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Second rabies clinic attracts 200 pet owners

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

More than 200 animals were vaccinated at a second rabies clinic at the north barn at the Howard County Fairgrounds Saturday.

Because of the recent statewide rabies quarantine imposed in Texas, pet owners are still being encouraged to have their animals vaccinated against the disease as soon as possible.

The quarantine is being enforced in Howard County by the Animal Control Department and the Animal Control Advisory Committee. If an animal is picked up and its owner is unable to show proof the animal has been vaccinated, it will not be released.

That statement has several people confused about what will happen to unvaccinated animals that are picked up.

Animals will not be released without proof of vaccination, but the Animal Control Department has said that its department will take an animal to a vet to be vaccinated if an owner proves ownership of the animal.

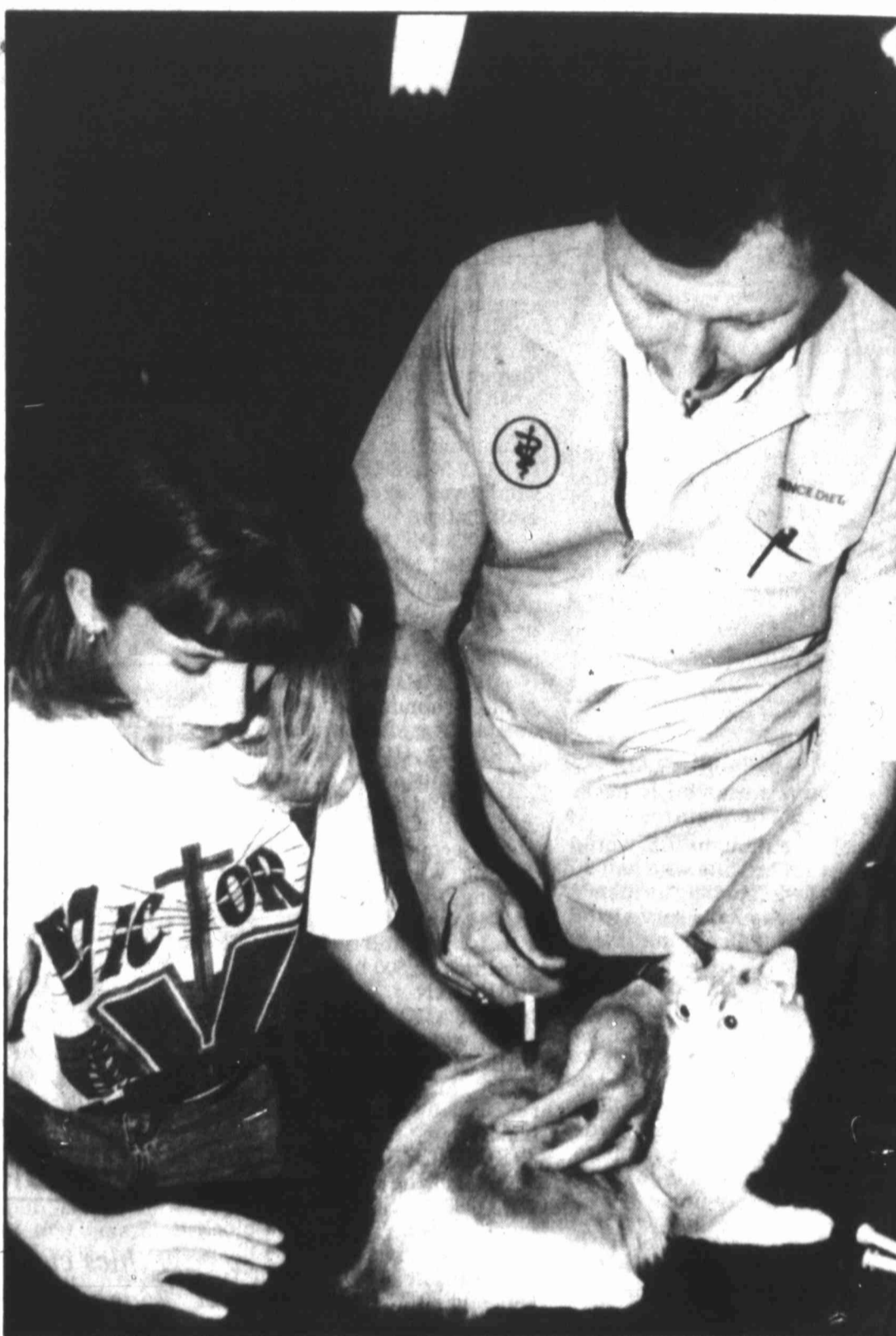
According to Lt. Terry Chamness of Big Spring's Animal Control Department, the department has to have some kind of history on animals they pick up and the "no adoption" policy during the statewide quarantine is a precautionary measure to keep the disease, a virus, from spreading to domestic animals.

At a recent seminar Jeff Sanders, zoonosis control specialist for Public Health Regions 9 and 10 out of San Angelo, told local animal control officials and pet owners an animal can be exposed to rabies but not develop the disease for 12 to 18 months after being exposed.

Chamness said 12 to 18 months is probably closer to the maximum incubation period for the disease, but nine months is about the average time it takes signs of rabies to show up. He added usually signs show up in three to four months, but that itself is not a set guarantee.

Locally, two rabid foxes have been discovered in Howard County and a rabid cow discovered in

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Big Spring veterinarian Dr. Scott Burt gives a rabies shot to a cat while daughter Callie Burt gives a helping hand during Saturday's rabies clinic at the Howard County Fairgrounds. This was the second week the clinic was conducted to give pet owners a chance to have pets vaccinated.

Security expo offers auto theft protection program

By KELLIE JONES
Staff Writer

Auto thefts were down in Big Spring last year compared to 1993 but law enforcement officials are wanting to reduce the numbers even more.

Help End Auto Theft (HEAT) is a program started by the Department of Public Safety and its popularity is spreading across the state.

Local residents will have a chance to register their vehicles in the program Feb. 11 at the Big Spring Mall as part of a security expo sponsored by the mall, Big Spring Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association, LeClair and Associates, Optimist Club, Cellular One and the Big Spring Police Department.

When a person registers their vehicle in the HEAT program, a sticker is placed either on the

front windshield or back bumper. The stickers allow law enforcement officials to stop a vehicle to check and see if it is stolen.

One sticker allows an officer to stop the vehicle if it is occupied on streets anywhere in Texas between 1 a.m. and 5 p.m. The other sticker allows an officer to stop the vehicle whenever it crosses or is about to cross the border into Mexico directly from Texas 24 hours a day.

The cost to register a vehicle is \$2 per sticker and is in effect for four years. It is first come, first serve to register your car because there are only 100 stickers available. Once the money is collected and sent to Austin, more stickers will be available and another registration day will be set up.

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Donations accepted to help fund Troy Hogue memorial

By KELLIE JONES
Staff Writer

The Big Spring Police Administration Building will soon have a new name in honor of slain DPS Trooper Troy Hogue.

In a unanimous vote by city council on Jan. 24, a motion was approved to rename the build-

ing "Troy M. Hogue Memorial Law Enforcement Center."

A fund has been established for citizens to help pay for a bust of Hogue and for plaques honoring other fallen officers in the city's history.

