sharp comeback.

No American woman has won a gold medal in an Olympic or world championship marathon since Joan Benoit Samuelson won at the 1984 Los Angeles Games. No U.S. man has won an Olympic marathon since Frank Shorter in 1976. Yet there are signs the nation's distance runners are thriving.

Particularly the men. In the past year, Mark Plaatjes of Boulder, Colo., (sixth) and Keith Brantly of Ormond Beach, Fla. (ninth) were among the top 10 in the 1993 Boston Marathon; Plaatjes won the 1993 world championship at Stuttgart, Germany, in August; Bob Kempainen of Minneapolis was second and Brantly fifth at last November's New York City Marathon; and Paul Pilkington of Roy, Utah, won the Los Angeles Marathon last month.

Progress among the women has not been as widespread, with Kristy Johnson of Eugene, Ore., winning the 1993 Houston Marathon and Kim Jones of Spokane, Wash., finishing second at the 1993 Boston Marathon.

Kempainen, Brantly and first-time marathoner Mark Coogan of Boulder were the major men's hopes today, while Jones was the only top American among the women.

"Too bad no other elite American women are in the race," said Jones, 35, who has finished second twice, third once and fifth once at Boston, and was ranked No. 1 in the United States last year, her fourth time atop the ratings.

"A lot of young runners tend to run shorter distances, then disappear. However, Elaine Van Blunk and Trina Painter ran fairly well at Houston this year in their first marathons.

"But I guess I'm the only stubborn one."

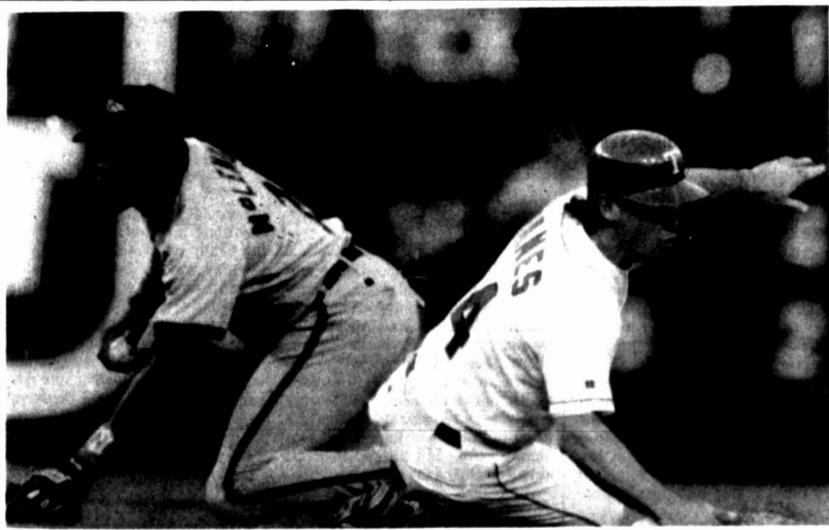
In fairness to the women marathoners, two of the three members of the 1992 Olympic marathon team — Janis Klecker and Cathy O'Brien — have been slowed by injuries. The third team member, Franice Larrieu Smith, is over 40 and limiting her racing.

Of the three members of the men's Olympic team, Kempainen performed extremely well at New York last year, Ed Eyestone of Layton, Utah, won the Twin Cities Marathon in 1993 and Steve Spence of Chambersburg, Pa., the 1991 world championship bronze medalist, has been hurt. Brantly, the alternate on the team, ran his career-best at Boston a year ago (2 hours, 12 minutes, 58 seconds), then improved to 2:12:49 at New York.

The U.S. decline in the men's marathon developed after Shorter, also the 1976 Olympic silver medalist, and Bill Rodgers, the four-time Boston and New York City Marathon champion, dominated the '70s. Alberto Salazar, a three-time New York winner and a one-time Boston champion, was a force during the early '80s.

The downfall coincided with the infusion of big money into the sport and the rapid development of the African runners, particularly the Kenyans, Tanzanians and Ethiopians.

Among the women, only Samuelson, the American record-holder, and the consistent and persistent Jones have remained among the elite for any length of time.



Baltimore second baseman Mark McLemore (2) makes a futile attempt to put out Texas baserunner Chris James during the first inning of their game Sunday in Arlington.

Rangers' rally falls short in ninth

By The Associated Press

ARLINGTON — Finally, a four-hour baseball game worth the wait.

The second-longest nine-inning game in Texas Rangers history didn't end with a whimper. The Rangers, who trailed Baltimore 6-2 entering the ninth inning, rallied for three runs before Lee Smith got his AL-leading sixth save in the Orioles' 6-5 victory.

