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## Alamo Flag may come home after years in captivity

FORT WORTH (AP) — The Alamo flag captured and retained by Mexico could return to Texas after 158 years in a proposed exchange aided by the free trade agreement, state officials say.

Texas Sen. Carlos Truan, D-Corpus Christi, was to meet today with William Gooch, director of the Texas Library and Archives Commission, and a representative of Gov. Ann Richards to discuss how to proceed.

The flag, captured at Texas' shrine of independence in 1836,

has been displayed at a Mexico City museum, with the government there having rebuffed earlier requests for its return.

But the North American Free Trade Agreement has prompted a new cooperative spirit that could result in an exchange for three tattered Mexican flags captured after the Battle of San Jacinto.

"In my opinion, current trade relations are at their highest," Truan told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. "I am going to be proposing that we ask the Mexican government to look

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into the possible exchange for any and all Texas flags in their possession."

Truan said there's a sense of urgency since the three Mexican flags in Texas' hands

need costly restoration. The Mexican consul raised the possible trade during a recent meeting about a Texas-Mexico teacher-exchange program, he said.

Measuring 45 by 34 inches, the blue "Alamo flag" is made of crude cotton, trimmed in gold and embroidered with a picture of an eagle with a banner in its beak, saying, "God and Liberty."

The banner is also emblazoned with the words "1st Company of Texan Volunteers from New Orleans."

Mexican officials have previously said it rightfully belongs in that country because of their victory at the Alamo.

But Truan said Mexican Consul Armando Beteta of Corpus Christi described an

increasing interest in Mexico securing the return of the three flags, which were confiscated from battalions from Matamoros, Toluca and Guerrero on April 21, 1836.

The battalions were under the command of General Antonio Lopez de Santa Anna, who defeated a force of Texans under command of Lt. Col. William Barret Travis on March 6, 1836.

The flag taken from the Texans has been displayed since early this century at Mexico's Museum of the Interventions at Chapultepec Castle.

## Tougher attendance policy is adopted

By KELLIE JONES  
Staff Writer

A tougher policy designed to improve attendance in the Big Spring Independent School District was approved by board of trustee members Thursday night.

During their meeting, board members adopted a revised policy dealing with absences. The new policy creates excused and unexcused absences.

Unexcused absences include truancy, suspension if makeup work is not completed in a reasonable length of time, car trouble, family vacations or trips.

By law, suspensions are excusable absences but the student has a certain amount of days to complete any missed work and if they do not, the absence is then considered unexcused.

For example, if a student is suspended for three days, they have three days to makeup the work once they return.

Unexcused absences will result in grade penalties to be decided on the campus level. Board member Glynn Mouton asked if the penalties would be the same across the board at all elementary schools. Mouton said, "I don't want to see certain penalties for one school and they be different at another school at the same grade level."

Superintendent Bill McQueary added, "the grade penalties will be the same at each elementary school for each grade level."

Before this new policy was adopted, there was no penalty for being absent from school because the student was allowed to make up grades and class work. "Reports show that good attendance means students perform better in school. You can't turn your back on these statistics," said McQueary.

"Attendance has dropped every year and it hasn't been up to snuff. In terms of money, the district loses \$100,000 to 150,000 because of the low attendance," commented Assistant Superintendent Murray Murphy.

"We are going to have to re-educate the parents. This won't be an easy transition for anyone. We have been very, very lenient in the areas such as car trouble and family vacations

### AT-A-GLANCE

The Big Spring Independent School District Board of Trustees discussed or approved the following items:

- Members have decided to take under consideration a request by the Crossroads Little Football League to use Blankenship football field for their games this fall. Superintendent Bill McQueary told trustees he could not make the recommendation to allow the games to be played on the field because the grass not in good shape and it is already used almost every day of the week for practice or competition games. Trustees will look at several options before making a final decision.

- Members approved a request by the Texas Education Agency for the school district to be involved in a statewide automated student follow up. BSISD is one of 40 districts chosen in the state to participate. The pilot program is designed to follow students to see where they go after high school graduation.
- Members approved bid for science education supplies and equipment, cafeteria food, supplies and equipment.

- Members were given a copy of the TAAS (Texas Assessment of Academic Skills) results for grades three through eight as well as 10th grade. Most campuses scored at or above the state average in reading and writing but slightly lower on the mathematics portion of the test. A detailed look at the TAAS scores will be in Sunday's paper.

and we can't do that anymore. This new policy will strengthen the school district and our attendance," he added.

The state allows a student to be in school only 90 percent of the time, which translates to letting a child miss 15 days of school. BSISD officials say that is too lenient and came up with the tougher policy.

"I had 126 kids that were absent 14 days in this past spring semester and that didn't include being gone for any UIL (University Interscholastic

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### IN THE CENTER RING



B.J. McDuffitt stretches out to grab a ring thrown to him during a game of catch at the Forsan swimming pool on a hot Thursday afternoon.

## Coahoma FHAer taking part in a national leadership conference

By BARBARA MORRISON  
Staff Writer

COAHOMA - There's definitely no place like home for two Coahoma residents this week - home economics, that is.

TaNeal Anderson, a senior at CHS is one of 250 Texas delegates attending the 1994 Future Homemakers of America National Leadership Meeting July 8-14 in Orlando, Fla.

Representing more than 36,000 members of the Texas Association, she will be among approximately 3,000 delegates throughout the nation attending the four day conference.

A youth developed theme, "Discover the Magic" will lead the focus, aimed at important issues facing youth, families, image and membership promotion.

According to Barbara Justiss, advisor and vocational home economics instructor, Anderson will be shown that by providing opportunities for self-development, strengthening family relationships and community

involvement, FHA will help to unlock hidden potential.

Issues to be discussed will include teen violence, environment, AIDS, date rape, teen pregnancy, family communication and teen stress. Students will participate in competitive events during the week and share success stories from Texas chapters.

Anderson is president of the Coahoma chapter for 1994-1995 and is Region I Vice President of Records for the same period. Justiss will accompany Anderson to the conference.

In addition to traveling to Orlando, Justiss will travel to Dallas on Aug. 3 to attend the Vocational Home Economics Teachers Association of Texas 31st Annual Awards Banquet.

While there, Justiss is being honored for her dedicated service of 25 years in the teaching profession. The banquet is held during a week-long professional development conference for vocational home economics teachers.

### VERY, VERY CAREFULLY



Louise Mexia uses a knife to remove the excess edges off a piece of greenware she was working on at the Big Spring Senior Citizens Center recently.

## Boone signs reform pledge

By CARLTON JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

Republican Congressional candidate Phil Boone signed the Americans for Tax Reform's Health Care Protection Pledge, promising not to support health care reform that imposes mandates or restricts individual choices regarding health care.

Boone was in Big Spring Thursday afternoon to attend a meeting of the Howard County Republican Women's Club.

Boone, challenging incumbent Charles Stenholm for the right to represent the 17th Congressional District of Texas, said, "There will be a lot of momentum (in political campaigns) after the August recess and I want to make a clear distinction between my opponent and myself. I oppose any form of government-run health care."

The Abilene native is also pushing the issue of leadership in his campaign, saying his priorities would be to see term limitations, a full presidential line-item veto, less government spending, congressional committee reform, and accountability and competition in health care.

Boone sees the current political system as having failed the American people. He said, "The political system rewards seniority, which benefits the politicians. We need to reward innovation and results, which would benefit the people."

With health care reform the lead issue this political season, Boone said, in opposing government controls on health care, "You'll never hear me say something is better than nothing as my opponent did at a town meeting in Abilene."

