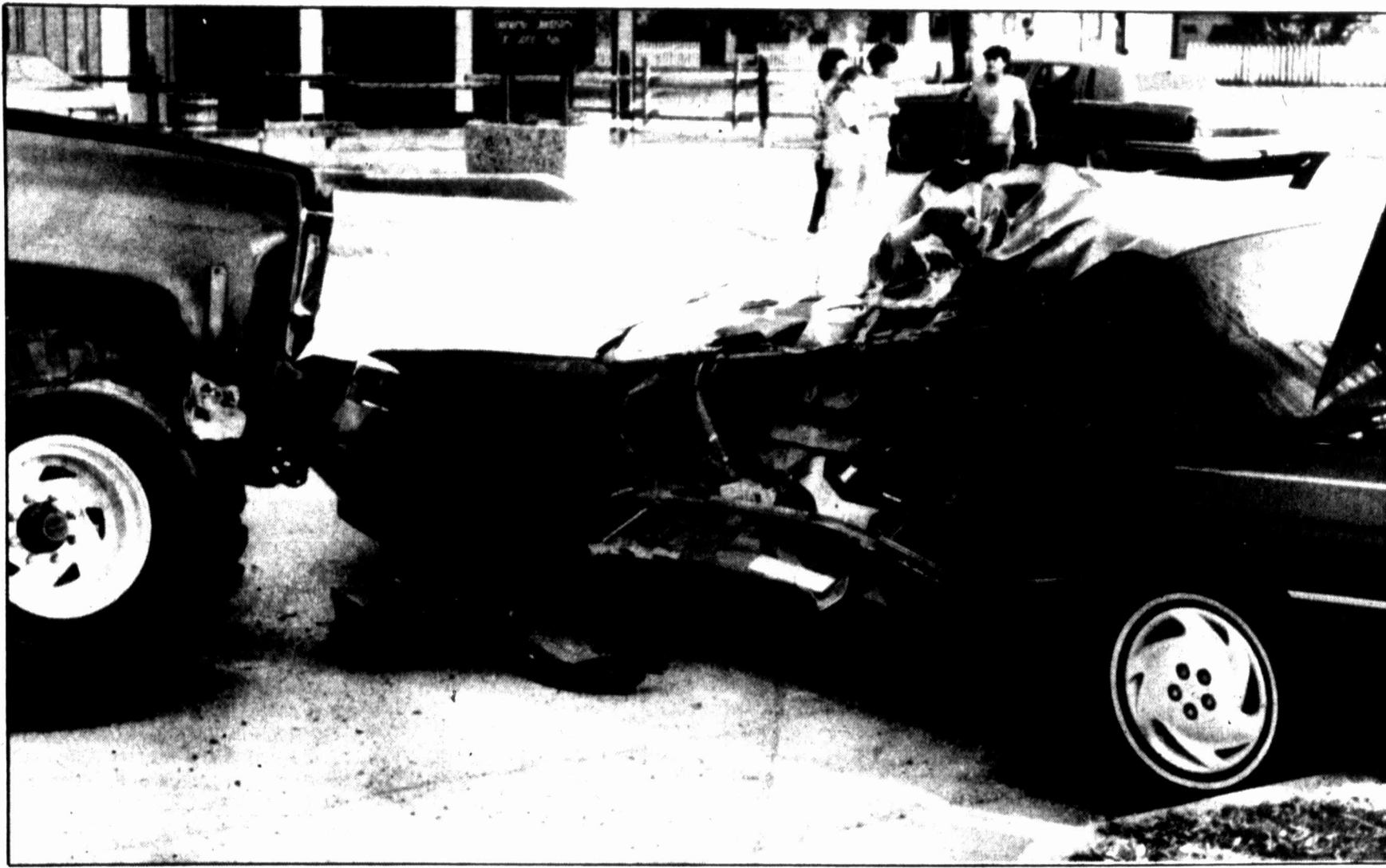


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Brenda Ward McKnight was rushed to Scenic Mountain Medical Center Monday afternoon after a pickup collided with her car. Emergency personnel had to cut off the roof of her Chevrolet Corsica to remove her. The left front tire of the pickup fell off, causing the driver to collide with McKnight's vehicle. She is listed in guarded condition.

Herald photo by Carlton Johnson

## MHMR funding proposal strips rural areas

By KELLIE JONES  
Staff Writer

More than 100 people turned out at a public hearing in Lubbock last Thursday to express their concern for Texas Mental Health and Mental Retardation's attempt to equalize access for all residents.

The state legislature told TXMHMR not to expect new funds in the next biennium and not to ask for any. Board members formed a task force to devise solutions for generating the money necessary to continue providing their services.

Most on the task force are representatives from urban areas and were up in arms to discover the amount of money spent per patient varied from \$16.40 to \$60.45, with the lower amounts usually coming from their cities.

The task force recommended to TXMHMR to equalize funding and have the same amount of money spent on every patient across the state.

Those in the rural areas do not support the decision because it costs more to operate clinics and pay doctors to serve patients in outlying areas.

A public hearing in Lubbock was set up for the purpose of

**M**ore money has to be spent in the rural areas because of increasing costs for doing business.

Bill Crooker

hearing what people had to say about the proposal.

Big Spring State Hospital's Community Services Director Shelley Smith and Howard County Commissioner Bill Crooker were among those from the 23 county catchment area who attended the hearing.

"At least 80 percent of the testimonies in Lubbock were from our 23 county area. There was very little support for the plan. There was some discussion on cutting budgets and the possibility of having to close some of our clinics and psychosocial rehabilitation programs," Smith said.

She continued, "most everyone was voicing opposition to the proposal because it would decrease funding to the rural counties. There were consumers, family members, teachers. Please see RURAL, page 2

## Loose tire instigates wreck

Wreck leaves one woman in guarded condition

By KELLIE JONES  
Staff Writer

A Big Spring resident is in guarded condition after being involved in an accident Monday afternoon.

According to reports, Brenda

Ward McKnight, 42 of 1110 Scurry, was southbound on Scurry when a pickup driven by Garry Lee Christian Jr., 19 of 2823 Chanute, collided with her car. Christian, who was traveling northbound on Scurry, told officers his vehicle kept pulling to the left even though he attempted to steer the pickup to the right. He attempted to gain the attention of McKnight by using hand signals but struck her car's right front fender when his truck fell to the ground on its front left side.

"It happened at the last minute—I was driving that way (pointing north) down Scurry and they were in the other lane coming the other way. We were passing each other.

"I started going across the center line and tried to steer back; I had no steering. I hit the brakes; I had no brakes. I tried to motion to the other car to let them know to get out of the way, something was wrong," said Christian.

He added, "I'm fine. It just happened too soon to be able to

do anything."

Reports say the right front tire fell off and four studs were sheared. Rescue workers had to cut off the roof of McKnight's car to remove her from the wreckage.

McKnight and her passenger Ishell Williams, 26 of 1110 Scurry, were transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center's emergency room.

McKnight is in guarded condition and Williams was treated and released. Christian was not injured in the accident.

## Sears back and open for business at Mall

By CARLTON JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

When Sears moved out of the Big Spring Mall in September 1993, company officials told mall manager Tammy Watt that Sears wanted to come back to Big Spring.

Now it has. Sears was scheduled to reopen in the Mall as a franchise operation on September and again in October, but those dates came and went due to problems with a previous owner.

Watt said Sears representatives had promised her that Sears will be back in the mall around Thanksgiving or shortly thereafter.

Sears didn't quite make it by Thanksgiving date, but the Big Spring Mall now has the authorized Sears retail dealer store.

The new owner is Lyndon Smith, a former 20-year employee of Sears. Smith and his family come to Big Spring from

Weatherford to operate the store, which had what Smith calls a "soft opening" Saturday.

Smith said, "My wife Betty and I are thrilled to team up with Sears to continue to serve customers in Big Spring and nearby communities. I've managed other Sears stores during my retail career in Conroe, Waxahachie and the old Sears catalog store in Big Spring. Now I'm looking forward to providing the same service levels and value to my own customers in Big Spring.

"We're here now and we look forward to being here for a while."

Smith's last stay in Big Spring was for about six months during 1988-89 when he was manager of the old Runnels location as a special assignment for Sears.

Watt said that everything is business as usual at the mall and she is still excited to see Sears make a return because

Please see SEARS, page 2

### THE MAIN ATTRACTION



Santa Claus is the main attraction as dozens of children and parents surround him in the Howard College Student Union Building after the lighting of the luminaria recently.

Herald photo by Tim Appel

## Texas big loser in closing of USDA offices

WASHINGTON (AP) — Georgia, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia are expected to be big losers when Agriculture Secretary Mike Espy announces he will close more than 1,000 offices nationwide.

Closing the offices, many in areas where little or no farming takes place anymore, will help the department in a streamlining effort that could cut its payroll by 11,000 people and save \$3.6 billion over five years.

With Republicans and Democrats vying since the election to see who can cut government more, both parties were poised to claim credit for the savings in the plan, which was to be announced today.

Bobby Duncan, a department official in Athens, Ga., said the list is nonetheless bound to anger many farmers. "I can assure you that many of them are not going to be pleased because they want the service right where they're at," he said. The process is expected to take up to three years.

Espy inherited the task of closing the offices from his Republican predecessor, Ed Madigan. Madigan released a list of nearly 1,200 closings in January 1993, just days before leaving office.

### GOOD STUFF



Herald photo by Tim Appel

Kristen Windham and Brandi Woods take a closer look at a handmade doll that was being offered for sale during an arts and crafts show at the Big Spring Mall recently.

**Texas Trivia**  
How did writer O. Henry once refer to Texas' Hill Country?  
Austin's violet crown  
Who is now at the Thoreau of Texas Literature?  
Roy Beddoke

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**WORLD/NATION**

**World:** Tackling one of the nation's most daunting challenges just days after his inauguration, President Ernesto Zedillo has proposed constitutional reforms to overhaul Mexico's notoriously corrupt and inefficient justice system. See page 4.

**Nation:** For years, smugglers known as mules have been bringing drugs into the United States by swallowing condoms packed with cocaine. This time, the mule was a dog. See page 5.

**STATE**

**Appeal planned**  
Anti-abortion activists vow to appeal a court order establishing buffer zones around some clinics and doctors' homes and placing other restrictions on protests. See page 3.