Local artisan Coy McCann has been commissioned to create a

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Clinton budget 'chops' programs

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton sent Congress a \$1.61 trillion budget today, offering voters a modest middle-class tax cut financed by chopping hundreds of the programs of "yesterday's government."

Acknowledging that Republicans, now in the majority, will work their will on his plans, Clinton said he was proposing "real discipline and honest numbers" and challenged those in control of Congress to do the same.

"Anyone can offer a tax cut, the hard part of course is paying for it," the president said.

At a briefing, Clinton was dwarfed by two huge charts listing more than 400 programs he said were either being eliminated or consolidated to pay for the tax cuts he proposes.

Clinton's drive to make government smaller and more efficient would save \$144 billion over five years. He would apply \$63 billion of that amount to providing tax relief and the other \$81 billion would be used to reduce the deficit.

The budget, for the 1996 fiscal year that begins Oct. 1, proposes to spend \$1.612 trillion. Despite the savings he proposed, federal spending would rise by 4.5 percent over the current fiscal year, largely because

of rapid-growing health costs, which Clinton leaves virtually untouched.

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Bill Clinton

Clinton bragged that he had not touched popular middle-class benefit programs such as Social Security and Medicare.

Republicans attacked the budget as a pale imitation of their own "Contract With America" which promises far greater tax cuts of \$200 billion and enough deficit cuts to bring the budget into balance by the year 2002. By some estimates, that will require \$1.2 trillion in budget cuts.

Clinton's \$81 billion in deficit reduction would make only a modest dent in the flood of red ink expected in coming years, a point that Republicans were quick to note.

Senate Budget Committee Chairman Pete Domenici, R-

N.M., said that the president's plan "raises the white flag of surrender at the red ink of government spending."

"The Clinton administration seems to have gone A.W.O.L. in the war on the deficit," said Rep. John Boehner of Ohio, the chairman of the Republican caucus.

House Budget Committee Chairman John Kasich, R-Ohio, complained that Clinton had shown "no interest in doing the heavy lifting needed to eliminate all budget deficits. ... This budget lacks courage. It takes no action to control the growth of entitlement spending, which must be done if we are to reach a balanced budget by the year 2002."

The budget projects that the deficit will decline to \$192.5 billion this year, a third straight decrease which Clinton boasted about. It's projected to rise again, climbing to \$196.7 billion in 1996 and hovering close to \$200 billion for the rest of the decade.

"We are not cutting government blindly," Clinton said. "We are clearing away yesterday's government to make room for the solutions to the problems we face" in the future.

CAN CRUSHER



With a stack of old newspapers behind her ready for recycling, Melissa Kennemur kneels down while removing the bottom of an aluminum can at the monthly Howard County Coalition for the Environment recycling drive Saturday.

United Way 'progressing' toward 1995

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

The Big Spring/Howard County chapter of the United Way made its 1994-95 allocations to member agencies at its recent Annual Report Luncheon.

But just as important to United Way directors, officers, and volunteers in 1994 was the new direction of the local chapter.

Past president John Toone, in his report to directors, volunteers and members, said the year began with the implementation of plans to move the United Way into a new era by: 1) being more proactive on current issues facing United Way chapters across the country, 2) improving office procedures and becoming more cost effective, and 3) improving the United Way's image with donors.

The United Way faced a major task last April when it learned it had to find a new executive director.

Toone said, "Major change does not come easy and many

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U.S. Trivia
Which state abolished slavery in 1774?
Rhode Island
Benjamin Franklin discovered electricity when?
June 15, 1752

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WORLD/NATION

World: Jammed into battered buses, cars and canvas-covered trucks, thousands of Chechen families are fleeing their war-ravaged republic amid reports of heavy new shelling in the capital. See page 5.

Nation: Most child-care centers, especially those that care for infants and toddlers, do not meet children's needs for health, safety, learning and warm relationships. See page 5.

STATE

Focused
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State jails to ease backlog
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Wants fire range fenced
A Nueces County family wants the county to enclose a firing range used by sheriff's deputies. See page 3.

TODAY'S WEATHER

Tonight
60 **▲ Highs** 33
Lows **▼**

Increasing clouds
Tonight, increasing clouds, low mid 30s, light winds.

Permian Basin Forecast
Tuesday: Mostly cloudy, turning colder, high near 60, east-northeast winds 10 to 15 mph; mostly cloudy night, low upper 20s.
Wednesday: Mostly cloudy, turning colder, high near 60, east-northeast winds 10 to 15 mph; mostly cloudy night, low upper 20s.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Pilot claims forced out because of racism

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — A black pilot has filed a complaint alleging he was forced out of a training program at Naval Air Station Kingsville in retaliation for his protest of racist remarks.

When Lt. J.g. Gary Commock, 30, "washed out" of the advanced jet training program, he was just seven formal flights away from obtaining his gold wings as an aviator.

Commock was suspended from advanced jet training at Kingsville on June 28, 1994, for substandard performance, officials have said. He claims it was because he reported racist incidents involving his superiors.

He has been ordered to appear Thursday at a hearing on military charges of larceny, making false official statements, and conduct unbecoming an officer relating to an allegedly unwarranted housing allowance.

Border businesses excited about bailout

McALLEN (AP) — President Clinton found favor among South Texas business leaders when he circumvented Congress and put \$20 billion into an international loan package to help restore Mexico's faltering economy.

William Caldwell, investment adviser for the city of McAllen, said "a meltdown" in emerging markets and other parts of the global economy could have resulted if the president had not acted to help Mexico.

And since U.S. cities along the Mexican border rely heavily on the health of the peso, Clinton's action was crucial to their prosperity, border business leaders say.

Retailers on the U.S. side of the border have reported sharp declines in sales since the peso began losing its value in December. The peso has dropped by almost 40 percent in recent weeks.

Independent schools seek more funding

HOUSTON (AP) — Independent Texas colleges and universities say they need at least another \$10 million in aid for needy students, particularly for minorities.

The Legislature created the Tuition Equalization Grant program in 1971 to provide financial aid to needy students who want to attend private universities.

College administrators and lobbyists say program funding should be increased by \$10 million, to about \$35.2 million a year. The fund was created in part to help ease overcrowding at state schools.

Fugitive policy upsets officials

DALLAS (AP) — The long arm of the law apparently isn't long enough to reach Mexico, some Texas law enforcement authorities say.

A Mexican policy that prohibits extradition of its citizens to stand trial in other countries is frustrating some law enforcement officials in Texas who would like to see suspects tried in a U.S. courtroom.

NO GROWTH HORMONES



Paul Uchtman of Mesquite holds a sign protesting the use of the Bovine Growth Hormone in dairy products near a grocery store in Dallas Saturday. Uchtman and other members of the food activist group, The Pure Food Campaign, were protesting the FDA's approval of the genetically engineered bovine growth hormone.

State prisons to be used to ease backlog of prisoners in county jails

DALLAS (AP) — The 18 state jails being built in Texas were touted as places to house and rehabilitate criminals convicted of offenses such as burglary of a building, theft and forgery.

But the facilities are being built faster than there are the nonviolent felons to fill them.