Juan Gonzalez and Jose Canseco opened the bottom of the ninth with consecutive home runs. After Dean Plamer singled off Alan Mills, Smith entered the game and struck out Ivan Rodriguez. Doug Strange then singled, Gary Redus fouled out and David Hulse singled, driving in Palmer.

The game, which took four hours and four minutes, finally ended when Chris James lined out to left. "Right this second, ask me if I care because we did win and I'm not still out there," Orioles manager Johnny Oates said. "But I tell you, I had to wipe off my palms before shaking hands."

Smith's save was the 407th of his career.

"I've got to come in with the thought a lot of times that you're

going to get me or I'm going to get you," Smith said. "I've heard so much about this (Texas) offense. I look at it and I don't want to see that lineup against me for about a week."

Texas, which has lost four of six in its new ball park, left 15 runners stranded.

Baltimore reliever Mark Williamson (1-0) allowed four hits and one run in 3 1-3 innings to pick up the victory. Starter Jack Armstrong (0-1) took the loss.

Mets 4, Astros 2

NEW YORK — All along the subway line that runs to Shea Stadium, posters of Jeff Kent hang in the stations.

The signs, put up before opening day, feature a black-and-white picture of his face and his words: "Every second I'm on the field, I'm going to try to make you proud to be a Mets fan."

Two weeks into the season, Kent sure has done himself proud.

Kent hit two home runs Sunday, and his two-run shot in the eighth inning lifted the Mets over the Houston Astros 4-2.

Kent has six homers and 13 RBIs in his last six games. He ranks among the major league leaders

with seven home runs, 19 RBIs and a .395 average.

"Obviously, when a guy gets hot like this, you always wonder how long it will last," Mets manager Dallas Green said.

"Invariably, when he comes up with runners on base, you expect something to happen. When it doesn't, you're disappointed. But you shouldn't be."

Kent hit a solo homer in the second inning off Darryl Kile, tying it at 1. Jeff Bagwell put Houston ahead with a solo home run off Bobby Jones (2-1) in the fourth.

Kent came up with a runner on third and two outs in the sixth, and struck out against Kile.

"I remember him no-hitting us last year. That was a smoking fastball on the outside black, and he got me," Kent said.

Kile, whose no-hitler came Sept. 8 in Houston, lost his 2-1 lead in the seventh on Todd Hundley's solo homer with two outs.

Kile struck out seven and walked none before Todd Jones (0-1) relieved to start the eighth. Joe Orsulak singled with one out and Kent hit a drive to right-center field that carried in the wind over the fence.

Trevino gets gift from Floyd

By The Associated Press

PALM BEACH GARDENS, Fla. — The pressure got to Ray Floyd and the title went to Lee Trevino.

"Put the onus on pressure," Floyd said Sunday after he blew a four-shot lead at the turn and handed the PGA Senior Championship to Trevino.

"He gave it to me on a silver platter," Trevino said. "I was as shocked as he was."

The shocks and the gift-givings all took place on the 15th and 17th holes at the PGA National Golf Club.

From the lead, Floyd played those two holes in 12 — a quadruple-bogey 7 on the 15th and a double-bogey 5 on the 17th — double par, with three balls in the water.

This by the winner of two PGA national titles, a U.S. Open and a Masters; by one of the most feared, respected and pressure-proof players the game has produced. He went from four ahead after nine to three behind after 15.

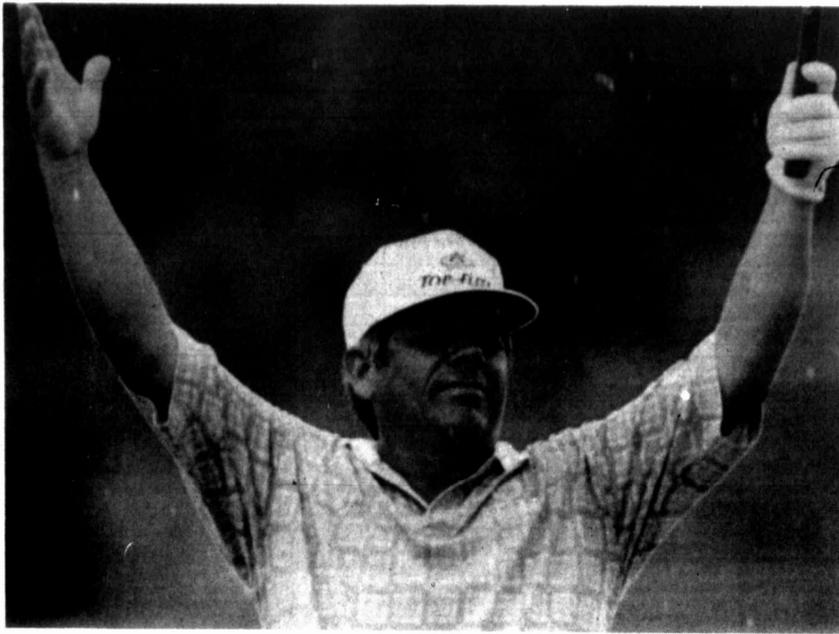
It was pressure, Floyd said.