The pledge signed by Boone says he will vote against any health care legislation that mandates cost on businesses

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Second bank of U.S. chartered when?  
In 1816  
'Uncle Tom's Cabin' published when?  
In 1852

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**WORLD/NATION**  
Nation: ALBANY, Ga. (AP) — Cut in half by floodwaters, the city finally has been reunited. Bridges crossing the swollen but receding Flint River started re-opening Thursday. The muddy waters that began surging through town nearly a week ago knocked out all four of Albany's bridges, making it impossible to cross town without a 100-mile detour.  
World: North Korea returned to form today, making its first official criticism of the Seoul government. See page 4A.

**STATE**  
Starved kids  
Four children who appeared severely malnourished were removed from the home of a Harrison County couple who have been charged with injuring their 9-year-old adopted son, officials said. See page 3A.  
See the stars  
Have you ever looked up at the night sky and wondered what the stars and planets looked like up close? If so, you might want to spend Saturday evening at the Big Spring State Park. See page 1B.

**TODAY'S WEATHER**  
Tonight  
95 ▲ Highs 75  
Lows ▼  
PARTLY CLOUDY  
Partly cloudy, high mid 90s  
Tonight, partly cloudy, 20 percent chance of rain, low high 60s, southeast wind 10 to 20 mph.  
Permian Basin Forecast  
Saturday: Mostly sunny, high mid 90s, southeast winds 10 to 20 mph; fair night, low low 70s.  
Sunday: Mostly sunny, high upper 90s; fair night, low low 70s.  
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ON THE RUN

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents during a 24 hour period ending 8 a.m. Friday:

- GAIL TURNER RITA, 35 of 2911 West Highway 80 #33, was arrested for failure to identify and outstanding local warrants.
-ASSAULTS were reported in the 200 block of East 11th, 1600 West FM 700 and in the 600 block of Caylor.
-BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 1400 block of Robin.
-BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported in the 2500 block of Larry and in the 2700 block of Cindy.
-RETALIATION was reported in the 2900 block of Navajo.
-DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 1400 block of Settles and officers issued a verbal warning.
-Police were called to the 1600 block of East 17th for FIREWORKS. Officers issued a verbal warning to the residents.
-THEFT was reported in the 700 block of East FM 700. Officials with Citizens Federal Credit Union told officers that someone used an ATM cash card to withdraw \$1,800 from the machine at a 7-11 store without the consent of the owner.

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following incidents during a 24 hour period ending 8 a.m. Friday:

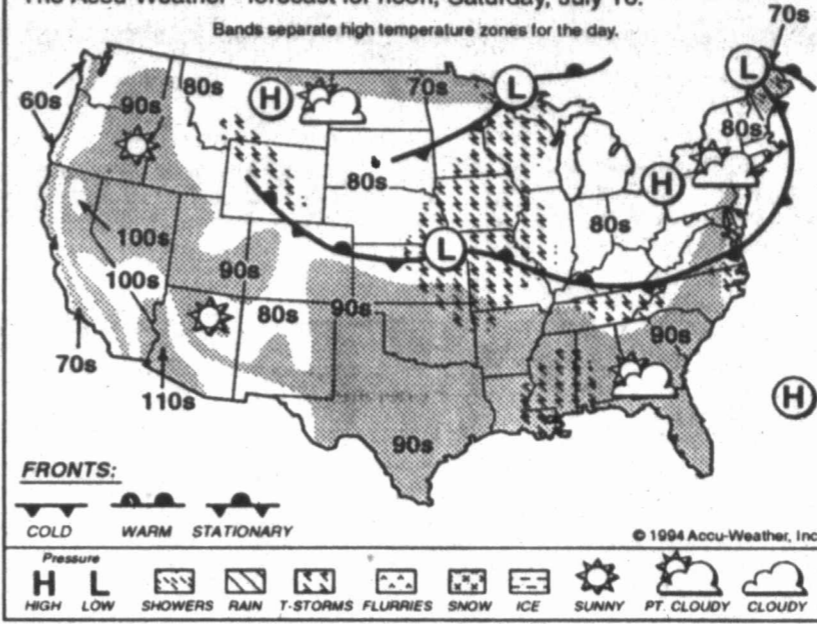
- DAVID LYNN PETERSEN, 18 of 1506B Lincoln, was transferred from the city jail on a motion to revoke his probation and burglary of a building. Petersen remains in the county jail without bond.
-DENISA DAINE CHRISTIAN, 21 of 2906 Navajo, was arrested for bond forfeiture on a charge from Williamson County for theft of service. She was transferred from the city jail, posted a \$500 bond and was released.
-ALAN CATON POWELL, 20 of 1102 East Fourth, was arrested for assault/family violence. He was transferred from the city jail, posted a \$5,000 bond and was released.

FIRE

The Big Spring Fire Department reported the following incidents during a 48 hour period ending 8 a.m. Friday:

- Two FALSE ALARMS were reported at the Comanche Trail Nursing Home. Apparently the storm from Tuesday night messed up the alarm system at the nursing home, causing it to send false alarms to the fire department.
-FALSE ALARM was reported at 1700 Meadow. Firefighters were called to a vacant lot for an unknown fire. However, when they arrived, there was nothing burning.
-CAR FIRE was reported at the 7-11 store located at Eighth and Gregg Streets. The fire was out by the time firefighters arrived.

NATIONAL Weather



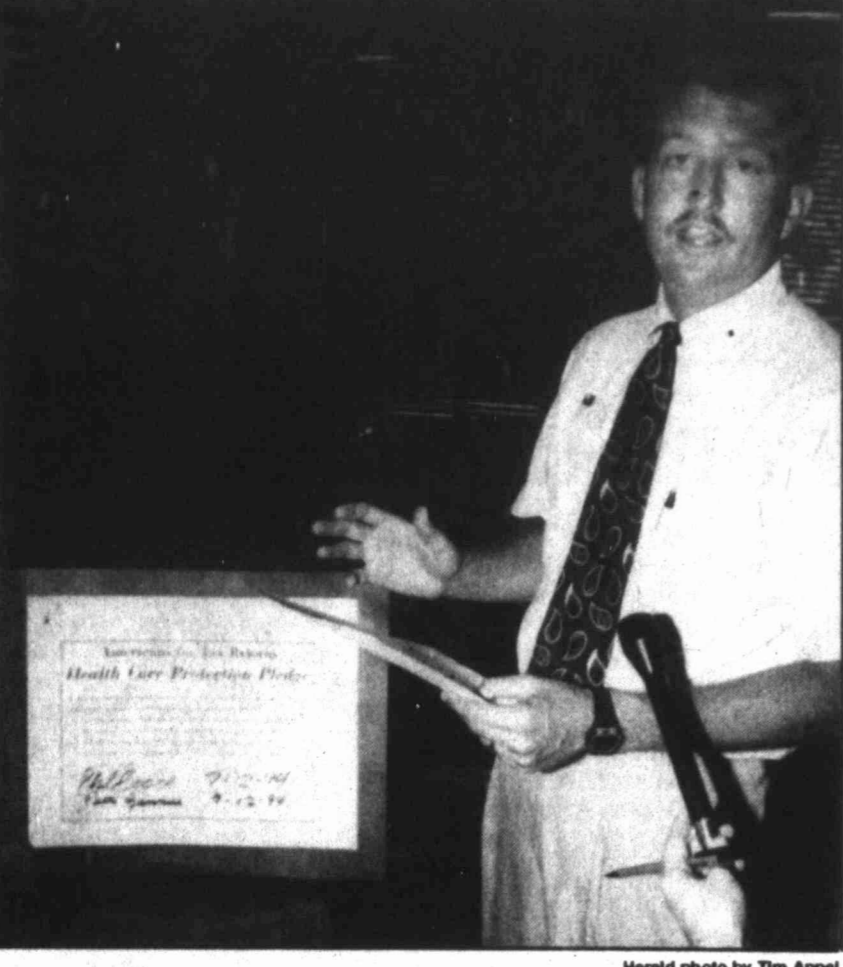
Did you Win? PICK 3: 1, 0, 6

MARKETS

Table with 3 columns: Name, Quote, Change. Lists various stocks and mutual funds such as Sears, Southwestern Bell, Sun, Texaco, Texas Instruments, etc.