**Rapist executed**  
A rapist who claimed responsibility for more than 100 attacks was executed early today for killing a Houston man during a fight that broke out as he tried to rape the man's girlfriend. See page 3.

**Tops in violent crime**  
The Texas Southern University campus in Houston was the scene of more violent crimes than any other Texas campus. See page 3.

**TODAY'S WEATHER**

Tonight **75** ▲ Highs **45**  
                    Lows ▼

**Partly cloudy**  
Tonight, Partly cloudy, low in the mid 40s, west winds 5 to 15 mph.  
**Permian Basin Forecast**  
**Wednesday:** Partly cloudy, high around 75, west winds 10 to 20 mph; partly cloudy night, low mid 40s.  
**Thursday:** Partly cloudy, high around 75, west winds 10 to 20 mph; partly cloudy night, low mid 40s.

OBITUARIES

Melvin L. Daratt

Melvin L. "Pappy" Daratt, 72, of Big Spring, passed away Sunday, Dec. 3, 1994, in a Lubbock hospital. Services will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 7, at Myers & Smith Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Ed Walker officiating. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Melvin was born Jan. 21, 1922, in Hale, Kan., and married Betty Cadzow on Feb. 2, 1942, in Sedan, Kan. Melvin served in the U.S. Army during World War II from Sept. 1942 until Oct. 1945, serving in the European Theater.

Melvin moved to Big Spring in 1949 and was a welder working for W.M. Dale and later for George Bair General Welding. While working for General Welding, Melvin was a reserve Police Officer. He then went to work on the Big Spring Police Force as a full time officer. Through Melvin's career with the B.S.P.D., Melvin held the position of Sergeant, Lieutenant and Court Clerk having later been appointed to Municipal Judge. When accepting this position, he was the first Municipal Judge for the City of Big Spring. After retiring in Aug. of 1986, after serving 33 years of service, Melvin was employed at Myers & Smith Funeral Home from 1991 until the time of his death. He enjoyed several hobbies including fishing, woodworking and R.V.ing.

He was a member of Baptist Temple Church, the Staked Plains Lodge #598, Big Spring Police Association, Western Drifters RV Travel Club, and Law Enforcement Officers Association of Texas.

Melvin is survived by his wife: Betty Daratt; one son: Ron Daratt, El Paso; a daughter and son-in-law: Peggy and Austin Sherrill, Big Spring; a son-in-law: Tom Bost, Mooresville, N.C.; a sister: Bernice Massoth, Coffeerville, Kan.; a brother: Doyle Daratt, Ft. Worth; four grandchildren: Jennifer Craven, Big Spring, Tonya Shelby, Weiser, Idaho, John Bost and Jamie Bost, both of Mooresville, N.C.; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by one daughter: Pam Bost in 1977.

Pallbearers will be J.D. Carter, Mike Pearson, Alvis Jeffcoat, Grady Walker, Fred Painter, D.D. Johnston and John Wolf. Honorary pallbearers will be all members of the B.S. Police Association, Texas Department of Public Safety (Highway Patrol Division), and all Myers & Smith Funeral Home Employees.

The family suggest memorials to American Heart Association, American Cancer Society or to one's favorite charity.

Paid Obituary

Elizabeth Myles

Services for Elizabeth Myles, 89, Big Spring, will be 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 8, 1994, at Hwy 80 Church of Christ with Ullis Johnson, a retired Church of Christ minister, officiating. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Mrs. Myles died Monday, Dec. 5, in a local hospital.

She was born on Nov. 12, 1905, in Freestone County and married Waymon Myles on June 24, 1923, in Freestone County. He preceded her in death on Dec.

10, 1987. Mrs. Myles had been a resident of Big Spring since 1940. She was a member of Hwy 80 Church of Christ.

Survivors include five sons: Clyde Myles, Jesse Myles, both of Big Spring, Bernard Myles, Amarillo, Waymon Myles, Jr., and Billy Myles, both of Ft. Worth; one daughter: Cheyenne Harrison, Big Spring; one brother: Tito Bonner, Ft. Worth; 13 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

She was also preceded in death by three sisters and two brothers.

Alfred Holt

Services for Alfred "Wayne" Holt, 70, Lake Bridgeport, were held 10 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 6, 1994, at Hawkins Funeral Home Chapel with Ray Wells officiating. Graveside services will be 4 p.m. in Lor Cemetery under the direction of Hawkins Funeral Home.

Mr. Holt died Saturday, Dec. 3, in Decatur.

He was born July 17, 1924, in Mitchell County. He married June Thompson on July 20, 1965, in Pampa. He attended school at 7 Wells & Payne. Mr. Holt worked for Southwestern Bell for 39 years and retired in 1965. He was a member of the Telephone Pioneers of America. He moved from Pampa to Lake Bridgeport in 1985. He served on the Lake Bridgeport City Council for seven years. He was a World War II Navy veteran and a previous member of the Moose Lodge.

Survivors include his wife: June Holt, Bridgeport; his mother: Inez Marie Holt, Colorado City; three sons: Timothy Holt, Joe Travis Holt, both of Houston, and Gene Scott Holt, Temple; three step-sons: Steven G. Brantley, Mark D. Brantley, both of White Deer, and Timothy L. Brantley, Longview; one step-daughter: Cynthia Watkins, Borger; three sisters: Sybil Duffer, Big Spring, Bonnie B. Alexander and Evelyn Crain, both of Sweetwater; 10 grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Services are pending for Thelma McDaniel, Odessa, in an Odessa Funeral Home. She is survived by a sister: Mattie Dudley, Big Spring.

Rural

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ers, school counselors, county judges and commissioners all testified against the plan.

Crooker added, "the task force's proposal is to take \$34 million from the rural areas and give it to the urban areas such as Houston and Dallas. This is a result of pressure put on the board by the representatives from the urban areas.

"More money has to be spent in the rural areas because of increasing costs for doing business. For example, Community Services may pay a psychiatrist \$100 an hour for his or her services but that is from the time they leave wherever they are coming from and arrive at the clinic. Some of the doctors are from Midland or Odessa and have to travel out into the 23 county area," Crooker said.

He adds the doctor, because of travel time, can see maybe four to six patients a day compared to a doctor in an urban area seeing 25 patients, so the cost is higher.

If the proposal is passed, this area would lose \$2.5 million or half of its budget, meaning 11 out of the 16 clinics would have to close. Consumers would have to travel further for treatment and medication if this happened.

Crooker commented, "this proposal is very unfair and would be detrimental to West Texas."

State Rep. David Counts is against this proposal. In a press

release he states, "no concessions were made in the formula for higher transportation costs in rural areas or the availability of rural physicians. Some rural members of the task force tried to get them to adopt a rural population density factor to mitigate the harshness of the per capita formula, but the urban members of the task force rejected it."

Counts adds the proposal could mean a severe reduction in services in Sweetwater, Snyder or Post but Harris County (Houston) stands to gain over \$5 million and Tarrant County (Fort Worth) gets another \$4.3 million from the per capita formula.

"Rather than turning inward and robbing Peter to pay Paul, the state Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation needs to recognize all communities are hurting and take progressive steps to end their suffering," Counts commented.

Another public hearing is in San Angelo this afternoon from 3 to 7 p.m. in the Jack H. Ray Auditorium, 1501 West Beaurigard.

Sears

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people have looked forward to it.

"I've had a lot of calls from people wanting to know what the hold up is," she said. Sears is open and hours are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday. Smith said the store will maintain the same hours as the mall itself and will also maintain extended store hours during the holiday season.

The Big Spring store will be part of Sears' authorized retail dealer store network initiated in January 1993. Since then, more than 275 Sears dealer stores have been purchased across the country; with store being locally owned and operated by entrepreneurs like Smith.

Customers will be able to purchase appliances, electronics, hardware, lawn and garden tools and supplies among other items. The new store will sell exclusive Sears brands such as Kenmore appliances, Craftsman tool sets and DieHard car, boat and tractor batteries with other national brands such as General Electric, Amana, Sony and Magnavox being offered as well.

According to Smith, a "Meet the New Owner" celebration and grand opening/ribbon-cutting ceremony is tentatively planned for Saturday, Jan. 7, after the store has officially open for a while.

Smith said, "Folks are invited to stop by and visit with us. Total customer satisfaction is my goal. You'll receive that through well-known Sears product guarantees and my personal promise of service."

He added opening on Saturday was not planned to be anything special, but he and his wife wanted to let people know that Sears is back in town and open for business.

"We wanted to offer customers what we have at this particular time," he said. Within about 10 days or so Smith said the store should have all of its merchandise available to customers. He said the store is already near being fully operational and that now it's just a matter of getting the remaining merchandise out so people can see it.

The store is not as big as you'll find in other markets, but customers will also be provided the opportunity to place special orders for items that may not be in stock.

Smith said, "We're considered to be a 'hardline' store. We use the same systems and procedures as the larger stores and any big ticket item larger stores can order, we can as well."

According to Sears corporate representative Tim Conway the Sears store in Big Spring represents the company's continuing effort to give its customers what they want because 41 million households now have Sears credit cards and Sears understands where its customer base lies.

Sears is 108 years old and has taken its old merchandise catalog and divided it into 13 specialty catalogs such as sports, automotive, electronics, and housewares.

Conway added that interested customers may order any specialty merchandise catalog free of charge by dialing 1-800-948-8800.

Big Spring ON THE RUN

Disney's THE LION KING



POLICE

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

- AVEL A. RAMIREZ, 47 of 1504 Cherokee, was arrested for public intoxication.
- JAMES E. MCKENSIE, 43 no address given, was arrested for public intoxication.
- LEOPOLDO MADRID VALENZUELA, 22 no address given, was arrested for criminal trespassing.
- EFRAIN MONTOYA MIER JR., 24 no address given, was arrested for criminal trespassing.
- DONOVAN LEE MILLER, 23 no address given, was arrested for unauthorized use of a vehicle.
- DEVAN M. HARRIS, 17 of Tucson, AZ, was arrested for unauthorized use of a vehicle.
- FREDERICO HOWARD SALGADO, 45 of 2911 West Highway 80 #100, was arrested on outstanding local warrants.
- THEFTS in the 2200 block of Cindy, 600 block of East 13th, 900 block of Willia and in the 100 block of Gregg.
- DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE in the 1300 block of Harding.
- ACCIDENT at the intersection of Mesa and FM 700. A citation for failure to control speed and minor injuries were reported.