"That's the only reason I can think of for a problem that has plagued him throughout his Hall of Fame career. 'I've been playing professional golf for 30-something years. Under pressure, when I hit a bad shot, it's usually to the right.'"

"Until today, I never really knew why."

After hitting his third shot into the water in a stretch of three holes, it came to him.

"For some reason, under pressure, I get the ball too close to me. My lower body gets ahead on the swing



Lee Trevino celebrates his victory on the 18th hole at the PGA Seniors Championship in Palm Beach Gardens, Fla. Sunday. Trevino shot a final-found 70 to finish the tournament at 9-under par.

and I can't catch up. I block it.

"After I'd moved up to drop on the 17th, it hit me. I moved the ball away — it felt like three or four inches, but it probably was just an inch — and it freed up my swing."

By then the damage had been done and, with his 42 over the back side, the title chase was over.

Trevino collected his second victory of the season, and second in this event, with a solid 35 over the intimidating final nine holes, a closing round of 70 and a 279 total, 9 under par.

The victory, his 20th on the over-50 circuit, was worth \$115,000 from the purse of \$850,000 and pushed his leading money-winning total to \$381,017.

Jim Colbert, never really in the chase, came on to take second at 280 after a bogey-free final round of 67.

After his closing 75, Floyd was tied at 282 with Dave Stockton, who matched par-72.

The group at 283 included Dale Douglass, Isao Aoki of Japan, DeWitt Weaver and Chi Chi Rodriguez. Aoki closed with a 66. Weaver birdied four of the first five holes and shot 68. Rodriguez had a 69 and Douglass shot 72.

Floyd held a two-shot lead starting the final round, expanded it to four at the turn and appeared on his way to a rout.

Trevino, however, closed within one with birdies on the 10th and

12th and Floyd's bogey from a bunker on the 11th.

That's when the pressure built and the ball crept closer to Floyd's feet. On the 15th Floyd hit a 5-iron into the water on the right.

"I figured he'd make 5 and I would be a shot up," Trevino said.

But, after moving up to the front tee for a drop, Floyd then put a 6-iron shot into the pond.

He birdied the 16th, then hit a 7-iron tee shot into the water, again on the right, on the 17th.

That settled the issue.

"Christmas came early," Trevino said. "Ray was Santa Claus."

SPORTS EXTRA

BASEBALL

MLB standings

American League	All Times EDT	East Division	West Division	
Baltimore	7	4	.636	—
Boston	7	4	.636	—
Toronto	8	5	.815	—
New York	6	5	.545	1
Detroit	4	8	.338	3 1/2
Central Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	6	4	.600	—
Chicago	6	5	.545	1/2
Milwaukee	6	5	.545	1/2
Kansas City	5	5	.500	1
Minnesota	4	9	.308	3 1/2
West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Oakland	7	5	.583	—
California	6	7	.462	1 1/2
Seattle	4	7	.364	2 1/2
Texas	4	7	.364	2 1/2
Sunday's Games				
Kansas City 8, Cleveland 3				
Chicago 7, Boston 4				
New York 8, Detroit 6				
Oakland 5, Minnesota 1				
Toronto 5, California 4, 10 innings				
Seattle 8, Milwaukee 3				
Baltimore 6, Texas 5				
Monday's Games				
Chicago (Alvarez 2-0) at Boston (Darwin 2-0), 11:05 a.m.				
Kansas City (Gordon 0-1) at Detroit (Doherty 1-1), 7:05 p.m.				
Only games scheduled				
Tuesday's Games				
Oakland (Welch 0-0) at Boston (Sele 0-0), 1:05 p.m.				
Kansas City (Gubucz 0-0) at Detroit (Moore 1-1), 3:35 p.m.				
Chicago (Bere 1-0) at Milwaukee (Wegman 1-0), 7:05 p.m.				
Seattle (Hibbard 0-1) at New York (Abbott 1-1), 7:05 p.m.				
Texas (K Brown 3-3) at Toronto (Ju. Guzman 1-1), 7:35 p.m.				
California (Lefkowitz 0-1) at Baltimore (Moyer 0-0), 7:35 p.m.				
Cleveland (Nagy 1-0) at Minnesota (Tapani 0-1), 8:05 p.m.				
National League				
All Times EDT				
East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	12	1	.923	—
New York	7	4	.636	4
Philadelphia	6	6	.500	5 1/2
Florida	5	7	.417	6 1/2
Montreal	4	8	.333	7 1/2
Central Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cincinnati	7	4	.636	—
St. Louis	7	4	.636	—
Pittsburgh	6	5	.545	1
Houston	6	6	.500	1 1/2
Chicago	3	8	.273	4
West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Francisco	7	5	.583	—
Colorado	6	5	.545	1/2
Los Angeles	4	8	.333	3
San Diego	2	11	.154	5 1/2
Sunday's Games				
San Francisco 9, Florida 8				
Cincinnati 7, Philadelphia 0				
Los Angeles 19, Pittsburgh 2				
New York 4, Houston 2				
St. Louis 5, San Diego 0				
Atlanta 4, Chicago 2				
Colorado 6, Montreal 5, 10 innings				
Monday's Games				
Los Angeles (Martinez 0-2) at Philadelphia (Rivers 1-0), 7:35 p.m.				
St. Louis (Sutcliffe 1-0) at Atlanta (Avery 0-0), 7:40 p.m.				
Florida (Hammond 1-1) at Colorado (Harris 0-1), 9:05 p.m.				
New York (Hillman 0-1) at San Diego (Worrell 0-1), 10:05 p.m.				
Montreal (Martinez 0-1) at San Francisco (Hickerson 0-0), 10:05 p.m.				
Only games scheduled				
Tuesday's Games				
Los Angeles (Astacio 0-2) at Philadelphia (Schilling 0-2), 1:05 p.m.				
Montreal (Boucher 0-1) at San Francisco (Burkett 1-1), 3:35 p.m.				
Pittsburgh (Neagle 1-1) at Cincinnati (Rijo 0-1), 7:35 p.m.				
St. Louis (Watson 1-0) at Atlanta (Maddux 3-0), 7:40 p.m.				
St. Louis (Swindell 2-0) at Chicago (Traetzl 1-0), 8:05 p.m.				
Florida (Weather 1-1) at Colorado (Nied 2-0), 8:05 p.m.				