IN BRIEF

Star Party set for Saturday
The Big Spring State Park and Heritage Museum will be presenting a Star Party Extravaganza on Saturday, July 16, starting at 8:30 p.m.
TASP tests scheduled
TASP is being offered Sept. 17 for all freshmen enrolling in a Texas public college or university.



U.S. Congress candidate Phil Boone talks about the pledge he signed in opposition to health care legislation as he was speaking at the Brandin' Iron Thursday afternoon.

Boone

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and individuals; rations health care or establishes price controls; increases taxes under any name or guise; and restricts or limits choices consumers now enjoy.
One concern Boone has is the tremendous amount of waste occurring in the Medicare and Medicaid programs.
He said, "Medicare and Medicaid so poorly fund expenses associated with their services. They cover about 45 percent and we, the taxpayers, cover the rest. The system is broken and we need to find a way to fix it."

Boone said the Michel Plan is important because it will work without tax hikes, rationing, or placing limitations on consumer choice.
"We can address the problems in health care without turning it into a government-run industry," Boone said. "Creating a massive federal bureaucracy for a national health plan would be a disaster, not a solution.
"Charlie Stenholm has lost touch on health care. He has somehow decided that to accomplish anything, we need to create more programs and spend more money, and that's just not how it works."
The primary focus of this trip to Big Spring, according to Boone, was health care, but he did express his thoughts and concerns about other issues such as Haiti.
He said, "It's a travesty for us (the U.S.) to have even participated in the events that have led up to today's events. Haiti is an easy target. I can't guess on the motives of the current administration, but it's too late for those Haitians who have died, and those who have lost everything. Haiti is not our nation."
Boone said that there is not justification for invading Haiti and as for refugees, the U.S. needs to make a decision and stick to it. "This administration never knows where its going with foreign policy."

Tough

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League) activities," said Big Spring High School Principal Kent Bowermon.
Board members also approved a waiver request for the 1994-95 school year to allow juniors and seniors to be exempt from semester finals if they meet certain grade and attendance requirements.
"This is another way to encourage students to come to school. If they have a headache or something and know they don't have anymore absences, they will come on to school in order to keep from taking finals," added Bowermon.

The plan that was adopted by board members is as follows:
- Academic average 90 or above with five or less days absence
- Academic average of 80 or above with four or less days absence
- Average between 75-79 with three or less days absence
- Average 70-74 with perfect attendance
If a student meets the above guidelines, they will not have to take a semester final. However, if they want to take the final in an effort to improve their grade, the student can do so.

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Douglas Keith Frank, 34, died Tuesday. Services are pending in Humble, Texas.

Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Rosewood Chapel
906 GREGG BIG SPRING
Antonio Rosalez Rodriguez, Sr. 72, died Wednesday. Services will be 10:00 a.m. Saturday at First United Methodist Church. Military graveside rites will follow in Trinity Memorial Park.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Jury gives couple \$6.5 million award

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — All they wanted was \$31,000 to pay for fire damage to their home, but a Bexar County jury has awarded at least \$6.5 million to a couple who sued their insurance company after they could not reach a settlement. Verdicts in the civil lawsuit were returned in two parts on Wednesday and Thursday. The jury of nine men and three women Wednesday awarded \$2 million to Douglas and Luci Coffey in a suit they brought against Allstate Insurance Co. for actual damages. The jury added \$500,000 in exemplary damages on Thursday.

Davidians going to tough prisons

WACO (AP) — High-to maximum-security prisons will likely be used to house most Branch Davidians convicted for their roles in the deadly raid at Mount Carmel, lawyers in the case say. "They are going to put them in a fairly serious environment," Waco attorney Richard Ferguson, who represents cult member Brad Branch, told the Waco Tribune-Herald. "They make much of that determination on whether there were weapons involved or if they were crimes of violence, so I'm guessing they are looking at Leavenworth or some place fairly severe." The eight convicted during a six-week trial in San Antonio — Branch, Renos Avraam, Livingstone Fagan, Kevin Whitecliff, Jaime Castillo, Ruth Riddle, Graeme Craddock and Paul Fatta, are being held in the Bell County Jail in Belton waiting the federal Bureau of Prisons to determine where they will spend their prison terms.

Shrimping ban wanted following turtle deaths

GALVESTON (AP) — Preservationists are calling for federal regulators to carry out threats to close some areas of the Gulf of Mexico to shrimping after at least 26 dead sea turtles turned up along beaches. Since shrimping resumed July 7, at least two dozen of the animals have washed up along beaches between Mustang Island and the Bolivar Peninsula, while turtle preservationists said Thursday they have unconfirmed reports of nine other deaths.

Congressmen to fight for \$84 million in military construction

WASHINGTON (AP) — Texas congressmen say they will fight to restore \$84 million in military construction funds for Texas approved by the House but not included in a bill being considered by the Senate. Texas Democratic Senate hopeful Richard Fisher is accusing his Republican opponent, Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, of dropping the ball by not inserting the funds in the Senate version. Mrs. Hutchison, who sits on the Senate Armed Services Committee, retorts that Fisher doesn't understand the Senate's procedures. She says its practice is to omit the House-passed military construction funds in favor of its own projects. The two bills then are then reconciled in conference committee.

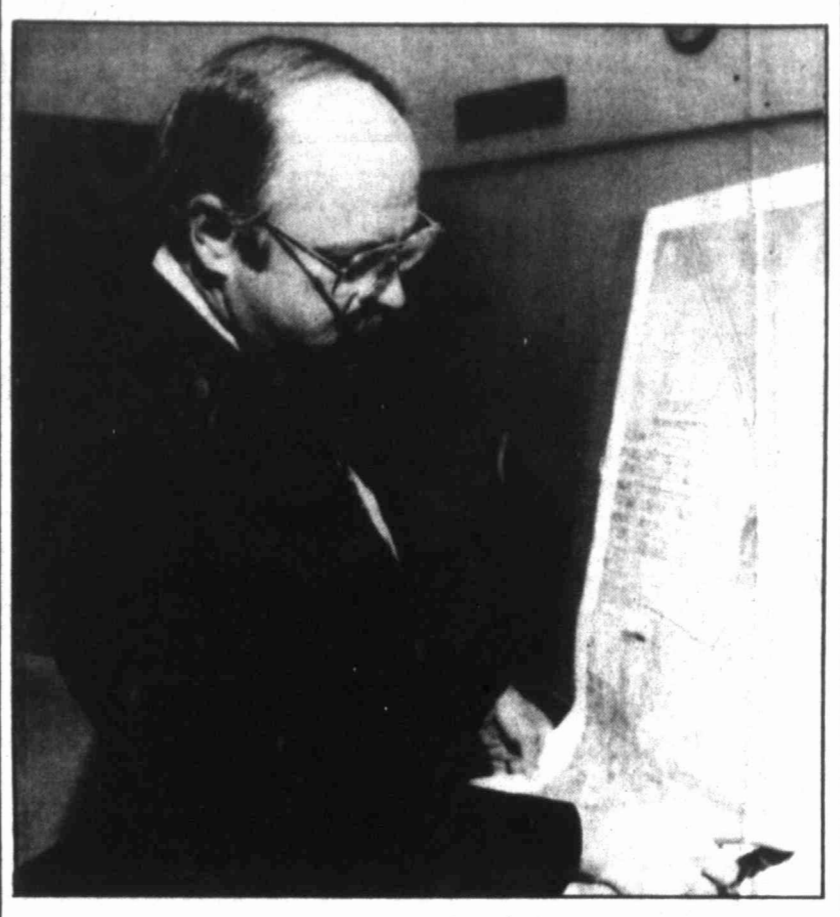
None of the \$560 million in add-ons contained in the Senate bill is earmarked for Texas. In an interview Thursday, Mrs. Hutchison expressed confidence the \$84 million would emerge unscathed once House and Senate negotiators hammer out their differences. The same scenario, she said, took place last year. "They will all be funded," she said. "That's always the way it operates."