RECORDS

Monday's temp.	76
Monday's low	45
Average high	61
Average low	32
Record high	79 in 1956
Record low	6 in 1950
Rainfall Monday	0.00
Month to date	0.00
Month's normal	0.12
Year to date	17.64
Normal for year	18.04

\*\*Statistics not available.

SHERIFF

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

- GARY LYNN KASPAREK, 38 of Snyder, was arrested for revocation of probation for DWI. No bond has been set.
- CARLOS SALAZAR ALEMAN, 22 of Lubbock, was arrested on outstanding warrants. He was released after posting a \$400 bond.
- JOSE ERNESTO FLORES, 33 of 805 N. Aylesford, was arrested on outstanding warrants in Midland County for burglary of a habitation and failure to identify himself. He was released after posting a \$10,500 bond.
- PAUL VALENTINE MARTINEZ, 22 of 2504 Albrook, pled guilty in county court to driving while intoxicated. He was sentenced to 30 days in jail on a work release program. He was fined \$600 and ordered to pay \$235 in court costs.
- TIMOTHY BEE SCOTT, 24 of Stanton, was transferred to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice to serve seven years on a motion to revoke his probation for burglary of a building.
- JESSE MARTINEZ, 26 of Sand Springs, was transferred to the TDCJ to serve eight years for public intoxication and two counts of burglary of a habitation.
- DEBORAH ANN CALVERT, 31 of 5913 Walters, pled guilty in district court to forgery by passing. She was sentenced to six years deferred adjudication, fined \$124.50 and ordered to pay \$16,327.49 in restitution.
- ANNA MARIE CALVERT, 51 of Route 1 Box 527, pled guilty to theft over \$20,000 and under \$100,000. She was given five years deferred adjudication, fined \$124.50 and ordered to pay \$13,577.49 in restitution.

FIRE

The Big Spring Fire Department reported the following incidents from 8 a.m. Thursday to 8 a.m. Tuesday:

- CAR FIRE in the 1500 block o Sycamore.
- ACCIDENT in the 600 block of North Lancaster.
- ACCIDENT in the 1600 block of Owens.
- ACCIDENT in the 2500 block of Gregg.

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

- Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright, has free food for area needy, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- Al-Anon, 8 p.m., 615 Settles.
- Voices support group, 3:45 p.m. Call Rape Crisis/Victim Services, 263-3312.
- Spring City Senior Citizen Center, ceramics classes from 9:30-11:30 a.m. 55 and older invited.
- Pastoral counseling by Samaritan Counseling Center, First Christian Church, 10th and Goliad. For appointment call 1-800-329-4144.
- Seniors' diabetic support group, 2 p.m., Canterbury South. Call 263-1265.
- Most Excellent Way chemical dependency support group, 7 p.m., Cornerstone Bookstore. Call 267-1424 after 5 p.m., or 263-3168 before 8 p.m.
- Alcoholics Anonymous noon open meeting and 8 p.m. closed meeting, 615 Settles.
- VFW Post #2013, 7 p.m., VFW Hall.
- MS support group, 7 p.m., Canterbury West. Call 267-1069.
- Compassionate Friends, support group for parents who have experienced the death of a child, 7:30 p.m., room 113 of the Family Life Center Building of First Baptist Church. Enter by the SE door. Call 267-2769.
- Coahoma Senior Center Project Group, 11 a.m., Coahoma Community Center, 306 North Ave. Call 394-4439.
- Cancer support group, 12 noon to 1 p.m., room 213, VA Medical Center, and 7 to 8 p.m., VA Medical Center.
- Home Educators will have skating from 2 to 4 p.m., First Baptist Church Family Life Center. Call 267-3496.

IN BRIEF

Deadline for Santa Letters is Dec. 12

It's time to let Santa know what you want for Christmas. The deadline to get your letter into the Herald is Dec. 12. Anyone is welcomed to submit a Santa wish list. The letters will be published in the Dec. 23 edition of the Herald.

Volunteers needed for tax program

Volunteers are needed to help with the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program. Training will be held Dec. 12-16, 9 a.m.-noon, at First Presbyterian Church, Eighth and Rannels. Trained volunteers will begin assisting with preparation of income tax returns by the middle of January. For more information, call 263-4211.

Benefit for cancer patient is Friday

A benefit for local cancer patient Randy Carr will be sponsored Friday by Eagles Lodge and Hickory House Barbecue. Dinner will be 6 p.m. at the lodge, 703 W. Third, \$4 per plate. A dance from 8 p.m.-midnight will be donations only. All attendees, musicians welcome. The Prowlers will provide music.

Christmas concert set for Dec. 15

A Christmas concert by choir students in the Big Spring Independent School District will be Dec. 15 in the high school auditorium. Choirs from Rannels, Gollad, two choirs from Big Spring High and the Rhapsody Group will be performing. Admission is free and the concert begins at 7 p.m.

Band concert, craft sale set for Dec. 13

The Big Spring Independent School District bands are hosting a Christmas concert and craft sale. The bands will be featured in their annual concert Dec. 13 beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium. Featured bands include Goliad Honor Band, Rannels Symphonic Winds, Big Spring High School Symphonic Band and the Big Spring High School Honor Band.

WEDNESDAY

- Gamblers Anonymous, 7 p.m., St. Stephens Catholic Church, room 1, 4601 Neeley, Midland. Call 263-8920.
- Survivors, 10 to 11:30 a.m. Call Rape Crisis/Victim Services, 263-3312. This is open to all survivors.
- Alcoholics Anonymous noon open meeting and 8 p.m. 12 and 12 study.
- West Texas Legal Services offers legal help on civil matters for those unable to afford their own attorney. Northside Community Center. Call 1-686-0647.
- Coahoma Athletic Booster Club, 8 p.m., to redecorate the elementary gym for upcoming games.

THURSDAY

- Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright, free food for area needy, 10 a.m.-noon.
- Salvation Army drug education program, sponsored by Permian Basin Regional Council on alcohol and drug abuse, 7 p.m., Salvation Army Building, 308 Alford.
- Spring City Senior Citizen Center art classes, 9:30-11:30 a.m. 55 and older invited.
- Battered women support group, 2:30 p.m. Call 263-3312 or 267-3626.
- Al-Anon, 8 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center, small cafeteria on first floor.

**MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL**  
24th & Johnson 267-8288

Melvin Daratt, 72, died Sunday. Services will be 2:00 P.M. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home Chapel with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

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**Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Rosewood Chapel**  
906 GREGG BIG SPRING

Thomas (T. A.) Elliott, 71, died Sunday. Graveside services will be 11:00 AM Wednesday at Colorado City Cemetery, Colorado City, Texas.

Elizabeth Myles, 89, died Monday. Services will be 2:00 P.M. Thursday at Highway 80 Church of Christ. Interment will follow in Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

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NEWS IN  
BRIEF

# Abortion foes plan appeal to buffer zone

## Microprocessors stolen from Cyrix

RICHARDSON (AP) — Police say as many as eight people may have participated in the robbery of about 10,000 microprocessors from manufacturer Cyrix Corp.

A consultant told KDFW-TV in Dallas on Monday that the stolen 486DX2 microprocessors would be worth about \$1 million.

Company officials said the robbery occurred during the late Sunday shift at a 24-hour final test center at the company's headquarters in this north Dallas suburb.

A Cyrix employee was in the nearly empty parking lot late Sunday night when a masked man pulled a gun on him and forced him to use his security card to allow entry into the headquarters, police said. Three other employees were overpowered and tied up, officials said.

## San Antonio big for Mexican shoppers

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — As San Antonio residents pack department stores and specialty shops this holiday season, so do shoppers from Mexico.

San Antonio's proximity to Mexico is one reason for the international influx. Cross-border marketing by merchants is another.

Affluent Mexicans shop year-round in San Antonio, the nearest large American city to many parts of Mexico and a place with language and cultural similarities. But Christmas and Easter are peak shopping times for the Mexican visitors, merchants say.

"You start seeing them come in in October, and then the pace increases through November. Right up to the Christmas holidays, they're everywhere," said Sharon Eason, visitor marketing manager for the San Antonio Convention and Visitors Bureau.

The visitors bureau had no estimate on the number of Mexican shoppers who travel to San Antonio during the Christmas season but noted that about 4 million Mexicans visit Texas each year and that San Antonio receives a sizeable portion of that number.

## Sludge dumping still hot issue

EL PASO (AP) — Environmentalists are questioning a Texas Tech study on the benefits of using sewage sludge as fertilizer, saying the research was financed by a company involved in the practice.

University scientists released a report Monday that showed that the productivity of arid grassland on a 128,000-acre ranch in Sierra Blanca was enhanced by the application of New York City sludge. Activists immediately blasted the conclusion.

"Texas Tech is just being an apologist for sludge dumping in West Texas," said Richard Boren of the International Environmental Alliance of the Bravo, a West Texas grass-roots organization formed to fight the project.

The six-year study of the effects of sludge on the arid grassland was made possible by a \$1.6 million grant from MERCO Joint Venture, which operates the sludge application project.

HOUSTON (AP) — Anti-abortion activists vow to appeal a court order establishing buffer zones around some clinics and doctors' homes and placing other restrictions on protests.

State District Judge Eileen O'Neill on Monday set buffer zones of up to 32 feet around nine Houston women's clinics.

Protestors must stay 13 feet away from five doctors' yards, and pickets are restricted to

only 45 minutes a day.

She said members of four protest groups may not picket within the zones, barricade or otherwise block clinic entrances or harass people entering or leaving the facilities. Violators can be fined up to \$500.

Jurors in O'Neill's court last May ordered the groups to pay Planned Parenthood of Houston and Southeast Texas \$1.01 million in punitive damages and

another \$204,000 in actual damages. Planned Parenthood, one of nine plaintiffs, was the only one to seek monetary damages.

At the time, O'Neill issued a temporary injunction establishing buffer zones until the U.S. Supreme Court ruled on buffer zones in a Florida case. The nation's highest court in June ruled that judges have the power to bar even peaceful demonstrators from getting too

close to abortion clinics.

Monday's 13-page order by O'Neill tailors the no-protest areas to each facility and makes them permanent. She also affirmed the jury's monetary award against Rescue America, Operation Rescue, Dallas Rescue and The Lambs of Christ.