Rather than have the lockups sit empty, state officials say they will use them to hold 20,000 convicted felons — including murderers and rapists — now backlogged in county jails and awaiting transfer to the penitentiary system.

The plan has angered some state and community leaders, who say they and the public were misled.

Former Dallas City Council member Mattie Nash, who successfully helped fight a plan to place a state jail in a West Dallas neighborhood, said one reason she opposed it was because she suspected something like this might happen.

"I felt from day one they would not discriminate about who was going to go into that prison," Ms. Nash said.

State Sen. Florence Shapiro, R-Plano, filed a bill two weeks ago that would change the law to prohibit state jails from being used for anything other than their original purpose.

"They were built specifically for nonviolent offenders," she said. "I am concerned that, even temporarily, that they are not suitable to hold violent felons."

Andy Collins, executive director of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, acknowledged that state jails might be housing sex offenders and others convicted of violent crimes.

But he said communities should not worry about their safety.

State jails probably will be used as transfer facilities for hard-core inmates only for six months to a year.

Convicted killer sees case in 'big trouble' for stay

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — A Pasadena man sees little chance he can avoid the death chamber early Tuesday for the abduction and slaying of a 30-year-old woman in 1984.

Jeffrey Dean Motley would be the fifth condemned killer put to death in Texas already this year and the 90th since Texas resumed carrying out capital punishment in 1982. The totals are the highest in the nation.

Motley, in an interview last

week, characterized his case as: "Big trouble."

"There's nothing I can do about it," he added. "If they get me, they get me."

The U.S. Supreme Court refused Sunday to hear Motley's attorneys' appeal for a stay of execution.

Motley is set for lethal injection for the death of Maria Adilia Duran. Ms. Duran was last seen alive July 22, 1984, when she left her Houston-area apart-

ment to go swimming with a friend. She never arrived at the friend's home.

Her body was found 10 days later, decomposing in a field in La Porte. She had been fatally shot with a shotgun. Dental records had to be used to identify her.

During an autopsy, authorities said she apparently had been sexually assaulted, although the state of decomposition was so severe they could

Bush wants to stay focused on campaign agenda

AUSTIN (AP) — At a recent staff meeting, it was suggested that Gov. George W. Bush might want to toss something "new" into Tuesday's state of the state address.

According to aides, his response was to remind them of the virtues of "focus and discipline."

Translation: Bush's speech to a joint session of the Legislature will showcase the same four topics he touted throughout his campaign — tort reform, welfare reform, juvenile justice reform and decontrol of education.

"I will focus on systemic changes in juvenile justice, decontrol of schools, changing the tort laws of the state of Texas, and changing aspects of the welfare system," the governor said when asked for a preview of his speech.

"I believe that if the Legislature passes substantive change in those four areas, Texas will be a better place."

Since declaring for the Republican nomination in November 1993, Bush has pounded on

those issues. They were featured in every major speech: announcing his candidacy, addressing the GOP state convention, taking the oath of office.

"I believe that's why I got elected," he explains simply.

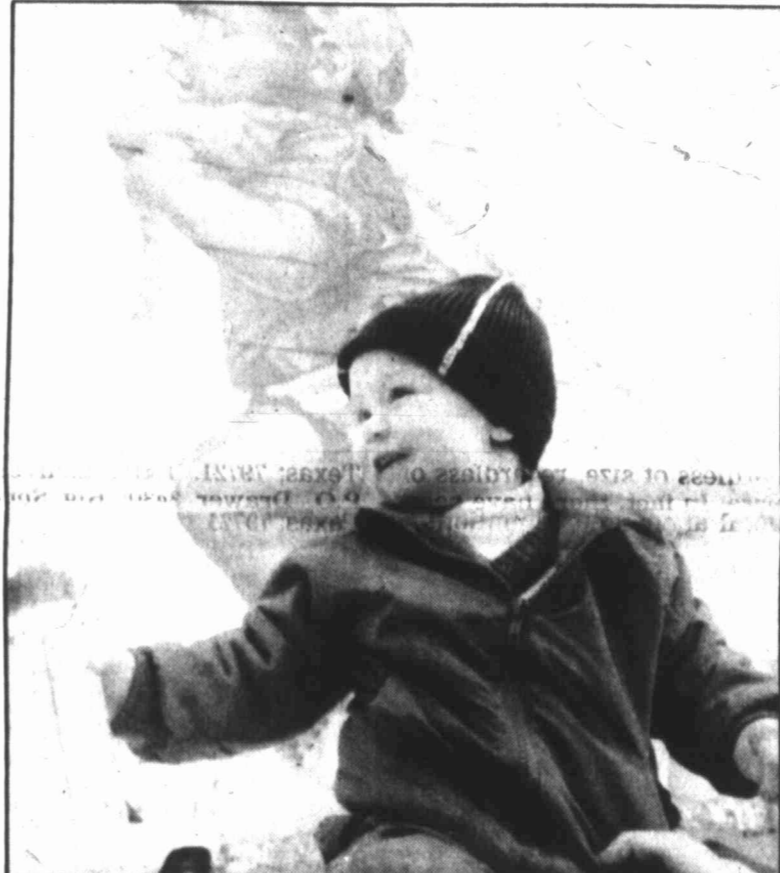
The state of the state address, which Bush promises "will not be longer than President Clinton's" 81-minute state of the union speech, comes three weeks into his term and four weeks into the 1995 legislative session.

Democrats say it's time for Bush to give specifics.

"Legislators are already working hard on detailed public policy matters, so if the governor has specific suggestions to offer in the spirit of bipartisanship, now is the time to do it, not later in an attempt to take credit after someone else has done all the heavy lifting," said Bob Slagle, state Democratic chairman.

Slagle said that was reflected in the cool response Bush received after a speech to education leaders.

POSTER BOY



James Garrison, 1, offers his bottle to a friend as he waits for unveiling ceremonies to end recently in Dallas. James was the model for the 12-story-high mural titled "Mass Transit." The mural shows a toddler pulling a wagon full of cars.

Stray bullet from firing range injures teen-ager

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — A Nueces County family wants the county to enclose a firing range used by sheriff's deputies after a teen-age family member said he was wounded slightly by a stray bullet from the facility.

Trey Youngblood, 17, said he was wounded in the side about 4 p.m. Saturday while walking along the fence on his family's property, about 200 yards down-range from the firing range.

The Calallen High School senior was treated and released from Spohn Hospital, a spokeswoman said.

The Nueces County Sheriff's Department said it will investigate the incident.

"We're concerned because we had firing going on at our range," said Maj. William Edge. "We're starting an investigation to see if the bullet came from one of our weapons."

About 10 deputies had been taking a required marksmanship test, Edge said. Behind the targets is a large dirt mound to absorb bullets and block stray shots, he said.

"They had been shooting out there all day," Youngblood said. "We had inquired about it before. It sounded before like the bullets were going over the range and ricocheting over the house."

Edge declined to comment on the demand, but he said theirs is the first complaint from the area about stray bullets.

Suzi Youngblood, the boy's mother, said the family had no serious objection to the firing range previously.

