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50 Cents

Counts unsure of Senate Bill 1

Bill set to change education code

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

District 70 State Rep. David Counts, wary of some problems with education legislation, recently announced his reservations about Senate Bill 1, a revision of the Texas Education Codes.

Counts said he is in favor of revising the current codes to help eliminate unnecessary

unfunded mandates and give local communities more control over their schools, but thinks there are some real problems with the bill.

"The intent behind Senate Bill 1 is good," Counts said. "But the elimination of the small school formula, as well as changes in the transportation funding could be devastating to small rural districts, which comprise the majority of our schools here in West Texas."

According to Counts, a small school district is defined as a district with an enrollment of 1,600 or fewer students.

He said, "We all realize that we spend a little more per student in our smaller school, but it's an expenditure that is well worth it."

He added better control of stu-

dents, discipline, and the ability to provide more individualized attention to the needs of students are a few of the benefits of smaller schools.

Counts said, "Small schools really reach out to students and help bring about a feeling of pride in our students and our communities. It comes down to a matter of choice and all the folks I have spoken to have indicated to me that it's a choice they want to keep."

According to Counts, the House will be releasing its own version of a code revision bill in the near future.

He added, "I think the House Bill will be able to accomplish the goals of revising the education codes while better providing for the needs of all schools."

NO FUN FOR THE FISH



James Darling, Jeremy Collier and Kevin Park brave the cold and wet recently weather in order to catch fish at the Comanche Trail Lake. The trio were successful in the landing of a large fish early in their attempts.

College Heights' bilingual program highlighted at school board meeting

By KELLIE JONES
Staff Writer

College Heights Elementary School was built in 1938 and is the second oldest campus in Big Spring. There are 365 students who attend and 80 percent of those are eligible to receive free or reduced lunches.

The campus is also the site for the bilingual program designed to meet the special needs of Hispanic students. The bilingual program was highlighted at the board of trustees meeting March 9.

Principal Janice Rosson says there are 50 students enrolled in the program and 29 of those come from other campuses.

The school sends home a language survey to every student to see what language is spoken in

the home. The students then take an English proficiency test and if they do not pass, they are enrolled in the bilingual program.

Although some students may know some conversational English they do not grasp academic English.

The classes are taught in Spanish with English being gradually introduced. The philosophy behind this is once a student knows basic academic skills in their primary language they can grasp the other language much easier.

Most of the students are competent in English by the third grade. There are no negative stigmas attached to the students who speak Spanish and others

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At-A-Glance

The Big Spring Independent School District Board of Trustees met March 9 to approve or discuss the following items:

- Approved textbooks for the following subjects: kindergarten learning system, music grades 1 to 8, Earth science, psychology, sociology, art, economics, accounting, advanced accounting, record keeping, world geography studies, cosmetology, debate, public speaking, mathematics of money and calculus.

- Approved the guidelines for the recently established sick pool.

- Approved the revision of the district's site based decision making committee.

- Approved the resignations of Nancy Twining, counselor for Bauer and Washington; Amelia Meadors, teacher at Anderson Kindergarten Center and Lois Ann McKenzie, business teacher and volleyball coach at Big Spring High School.

- Approved bids for football supplies totaling \$29,709.48.

Routine stop nabs drugs, car, money and suspect

Stabbing victim, left by the roadside, treated, released

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Last Wednesday night the Big Spring Police Department's Drug Intervention Unit, during a routine traffic stop, seized an undetermined amount of marijuana, a car, and approximately

\$30,000 cash.

Public Information officer Victor Brake said the case is still under investigation, but the items were seized when Cpl. Jimmy Mayes and drug-dog Lotta were making the routine stop on I-20 near mile marker 176.

Mayes discovered the items after receiving consent to search the vehicle. The subject in the vehicle was arrested and taken to jail.

On Friday, the Big Spring Police Department responded to a call of a fight in progress at an

area on the west side of town.

According to Brake, at approximately 10 p.m. officers arrived to find a male subject lying by the side of the road with multiple stab wounds.

According to Brake, the wounds were not life threatening and the man was treated at Scenic Mountain Medical Center and released. The two other men arrested in the fight were also treated for minor injuries and released.

The case is still under investigation.

This a good list - you might find money!!

By KELLIE JONES
Staff Writer

You may be among more than 130,000 Texans who have \$50 or more in unclaimed property at the Texas State Treasury. State Treasurer Martha Whitehead recently released the names of people, businesses and organizations who may have unclaimed money from cash, shares of stocks or contents from an abandoned safe deposit box.

More than \$32 million was claimed from the treasury department last year. If your name is on the list, call 1-800-654-3463 Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. or write: Texas State Treasury; Unclaimed Property Division; P.O. Box 12019; Austin, Texas; 78711-2019. Persons who are deaf or hearing impaired may receive assistance through the 1-800-RELAY-TX line.