Don Treshman, Rescue America's national director, called the order "an adverse ruling to constitutional rights. We're

trampling on the Constitution big-time in this court once again." He promised an appeal.

"Our attorneys have already worked out the game plan," Treshman said. "We were just waiting for this order to issue to that we can move to get this case before a court of more competent jurisdiction."

"This is not about freedom of speech or freedom of prayer," Ms. Nennery said.

## Witnesses: 20 cars involved in chase

HOUSTON (AP) — Witnesses say that as many as 20 Houston police vehicles were involved in a weekend chase from downtown Houston to Huntsville, not three as police reported, according to a published report.

"There were officers in all lanes, on the shoulder, driving very recklessly," Kit Perkins told the Houston Chronicle for its Tuesday editions.

Officers pursued a fleeing vehicle for 75 miles Saturday night before the chase ended near Huntsville.

Jose Angel Gabaldon was arrested near Huntsville and charged with driving while intoxicated and fleeing arrest. He was released from the Walker County Jail on Monday on \$5,000 bail.

Perkins says he and his wife counted 20 police cars in hot pursuit of a vehicle that police said ran red lights northbound on North Main Street, toward Interstate 45.

Perkins described the chase as "total chaos."

"People were trying to get out of the way, but there was no way to go because they (police) were in every lane," he said. "They almost hit me. It most definitely endangered the motoring public."

David Hoevelman said he was driving at about 75 mph when "15 to 20 Houston police cars and two Metro police cars with their lights on" passed him going "at least 85 mph."

Police officials declined comment on the complaints. The hourlong pursuit, which ended without injuries, occurred as the debate grows over the Houston Police Department's pursuit policy.

GRAPEVINE (AP) — Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport officials have won their six-year court battle with neighboring cities over construction of a new runway.

The U.S. Supreme Court declined Monday to review Grapevine's appeal of a court order to allow construction of a 9,800-foot north-south runway south of the city.

Grapevine officials said the air routes approaching the runway would bring hundreds of jets flying low each day over the

## I WANT THIS



Jake Wood, 4, plays with a toy train while his parents Christmas shop at Dallas' Galleria Mall Monday. The state's holiday sales are expected to rise 6 to 8 percent over last year, which was also a good year for retailers.

## Texas Southern U. tops in violent crime

HOUSTON (AP) — For the second year in a row, the Texas Southern University campus in Houston was the scene of more violent crimes than any other Texas campus, according to an FBI crime survey for 1993.

Texas Southern's campus police received 36 complaints of violent incidents in 1993, down from its state-leading total of 39 in 1992 but still above its previous two-year average of 20.

Violent crime includes aggravated assault, armed robbery, rape and murder. Texas campuses averaged four reported violent crimes last year.

Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos and the University of Texas at Austin ranked No. 2 and No. 3 in violent crimes on Texas campuses

in 1993. Prairie View A&M and the University of Houston were ranked second and third the year before.

Texas Southern's 39 incidents of violent crime — tied for the ninth most in the nation — included 25 aggravated assaults, 10 robberies and one rape. Prairie View had the most rapes in the state — five.

The FBI survey should that overall crime on Texas campuses remained relatively unchanged from 1992 to 1993.

The University of Texas at Austin and Texas A&M had the most property crime with 767 and 714 incidents, respectively. The University of Houston was third with 560, down from 716 reported in 1992.

Texas Southern officials

attributed their high numbers to the school's location in a high-crime neighborhood beset by drug trafficking and gang activity. They also said many of the all nations reported to police do not result in convictions.

Others warned not to read too much into the numbers.

State Rep. Wilhelmina Delco, D-Houston and a member of the House Higher Education committee, says Texas Southern might need a beefed-up police force, improved lighting or campus restrictions on non-student access.

Prairie View, located in a rural area about 40 miles northwest of Houston, attributed its improvement to a safety effort begun two years ago.

## D-FW Airport wins court battle over new runway

city center, about a mile north of the north end of the proposed runway.

Among the neighborhoods in the line of approach is Grapevine's historical district.

City officials contended the noise from the jets would damage the character of the district and force residents and businesses away from the area.

"We knew it was a long shot on whether the Supreme Court would hear us at all, but we wanted to play it out and exercise every remedy we had,"

Mayor William Tate said.

Airport officials hailed the justices decision to pass up the Grapevine appeal.

"From the beginning, we felt like we had met or exceeded all the laws and procedures set forth by the FAA (Federal Aviation Administration) and other

agencies," said Jeff Fegan, the airport executive director.

Some residents of the historical sector are anything but pleased, however.

Janie Jones and her husband, Dave Marshall, have been working for 10 years to restore a frame house dating back to 1888.

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## EDITORIAL

## Quote of the Day

"Government may not force a newspaper to print copy which, in its journalistic discretion, it chooses to leave on the newsroom floor."

Byron R. White, Supreme Court Justice, 1874

## Need a reason to buckle up? Life

They seem like such little things: a seatbelt, a child car seat or even an airbag. But these "little" items save lives, whether we like to use them or not.

You hear squealing brakes. Then comes a rending, tearing, crashing sound as metal collides with metal and glass explodes onto the street. That's a wreck. It's not pretty and often is deadly.

When you watch the Jaws of Life cut people out of their badly mangled cars, and they come out of these wrecks alive because of their seatbelts or a deployed airbag, you can understand why safety groups insisted these items

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be placed in cars.

There is not a reason on Earth that should keep you from buckling up. Your life, and the lives of those in the vehicle with you, should be more important than a wrinkled dress or a little discomfort.

Anyone who disagrees might want to stop and visit the graves of those who also felt seat belts, child safety seats and other precautions just weren't worth the trouble.

## Dahmer sane? Nah, that's crazy

This might be difficult, but try to imagine someone sincerely making this weird proposal to you.



Mike Royko  
Columnist

"I have an idea for what we can do tonight. Let's go find a stranger and murder him." Huh? "Yeah, then we'll chop up his body and cook



some of it. Maybe eat his heart."

Whaa? "Sure. And we can put the leftovers away in the freezer. How's about it?"

Assuming that you thought this person wasn't being humorous, how would you assess his mental stability? If you didn't spring away screaming, you would probably sputter, "You're crazy," or words to that effect.

But would your instant diagnosis be correct? I think so, and most people would agree that someone who would kill and eat people has serious mental problems. Or, in clinical terms, a real wacko.

Then you would be wrong. And that might be the most significant revelation to come out of the entire Jeffrey Dahmer case, besides his dining habits.

Jeffrey Dahmer was not insane. That's what the court said before sending him to prison for all those seemingly insane crimes.

Of course, his mental state seems irrelevant now that another prison inmate bashed him to death.

But it's always been difficult for me to accept that someone who kills and snacks on strangers (or close acquaintances, for that matter) could be diagnosed as anything but a complete loony.

What he did can't be compared to murders committed by, say, crime syndicate hit men. They are motivated by

business concerns and aren't much different than international arms merchants or munitions makers, although they get fewer invitations to society balls.

Gunmen like John Dillinger, Pretty Boy Floyd and the James boys might have lacked proper respect for authority but they were out for profit, as are respectable slum owners or those who sell cars with wheels that might fall off in the first pothole.

But Jeffrey Dahmer? What if he had walked into a psychiatrist's office and said: "I've been having the strangest urges."

"Such as?"

"Well, I want to go in bars, lure young men to my home, knock them out, drill holes in their heads, maybe have some really kinky erotic experiences, then chop them up and eat some of their body parts."

"And what do you do when you get these urges?"

"What do I do? I go out and do it. Care to join me for lunch?"

What would the shrink say? "Ah, yes, and have you tried Prozac?" Of course not. He would surely come to the same conclusion as any alert bartender: "Boy, this is some nut case."

Which just shows that those who make laws and practice that profession have different ideas on what is sane or insane.

If you went into any of the grand law offices in the towers of Chicago or New York and said: "I would like to sue the IBM company for millions of dollars because they said that a home computer was a snap to use and would simplify my life and make me happier, when all it did was confuse and frustrate me and give me red and itchy eyes and some kind of carpal syndromes. And since I am almost broke and my wife has left me for a non-nerd, I would like you to represent me for a fee of \$2.88, which is all I have to my name."

That lawyer would probably say, or at least think, "This must be some kind of loony." And if you didn't promptly leave and make room for someone who could pay \$200 an hour for wisdom, the security guards would be called and would toss you into the street.

Yet, people in that lawyer's profession can argue, with straight faces, that a person who eats parts of other human beings is not insane. And a judge will go along with the whimsy.

I've always thought of myself as being sane. At least most of the time. Or some of the time. All right, once in a while. So I'm slightly offended that someone like Dahmer is also considered sane. If we're both sane, what sets us apart -- a mere dietary dysfunction?

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## Letters to the Editor

## Road is wreck waiting to happen

Editor:  
I am writing this letter to our new Precinct 2 County Commissioner, Jerry Kilgore. I need your help!

We have lived at the end of Country Club Road (Is. Driver Rd) for six years. The farther you travel down this road, the more narrow it becomes. Once you pass Chaparral Road it becomes very narrow with no shoulder at all.

This is a highly traveled road. Any given day may have transports, school buses, delivery trucks, etc., not to mention the general public going to club functions or to play golf. This road has two-way traffic with places in the road barely large enough to handle cars, much less trucks or buses. This traffic is moving fast.

There are no stripes or reflectors of any kind in the

road to remind you that you have crossed the center. There are several hills where visibility is very difficult. In spite of this, there are still people who drive in the middle of the road, even going up a blind hill!

I witness this every week. I pray silently every time this happens that there is not someone coming up from the other side. If things are not changed, there will be a major accident on this road.

I am not blaming the people driving on this road. The road is so narrow and with no shoulder, it is easy to want to compensate by getting in the middle.

And, let's face it, we've all veered over when taking our mind off of our driving. But, on this road, it could be extremely serious.

I am, however, disgusted with the maintenance of this road (and I am sure there are some others, too). There are some remnants of old reflectors

(the kind that make your car "bump" when you cross them), but they are obviously worn-out and were covered up with asphalt years ago.

I am not asking for an "interstate highway." Quite the contrary, I am asking for a properly maintained country road that is safe and hazard-free for the taxpayers who drive on it. All we need are some stripes and/or reflectors that will help people stay on their side, and we don't even need them down the whole road, just in a few of the more dangerous areas.