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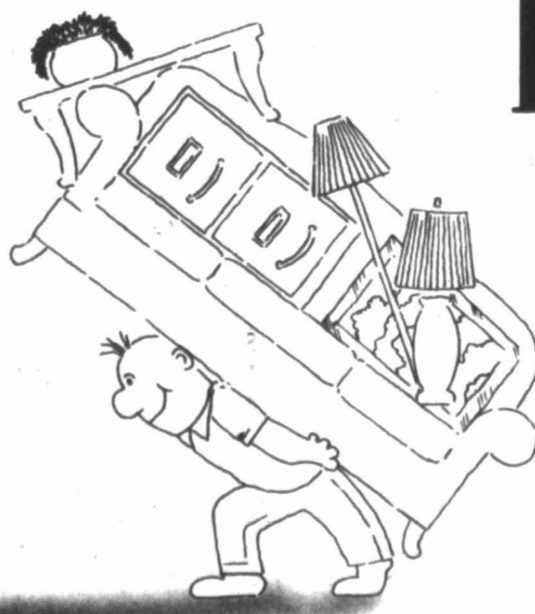
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EDITORIAL

Quote of the Day

"The media represent a tremendous opportunity for unpaid publicity."

Roland rust, marketing professor, 1994

Keep HEAT on auto theft

Although auto thefts declined in Big Spring in 1994 as compared to 1993, residents need to keep the HEAT on.

Help End Auto Theft (HEAT) is a Department of Public Safety program in which participants pay \$2 to register their vehicles and receive a sticker allowing law enforcement officials to stop the vehicle and check to see if it has been stolen.

There are two forms of the sticker: One allows an officer to stop the vehicle if it is occupied on streets anywhere in Texas between 1 a.m. and 5 p.m. The other allows an officer to stop the vehicle whenever it crosses or is about to cross the border into Mexico directly from Texas 24 hours a day. Each sticker

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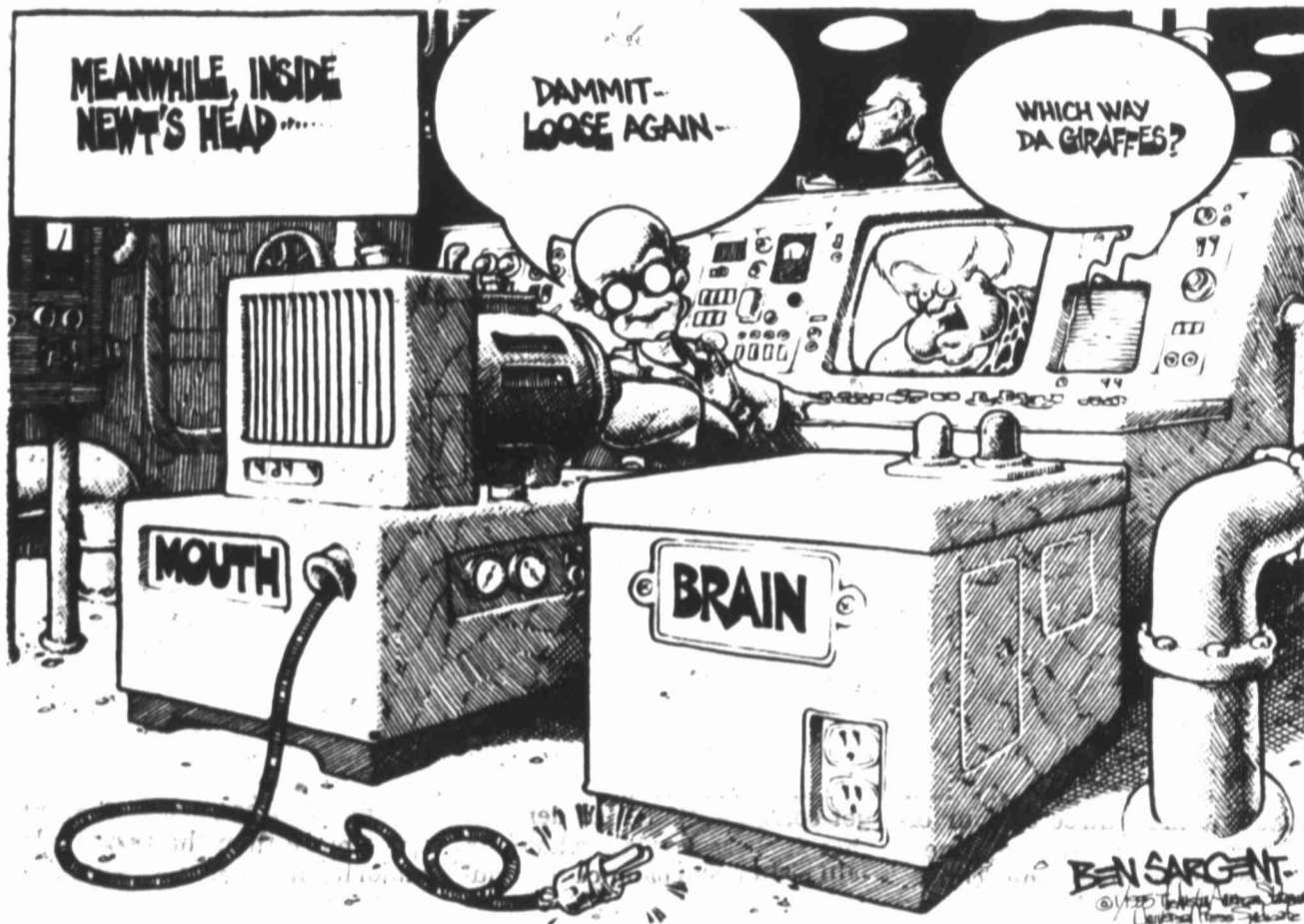
DD Turner
Managing Editor

is \$2.

Residents will be offered an opportunity this Saturday to register their vehicles as part of a Security Expo at Big Spring Mall.

Crime, no matter if it is violent or non-violent, hurts us all. Car theft is costly, both to the owner and to all of us who have to pay higher insurance rates.

There are only 100 stickers available this Saturday, so be one of the 100 and keep the HEAT on by registering your car.



Hands in your pockets

Before Leonard Roberts became president of Radio Shack, he earned a degree in criminal justice at the University of Illinois.

In the marketplace, he soon became acutely aware of the loss factor that adds to the price

of everything we buy. There is the value of the merchandise stolen, but then there is the time lost by employees who are crime victims. Beyond shoplifting in retail stores, there is theft and burglary in factories, warehouses and delivery vehicles.

Businesses, because of crime, have to pay for higher insurance premiums, private guards, security systems and liability lawsuits brought on by customers and employees injured during a crime.

Roberts estimates that American businesses are spending — just on security measures — \$65 billion a year!

But, Roberts has also determined that there are more subtle costs of crime and has dis-

covered that Americans are presently "taxed" billions of dollars to support criminals: Customers are afraid to shop at night and in certain areas. There is the cost for the business when there is a higher turnover of frightened employees, the cost to communities when businesses dare not stay open after dark, and the cost to communities in which businesses refuse to relocate.

And then Roberts cites what he considers the most tragic cost of crime. It cannot be measured in dollars — it is of infinitely greater value than dollars. He refers to the "diminished quality of our lives."