AL leaders

9:05 p.m. New York (Sabers 1-0) at San Diego (Benes 0-3), 10:05 p.m.

BATTING—Javier, Oakland, 423; McGwire, Oakland, 421; New, Oakland, 412; Baines, Baltimore, 400; Lofton, Cleveland, 394; Griffey Jr., Seattle, 391; C. Davis, California, 388.

RUNS—White, Toronto, 18; Javier, Oakland, 16; Griffey Jr., Seattle, 14; R. Alomar, Toronto, 14; Thomas, Chicago, 13; Carter, Toronto, 13; Mollitor, Toronto, 13.

RBI—Steinbach, Oakland, 16; Carter, Toronto, 16; Delgado, Toronto, 15; Hamelin, Kansas City, 14; Cleard, Toronto, 13; Sierra, Oakland, 13; Greenwell, Boston, 13; Franco, Chicago, 13; Mollitor, Toronto, 13.

HITS—Javier, Oakland, 22; White, Toronto, 21; Mollitor, Toronto, 21; R. Alomar, Toronto, 20; Puckett, Minnesota, 20; C. Davis, California, 19; DiSarcina, California, 18; Cleard, Toronto, 18; Griffey Jr., Seattle, 18.

DOUBLES—Knoblauch, Minnesota, 7; Fryman, Detroit, 6; Berroa, Oakland, 6; Salmon, California, 5; Cleard, Toronto, 5; Buhner, Seattle, 5; Puckett, Minnesota, 5; Mollitor, Toronto, 5; Trammell, Detroit, 5.

TRIPLES—Diaz, Milwaukee, 3; Griffey Jr., Seattle, 3; Diaz, Milwaukee, 3; White, Toronto, 2; 24 are tied with 1.

HOME RUNS—Delgado, Toronto, 7; Thomas, Chicago, 5; Steinbach, Oakland, 5; Sierra, Oakland, 5; Carter, Toronto, 5; 10 are tied with 4.

STOLEN BASES—Lofton, Cleveland, 6; Coleman, Kansas City, 6; Polonia, New York, 5; Javier, Oakland, 5; Hulse, Texas, 4; McPhee, Kansas City, 4; R. Alomar, Toronto, 4; Nixon, Boston, 4.

PITCHING (1 Decision)—42 are tied with 1.000.

STRIKEOUTS—Hentgen, Toronto, 19; Guzman, Toronto, 16; Al. Leiter, Toronto, 16; Brown, Texas, 16; Mussina, Baltimore, 15; R. Johnson, Seattle, 15; 5 are tied with 14.

SAVES—LeSmith, Baltimore, 6; Grahe, California, 4; Aguilera, Minnesota, 4; Russell, Boston, 4; R. Hernandez, Chicago, 2; Hennehan, Detroit, 2; Farr, Cleveland, 2; Henke, Texas, 2; Reardon, New York, 2.