I have asked for help from previous commissioners and the road and bridge department, but to no avail. I have many wonderful friends and family members who travel this road, and since I know you and your family also travel down this road, I am asking for your help. Please help make our road safer.

Delynda Reed  
Big Spring

## WORLD

## Mexico's leader vows overhaul

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Tackling one of the nation's most daunting challenges just days after his inauguration, President Ernesto Zedillo has proposed constitutional reforms to overhaul Mexico's notoriously corrupt and inefficient justice system.

The initiative, which was being sent to congress today and will require approval by both legislative chambers, is unprecedented in scope and constitutes the first major act of the six-year term he began Dec. 1.

Announcing his proposal late Monday in a televised address, Zedillo said he was "committed to leading an effort to strengthen Mexico as a nation of law." "This is a long process that has just begun and it will contribute to invigorating our democracy," he said.

The proposal calls for a complete overhaul of the police, new limits on Supreme Court and other judicial nominees, and creates a new agency to look into citizen complaints about prosecutors.

Zedillo appears to have taken on no small task.

"It has to be done," said independent political analyst Sergio Sarmiento. "Judicial reforms will be the most significant and

difficult challenge of this administration."

Public security has been deeply shaken by the killing of a Roman Catholic cardinal in May 1993 — blamed on drug traffickers — and kidnappings, gangland shootings, a New Year's rebel uprising, and two political assassinations this year.

"We Mexicans need, want, demand and merit an efficient system of justice," Zedillo said. "One of the greatest demands ... is the need for greater public security and protection of the citizenry."

Zedillo's initiative calls for a major reorganization of police forces, nationwide and top to bottom, to better fight crime, and proposes a way for state and city police to better coordinate with federal agencies.

"The police agencies will be obliged to undertake a profound transformation," Zedillo said.

The reforms would prohibit governors, cabinet ministers and other political appointees from seeking jobs in the judiciary immediately after leaving office — a time-honored tradition in Mexico.

Zedillo also wants to reduce the Supreme Court to 11 members serving 15-year terms,

instead of the current 26 who serve until age 70.

Appointments to the Supreme Court and the post of federal attorney general would require Senate confirmation in open hearings.

Prior to those hearings, a council of leading citizens would vet all nominees, examining their credentials and records. "This council would guarantee that judges and magistrates are chosen according to the standards of excellence of their profession," Zedillo said.

Political ties, not qualifications, had often determined earlier appointments.

The proposal also sets up a special prosecutor's office to hear complaints from citizens about abuses or other misdeeds by prosecutors, either through negligence or corruption.

Mexicans have long complained that suspects are often tortured or pressured into confessing, sometimes to nonexistent crimes.

Zedillo planned a private lunch today with all 500 members of the Chamber of Deputies, so he and the four parties in the house could exchange ideas freely. No other president before him hobbled with congressmen in this fashion.

## EXTRA! EXTRA!



A motorist, stopped for a traffic light, checks out the latest issue of the Moskovsky Komsomolets newspaper sold by young street vendors in Moscow. Moskovsky Komsomolets, Russia's most widely read daily newspaper, does not just entertain or shock but rather investigates and is not afraid to take on the high and mighty, right up to President Boris Yeltsin and Defense Minister Pavel Grachev.

## Serbs retain hold over peacekeepers

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Refusing to cancel their insurance policy against further NATO bombings, Serbs kept tight hold over 349 U.N. peacekeepers today despite earlier pledges to set them free.

The U.N. commander in Bosnia, Lt. Gen. Sir Michael Rose, tried again to secure their release when he met Monday night with the Bosnian Serb deputy chief of staff, Lt. Gen. Milan Gvero.

But a Bosnian Serb demand that NATO promise no air strikes against Serb positions is "completely unacceptable," a U.N. spokeswoman said today.

"We do not do deals over the lives and welfare of our peacekeepers on the ground," spokeswoman Claire Grimes said in Zagreb, Croatia.

On Sunday the Serbs released 53 Dutch and British peacekeepers accompanying military supply convoys for the Muslim-held towns of Srebrenica and Gorazde. But they have reneged on a promise by their leader, Radovan Karadzic, to release all the peacekeepers detained after NATO air strikes two weeks ago.

U.N. officials were also waiting to see whether the Serbs would make good on their pledge to let two civilian aid convoys pass through their territory today, en route to Srebrenica and Gorazde. Earlier Monday, the chief

U.N. political spokesman in Sarajevo harshly condemned the Serbs for detaining the U.N. soldiers and warned that food was running desperately short in government-held enclaves.

Thant Myint-U accused the Bosnian Serbs of "a deliberately designed, carefully calculated insult against the United Nations, which can only be allowed to pass at great cost."

In Sarajevo, where an airlift has been suspended since the NATO airstrikes, UNHCR food stockpiles will probably run out Dec. 14, said Kris Janowski, the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees spokesman.

The picture was worse elsewhere, particularly for the 472,000 mostly Muslim civilians in the isolated eastern enclaves of Srebrenica, Gorazde and Zepa.

"The situation seems to be more stuck, and much less workable, than during any other crisis in the past," Janowski said.

On the front lines, increased fighting was reported around the northwestern enclave of Bihac, whose civilians are also suffering food shortages, and in Velika Kladusa, a government-held town just north of Bihac.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

## Israeli leaders blame Syria for deadlock

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israeli leaders blamed Syria today for the deadlock in peace talks, saying they had little hope the latest trip by the U.S. secretary of state would produce a breakthrough.

Secretary of State Warren Christopher, who has made repeated trips to the region this year, shuttles between Syria and Israel for three days starting today in another bid to break the impasse.

Syria has demanded that Israel first declare its willingness to withdraw from all of the Golan Heights before talks can begin on security arrangements and the future of relations between the two countries.

Israel wants a package deal, with all components being negotiated at once. Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin has offered a minimal withdrawal from the Golan, followed by a three-year trial period for peace and then withdrawal to the final line to be determined in negotiations.

## Efforts to form Irish government collapse

DUBLIN, Ireland (AP) — Efforts collapsed today to form a new government to replace the Fianna Fail-Labor Party coalition that came apart last month.

Dick Spring, who precipitated the Nov. 16 crisis when he led his Labor Party out of former Prime Minister Albert Reynolds' administration, withdrew from talks today with the new Fianna Fail leader, Bertie Ahern.

Ahern, 43, took the helm of Ireland's largest party on Nov. 19.

Spring claims Reynolds had misled lawmakers about his government's failure to extradite to Northern Ireland a child-molesting Catholic priest. Spring said today he quit the talks with Ahern because he is still dissatisfied with explanations about the extradition affair.

## Oil discovered under Windsor Castle

LONDON (AP) — It only happens to the rich.

Pressured to reduce their public role and cut costs, Britain's royals have been under a dark cloud lately. But now there's a silver lining: Oil has been discovered under Windsor Castle, the queen's weekend place.

Seismic studies indicate a small oil field 1,000 feet beneath the 900-year-old castle 20 miles west of the capital. The queen has given Canuk Exploration Ltd. permission to sink a well in her garden to test reserves.

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NEWS IN  
BRIEF

Third of adults  
are still too fat

WASHINGTON (AP) — Americans spend more than \$33 billion a year to lose weight and yet a third of adults are still too fat, according to scientists who say the weight-loss industry needs to shape up.

The scientists, who have produced new guidelines on safe and effective dieting, are urging the industry to disclose the true effectiveness of everything from diet guidebooks to Jenny Craig programs.

"The current system is chaos," said Dr. Arthur Frank of George Washington University, co-author of the guidelines. "None of these programs gives any information."

The Institute of Medicine, an arm of the National Academy of Sciences, assembled a panel of experts to study obesity. The conclusion: 35 percent of women and 31 percent of men are obese, despite spending over \$33 billion a year on weight-loss products and programs.

Would chemicals  
deter smokers?

BETHESDA, Md. (AP) — Would smokers still light up a cigarette if the label said it contained high levels of hydrogen cyanide, formaldehyde and benzene?

A scientist is willing to bet that smokers would take a long look at their cigarettes if the packages warned of those contents — just as many Americans today stop to read the fat content of food they buy.

"Just as putting saturated fat (content) on cereals is an incentive to some manufacturers to try to lower it, ... this could be a basis for further competition for cigarettes," Dr. Jeffrey Harris of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, said Monday.

Harris presented a mock cigarette label to a panel deliberating whether smokers are being deceived by the measurements of tar and nicotine printed on cigarette packages that imply some brands are healthier than others.

How much extra  
has been paid?

SALEM, Va. (AP) — John Hale Sr. thought his medical bills for minor surgery were a bit too major. But they seemed to be written in some indecipherable code, so he grumbled, shook his head and paid up.

"I can't sit down and read those things," Hale said. Then he heard about Pat Palmer, a Salem woman who makes medical bill blunders her business.

With Palmer's help, Hale, a diesel engine mechanic from Salem, received a refund check of more than \$600 on bills during the past two years. He was surprised — and upset. "It makes me wonder, in the 30 years I've been paying insurance, how much extra money I've paid."

During the past three months, Palmer has obtained \$15,000 in refunds for 22 clients. Only two were correctly billed, she said.

"People are paying thousands of dollars out of their own pockets that they shouldn't be paying," Palmer said.

Palmer's company, Medical Recovery Service, takes 50 percent of each refund as its fee, but collects nothing if she doesn't find errors and get her client a check from a medical provider or insurance company.

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Bentsen's expected  
replacement popular  
man on Wall Street

WASHINGTON (AP) — Treasury Secretary Lloyd Bentsen is planning to resign early next year to return to Texas, administration officials said Monday. The Cabinet departure would cost President Clinton one of his most respected policy-makers.

Robert Rubin, who has headed the president's National Economic Council for two years, is widely believed to be in line for Bentsen's job.

An announcement of Bentsen's resignation could come as early as Tuesday, one administration official said. Plans also were afoot, although they were less definite, to simultaneously announce Clinton's choice of Rubin as Bentsen's replacement, the official said, speaking on the condition of anonymity.