American taxpayers dutifully pave streets, construct parks and provide public transportation, only to have these streets, parks and buses all too often taken over by violent criminals while Americans who obey laws are forced, with barred windows and dead bolts, to lock themselves in!

Now, as president of one of the country's largest retail chains and a director of the National Crime Prevention Council, Roberts has united Radio Shack with the NCPC and the National Sheriffs' Association "to do something about it."

Radio Shack, the NCPC and the NSA have pooled their

resources to launch United Against Crime, a nationwide public education program.

This program is designed to empower every American to take action to reduce the risk of becoming a crime victim.

Roberts and his United Against Crime colleagues propose that all Americans and American businesses join with their local law-enforcement and crime-prevention experts to assess their communities' crime prevention needs, recruit and coordinate volunteers, and direct those willing to give time to reclaim their neighborhoods.

Business leaders must encourage employees to become volunteers by providing them with the time, research departments, copying machines, computers and meeting space.

The Department of Justice computes that it costs 2.2 cents to educate a person about crime and 2.9 cents to motivate individuals to act.

If American businesses "are too busy" competing to cooperate, the future is all downhill.

If they, in concert, will mount an effective counterattack, the land of the brave may yet again be the land of the free.

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OUT FRONT

Making space history

■ Shuttle prepares for docking with Mir station

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — Discovery neared a historic rendezvous with Russia's 100-ton space station today as NASA and Russian officials were deciding whether a leaky shuttle jet would nix the close encounter they'd planned.

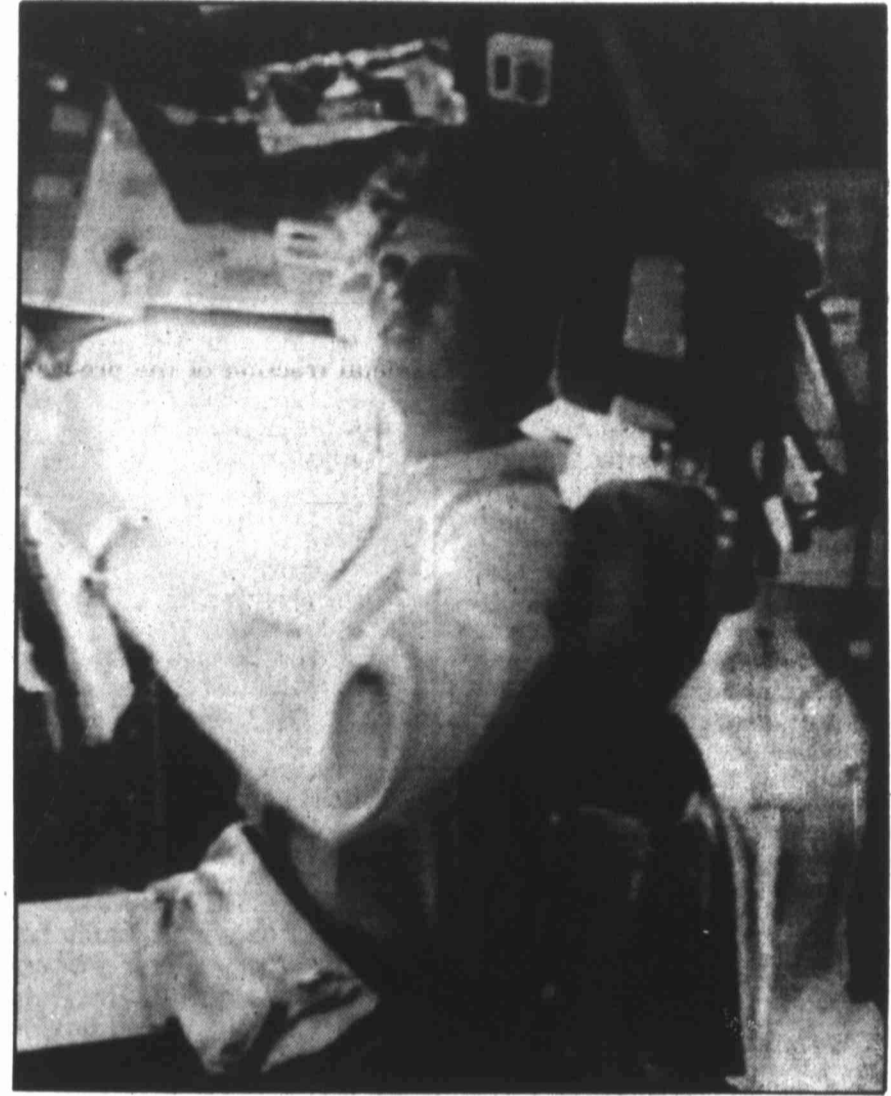
The critical determination hinged on a steering thruster near the shuttle tail that has been spewing fuel since shortly after Friday's launch.

The Russian Space Agency insisted that unless the jet stopped leaking, Discovery must stay at least 400 feet from the Mir station instead of closing within 35 feet to practice for the first shuttle-station docking this June.

Russian officials feared that small chunks of frozen fuel might damage critical optical sensors on a Soyuz capsule attached to the orbiting outpost. Mir's three cosmonauts need the capsule to return to Earth next month.

The jet was still spouting a trail of icy propellant when Discovery's six-member crew awoke early today, about 13 hours and 700 miles from the first convergence of American and Russian spaceships in 20 years.

NASA told the crew it was planning for a 400-foot approach, but put off a final decision until a management



Associated Press photo

Astronaut Eileen Collins, the first female space shuttle pilot, is shown on board Discovery in this television image. The shuttle is scheduled to rendezvous with the Russian space station Mir today if leaking jet fuel doesn't halt the historic meeting.

meeting about seven hours before the rendezvous.

"Well, good luck, and I hope it turns out favorable for me," said shuttle commander James Wetherbee, who was eager to test the shuttle's handling near the station. "If it doesn't, we're happy ... We're ready to go."

Wetherbee was to take manu-

al control as Discovery passed 2,000 feet below Mir, pulling up in front and firing braking jets to slowly close to 400 feet.

The original plan called for Discovery to remain there for about an hour before closing to 35 feet as the two spacecraft orbited at 17,500 mph some 245 miles above the Earth.

One-stop shopping for cops

By MICHAEL SCHNEIDER
Associated Press Writer

BALTIMORE (AP) — A police officer in The Cop Shop is like a kid in a candy

store. Eyes widen at the sight of guns, boots and belts galore, anti-riot vests with steel plates, pepper mace that can incapacitate a person with one spray, even bulletproof vests for dogs.

This one-stop shop just a block from police headquarters covers everything from nightsticks to nighties — "I Slept With The Greatest Cop Alive," reads one short, black number.

"This is the Kmart of police supply stores," said owner Sam Walters, a retired 21-year veteran of the Baltimore Police Department.

Walters opened the store 12 years ago when he was still on the force because he couldn't find equipment he wanted at other stores. While most police equipment stores are gun shops that sell police items on the side, Walters designed his store specifically for law enforcement officers.

"They have just about everything there," said Sgt. Ronald Kennedy. "If I need a specialty item, that's the place I go."