NL leaders

BATTING—Bichette, Colorado, 455; Burks, Colorado, 432; Kent, New York, 395; Daulton, Philadelphia, 389; Jefferson, St. Louis, 385; Cedeno, Houston, 381; Lankford, St. Louis, 367.

RUNS—Bichette, Colorado, 15; D. Sanders, Atlanta, 12; Burks, Colorado, 12; Daulton, Philadelphia, 12; Klesko, Atlanta, 11; R. Sanders, Cincinnati, 11; D. Hollins, Philadelphia, 11; McGriff, Atlanta, 11.

RBI—Kent, New York, 19; Bichette, Colorado, 16; Galarraga, Colorado, 16; Daulton, Philadelphia, 14; Bagwell, Houston, 13; J. Lopez, Atlanta, 12; MaWilliams, San Francisco, 12.

HITS—Bichette, Colorado, 20; Pandolfino, Atlanta, 20; D. Sanders, Atlanta, 19; Lankford, St. Louis, 18; Kent, New York, 17; Bagwell, Houston, 16; Cedeno, Houston, 16; Morris, Cincinnati, 16; Burks, Colorado, 16.

DOUBLES—Walker, Montreal, 8; Cedeno, Houston, 7; Bichette, Colorado, 7; Cianfrocco, San Diego, 5; Alou, Montreal, 5; D. Sanders, Atlanta, 5; Biggio, Houston, 5.

TRIPLES—Martin, Pittsburgh, 2; Cordero, Montreal, 2; R. Sanders, Cincinnati, 2; Finley, Houston, 2; Burks, Colorado, 2; W. Wilson, Chicago, 2; 30 are tied with 1.

HOME RUNS—Kent, New York, 7; Bichette, Colorado, 6; Conine, Florida, 5; Burks, Colorado, 5; MaWilliams, San Francisco, 5; Galarraga, Colorado, 5; Daulton, Philadelphia, 5.

STOLEN BASES—Clayton, San Francisco, 6; D. Sanders, Atlanta, 6; R. Sanders, Cincinnati, 3; Gilkey, St. Louis, 3; DeShields, Los Angeles, 3; Bichette, Colorado, 3; Kelly, Cincinnati, 3.

PITCHING (1 Decision)—31 are tied with 1.000.

STRIKEOUTS—Smoltz, Atlanta, 22; Kile, Houston, 21; KeGross, Los Angeles, 21; G. Maddux, Atlanta, 20; Banes, San Diego, 19; Mercker, Atlanta, 18; Smiley, Cincinnati, 18; Portugal, San Francisco, 18; D. Jackson, Philadelphia, 18.

SAVES—McMichael, Atlanta, 4; M. Perez, St. Louis, 4; Harvey, Florida, 3; D. Jones, Philadelphia, 3; White, Pittsburgh, 2; M. Maddux, New York, 2; M. Jackson, San Francisco, 2; Myers, Chicago, 2; Franco, New York, 2.

BASKETBALL

NBA standings

All Times EDT

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

y-New York	54	24	.692	—
x-Orlando	47	31	.603	7
x-New Jersey	43	36	.544	11 1/2
Miami	40	39	.506	14 1/2
Boston	30	48	.385	24
Philadelphia	24	54	.308	30
Washington	23	55	.295	31

Central Division

y-Seattle	55	23	.705	—
x-Chicago	54	25	.684	1 1/2
x-Cleveland	45	34	.570	10 1/2
x-Indiana	43	35	.551	12
Charlotte	38	40	.487	17
Detroit	20	58	.256	35
Milwaukee	19	59	.244	36

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

y-Houston	57	21	.731	—
x-San Antonio	53	26	.671	4 1/2
x-Utah	49	29	.628	8
x-Denver	39	39	.500	18
Minnesota	20	58	.256	37
Dallas	11	67	.141	46

Pacific Division

y-Seattle	60	18	.769	—
x-Phoenix	52	26	.667	8
x-Golden State	47	31	.603	13
x-Portland	46	33	.582	14 1/2
L.A. Lakers	33	45	.423	27
L.A. Clippers	27	51	.346	33
Sacramento	27	51	.346	33

Sunday's Games

Washington 142, Boston 100

Indiana 104, Detroit 99

Charlotte 107, New York 91

Denver 99, Minnesota 88

New Jersey 110, Miami 103

Orlando 118, Chicago 101

ON THE AIR

Basketball

Phoenix at Dallas, 7:30 p.m., HSE (ch. 29).

Baseball

St. Louis at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m., WFSB (ch. 17)

Hockey

Stanley Cup Playoffs, quarterfinals, 6:30 p.m., ESPN (ch. 30).

Local Sports Schedule

Monday

High School Baseball

Coahoma at Eldorado, 4:30 p.m.

Big Spring JV at Lake View, 5 p.m.