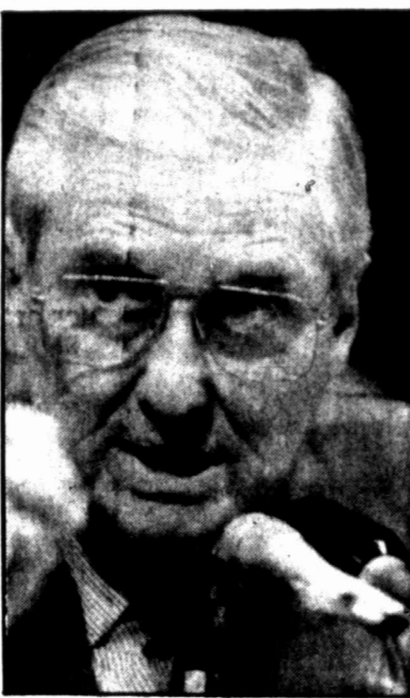
The administration officials, who all spoke on condition that their names not be used, said that Bentsen has long wanted to return to Texas and believed that now was a good time given that Congress has finally passed the world trade agreement, the last unfinished economic business from Clinton's first two years in office.

These officials said that while Bentsen and Clinton have discussed Bentsen's desire to leave the Cabinet, no formal resignation letter had been submitted as of Monday afternoon.

Speaking on Monday at the National Press Club, Bentsen sought to make light of the resignation rumors although he did not deny them.

"Paraphrasing Mark Twain, the news is premature. I will let you know," he promised the room full of journalists. "You will be among the first to know when it is news."

Rumors of Bentsen's imminent departure have swirled around Washington ever since he purchased a townhouse in



LLOYD BENTSEN

Houston earlier this year for more than \$1 million.

When he does leave the Cabinet, Bentsen, 73, said he doesn't plan to retire. "I think you rust out before you wear out," he said.

Associates expect Bentsen, who made millions of dollars in insurance before he beat George Bush for a U.S. Senate seat in 1970, will become active in business again, possibly with his son.

The administration has so far floated only one name as a possible successor to Bentsen — Rubin, a multimillionaire who resigned as chairman of Goldman, Sachs & Co., the giant Wall Street investment firm, to become head of Clinton's National Economic Council.

Rubin, 57, who spent nearly three decades at Goldman Sachs, is well regarded on Wall Street and has also won praise for his ability to coordinate economic policy inside the administration.

Gingrich tells White House to get used to harsh tone

WASHINGTON (AP) — White House officials don't like Rep. Newt Gingrich's remarks about drug use by aides to President Clinton. But the incoming House speaker and his Republican team have a message for them: Get used to it.

The Georgia Republican defended his earlier accusation that up to one-fourth of the White House staff had used

drugs in the four or five years before joining the staff, saying Monday that hardball politics is a solid American tradition.

"I'm a historian," he told reporters Monday. "Jefferson and Hamilton each subsidized papers to smear the other. Trying to lead America has always been a tough business and even Washington occasionally got hit."

Fox: NBC challenge is sabotage

WASHINGTON (AP) — Fox Inc. says NBC's recent challenge of its ownership is simply an effort to sabotage a growing competitor.

NBC is "trying to ensnare Fox in a large — perhaps fatal — administrative quagmire in order to bring Fox's continued growth and competition to a halt," the emerging network told the Federal Communications Commission on Monday, responding to an NBC petition filed Nov. 30.

NBC senior vice president and

general counsel Richard Cotton dismissed Fox's contention. "The Fox response doesn't change the point of view we've been trying to make to the commission: that the ownership of Fox stations violates FCC foreign ownership rules," he said in a telephone interview.

"Two people can play hardball," Fox Chairman Rupert Murdoch told The New York Times. "If they want a brawl, they can have one," he told The Washington Post.



Dr. Steven Weinstein holds an Old English sheepdog with its stomach exposed to the cameras in the Howard Beach section of Queens in New York Monday. The dog was shipped as cargo from Colombia to Kennedy Airport with 10 cocaine-filled condoms that had been surgically implanted in her abdomen, federal officials said.

Cocaine mule looks  
like a dog this time

NEW YORK (AP) — For years, smugglers known as mules have been bringing drugs into the United States by swallowing condoms packed with cocaine. This time, the mule was a dog.

Customs agents found 10 cocaine-filled condoms sewn into the belly of a sheepdog that arrived emaciated and lethargic aboard a plane from Colombia.

"It was not our most common procedure," said veterinarian Steven Weinstein, who operated on the dog he calls "Coca Cola." She's perked up considerably since the five pounds of cocaine were removed from her innards and will probably be put up for adoption, though she could join

Customs' canine squad and search international shipments for drugs, Customs Service spokeswoman Janet Rapaport said Monday.

The 4-year-old dog, shipped as cargo on Avianca Flight 020 from Bogota, arrived Thursday. Agents suspicious of the shaggy dog's appearance ordered an X-ray.

It appeared the condoms had been surgically implanted more than two weeks before the flight, Customs said. They caused an infection that kept the dog from eating, Weinstein said.

Senators  
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cut B-2  
funding

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. John McCain and John Warner want to cut funds for the B-2 bomber, restrict expansion of the national guard and reserves and go after some military construction projects so other defense spending can be increased.

Among other things, the proposals outlined Monday by the newly powerful Republican members of the Armed Services Committee would cut spending designed only to keep certain weapons producers from closing, reduce the number of defense department executive jets, trim \$1.5 billion in defense conversion funding, and do away with such projects as a wild horse roundup at the White Sands, N.M., missile range and improvement of Mississippi river charts.

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Sen. John McCain

High on their cut list is a \$125 million appropriation approved earlier this year to study whether the Pentagon should buy more B-2 Stealth bombers.

"The American people want a strong defense," said Warner, of Virginia. "They think that when Congress and the president appropriate funds for defense it's for defense, not for wild horses and other things."

The proposal is the latest Republican effort to portray President Clinton as too willing to trim military spending and to tolerate a Pentagon budget bloated with non-defense pork.

McCain, from Arizona, said the military is showing signs that its readiness for battle is declining under the financial strain. "We are completely and totally unready and something needs to be done about it," McCain said.

McCain added that Congress — particularly its Appropriations Committees — must bear a portion of the blame for adding spending for pet local projects to please constituents.



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

## Strong field featured at Rotary tournament

By DAVE HARGRAVE  
Sports Editor

The Big Spring boys' basketball team used a tournament to break into the win column last weekend. Now it can do the same in front of the home folks.

Big Spring (2-7) hosts the second-annual Greater Big Spring Rotary Tournament Thursday through Saturday at Steer Gym. The Steers have plenty of scores to settle: four teams in the eight-team field have already defeated the Steers this season, and in 1993 the Steers were 0-3 in the tournament's debut.

"At Frenship, we got our first two wins, of course, and that always helps," said Big Spring coach Gary Tipton. "Saturday, we got beat by a good Slaton, and got beat pretty convincingly, but about an hour and 45 minutes later we played again, against a really good Odessa team. We got beat, but I was really pleased with the way the kids rebounded and really gave a great effort in that last ball game."

Big Spring beat Littlefield Thursday in the opening game of Frenship's Cotton Pickin' Classic, then blasted Sonora 81-39 Friday before falling to Slaton (72-45) and Odessa (84-73). Big Spring finished fourth out of 12 teams, and guard Aaron Bellinghausen played his best ball of the young season, including an 18-point effort against Sonora. Post player Chris Wollenzien scored 11 in

### GREATER BIG SPRING ROTARY TOURNAMENT

#### Thursday

(all times p.m.)  
Gm. 1 - Odessa vs. Merkel, 4.  
Gm. 2 - Socorro vs. Snyder, 5:30.  
Gm. 3 - Andress vs. Lamesa, 7.  
Gm. 4 - Caprock vs. BSHS, 8:30.

#### Friday

(all times p.m.)  
Loser Gm. 1 vs. Loser Gm. 3, 4.  
Loser Gm. 2 vs. Loser Gm. 4, 5:30.  
Winner Gm. 1 vs. Winner Gm. 3, 7.  
Winner Gm. 2 vs. Winner Gm. 4, 8:30.

\*Big Spring will play at 8:30, win or lose Thursday. Caprock will play at 5:30.

#### Saturday

\*Seventh-place game, 11 a.m.  
\*Consolation final, 12:30 p.m.  
\*Third-place game, 2 p.m.  
Championship, 3:30 p.m.

\*Big Spring will play at 2 p.m. unless it reaches the championship game.

in the field, and those four teams have each handed the Steers a loss. The other three visitors to Steer Gym will be El Paso Andress, El Paso Socorro and Amarillo Caprock - the Steers' first-round opponent Thursday at 8:30 p.m.

El Paso Andress, a Class 5A playoff team last season, and Snyder have been added to the field, which had only six teams last season. Caprock replaces Amarillo Palo Duro - last season's Rotary Tournament champions - and El Paso Socorro replaces El Paso Montwood. Odessa, Merkel and Lamesa played in the tournament in '93.