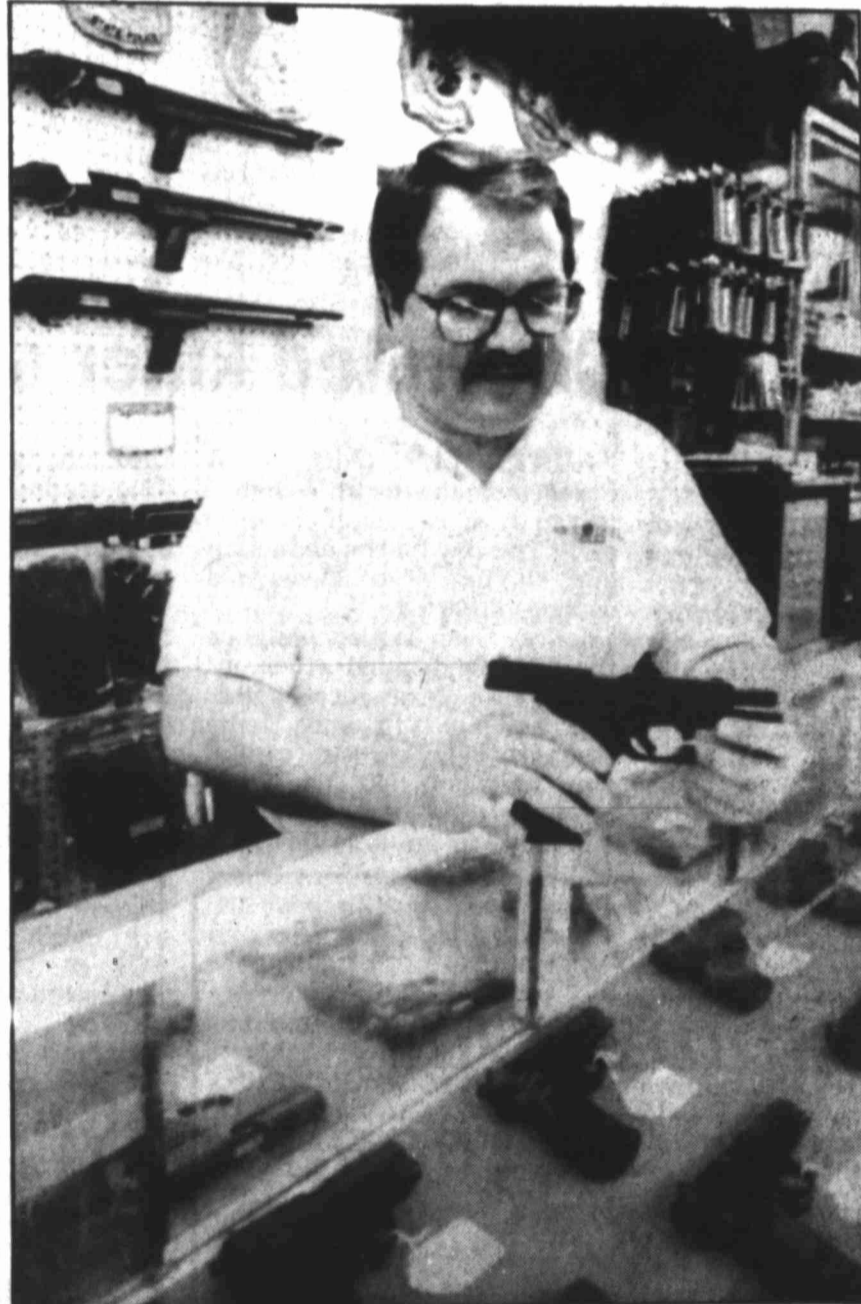
Walters says civilians make up about 20 percent of the 3,000 customers he sees annually.

There are rules, however: Only people with gun permits can buy bulletproof vests. Nightsticks and handcuffs are

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Associated Press photo

Sam Walters looks over a handgun at The Cop Shop in Baltimore recently. As Maryland's largest police equipment retailer, The Cop Shop has become a one-stop shop for area law enforcement officers who can get their guns cleaned, buy a new nightstick and look over the latest in gadgets.

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NEW BRI

Doug McClure dies of cancer

LOS ANGELES — Doug McClure, who starred in the western screen western "The O.G." and "The Men Who Shaped the West," died of cancer Monday night at his home in Los Angeles. He was 71.

Survivors include his wife, Diane, children Valerie McClure, Clara Clapp, and Reed. Funeral pending.

Nicole's sister returns to state

LOS ANGELES — Nicole Brown Simpson's sister, Denise Brown, was charged with slaying her brother-in-law today, her attorney said.

Such emotional testimony can leave a deep mark in the minds of the jury, experts say.

Budget seeks to appease voters

WASHINGTON — President Clinton's budget today seeks to appease voters by trimming back the deficit reduction program.

But Clinton's budget also includes a new program to help the poor, which means that the deficit reduction program will be more efficient.

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Agricultural will feed 1 billion

WASHINGTON — High-yield rice, potatoes, corn and other crops will feed a billion more people by the year 2000, according to a new report.

The challenge is to produce more food in less land, and that will require more research, says a report from the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Even though he's not patrolling anymore, Walters recently helped catch a bank robber. The man, a city corrections officer, had bought handcuffs from the store and used them in the robbery.

Walters keeps the serial number and buyer's name of such items on file — helped



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Doug McClure
dies of cancer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Doug McClure, who rode his way from teen-age bronco busting to starring roles in such small-screen westerns as "The Virginian," "The Overland Trail" and "The Men From Shiloh" has died. He was 59.

McClure died of cancer Sunday night at his suburban Sherman Oaks home, said McClure's friend and colleague, Dennis Morgia.

Survivors include his wife, Diane, children Tane and Valerie McClure; his mother, Clara Clapp, and a brother, Reed. Funeral services were pending.

Nicole's sister
returns to stand

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Jurors in the O.J. Simpson trial had the entire weekend to digest Denise Brown's tearful, gripping indictment of the man charged with slashing her sister to death.

She returns to the witness stand today, helping prosecutors lay out a case that Simpson was a violent wife abuser, not the benevolent family man defense attorneys described in their opening statements.

Such emotion-packed testimony can leave a powerful image in the minds of jurors. But don't count the defense out yet, legal experts say.

Budget seeks to
appease voters

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton was sending Congress today a \$1.61 trillion budget that seeks to appease angry voters by offering modest middle-class tax relief while trimming back hundreds of government programs in the name of efficiency.

But Clinton's budget leaves virtually untouched the government's fast-growing benefit programs in his fiscal 1996 budget, which means the budget deficit will hover close to \$200 billion for the rest of the decade.

Republicans charged that the president ducked making the tough political choices that would have achieved significant deficit reduction.

Agricultural advances
will feed 1 billion people

WASHINGTON (AP) — Super high-yield rice, blight-resistant potatoes, corn bred for the tropics and other agricultural advances will help the world feed a billion more people in 1995 than 20 years ago.

The challenge for the next two decades is to feed twice that many more. In addition, U.N. agencies estimate that 700 million people still are going hungry.

It will take more than food aid or the transfer of food from rich countries to poor countries; it will take significant advances in agriculture to feed the world's population in 2015, according to a new U.N. analysis of world agriculture.

The analysis, made in preparation for a Feb. 9-10 agricultural research conference in Lucerne, Switzerland, is critical of non-crisis food aid.