Asked why she didn't include add-ons of her own, the senator said: "I got no requests because (military officials in Texas) go through the congressmen ... Had we had one, of course I would have put one in." Fisher accused his rival of hypocrisy for touring defense installations during the Fourth of July recess but not fighting for them in Washington.

"There she is flying around the state and politicizing our defense establishments at taxpayer expense, yet at the same time she's not putting her weight into the discussion of how we maintain these facilities so they are combat ready," he said. Countered Mrs. Hutchison: "He just doesn't understand the process."

"It is premature for him to say that we have lost a Texas project — because we're not going to lose a Texas project," she added. "He's going to have to understand you can't win if you try to break the rules."

FATAL STOP



A Lubbock Police Information officer points out the route taken by a man who led police on a chase and shootout after a routine stop. J.L. Quincy was later shot and killed by police who discovered the bullet-riddled body of 67-year-old Elmer Rinehart slumped in the front passenger seat of the car Quincy was driving.

Comptroller, CJB feuding over number of prison beds

AUSTIN (AP) — A spokesman for state Comptroller John Sharp says the Texas Board of Criminal Justice is "a group of bureaucratic terrorists" unwilling to seek out new ways to save money.

On Thursday, the criminal justice board said space restrictions and constitutional requirements prevent them from adding 5,500 prison beds to existing facilities as recommended by Sharp's performance review team.

"Nothing has changed at TDCJ (Texas Department of Criminal Justice)," said Sharp spokesman Greg Hartman. "They use people's fear of crime to bloat their own budgets and salaries and refuse to even consider new ideas to save money." An audit by Sharp's office released earlier this year had recommended that several aging Texas prisons, many of which are 30 years old or older, might have room for 5,500 more beds. The audit said Texas, which has a backlog of state felons in county jails, was wasting millions of dollars by not adding the beds.

Couple arrested when children found starving

MARSHALL (AP) — Four children who appeared severely malnourished were removed from the home of a Harrison County couple who have been charged with injuring their 9-year-old adopted son, officials said.

The four, two adopted children and twin foster children ranging in age from 6 to 9, were removed last week. One child had a black eye and bruises, while another was found in a weed-choked pen, officials said. "I've never seen anything like it," said Detective Mike Alexander of the Harrison County sheriff's department.

"When I saw the child in that pen, clutching the fence and looking out at us ... it looked like something picked out of a World War II concentration camp scene. The child was skin on bones and he was penned up in those weeds with a couple of dirty toys. ... I couldn't believe it."

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EDITORIAL

Quote of the Day

"Unhappiness with the media is nothing new; the messenger has always caught hell for bringing bad news."  
J. Herbert Altschull

We salute!

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Charles C. Williams Publisher  
DD Turner Managing Editor

The Big Spring Herald, each week, recognizes local citizens or groups who have been singled out for special honors or who have helped make a difference in the quality of life in and around our community:

- Big Spring Senior, Teenage and Little League National, International and American teams for a good showing in the recent tournament.
- Coahoma Little League All-Stars for good play in the recent tournament.
- Patrick Wiggington for showing

courage in the face of all the surgeries he is having to undergo.

- Coahoma Junior High School cheerleaders for being named the Top Team at a recent cheerleading camp at Howard College.
- To the anonymous group or person who cleaned up the lot around Barcelona apartments. Thanks for taking pride in your community.
- City of Big Spring for fixing up the playground area at Comanche Trail Park and for beginning cleanups in the Northside and Westside.

Hawkish about Haiti

WASHINGTON (AP) — This time, the hawks tend to be Democrats and liberals, ready for U.S. military intervention now or soon to oust the generals running Haiti. What's more, they're arguing that President Clinton should act on his own, one Democrat saying he need not be guided by Congress or public opinion.

That is no small role reversal after two decades of congressional efforts to rein the war-making power of presidents.

On Haiti, Republicans tried, unsuccessfully, to require that Clinton get congressional clearance before any military action. Now their leaders argue that the military option shouldn't be foreclosed, but it shouldn't be used either.

While that's a switch, there is political logic to it with a Democrat in the White House. And the inconsistency is bipartisan anyhow. When William Gray III, Clinton's special envoy on Haiti, was reminded on a TV talk show that he and other liberal House members once opposed U.S. action against leftist dictatorships in Central America, he said his advice to the president is "based upon where we are in the Western Hemisphere in 1994, not '84, not '74."

The broader war powers issue went beyond party lines when Congress tried to define its role in the era of undeclared conflicts. That hasn't been done yet; the war powers resolution, enacted 21 years ago overriding a Republican veto, was meant to create a workable system, but it hasn't.

Clinton was as firm as his Republican predecessors in telling Congress not to unduly infringe on his presidential power to use U.S. forces when



American interests are threatened.

He did so nine months ago, in blunting a Senate GOP attempt to require advance congressional approval should he decide to send troops to Haiti.

"Successive administrations have found it critical in world affairs to be able to state that no option has been ruled out," he wrote at the time.

Translated out of the diplomatic, that means presidents want to be able to threaten military action and make it believable. Clinton has been trying to do so on Haiti since 1993 as the administration seeks to oust the military regime there and restore the elected president, Jean-Bertrand Aristide.

He still is. "It certainly validates the position we've taken so far that that's an option we shouldn't rule out," Clinton said Monday after the Haitian regime ordered international human rights monitors out of the country.

Intervention ought to be Clinton's call alone, according to two leaders of the

Congressional Black Caucus, which has been pressing for tougher steps.

"I don't think that the Congress or popularity polls of people in the United States should guide what the president does," Rep. Charles Rangel, D-N.Y., said in a TV interview. In another, he said invasion should not be a subject on which "we take polls and ask whether Americans or whether the Congress wants to put our boys and girls in harm's way."

The caucus chairman, Rep. Kweisi Mfume, D-Md., said invasion should be the last option, and one left "fully up to the president." Mfume said other options include a naval blockade or air strikes.

Sen. Bob Graham, D-Fla., said the administration should try to push the military government out with economic sanctions for another 30 days and then either admit that it can't be done or move to the threat and possible use of military force. He said he doubted the sanctions would suffice.

Letters to the Editor

Clean up appreciated

Editor:

Just a word of appreciation to the city, or volunteer organization, or individuals, or agency, which is responsible for not only mowing the area on the east side of Westover Road across from the Barcelona Apartments, but also for removing the accumulation of trash. Many thanks!

Josephine Dawes  
Big Spring

All-Stars not a good experience

Editor,

I want to express my opinion on the All Stars games in Midland. We took our children to practice for two weeks every day even on July 4, the day before our first game.

It's really kind of sad when you look back, your son has played baseball since the age of five because he loved it. He played with school friends and made new friends as they went from T-ball to major division and the parents became

friends. The boys made no issue of winning or losing. But I've seen coaches act really childish jumping up and down, throwing their caps on the ground and these are our children's peers they look to for guidance.

After two weeks of practice, we went to our first game. My son and three other boys sat the bench the whole game. When it was over, he walked up to us very upset. The next day we went to our second game and again watched our son sit the bench. He was so disgusted he just sat there and didn't care if he got in the huddle with the other boys. The game went on about halfway when my husband asked our National Stars coach "Is my son not good enough to play?" and his reply was "Don't start on me in the middle of the game."

Well the game was over; we went home with a very hurt and disappointed son. We have played ball with and against these coaches for seven years and everyone always got to play, but now all that matters is winning. I guess the coaches were too busy to notice what they were doing to the boys on the bench.