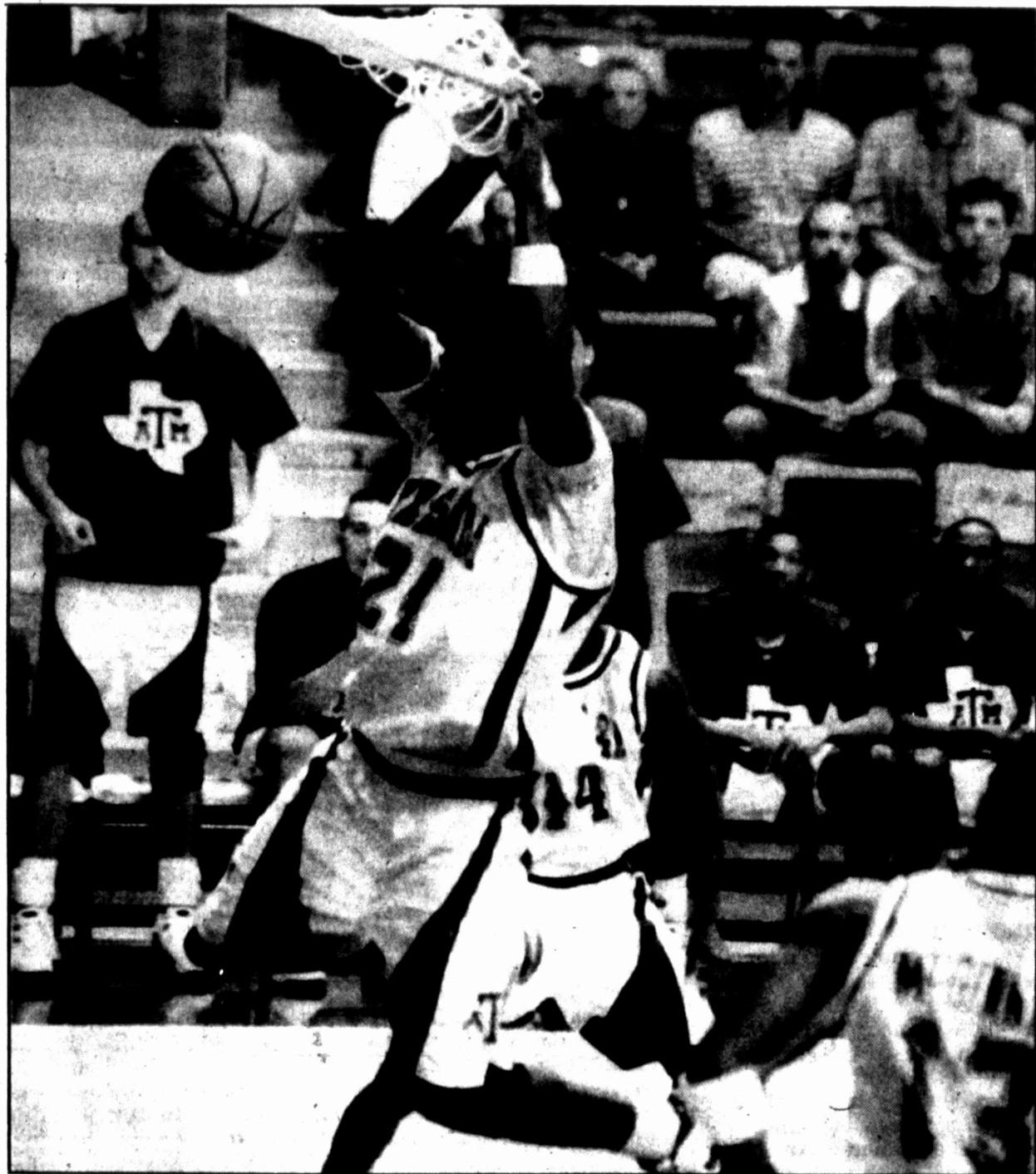
Other changes? "One thing I really felt like we needed, and what some members of the Rotary Club thought, we wanted a high level of officiating in our tournament, so we'll have three-man officiating crews," Tipton said. "It costs more, but we'll have really good, quality officials. They'll be upper-level officials that call juco ball."

Big Spring will play Thursday and Friday at 8:30 p.m., whether it wins or loses Thursday. Saturday, Big Spring will play at 2 p.m. unless it reaches the championship game, which is slated for 3:30 p.m.

Four games will be played each day at the tournament, hosted by the Greater Big Spring Rotary Club. The action starts at 4 p.m. Thursday and Please see **TOURNEY**, page 7A

that win. The Steers have a chore ahead if they are to win the Rotary Tournament. Odessa, Merkel, Lamesa and Snyder are

### AGGIES SLAM SWL



Texas A&M's Joe Wilbert slams two points during the second half of the Aggies' game with Southwestern Louisiana Monday night in College Station. A&M beat SWL 76-69. Associated Press photo

## SPORTS IN BRIEF

### Coahoma boosters to decorate gymnasium

The Coahoma Athletic Booster Club will be meeting Wednesday at 8 p.m. to redecorate the elementary gymnasium for upcoming games.

### Big Spring freshmen play Coahoma Saturday

The Big Spring freshman boys' basketball team will play at Coahoma Saturday at 10 a.m.

The Steers are coming off a big win at Sweetwater. The 'A' team won 63-43 Nov. 28. Greg Wollenzien poured in 21 points, while Steven Dickson scored 11. Jason Brock added 10.

The 'B' team lost that night, 57-31. C.J. Ashley scored 12 for the Steers.

### Hunter education class slated for Dec. 17-18

A course in hunter education has been scheduled for Dec. 17-18 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce.

According to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, if you were born on or after Sept. 2, 1971 and you are 17 or older, you must successfully complete a hunter education course to hunt in Texas. However, anyone may take the course, and all are encouraged to attend regardless of requirements.

### 'EXCEPTIONAL' COWBOYS



Bullfighter Joe Baumgartner gives Nick a ride around the barrels during the Exceptional Rodeo event at the National Finals Rodeo Monday. The event pairs rodeo cowboys with children who have special needs in a modified rodeo performance.

## National championship race simplified, but it's still stupid

Be thankful for the Florida Gators, and Alabama coach Gene Stallings.

Florida beat Alabama 24-23 in the SEC championship game Saturday, thanks in part to Stallings' curious decision to kick an extra point for a 23-17 lead rather than go for two.

Why be thankful? The 'Bama loss rolls the Tide out of national championship consideration, leaving us with a two-team race - Penn State vs. Nebraska.

Penn State vs. Nebraska - that has a nice ring to it!

Too bad they won't play each other.

Bowl alliances could make national championship games feasible in the future, but alliances are worthless when more than two teams are in the hunt for the title, which would have been the case if 'Bama would have beaten Florida. In fact, had 'Bama finished the season undefeated, it would have deserved the national title. Sorry, Penn State and Nebraska, but 'Bama plays in

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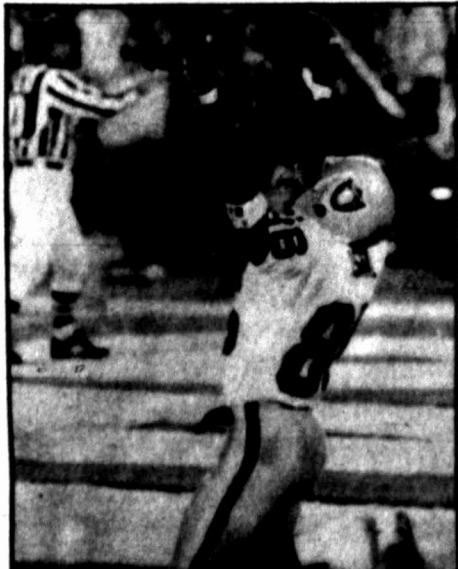
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## BOTTOM OF THE ORDER

### SHOT OF THE DAY



### Giving thanks

Los Angeles receiver Raghib Ismail celebrates his touchdown reception during the second quarter of Monday's game between the Raiders and San Diego. The Raiders won, 24, 17.

### TEXAS SPORTS

#### Sullivan interviews

FORT WORTH (AP) — Texas Christian University head football coach Pat Sullivan is scheduled to be interviewed today for the second time by Louisiana State University officials who are seeking a head coach.

Sullivan told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram Monday his second interview will take place in Baton Rouge, La. Sullivan met last Friday in Atlanta with LSU athletic director Joe Dean for more than three hours.

A source who spoke to Dean on Monday said that LSU officials have learned that Kansas State coach Bill Snyder has removed himself from consideration.

Sullivan is expected to meet with LSU Chancellor Bud Davis, President Allen Copping, Dean and others during his visit to the campus.

### NATION/WORLD

#### Barker honored

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Jay Barker, who has led Alabama to an 11-1 record and is the leading passer in school history, was honored with the Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award as the nation's top senior quarterback.

#### Elway to play

DENVER (AP) — John Elway's left knee injury isn't as serious as first thought, and the Denver quarterback intends to play Sunday against the Los Angeles Raiders.

Doctors said Elway strained a muscle and mildly stretched ligaments on a run late in the Broncos' 20-17 overtime victory at Kansas City on Sunday.

### ON THE AIR

#### Basketball

College  
George Washington vs. Duke, 6:30 p.m., ESPN (ch. 30).  
Florida State vs. Arizona, 8:30 p.m., ESPN.

NBA  
Houston vs. Seattle, 7 p.m., TNT (ch. 28).

Boxing  
Jimmy Thunder vs. Tony Tubbs, IBO heavyweight championship, 8 p.m., USA (ch. 38).

### BASKETBALL

#### Weekend Box Scores

Location	Class	Score
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Friday		
Girls		
Rankin	13	13
Forsan	12	16
Leading Scorers - Rankin		
19: Forsan: L. Light 20		
Garden City	10	12
Stanton JV	4	10
Leading Scorers - Garden City		
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Sterling City	22	14
Stanton JV	4	10
Leading Scorers - Sterling City		
Pohl 12; Stanton JV: Sims		
Mid. Christian	2	11
Grady	9	13
Leading Scorers - Mid. Christian		
Hutton 8; Grady: Madison		
Boys		
Sterling City	15	13
Rankin	14	19
Leading Scorers - Rankin		
29		
Grady	14	17
Stanton	14	20
Leading Scorers - Grady		
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Stanton: Marquez 14		
Forsan	10	18
Sands	17	13
Leading Scorers - Forsan		
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Mid. Christian	12	16
Garden City	2	8
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Saturday		

## Late Raid

SAN DIEGO (AP) — The Los Angeles Chargers well in the four good thing, because son was riding. Jeff Hostetler down pass to midway through period gave the victory over Chargers on keeping the entrenched in the. Things looked the Chargers entered the fourth 14-all. After all, been outscored four periods 12 games. The Chargers missed a chance second AFC onship in three raucous crowd largest ever at Stadium. "To win in Dly important," Art Shell said play in a char for the last for We want to go! A loss might

## Tournament

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Table of basketball scores for various teams including NAIA Division II, All Times EST, and First Round.

Table of basketball scores for various teams including Quarterfinals, Semifinals, and Finals.

TRANSACTIONS

Transactions section listing various sports-related news items and transfers.

Late touchdown pass keeps Raiders in NFL playoff hunt

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Finally, the Los Angeles Raiders played well in the fourth quarter. It's a good thing, because their season was riding on it. Jeff Hostetler's 6-yard touchdown pass to Rocket Ismail midway through the fourth period gave the Raiders a 24-17 victory over the San Diego Chargers on Monday night, keeping them solidly entrenched in the playoff race.