Refugees
fleeing
Grozny

NAZRAN, Russia (AP) — Jammed into battered buses, cars and canvas-covered trucks, thousands of Chechen families are fleeing their war-ravaged republic amid reports of heavy new shelling in the capital.

The approximately 50,000 people remaining in Grozny — a skeletal fraction of the pre-war population of about 400,000 — have no water, heat, or safe way to obtain food, aid workers said Sunday.

Crammed into emergency housing or squeezed into private homes, the Chechen refugees arriving in neighboring Ingushetia at a rate of some 10,000 a week are heavily taxing the already tottering economy.

Nazir Doskiyev, had of the Ingush immigration office, said the refugees had made his republic's population swell by half — from 260,000 to about 400,000.

"Soon there may be a deficit of food, beds and medicine here," he warned Sunday. "If the refugees stay until summer, there may also be an epidemic. These are not reasonable living conditions."

But, Doskiyev said, "We are trying to ensure that no one has to stay on the streets, and no one dies from hunger. So far, it's working."

In Nazran, the Ingush capital, several thousand Chechen refugees occupy railroad cars on sidings, a school and other specially provided housing.

A cow is tied in the yard out-



Two Chechen civilians lay on the ground and one their knees while a Russian OMON officer (special interior ministry troops) checks their documents in Grozny Tuesday. Heavy fighting in and around Grozny continues as Russian forces try to obtain control of the area.

side one brick building where 43 people are packed into eight rooms.

Each refugee is given free housing, blankets, some food and \$5 by the Russian government — whose army they are fleeing.

The irony is not lost on the refugees, some shivering in

light sweaters and coats — all they could grab as they fled their besieged homeland.

"I never thought this could be possible — that the Russians would bombard our city and we would be standing here as refugees," said Zaira Kostoyeva, 50, who fled to Nazran with her five daughters.

Race for balanced budget amendment votes goes to the wire

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate enters its second week of debate on the balanced budget amendment with Democrats demanding to know how the budget will be balanced and Republicans saying the race for needed votes will go down to the wire.

Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., the principal opponent of the constitutional amendment, said Sunday that making the cuts necessary to balance the budget would devastate programs for the elderly, veterans and the environment.

Byrd said he would not try to

stall action on the amendment, as he did last month on legislation to end unfunded federal mandates but promised it would take another "three or four or five weeks" to make sure Americans understood the consequences of requiring a balanced budget.

This week, Democrats are likely to propose changes in the amendment that would exempt Social Security from future budget considerations and demand that Congress explain what cuts will be made to balance the budget by 2002.

Republicans label both as

diversionary tactics meant to prevent passage of the amendment.

The House passed the amendment on Jan. 26 by 300-132, eight votes more than the two-thirds majority needed. If 67 senators vote for it, the amendment will go to the states.

HORSE RACING?



Skier Danny Hogan is pulled by a horse ridden by Jeff Paxton in the amateur skiing event at the annual Snowdown festivities in Durango, Colo. The competitors are timed to determine the fastest and most skillful.

U.S., China working
to avoid a trade war

BEIJING (AP) — China and the United States both want to avoid a damaging trade war, and the question now is whether they will find a way out before a deadline in less than three weeks.

Although the products that would double in price under punitive tariffs announced by Washington are only a small part of China's total exports, an escalating trade war could be serious for both sides.

The United States is using the threat of sanctions to try to get China to respect copyrights and other legal protection of music, movies and computer software.

The United States said Saturday it would impose 100 percent tariffs on \$1.08 billion worth of Chinese products. The amount is roughly equal to what American businesses say they lose because of Chinese piracy.

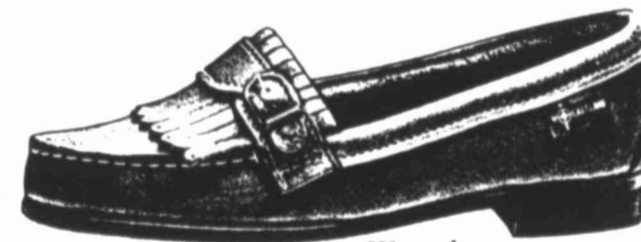
China immediately said it would retaliate with its own sanctions if the tariffs go into effect as scheduled on Feb. 26.

U.S. and Chinese officials are discussing a date for new talks on protecting intellectual property rights, a U.S. official in Beijing said today.

The last round of talks broke down on Jan. 28, just before China's weeklong lunar New Year holiday.

China agreed in a memorandum of understanding with the United States in 1992 that it would protect copyrights and other intellectual property rights. China argues that it has made huge progress in enforcing new laws to protect those rights.

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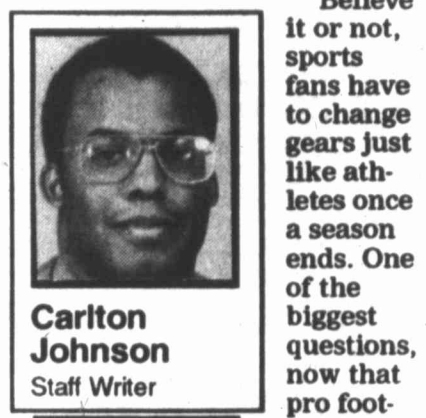
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Keep the charm, ditch the judges

If you're into style, elegance, and grace, you'll love what I'm about to say about figure skating.

If you're not into it, at least give it a try.



Carlton Johnson Staff Writer

Believe it or not, sports fans have to change gears just like athletes once a season ends. One of the biggest questions, now that pro football has crowned a champion, is "What am I going to do now?"

I have always been partial to figure skating because it's a sport that combines dance, ballet, acting, interpretation, and athletic ability (like that of a gymnast). Hours of practice are rolled into a four-minute performance that is then left in the hands of several judges.

That's where I draw my line with the sport! The sport is considered the marquee event of the Winter Olympics, and it's one sport where the female athletes are the drawing card and not the men.

I recently watched a competition of professional skaters that included female skaters Medori Ito, Kristi Yamaguchi, Yuko Sato and Katarina Witt, and male skaters Paul Wylie, Brian Boitano, Scott Hamilton, and Kurt Browning.

You have to follow the sport to recognize some of the names, but all of the skaters have their own style and particular interpretations to rules that determine the scores they receive from judges.

In amateur competitions a skater receives a score on a six-point scale (6.0 being the best), and professional skaters are judged on a 10-point scale.

The bothersome thing is, figure skating is more subjective than most other sports, and contrary to popular belief, at any given competition not every skater can win.

Judges will score a skater based on reputation and what his or her year has been like in terms of success, but what gets me most is judges, as well as commentators, will decide to give a skater a low score to make room for the more reputable skaters who usually draw the later competition slots.

In other words, a lesser-known skater could give the greatest performance of all-time and not be rewarded for it because he or she doesn't have the resumé (world title, national titles or Olympic medals) some of the other skaters have.

If you're the best on a particular day, you should be rewarded for it.

There are several great skaters in the sport, some better than others, but they all should have the opportunity to go for the gusto and not be penalized for lack of a reputation.