We decided not to put our son through one more game sitting on the bench so we pulled him from the Big Spring National Stars team. You would be surprised how many parents on our team agreed with what we did. There should be a rule that the same amount of boys should be picked from each team.

Our team had six boys from one team, which was our coach's team, which almost made our infield. When a parent's friend got our birth certificate from one of the coaches' wives, her comment was "Well I'm sorry it happened like this, but you have to do what the coaches say," but both coaches' sons didn't sit the bench.

I walked past the dugout of the other team and I heard the coach telling a boy everyone gets to play, too bad our coaches aren't like that. Instead they wanted to win no matter who got their feelings hurt.

I've tried to think of a logical reason why this happened but there is no reason for destroying a boy's confidence in himself.

Sincerely,  
Billy and Dianna Osburn  
Big Spring

Your letters are welcomed

The Herald welcomes your letters. Please write and let us know what you think about what is happening in Big Spring, around the nation and world. We ask that you keep your letters to 300 words, about two handwritten pages, and reserve the right to edit for space and libel. Write to, Editor, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas, 79721.

NATION

FATAL TRAIN ACCIDENT



Investigators sift through the wreckage of a station wagon after it was smashed by a freight train near Stockton, Calif., Thursday. All occupants of the car, a woman and four children, were killed.

U.S. invasion of Haiti seems almost inevitable

WASHINGTON (AP) — An invasion of Haiti may not be imminent, but it appears inevitable unless military leaders give up control of the Caribbean country, some members of Congress say.

Adding to the speculation, U.N. Ambassador Madeleine Albright said Thursday that 12 Latin American countries have agreed to contribute troops to a peacekeeping force.

And the Pentagon said an invasion-control ship will arrive Saturday that 12 Caribbean, joining the Navy fleet off the Haiti's shores.

Vice President Al Gore said an invasion of Haiti "certainly is not imminent." In an interview with Canadian television, Gore said the administration first wants to examine the

impact of tightened sanctions against the military regime.

"Let us evaluate whether or not this might yet increase the pressure to the point where a negotiated solution might be feasible," Gore said in the taped interview, to be broadcast Sunday.

Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, said his sense from administration briefings was that "events are moving in that direction," toward an invasion.

An invasion itself could be accomplished quickly, several senators said. The problem is the aftermath and the quagmire that would develop without an internationally supported plan for restoring a democratic government to Haiti.

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The teen-ager was charged with armed robbery and first-degree felony murder. Tips from the community led to the arrest.

Smith said the boy had been arrested previously on charges of assaulting a police officer, resisting arrest and "an assortment of

N. Korea demanding condolences from S. Korea

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — North Korea returned to form today, making its first official criticism of the Seoul government since the death of the North Korean president a week ago.

The North criticized South Korea for putting its military on alert following Kim Il Sung's death last Friday, and accused it of "rashly igniting a fire at a funeral home."

"The rude behavior is beyond norms of behavior and without morals," the North's Korean Central News Agency said, according to the South's government-run Naewoe Press.

North Korea also demanded condolences from the South, Naewoe said. The South has said it will not send con-

lences the death of Kim, who started the bloody 1950-53 Korean War.

The South treated the long-time leader's death as a military emergency, fearing a power struggle might erupt and spill across the border. But Kim's son and handpicked heir, Kim Jong Il, appears to have consolidated power. The South eased its alert Thursday.

Meanwhile, President Clinton and South Korean President Kim Young-sam spoke by telephone today for the first time since the Northern leader's death, the South Korean president's office said.

The two reaffirmed their resolve to work together to resolve the dispute over the North's nuclear program.

Refugee flood overwhelming Zaire

GOMA, Zaire (AP) — A human tidal wave of Hutu refugees is flooding across the Rwandan border into Zaire, overwhelming relief workers and Zairian authorities.

Carrying babies on their backs and possessions on their heads, the Hutus fled from Tutsi rebels advancing across western Rwanda in pursuit of Hutu government forces. The exodus included busloads of fleeing Rwandan government soldiers.

Authorities were powerless to slow the exodus, one of the

greatest in history. An estimated 200,000 to 250,000 refugees poured past three overwhelmed border checkpoints by late afternoon Thursday. Zairian soldiers confiscated machetes and knives, but otherwise could only watch the outpouring of people, which continued for a second day today.

Refugees filled four fields and a soccer stadium set aside for them, then lay down mattresses, mats and tattered blankets anywhere they could find space. Smoke from cooking fires obscured the sky.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Vote could mean more spending cuts

WASHINGTON (AP) — Triumphant conservatives say a House vote strengthening the president's ability to force spending cuts is a blow against pork barrel projects that could save taxpayers big dollars.

Deficit-cutting hawks of both parties were exultant Thursday after the chamber embarrassed its Democratic leaders and voted to require Congress to vote on presidential proposals to kill individual spending items or tax breaks in big bills.

By a 298-121 roll call, lawmakers approved the conservatives' proposal and substituted it for a weaker version put forward by Democratic leaders. Lawmakers then voted 342-69 to give the legislation final passage.

Major crime bill more important than provision

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House says getting a major crime bill enacted is more important than passage of a provision supported by the Congressional Black Caucus to let death penalty defendants use statistics to show racial bias.

Virus working against gene blocking arteries

WASHINGTON (AP) — Some blood vessels treated with coronary angioplasty may become blocked again because of the action of a common human virus against a gene that normally prevents the formation of cancers, a new study suggests.

Teen arrested in killing of Good Samaritan

MIAMI (AP) — A 16-year-old boy was arrested Thursday and charged in the robbery and killing of a man police say had stopped to help an accident victim.

Charles Bells, 44, was on a shopping errand for his mother when he hit a girl who darted into the path of his car. When he got out of his car to check on the slightly injured girl, he was beaten, shot and robbed by a mob.

The boy in custody "was part of the crowd that was there. He participated in the robbery," said Metro-Dade police Detective Gary Smith.

The teen-ager was charged with armed robbery and first-degree felony murder. Tips from the community led to the arrest.

Smith said the boy had been arrested previously on charges of assaulting a police officer, resisting arrest and "an assortment of

similar stuff," but was never convicted.

Bells was beaten with fists and a bottle Tuesday evening and was shot in the front seat of his car as he tried to get away, police said.

"This started as an accident where the law requires you to stop and render assistance, and Mr. Bells did just that and got shot and killed for it," said police Detective Marie Duboulay.

WORLD

NEWS IN BRIEF

U.S. Marines practice just outside Haiti

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) — With U.S. Marines reported practicing an invasion only 80 miles from Haiti's shores, the military-installed government of this impoverished land tried to whip up fervor against an attack.

Dominique Lima, a tape measure clipped to his belt, was walking through this garbage-strewn city under a scorching sun, searching for work.

He fears indiscriminate slaughter if U.S. troops attack, but said he supports an invasion to reinstate elected President Jean-Bertrand Aristide, who was ousted in a 1991 coup.

Hope flooding in South Africa

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — In hallways once filled with the despair and anguish of apartheid, homeless people now find food, shelter and hope in the dawn of democratic South Africa.

The red brick, four-floor building at No. 80 Albert Street in downtown Johannesburg used to be the government pass office, where blacks lined up naked to prove their good health and get written permission to enter white areas.

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# SPORTS

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## SCOREBOARD

BRITISH OPEN	WORLD CUP	BASEBALL - TEXAS TEAMS
Greg Turner - 65 Jonathan Lomas - 66 Andrew Magee - 67	Saturday (Third Place Game) Bulgaria vs. Sweden Sunday (Championship) Brazil vs. Italy	Rangers 7, Toronto 3 Pirates 8, Astros 2 Midland 5, Shreveport 2

Got an item?

Do you have an interesting story idea? Call Dave Hargrave, 263-7331, Ext. 116.

### British Open

## Turner leading; Watson charges

TURNBERRY, Scotland (AP) — Greg Turner made two eagles, Nick Faldo made a big mistake and Tom Watson was making Britain's legal bookies very nervous.