National Finals Rodeo Mortensen riding away with title

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Defending saddle bronc champion Dan Mortensen continued to dominate his event Monday night at the National Finals Rodeo with an 86 on a rank mare named Copenhagen Blue Jeans. Mortensen has compiled \$207,750 at the Thomas & Mack Center to run his season earnings to \$126,350, a whopping \$50,682 ahead of second-place Robert Etbauer, of Goodwell, Okla., a former world champion. That lead is even bigger because Mortensen is leading the race for the bonus average money, worth \$27,557.

Tourney

Continued from page 6A Friday and 11 a.m. Saturday. Passes for the entire tournament are available at the door—\$5 for adults, \$3 for students. Tickets good for one day (4 games) are \$4 for adults, \$2 for students, and single-game passes for \$3 for adults, \$1 for students.

Jackson threatens boycott

BOULDER, Colo. (AP) — The Rev. Jesse Jackson is threatening to drum up a boycott of the University of Colorado for what he calls "a blatant example of racism" in hiring Rick Neuheisel as head football coach over assistant head coach Bob Simmons.

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### HOROSCOPE

FOR WEDNESDAY,  
DEC. 7, 1994

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Aim high. Focus on what's important and what you need. A positive approach gets you far. Friends join in and play a significant role today. Ask for more of what you want out of life. The goodies do count. Tonight: Hang with the group. \*\*\*\*\*

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): It is important to understand your limits and desires. Dig into solutions, and find answers to partnership matters. Associates help you look at things in new ways. There are solutions, but you must find them. Tonight: Play your favorite game with a friend. \*\*\*\*\*

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): You find a solution to a problem once you detach yourself from your feelings. Info from a distance may cause a change in plans. Be positive about what is being offered. Visualize the future in making your decision. Spread your word. Tonight: Plan a mini-escape. \*\*\*\*\*

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22): Tie up matters that involve money and partnership. You and an associate can get far in deciding things today. There is positive energy and a nurturing atmosphere. Trust your judgment. Make time for a key discussion. Tonight: Be with the one you love. \*\*\*\*\*

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): Defer to another, and make important decisions. Be clear about your priorities. Answer questions, and don't avoid the real issue. Your magnetism helps revive a relationship. Others are turned on by your pursuit. Tonight: Could be wild. \*\*\*\*\*

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): It is important to stay centered on priorities. Your clarity dealing with others is critical. You accomplish a lot because you are coming from strong foundations and making appropriate decisions. Be aware of your bottom lines and choices. Tonight: Be happy. \*\*\*\*\*

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Flirting could get out of control. You are well versed about what's important and what you need. Listen to what's happening, and make a decision carefully. You feel better and make headway. Tonight: Pretend it's Friday. \*\*\*\*\*

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Move with a solid decision. Be upbeat and creative about what you want. Listen to your instincts, and follow through. Be aware of your choices. It is important for you to accept responsibility and get ahead. Tonight: Make a must appearance. \*\*\*\*\*

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): An important conversation opens you up to change. Be ready to chat through a problem. Be clear about your problems and their solutions. Listen to instincts, and be more open. Communications are active. Tonight: Be careful what you say and where you go. \*\*\*\*\*

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Spending could be excessive. You have a need to overdo and indulge. Instead, listen to your instincts about a problem. You feel good in the presence of another. Trust your judgment of what's going on. Be clear about what you want. Tonight: Don't overstep. \*\*\*\*\*

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Aim high. Your spirit soars. Good communications surround you. You are better off, and you examine situations positively. Be clear about what you want. Understanding your choices. Your personality melts barriers. Now go for it. Tonight: Have fun. \*\*\*\*\*

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): You are full of ideas. Take time off today from the grind and reflect on changes. Center on what's important, what you want and where you are heading. The creative energy around you is important. Your instincts are keen. Tonight: Vanish. Take a night off. \*\*\*\*\*

**IF DEC. 7 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY:** This could be an extraordinary year. You start a new luck cycle, and you create better communications and greater happiness. This is an upbeat time. You progress and get more of what you want in daily life. If you are single, you meet people easily, communicate well and could find the relationship of your life this year. If attached, communications excel, you feel good in the presence of another and you make important decisions. Be aware of all of your choices. **AQUARIUS** sharpens your mind.

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### Grandparents' best gift is time

DEAR ABBY: I am the mother of two small boys, and with the holidays rapidly approaching, I'd like to address an open letter to my parents and my husband's parents. I doubt that I'm the only mom who feels this way. Christmas will be here before you know it, and if I may, I'd like to make a suggestion. Before you go out shopping for your grandchildren, I know of one gift you could give the entire family—including yourselves: TIME! Our children are lucky to have four grandparents nearby, and I can't think of anything you could give them that would be more important.

To my mom: I know you really can't afford to buy the boys anything, and that's OK. But you could at least make an effort to drive over once in a while, or even call them just to say hello.

To my dad: I know you're busy, but won't you please try to remember their birthdays with a card, a phone call or a visit?

To my in-laws: I know you've raised your children, but please don't think of time spent with your grandchildren as a chore.

All four of you live within a few minutes' drive, yet we seldom see you. You don't need an invitation to come to our place. Stop over and play a game, read a story to your grandsons, or ask them how their day went. Forge a relationship with them now, and they'll remember you when they grow up. Please don't wait until they're teenagers, and then wonder why they hardly know you.

This year, give your grandsons the gift of yourselves. It's all they really need.

Thanks, Abby. I'm not bitter, just...DISAPPOINTED IN CINCINNATI

DEAR DISAPPOINTED: Now, it's my turn to thank you. I'm sure many people will relate to the message in your letter. Grandparents, building a close relationship with your grandchildren can be very rewarding. Trust me!

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How can I redeem myself with my children and improve my relationship with my wife? — REPENTING IN SOUTH CAROLINA

DEAR REPENTING: It was a dreadful mistake to try to punish your wife by dragging the skeleton out of her closet in full view of your children.

First, to redeem yourself, apologize to your wife in the presence of the children for trying to turn them against her. Next, apologize to your children for trying to poison their minds against their mother.

Then quit beating yourself up. And if you aren't able to shake the guilt that continues to torment you, please consider professional counseling.

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(1) Parts of Lots 7, 8, and 9, Block 12, Bauer Addition, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, also known as 801, 803 and 805 Lamesa Drive, Big Spring, Texas, together with all improvements, appurtenances and furnishings, including restaurant equipment, supplies and inventory pertaining thereto.

(2) The South 80 feet of Lots 1 and 2, the North 80 feet of Lots 1 and 2, the East Half of Lot 3, and all of Lot 4, and all of Lot 5, all in Block 106, Original Town of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas. Together with all improvements, appurtenances, and furnishings, including all restaurant equipment, supplies and inventory pertaining thereto.

You are further notified that on the 3rd day of January, 1995, being the first Tuesday said month, beginning at 10 o'clock a.m. on the said day, at the courthouse door of said county, all the right, title, and interest of said David Gomez in and to the above described property will be offered for sale and sold at public auction, for cash.

Witness my hand this 2nd day of December, 1994.  
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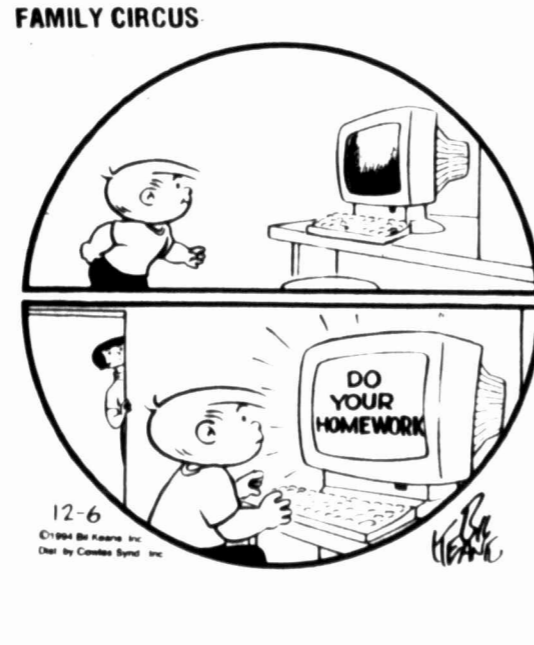
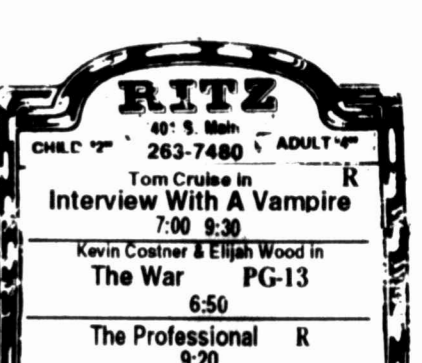




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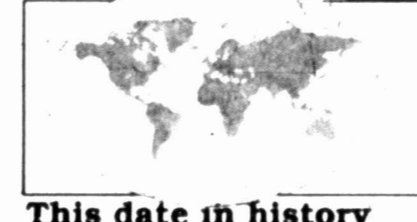
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RITZ and CINEMARK THEATRES listings. RITZ shows Tom Cruise in 'Interview With a Vampire'. CINEMARK shows 'THE SANTA CLAUSE'.

THE Daily Crossword by Betty Jorgensen

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down. Includes a 'Monday's Puzzle solved' section with a grid and answers.



This date in history

Today is Tuesday, Dec. 6, the 340th day of 1994. There are 25 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On Dec. 6, 1889, Jefferson Davis, the first and only president of the Confederate States of America, died in New Orleans.

fax, Nova Scotia, setting off an explosion that devastated the city. In 1921, an Anglo-Irish treaty was signed in London, providing for creation of the Irish Free State.

Speedway in Livermore, Calif., was marred by the deaths of four people, including one who was stabbed by a Hell's Angel. In 1973, House Minority Leader Gerald R. Ford was sworn in as vice president, succeeding Spiro T. Agnew.

Big Spring Herald advertisement. Includes contact information: (915) 263-7331, Fax #915-264-7205. Lists staff members like Charles C. Williams, Publisher, and Ken Dulaney, Managing Editor.

Advertisement for 'THE FAR SIDE' comic strip by Gary Larson. Features a drawing of a man on a tall structure and the text: 'You ever get that urge, Frank? It begins with looking down 600-800 stories up, thinking about the meaninglessness of life, listening to dark voices deep inside you, and you think, 'Should I? ... Should I? ... Should I push someone off?''