Tuesday

High School Baseball

Lake View at Big Spring, 5 p.m.

C-City at Greenwood, 5 p.m.

Friday

High School Baseball

Ozona at Coahoma, 4:30 p.m.

C-City at Loraline, 4:30 p.m.

Howard College Baseball

New Mexico JC at Howard (DH), 1 p.m.

Saturday

High School Baseball

Fort Stockton at Big Spring, 1 p.m.

Howard College Baseball

New Mexico JC at Howard (DH), 12 p.m.

High School Softball

Midland at Coahoma, 10 a.m.

HOCKEY

Monday's Games

Atlanta at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.

Phoenix at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.

Golden State at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

Tuesday's Games

Milwaukee at Boston, 7:30 p.m.

Atlanta at New York, 7:30 p.m.

New Jersey at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.

Indiana at Washington, 7:30 p.m.

Minnesota at Miami, 7:30 p.m.

Orlando at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.

Houston at San Antonio, 8 p.m.

L.A. Lakers at Denver, 9 p.m.

Seattle at Phoenix, 10 p.m.

Utah at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 19

CONFERENCE QUARTERFINALS (Best-of-7)

Saturday, April 16

Boston 3, Montreal 2, Boston leads series 1-0

Sunday, April 17

N.Y. Rangers 6, N.Y. Islanders 0, Rangers lead series 1-0

Dallas 5, St. Louis 3, Dallas leads series 1-0

Washington 5, Pittsburgh 3, Washington leads series 1-0

Buffalo 2, New Jersey 0, Buffalo leads series 1-0

Monday, April 18

N.Y. Islanders at N.Y. Rangers, 7:38 p.m.

Montreal at Boston, 7:38 p.m.

San Jose at Detroit, 7:38 p.m.

Chicago at Toronto, 7:38 p.m.

Vancouver at Calgary, 9:38 p.m.

Tuesday, April 19

Washington at Pittsburgh, 7:38 p.m.

Buffalo at New Jersey, 7:38 p.m.

Wednesday, April 20

San Jose at Detroit, 7:38 p.m.

Chicago at Toronto, 7:38 p.m.

St. Louis at Dallas, 8:38 p.m.

Vancouver at Calgary, 9:38 p.m.

Thursday, April 21

N.Y. Rangers at N.Y. Islanders, 7:38 p.m.

Pittsburgh at Washington, 7:38 p.m.

New Jersey at Buffalo, 7:38 p.m.

Boston at Montreal, 7:38 p.m.

Friday, April 22

Dallas at St. Louis, 8:38 p.m.

Detroit at San Jose, 10:38 p.m.

Calgary at Vancouver, 10:38 p.m.

Saturday, April 23

Pittsburgh at Washington, 7:38 p.m.

New Jersey at Buffalo, 7:38 p.m.

Boston at Montreal, 8:08 p.m.

Toronto at Chicago, 8:38 p.m.

Detroit at San Jose, 10:38 p.m.

Sunday, April 24

N.Y. Rangers at N.Y. Islanders, 1:08 p.m.

Calgary at Vancouver, 5:08 p.m.

HITS—Bichette, Colorado, 20; Pandolfino, Atlanta, 20; D. Sanders, Atlanta, 19; Lankford, St. Louis, 18; Kent, New York, 17; Bagwell, Houston, 16; Cedeno, Houston, 16; Morris, Cincinnati, 16; Burks, Colorado, 16.

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Labonte takes flag for victory

By The Associated Press

NORTH WILKESBORO, N.C. — Terry Labonte has spent much of the last five years clinging to a dream, one that finally came true at the First Union 400.

"You just can't ever think that you can't win," said Labonte, who was the beneficiary of a tough break past Ernie Irvan and a bold move past Rusty Wallace with 28 laps to go to win for the first time since 1989.

"I just always had confidence that, maybe, we could win. We came close a couple of times," he said. "You can't win races and come close a couple of times. You've got to run good a lot to win."

In fact, that was the topic of a little pep talk Labonte held with the Hendrick racing team for which he drives. There had been some reason to be optimistic Labonte would beat the field in his Chevrolet sometime soon.

"We were just shooting the bull in the back of the truck, and I said we've run good in every race except one," he said. "Every other race, at one point, we've worked our way to the top five or the top three in that event, and that's what you have to do to win."

Irvan ran real well against the field, so dominating the pack that it seemed no one had the car that would catch his Ford. It would be the pits that would do him in, however.

Jeremy Mayfield's Ford went into a spin just out of turn four, bringing out the sixth caution flag on lap 328. The leaders all came in for gas and tires, but it was Wallace who beat Irvan out of the pit and gained the lead. Part of the problem was that Irvan literally spun his wheels trying to get back on the track.