Turner, a 31-year-old from New Zealand, holed a 2-iron shot for his second eagle of the rainy, blustery day, capping a 5-under-par 65 that provided him with a 1-shot lead after one round of the 123rd British Open Championship.

"I read it quite well," Turner said, his tongue firmly planted in cheek, of the 178-yard shot that found the cup on the 16th hole of Turnberry's un hospitable links.

Faldo, a 3-time winner of this ancient title, took an 8 on the par-5 17th hole, shot 75 and was in danger of missing the cut for the first time in 19

British Open appearances. "Not very clever," the subdued Faldo said Thursday after he played the wrong ball from the rough and was assessed a 2-shot penalty.

The bookies were in danger, too; in danger of dropping a bundle on the long-shot Americans who provided a surprising presence in the oldest of all golf's tournaments.

On the eve of this event, no Americans were listed in the top 10 and no American was at better than 33-1.

About one-half million British pounds were wagered on Watson and, before he got away to his early-morning starting time, his odds were 16-1. By Thursday night, they were down to 14-1.

The 5-time winner of this event responded with a 2-under-par 68.



Associated Press photo  
Britain's Nick Faldo chips to the 18th green during the opening day of the 123rd British Open at Turnberry, Scotland.

## Team's name changed, but results same

By DAVE HARGRAVE  
Sports Editor



MARTIN HERRERA

Different name, new players. Same success.

Cardinals, a Big Spring men's softball team formerly known as Da Boyz, will be making its second consecutive trip to the Triple Crown of Softball World Finals Aug. 18-21 in Steamboat Springs, Colo. The team has already achieved most of the dreams of coach Chuck Martin, who formed the team four seasons ago under the name Mama's Boyz.

The Triple Crown has existed for 12 years, Martin said, but his team last season - its second season under the name Da Boyz - was the first Big Spring squad to reach the world finals.

This year's team hasn't had the great season Da Boyz did in 1993. Last season, Da Boyz finished second in the point standings in their region after the three tournaments leading to the world finals, while this year's Cardinals were seventh in the West Texas/New Mexico region. Teams that qualified for last year's world finals, however, needed to finish only in the top 10 of their region to make a return trip, so the Cardinals punched their ticket for Colorado.

The previous paragraph suggests this year's Cardinals aren't as good as last year's Da Boyz, but that's hard to say. The Cardinals had a tougher time getting to the world finals, but Martin said that could make the team tougher in Colorado. Also, the Cardinals have an advantage Da Boyz didn't have in 1993:

They've been to the world finals before.

"We didn't do well at all last year, we were nervous and we lost our first two," Martin said. The two losses made Da Boyz stay at the double-elimination world finals a short one.

The Cardinals play in Class D, where no home runs are

allowed. Balls hit over the fence are outs.

Teams qualified from England and Australia last season, Martin said, but they didn't make the trip to Colorado. Teams from Guam and Puerto Rico did play. More than 130 teams earn berths to the world finals, Martin said, but after the first 100 teams pay their \$250 entry fee the field is closed. Big Spring's Cardinals are paid in full and ready to go.

"We'll have two more tournaments, plus we'll try to get donations from some sponsors," Martin said.

The tournaments will help keep Cardinals sharp, too.

"Last year, we went five or six weeks without playing going into worlds," Martin said.

Team members include Martin, Bryan Sledge, Jose Tovar, Terry Ward, George Herrera, Oscar Cervantes, Mike Hilario, Mark Arguello, Jesse Rios, Jim Rangel, Ed Urias, Scott Martin and Steven New. Herrera said three-fourths of last year's players remain with the team, and that should help tremendously.

"We lost the two games we went down there and played, but I think a lot of us were more nervous than anything else," Herrera said. "This year, about three-fourths of the players that were on the team last year are going back, so I think we'll be more ready, and hopefully I think we'll be able to do a lot better than we did last year."

## Focus on Switzer as Cowboys open camp

AUSTIN (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys open their 24th training camp on Friday with only the third coach in their history. Welcome to "Switzerland."

And more than just the near-100 degree Texas heat will be on former Oklahoma coach Barry Switzer.

Tom Landry and Jimmy Johnson each won two Super Bowls with the Cowboys. Switzer, who won three national championships for the Sooners, will be considered nothing less than a failure if he doesn't produce a Super Bowl victory.

He knows it. And he's ready.

"No coach in the NFL will



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have more focus on them than I will this year," Switzer said. "That's OK. I can handle it."

Switzer has already been involved in long-range sniping with his predecessor, Johnson, who said Switzer "will be alright as long as he doesn't make any suggestions."

Switzer, who used to coach with Johnson, replied that he didn't appreciate Johnson being in "the catbird's seat" making catty remarks.

"It's uncalled for," Switzer said. "I understand I'll be second-guessed on how the season goes."

Johnson will serve as an analyst for Fox Television this fall on NFL games.

There won't be the adoration for Switzer in Austin that there was for Johnson.

Switzer's feud with former Texas coach Darrell Royal didn't make very many friends in

Travis County.

"That was a long time ago," Switzer said. "We're all working for the same thing now."

The defending world champions, who have defeated Buffalo in the last two Super Bowls, report to St. Edward's University and have their first workouts on Saturday. Dallas plays its first exhibition game on July 31, hosting the Minnesota Vikings at Texas Stadium.

It won't take long for a scrimmage. The annual "Blue-White" game will be played on Sunday.

However, don't look for Switzer to use many veterans.

"Training camp is a time for looking at your younger players," Switzer said. "I know what Emmitt Smith can do."

Switzer also will be looking at replacements for eight Cowboys who took a ride down the lucrative free agent highway.

Such starters as placekicker Eddie Murray, linebacker Kenny Norton, defensive tackle Jimmie Jones and Tony Casillas, safety Thomas Everett, and offensive linemen John Gesek, Kevin Gogan, and Frank Cornish, must be replaced.

"We've got a big job to do there but I think we can do it," Switzer said. "Because of free agency this team won't be as deep as it was the last two years."

Fullback Daryl Johnston, special teams star Kenny Gant, and wide receiver Michael Irvin will miss work early in camp. Johnson has a cut right foot and Gant had knee and shoulder operations in the off-season.

Irvin hurt his shoulder in an off-season basketball game and is rehabilitating from the injury.

## Rangers shoot down Blue Jays; Pirates pound Astro pitching

ARLINGTON (AP) — Dean Palmer doubled in a run and Manuel Lee brought in two with a double in a four-run second inning Thursday night that sent Texas past Toronto 7-3.

Palmer also hit his 18th homer.

Hector Fajardo (5-5) allowed three runs and four hits in six innings.

Juan Gonzalez started the second-inning rally with a single off Todd Stottlemire (5-7), who has dropped his last four decisions. Gonzalez went to third on Palmer's double before Stottlemire hit Rusty Greer to load the bases.

Ivan Rodriguez's sacrifice fly brought in the first run, and Lee drove in two more with a

double off the glove. Jeff Frye's RBI double gave the Rangers a 4-0 lead.

Texas, first place in the American League Western Division, improved to 43-45.

Toronto, World Champions the past two seasons, is buried in last place in the American League East at 38-49.

**Pirates 8, Astros 2**

PITTSBURGH — Houston pitchers threw two run-scoring wild pitches and the Astros' usually reliable defense broke down in a five-run Pittsburgh fifth inning as the Pirates won 8-2 Thursday night behind rookie Jon Lieber.

Lieber (5-4) pitched his first major league complete game, striking out a career-high eight.

Lieber spaced eight hits, including solo homers by Kevin Bass and Ken Caminiti.

With the score 2-2 in the fifth, Don Slaught and Lieber singled.

Shortstop Andujar Cedeño mishandled Carlos Garcia's grounder, scoring Slaught, and Jay Bell singled to load the bases. Andy Van Slyke followed with a sacrifice fly.