BASKETBALL

NBA Standings

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COLLEGE SCORES

Men's Basketball

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Top 25 Scores

How the top 25 teams in the Associated Press' men's college basketball poll fared this week:

1. Massachusetts (17-2) beat St. Bonaventure 79-62; beat St. Joseph's 74-62; lost to George Washington 78-75.

2. North Carolina (18-1) beat Duke 102-100, 2OT; beat North Carolina State 82-63.

3. Kansas (17-2) beat Colorado 99-77; lost to No. 11 Iowa State 91-71.

4. Connecticut (17-1) beat Miami 82-57; beat St. John's 89-82.

5. Maryland (17-4) beat No. 15 Virginia 71-82; lost to No. 21 Georgia Tech 100-91.

6. Kentucky (15-3) beat South Carolina 90-72; beat No. 10 Syracuse 77-71.

7. UCLA (14-2) beat Southern California 73-69; beat Notre Dame 92-55.

8. Arkansas (17-5) beat LSU 105-81; lost to Mississippi State 83-62.

ROCKETS ROLL



Houston's Pete Chilcutt strips a rebound from Phoenix's Charles Barkley Sunday. Houston won 124-100.

Associated Press photo

NHL Standings

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HOCKEY

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PGA Senior Tour

KEY BISCAYNE, Fla. (AP) — Final scores and money winners Sunday of the \$850,000 Royal Caribbean Classic on the 6,725-yard, par-71 The Links at Key Biscayne course (x-won on first hole of sudden-death playoff):

1. J.C. Snead, \$127,500 (69-75-65-209)

2. Ray Floyd, \$74,800 (68-76-65-209)

3. Bob Charles, \$61,200 (70-71-69-210)

4. Kermit Zarley, \$45,900 (68-74-69-211)

5. Walt Morgan, \$45,900 (69-73-69-211)

6. Jack Kieler, \$32,300 (68-76-68-212)

7. Lee Trevino, \$32,300 (70-73-69-212)

8. R. Kennedy, \$25,500 (71-74-68-213)

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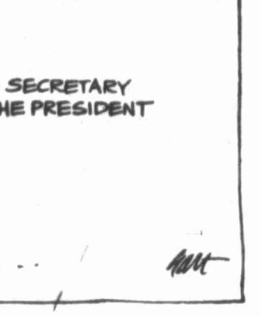
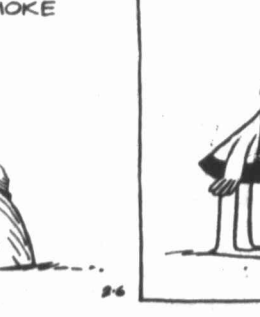
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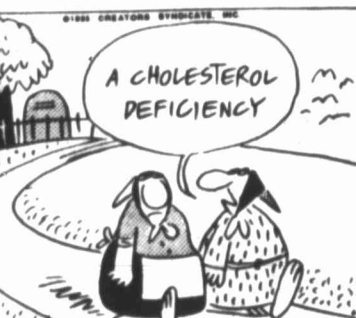
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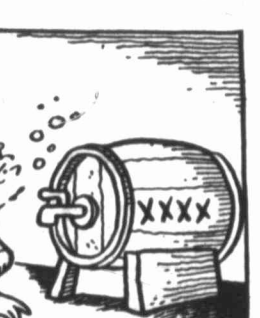
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THE Daily Crossword by Virginia B. Hopswell

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down words.

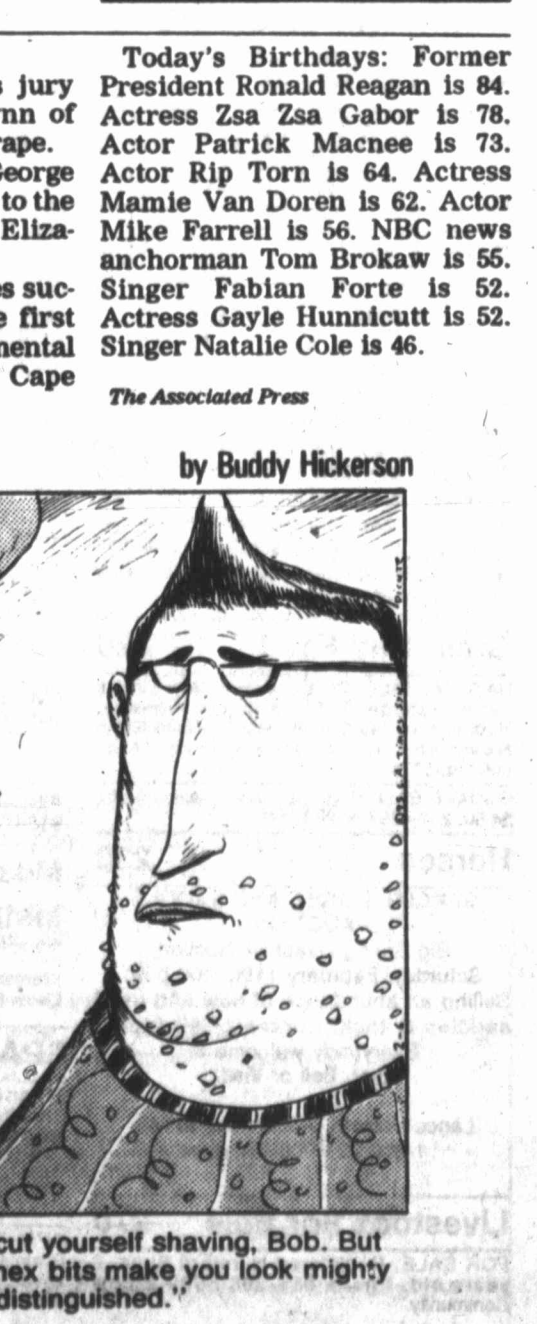


This date in history

Today is Monday, Feb. 6, the 37th day of 1995. There are 328 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On Feb. 6, 1895, baseball legend Babe Ruth was born in Baltimore. On this date: In 1756, America's third vice president, Aaron Burr, was born in Newark, N.J. In 1778, the United States won official recognition from France as the two nations signed a pair of treaties in Paris. In 1788, Massachusetts became the sixth state to ratify the U.S. Constitution. In 1815, the state of New Jersey issued the first American railroad charter to John Stevens, who proposed a rail link between Trenton and New Brunswick. (The line, however, was never built.) In 1899, a peace treaty between the United States and Spain was ratified by the U.S. Senate. In 1933, the 20th Amendment to the Constitution — the "lame duck" amendment which moved the start of presidential, vice-presidential and congressional terms from March to January was declared in effect. In 1943, a Los Angeles jury acquitted actor Errol Flynn of three counts of statutory rape. In 1952, Britain's King George VI died; he was succeeded to the throne by his daughter, Elizabeth II. In 1959, the United States successfully test-fired for the first time a Titan intercontinental ballistic missile from Cape Canaveral.

Today's Birthdays: Former President Ronald Reagan is 84. Actress Zsa Zsa Gabor is 78. Actor Patrick Macnee is 73. Actor Rip Torn is 64. Actress Mamie Van Doren is 62. Actor Mike Farrell is 56. NBC news anchorman Tom Brokaw is 55. Singer Fabian Forte is 52. Actress Gayle Hunnicutt is 52. Singer Natalie Cole is 46.

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