"I just didn't have my foot on the brake and the left rear tire rolled," Irvan said. "That cost us a couple of seconds."

"I was switching from braking

with my left foot to heel-toe braking so I could clutch it and let the wheel spin."

The wheel didn't touch the track again until Wallace had run up a sizeable lead. Irvan dropped back to fifth, losing ground in the pits and also on the oval.

Wallace, whose Ford started in the 16th position, held onto first place until lap 371, when Labonte made his charge in a Chevrolet. In turn three, Labonte passed Wallace and pulled away to a four-second victory. It was the only time he would lead, but he had to do some maneuvering to get there.

"I was able to get by him right when I got to him. About the time I caught him, we caught some traffic," Labonte said. "He moved up to go around the guy on the outside and I just drove up under him, thinking I'm going to get blocked in."

Table with 33 columns representing different TV channels (KMID, KPEJ, KERA, FAN, KOSA, WFAA, KWES, WTBS, UNI, DISN, NASH, TMC, SHOW, HBO, KMLM, A&E, DISC, TNT, HSE, ESPN, AMC, BET) and rows for different times of day (6:30, 7:00, 8:00, 9:00, 10:00, 11:00, 12:00, 1:00, 2:00, 3:00) listing various programs.

Jacqueline Bigar - Horoscope

FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 1994
ARIES (March 21-April 19): There is much ado about nothing today. You need to be clear about your choices and your desires.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Decide what is important to you. You have a lot going on.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Watch a tendency to overindulge.
CANCER (June 21-July 22): You feel as if you are spending too much, and indeed you might be.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You are dynamic, positive and upbeat.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You understand more than you realize, and you are able to get to the bottom of an issue.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You are smiling like the Cheshire cat.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): A family member means well but in truth does not know which way to go.

Dear Abby - Letters...

Parents who praise kids not likely to abuse

DEAR ABBY: Each year, the month of April is designated as National Child Abuse Prevention Month. During April, communities throughout the country celebrate children and families with unique and educational special events, ranging from poster art to town meetings and special programs sponsored by schools and churches.
The National Committee to Prevent Child Abuse (NCPA) offers the following tips for parents and anyone else who comes into contact with children:
1. Reward children; compliment them when they do well.
2. When pressure builds up, don't lash out at your children in anger.
3. Take the time to enjoy your child.
4. If your own childhood was unhappy and unpredictable, consider professional counseling and/or a parenting class to bolster self-esteem and promote coping skills.
5. Don't worry about being a perfect parent. It's not possible.
6. Remember, you are the adult. Set a good example; never raise your voice, or your hand, in anger.
7. Contact your local radio and television stations to request that public service announcements be used for public education.
8. Praise your child daily in some way. Kind words make him or her feel special today and help him or her be a better adult tomorrow.
9. Support local programs for new parents. Many community agencies are in need of volunteers like you. Share your time and talent.
10. Call the National Committee to Prevent Child Abuse at (800) 55-NCPCA for free material on how you can prevent child abuse.
Many thanks, Abby, for publishing this letter. Your ability to influence the public, particularly on issues as important as the prevention of child abuse, is legend. Please accept our sincere appreciation.
— JOY BYERS, NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO PREVENT CHILD ABUSE
DEAR JOY: The pleasure is mine. Your letter didn't arrive in time for me to publish it at the beginning of April, but it is still timely because child abuse prevention is important every day of the year.
DEAR ABBY: Shame! Shame! Shame on you for saying it is OK to make change from the offering plate when it is passed in church. In nearly half a century as a clergyman, I have never seen or heard of this actually happening.
A recent survey of the 12 members of the governing board of the church where I serve as pastor agree with me. Several of them said, "Come to church prepared, and make certain you have the amount you want to give." As one person put it, "The church will be here next week; so bring what you want to give, but keep your fingers out of the offering plate."
— ROY B. JOHNSTON, PASTOR, ANDERSON GROVE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, OMAHA, NEB.
DEAR MR. JOHNSTON: Why shame on me? I said it's OK, "... as long as the church is given an honest count."
THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"HE EITHER ASKS QUESTIONS THAT I DON'T KNOW THE ANSWER TO OR THOSE I DON'T WANT TO ANSWER!"



"Aw, Mommy! Jus' findin' your keys isn't a job for Superman!"