After Orlando Merced was intentionally walked, Cedeño couldn't field Jeff King's high-hop grounder that was ruled a single, scoring Garcia and chasing Houston starter Darryl Kile (6-4).

Bell scored on Dave Clark's force-play grounder and Merced scored on Tom Edens' wild pitch.

### TRYOUT CAMP

Herald photo by Steve Reagan

Marty Espisito, second from right, the Minnesota Twins' director of scouting for Texas-Louisiana, conducted a tryout camp at Steer Park Thursday.

<p><b>SHOT OF THE DAY</b></p> <p><b>A handful of helmets</b> John Hillebrand unloads some New England Patriots helmets Wednesday in preparation for Friday's opening of training camp.</p>	<p><b>TEXAS SPORTS</b></p> <p><b>Rudy T denies charge</b> WEST UNIVERSITY PLACE, Texas (AP) — Houston Rockets coach Rudy Tomjanovich is expected to appear next week in court to plead innocent to a charge of drunken driving, his lawyer said.</p> <p>Attorney Rusty Hardin said Thursday that Tomjanovich was not drinking and that a police videotape of the arrest was made.</p> <p>The coach has denied the charge. In an interview Thursday, Tomjanovich told KRIV-TV he believes the police videotape will prove his innocence.</p> <p>TOMJANOVICH</p>	<p><b>AROUND THE WORLD</b></p> <p><b>Progress, sort of</b> NEW YORK (AP) — Rather than discuss a strike and salary cap, baseball players and owners discussed items such as split doubleheaders.</p> <p>Union head Donald Fehr said the sides also made progress on whether suspended players get credit for time on the roster and how much housing help players called up from the minors get.</p> <p><b>Fave inks new contract</b> GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) — Brett Favre signed a five-year contract with the Green Bay Packers that will pay the 24-year-old quarterback a reported \$19 million to \$20 million.</p> <p>The Green Bay Press-Gazette said the deal includes a \$2.5 million signing bonus.</p>	<p><b>ON THE AIR</b></p> <p><b>Baseball</b> Florida at Atlanta, 6:35 p.m., WTBS (ch. 11).</p> <p><b>Boxing</b> Michael Carbajal vs. Josue Camacho, 8 p.m. ESPN (ch. 30).</p> <p><b>Golf</b> LPGA Big Apple Classic, 3 p.m., HSE (ch. 29).</p>
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## Explore night sky at state park

By KELLIE JONES  
Staff Writer

Have you ever looked up at the night sky and wondered what the stars and planets looked like up close? If so, you might want to spend Saturday evening at the Big Spring State Park.

The West Texas Astronomy Club and the San Angelo Stargazers will be in town with their telescopes pointed at the sky so residents can see the summer constellations and other heavenly bodies.

"You will be able to see Jupiter and Venus, and nebula, which are gaseous clouds. Also, the bright star that is to the right of Jupiter called Spica can be seen through the telescope," said Park Manager Ron Alton.

"We might be able to see some of what is left of Comet Shoemaker-Levy 9 after its scheduled impact with Jupiter," he added. "The first of five days of impact of what is left of the comet will occur Saturday night."

Sonny Choate will also present a program during the viewing.

"I'll be giving a slide presentation of some pictures that I bought from observatories who used their huge telescopes to view the planets. I'll be showing other galaxies, constellations and what's in them, stars that are exploding, dying and being born," he explained.

Constellations that may be visible through the telescope after the presentation include the Swan, Scorpion, Sagittarius, Leo the Lion, Hercules, Northern Crown and the Big Dipper. "I'll be giving two shows so that everyone can see the pictures, then use the telescopes," he said.

Alton suggests that people carpool to the park because of limited space.

Park entrance fee is \$3 per vehicle. Heritage Museum members and those with a Texas Conservation Passport will be admitted at no charge. The event is scheduled to start 8:30 p.m. at the Upper Picnic Pavilion.

Bring a flashlight and binoculars. The front gate closes at 9:15, so arrive early. For more information, contact Alton at 263-4931.



Comet Shoemaker-Levy 9, shown as it appeared May 3, may be visible during stargazing at Big Spring State Park tomorrow night—the same night the comet will hit the planet Jupiter.

### PREPARING FOR FESTIVAL



Herald photo by Tim Appel

Members of St. Thomas Parish set up for the church's Mid-Summer Festival today and Saturday. Games, prizes and food will be available indoors and outdoors.

## End of the world as we know it?



Harold Camping gestures during a broadcast from his San Leandro, Calif., studio on Monday. Camping broadcasts his message, that the world is going to end in September, across 40 radio stations nationwide and in his books "1994" and "Are You Ready?"

### ■ Evangelist says time's up in September

"If the sentinel sees the sword coming and does not blow the trumpet, so that the people are not warned, and the sword comes and takes any of them, they are taken away in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at the sentinel's hand."

— Ezekiel 33:6  
Harold Camping says he knew 25 years ago that the world was going to end this September.

A fear of stirring up his followers and the possibility of his own fallibility kept the religious broadcaster from making the date public until two years ago when the words of Ezekiel convinced him others' blood would be on his hands if he did

not share his prophecy.

In his books "1994" and "Are You Ready?" and on a nightly radio talk show along the 40 stations owned by his company, American Radio, he has claimed that on one day this September the "saved" will be raised up and the "unsaved" condemned to everlasting damnation.

"I couldn't maintain a low profile anymore because an alarm had to be sounded to the world," the 72-year-old Camping said in a telephone interview from his office in Oakland, Calif. "The judgment throne is coming. In a few days it will be here."

No one knows the extent of Camping's following, but when September comes and goes with no apocalyptic event there will be thousands of disillusioned Christians, say some prominent evangelical scholars who take Camping seriously enough to publicly rebut him in debates.

"I'm a little bit afraid of what's going to happen in October 1994," said Tremper Longman III of Westminster Theological Seminary in Philadelphia.

Camping has devised his own system for dating biblical events that fits into a plan of salvation history in which key events occur in 1,000 year periods.

He says Jesus Christ was born 2,000 years ago and David ascended the throne of Israel 3,000 years ago, two events that point to this year as the time for another major event along the millennial time line.

The period of tribulation forecast in biblical books that would occur before the end times began in May 1988, 13,000 years after the world was created in 11,013 B.C., according to Camping's dateline. It was in 1988 that Satan was turned loose on the Earth, and churches have been teaching what he

calls "false gospels" that ignore the concepts of hell and damnation. In May 1988, Camping was relieved of his duties teaching an adult Bible class in his former church in Alameda, Calif., because of his apocalyptic predictions.

Working from the May 1988 date, he arrived at September 1994 as the date of the end of the world by taking literally a reference in the eighth chapter of the Book of Daniel to a vision of a sanctuary being rebuilt 2,300 days after it was desecrated.

Evangelical scholars say Camping's theory is groundless, that his dating system is his own invention and he has manipulated a Bible that consistently teaches no one will know the hour of the final judgment.

"He totally misuses virtually every biblical text that he

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## Lightning strike brings woman back to church

DRESDEN, N.Y. (AP) — A woman who survived a lightning strike has decided to return to the church she had stopped attending.

"I wanted to go to sleep, but I saw this guy who held my hand and my two little boys and I knew I was back, and I knew God was going to let me raise them," Rene Gebo, 30, said after she was struck by lightning while closing a refrigerator door.

The refrigerator was set up outside under a tent at a campsite. The lightning strike hit a transformer, blew through a fuse box and surged along an extension cord to the refrigerator.

The charge hurled Gebo to the ground and burned a hole in the side of her left foot. She was treated at Rutland Regional Medical Center. When she was released, she went to a service at a nearby Baptist church with her father.

DALLAS (AP) — The Rev. Kenneth Hemphill, an Atlanta specialist in church growth, is the front-runner to become president of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, according to Baptist news agencies.

A selection committee unanimously has chosen Hemphill to replace Russell Dilday as the head of the Fort Worth-based seminary, the Baptist Press and The Associated Baptist Press reported.

The full trustee board has a special meeting scheduled for July 29 in Fort Worth to vote on the selection committee's choice.

Dilday was fired in March. William Tolar has been the acting president.

The Rev. Miles Seaborn Jr.,

declined to discuss the panel's decision. Hemphill also declined to comment.

Hemphill, 46, is director of the Southern Baptist Center for Church Growth, a joint venture of the Southern Baptist Convention Home Mission Board and Baptist Sunday School Board.

The Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary is the largest in the Southern Baptist Convention, with more than 3,000 students.

HONOLULU (AP) — The planned beatification of The Rev. Damien de Veuster, delayed this year because of a broken leg suffered by Pope John Paul II, is being pushed back until next year, church officials said.

Damien's beatification was set for May in Belgium, his homeland. Local Roman Catholic Church officials had hoped to reschedule the ceremony for Sept. 4, but officials at the Vatican said the pope's broken leg wouldn't be healed enough for him to travel by that time.

Damien ministered to leprosy patients at Kalaupapa, Molokai, more than 100 years ago.

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**Strikes**

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The pastor of the county's largest church said he will give away 50,000 copies of the list.

The Rev. Nelson Price, pastor of the 9,500-member Roswell Street Baptist Church in Marietta, said he will distribute the gold-embossed copies of the Ten Commandments as part of "an organized response" to the May 31 Supreme Court ruling. He said local businesses are paying for printing the posters.

Price said 6,000 copies were passed out recently at his church. Copies will be made available to anyone who wants them, he said.

"The courts made the mistake," said the Rev. Randall Mickler, pastor of Mount Bethel United Methodist Church. "This may be one of the powerful ways God can work through the blunder of the courts."

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The final vigil has been held and the doors locked for good, but hundreds of parishioners from St. Brigid's church vow to keep pressure on the Vatican to overturn a decision to close their congregation.

"We're still not giving up. We're still fighting," said Donna Carico, who was married there in 1959.

San Francisco Archbishop John Quinn ordered the 94-year-old parish at Van Ness and Broadway closed along with eight other Roman Catholic churches, saying attendants had dropped and repairs to bring them up to earthquake standards would be too costly.

To mark the sad occasion, members held a vigil inside until the final moments. They took photos of the chapel, consoled each other and cried. One man slowly walked down the aisle playing "Amazing Grace," and "Hail Glory of St. Patrick" on the bagpipe.

The Committee to Save St. Brigid's Church has two appeals pending at the Vatican, asking that the church remain open, Robert Bryan, a lawyer for the group, said.

Quinn said the closures are part of a plan to consolidate parishes and noted that changes in demographics have left too many churches almost empty.

**RSVP director loves working with seniors**

By JANET AUSBURY  
Features Editor

keeps the fun atmosphere going.

Nancy Jones, director of the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) in Big Spring since May, might be considered a rarity by some.

She loves her job. In fact, she's loved all three jobs she's had in the three years since she and her husband moved here from Amarillo.

However, she's found the job she thinks she will love most, because it brings her close to her favorite group of people—senior citizens.

"I love senior citizens," she said. "They're fun. When I worked at Security State Bank, I asked if I could have a senior citizens line." That wasn't possible, but seniors were so drawn to Jones that she was able to serve most of them anyway.

Her next job, at Canterbury Homes, put her in the midst of about 200 senior citizens. When former RSVP director Mary Garner retired, Jones seemed to be a natural for the position.

Initially, she was a little intimidated by having to deal with four budgets—city, county, state and federal. RSVP is a federally-funded program, and a 20-member advisory council assists Jones and oversees her work.

"The council has been so supportive," she said. "They've just been wonderful. I've been really lucky."

She also has a senior citizen assistant, Clarie Conger, who helps her with her work and

Jones hopes she can translate her enthusiasm for the job into effective recruitment of more volunteers for the program. About 300 people age 55 or older currently participate, but she hopes to expand that to 400 participants.

The senior volunteers help at a number of local places, including the hospitals, the Meals on Wheels program and the Spring City Senior Center.

However, more volunteers are needed, especially for places such as Northside Community Center and area child care centers. Jones would also like to see RSVP become more involved with literacy programs and minority groups.

"It's a delicate balance of finding the need and finding the person to meet it," she said. "We tend to have a lot of one or the other."

She also plans to become personally involved in finding new recruits for the program. "I have a lot of calls to make. There are a lot of people out there who'd like to volunteer but don't know how. I want to get a hold of these people."

Managing several hundred volunteers and four budgets isn't easy. "It's a lot of fun, but it's a challenge," she said. Jones feels her love for seniors and for working with numbers have prepared her well.

Senior citizens interested in becoming involved with RSVP can call Jones at 264-2397 or stop by her office at the Spring City Senior Center.



Nancy Jones, new director of the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program, hopes to recruit even more volunteers for the program. The job is perfect for Jones, who loves working with seniors.

**End**

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"It's just another screwball interpretation," John Walvoord, a prophecy expert and former president of Dallas Theological Seminary, said. "Nobody has ever guessed the date right. You'd think they'd learn."

—By the Associated Press

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TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You become happier. Unexpected news has you celebrating life.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Your associations are high-voltage ones right now. The clearer you are about what you want and what feels right, the better the results.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You go in a new directions. Listen to your intuition, and follow through on what's important.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Settle down and review your priorities. You might be unusually high-strung as you try to deal with a situation in a positive way.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You become more talkative. Listen to your intuition. Follow through on what's important.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Be careful with spending. You might think you have more money than you actually do. Conversations focus on what it

is you want and where you are going. A family member causes an uproar. Seek out the company of a soothing friend.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): A dynamic encounter punctuates your day. Communications add a lovely dimension to your plans.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Refuse to take a monetary risk, even though it might be tempting and a partnership may seem to hinge on it.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Steady does it. You are focused on your objectives. Consider a change in approach as part of the solution.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Take responsibility for what is happening. Stay focused on your long-term goals.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Dynamic changes occur. Allow yourself to look at life in new ways. Your spirit soars.

IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS SATURDAY, July 16, 1994: It could be an extraordinary year, with many changes coming quickly.

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DEAR ABBY: My children (ages 5, 3 and 2) cannot read chemical formulas or lengthy warning labels - but they all know that a skull and crossbones means "poison." I collect old patent medicine bottles, and I recently brought one home that had the skull and crossbones. My 3-year-old took one look and said, "Oh ... poison?" Now, I know we all do our best to keep such nasties out of the reach of children, but I think a return to a nice, old-fashioned picture of the skull and crossbones would be a great idea. Marketers should

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Cartoon strips: 'GASOLINE ALLEY' (a doctor talking to a man about a house), 'CALVIN AND HOBBS' (Calvin and Hobbes talking about a dinosaur), and 'WIZARD OF ID' (a man talking to a woman about a dork).

Cartoon strips: 'WIZARD OF ID' (continued), 'HAGGAR THE HORRIBLE' (Hagar talking to a woman about a dragon), and 'PEANUTS' (Snoopy talking to Woodstock).

Cartoon strips: 'BEETLE BAILY' (Beetle Baily talking to a woman), 'DENNIS THE MENACE' (Dennis the Menace talking to a woman), and 'FAMILY CIRCUS' (a man talking to a woman about a circus).

Cartoon strips: 'BLONDIE' (Blondie talking to a man about a chocolate cake), 'SNUFFY SMITH' (Snuffy Smith talking to a man about a rooster), and 'RITZ' (a movie listing for Ritz Theatre).

Cartoon strip: 'CINEMARK THEATRES' (a movie listing for Cinemark Theatres).

THE Daily Crossword by Stanley B. Whitten

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down words.

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