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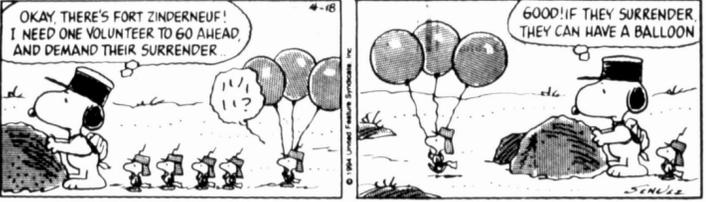
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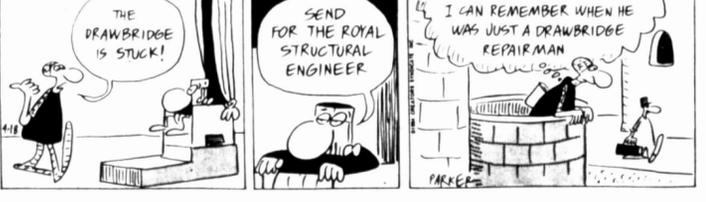
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RECOVERY IS A JOURNEY...NOT A DESTINATION. New Phoenix Hope Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets 8:00pm Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad.

This date in history
The Associated Press
Today is Monday, April 18, the 108th day of 1994. There are 257 days left in the year.
Today's Highlight in History:
On April 18, 1775, Paul Revere began his famous ride from Charlestown to Lexington, Mass., warning American colonists that the British were coming.
On this date:
In 1906, a devastating earthquake struck San Francisco, followed by raging fires. About 700 people died.
In 1921, Junior Achievement, created to encourage business skills in young people, was incorporated.
In 1923, the first game was played in Yankee Stadium. The Yankees defeated the Boston Red Sox, 4-1.
In 1934, the first laundromat (called a "washateria") opened, in Fort Worth, Texas.
In 1942, an air squadron from the USS Hornet led by Lt. Col. James H. Doolittle raided Tokyo and other Japanese cities.
In 1942, the first World War II edition of The Stars and Stripes was published as a weekly newspaper for U.S. troops in Northern Ireland.
In 1944, the ballet "Fancy Free," with music by Leonard Bernstein, premiered.
In 1945, war correspondent Ernie Pyle was killed by Japanese gunfire on the Pacific island of Ie Shima, off Okinawa.
In 1946, the League of Nations went out of business.
In 1949, the Irish republic was proclaimed.

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THE FAR SIDE By GARY LARSON

Monster game shows

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\$25.00 REWARD
 For return of lost Mizuno glove at Stink Creek. Lost on 4-7-94. Call 264-9102 leave message.

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AD-vantage

THE Daily Crossword by Florence C. Adler

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- Pinkish color
- Convert to carbon
- Mine car
- "A Bell for..." (Hersey)
- Take on
- Stockings
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- Fuzzy
- Place of delight
- Take a liking to
- "Goriot"
- (Balzac)
- Charles Lamb
- Busy as...
- ...flowing with milk...
- Musicians' jobs
- Tropical plant
- Bargain hunter's delight
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- Places in custody
- English city
- Small group
- Sharpen
- Buffoons
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- Italian commune
- Novice
- Like some poems
- Indian
- Blood vessel
- Heredity factor
- Dips lightly into water
- Minimal amount

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- Aardvark tidbit
- 5 steadfast devotion
- 6 Dinnerware
- 7 Slight indication
- 8 Sacred chest
- 9 Gave back
- 10 Intensive
- 11 Questioning
- 12 The Charles' dog
- 13 Oratory
- 14 Crafty
- 15 Wing
- 16 Infrequently
- 17 French river
- 18 Rebekah's
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Autos for Sale 016

1990 CADILLAC DeVille, 4 door. Fully loaded, new tires, 60,000 miles. \$10,900. 267-5233 or 263-0067.

CAR RENTALS
 New 15 passenger Ram Wagon plus cars and minivans. Big Spring Chrysler, Plymouth, Dodge, Jeep, Eagle, Inc. 502 E. FM 700. 264-6886.

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Inventory Reduction Sale

DATE: April 19, 1994

Cowboy Tuff Saddles & Tack of San Antonio, TX. is way overstocked and needs to move a large amount of inventory. Name brand saddles & tack to be sold at public auction. Saddles by Circle Y, Billy Cook, Texas Saddlery, Dakota, and Blue Ridge. Also Pony and English saddles & tack. Silver show equipment, nylon halters, leads, pads, blankets, headstalls, reins, girths, breast collars, and too many other items to list. This sale includes just about anything used on or about a horse.

TERMS OF SALE: Cash, MC/Visa, and Check with proper I.D.

Drawing for FREE Silver Headstall!
 Don't miss this spring sale!

PLACE: Holiday Inn Country Villa 4300 W. Hwy. 80 Midland, TX
VIEWING: 6:30 p.m.
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HBO, CINEMAX, FOX & ESPN SALES

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RECEPTIONIST/OFFICE CLERK needed at KBST AM/FM Radio. Minimum 2-3 years of office experience. Professional office and telephone skills, 45-50 wpm typing, Honesty, good work history, references a must. Minor ties encouraged. EOE. Contact Patty Jordan at 608 Johnson.

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Financial 080

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