Here is a list of names of people in Big Spring who have unclaimed property:

A-1 Refrigeration, Susan Aaron, Vincent Alderette, Vincent/Belle Alderette, H.E. Allen, Kris Allen, Mercedes Blanco Alvarado, American Peripheral System, Stephanie Ruth Anderson, Billy W. Arnold, Ruby Bagwell, John Bailey, Juanita Baird, Richey Baker, Basin Construction, L.M. Bedwell, Eunice R. Bell, Johnny Biggs, Donald R. Bird, Mary M. Blankenship, Mike Blizzard, Marguerite E. Bloom, Charles R. Boadle, Alice B. Bodman, Ross Bradford, Jerry E. Bradshaw, Oden Travis Brewster, Lazaro Briseno, Joe Brown, Tashia L. Brown, David Budke, Louis Burcham, Louis R. Burcham, Roy L. Burklow, Alice Butler, Horace Butler, Jim Byers.

J.W. Calaway, Domingo Cantu, Domingo Cantu Sr., M.K. Carson, Elmo D. Carter, Tommy Chapman, Nate Chavez, N.L. Childress, J.H. Choate, Coahoma Beauty Center, Ron Cohorn, Wesley Coleman, Coleman Truck Stop and Cafe, J.C. Collins, Elbert G. Cone, Janice

Cook, Tommy Copeland, G.W. Cottom, Tommy Cox, E.B. Crittenden, Eddie Crittenden, Doris M. Crooker, Claudia Crossler, Juan A. Cruz, Mora Culp.

Bobbie Davidson, Louis De Los Reyes, Randy Deubler, Steve Dick, Rozelle Dohoney, Rozelle McKenny Dohoney, Downtown Steering Committee, Carey Duffy, Ricky Dyer, Vera Edwards, Elains Beauty Shop, Dean L. Emme, Gladys Emrick, E.A. Engel, Lonnie Feaster, Rodney Feaster, James E. Felts, Don C. Finkenbinder, James C. Fisher, Edward Flynn, James Franklin.

G & H Transport Company, Archie Gammons, Melinda Sue Garrett, Paul Gibbs, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gibson, Edmond J. Gilbert, Leslie Gilmore, Anthony Ginnett, C. Noble Glenn, Don Grantham, Fay Grantham, Jessie Graves, Carl E. Gray, Patricia Gray, Jeffrey Green, Michael R. Griggs, Tolbert Grisham, David L. Grosse, Betty L. Hamilton, Wayne Hancock, Harvey D. Harmon, C.W. Harri-

son, Sybil R. Head, H.E. Heaton, Brad Henry, Marjorie J. Henry, Arthur G. Hernandez, Hector Hernandez, Ignacio Hernandez, Juanita Hernandez, James Heskett, Charles R. Hicks, Viane L. Hicks, Frank Holdampf Jr., Robert D. Howland, Jerry D. Hudson, Annie Mae Huey, Amy D. Huff, Randy Hull.

Jack Cathey Construction, Rickey J. Jackson, Linda Jenkins, A.O. Jones, Royce Jones, Wayne Jones, Dolphus Jones Jr., C.W. Jordy, G.W. King, Allen Kinman, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Knappe, Sally Koym, Elizabeth M. Kuykendal, J.B. Lamb, Leon Langley, Juan Lara, Kenneth Lawhon, J.P. Lawson Farm, John L. Le Bleu, Wesley Leeson, Dixie Leonard, Dickie Leopard, Vernon Lewis, Selma Lieske, Phil Longacre, L.A. Lovelace, Jess Lynch.

M & M Construction, A.B. Martin, John W. Martin, Tommy Marvin, Bakhashish Masih, George and Lillian Mat-

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Jury selection begins in Wallace vs. Standard

By KELLIE JONES
Staff Writer

ABILENE - Jury selection in the case of former Howard County deputy Jimmy Wallace began this morning here.

Wallace is suing Sheriff A.N. Standard and Howard County, claiming he was wrongfully fired and his First Amendment right to free speech was violated when he was forced to take administrative leave without pay the day he filed to run against Standard in the March 1992 Democratic primary for sheriff.

The trial is being heard in

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Chronology

Here is some background information leading to the filing of the lawsuit:

*Jan. 10, 1992 - Wallace files as a Democrat for the March primary against Standard for the position of sheriff. Standard said there was an unwritten policy stating a deputy who runs for office, whether for sheriff or an outside office, must take administrative leave during campaigning. Wallace refused to take leave or resign and Stan-

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Texas Trivia
Who is known as the 'Father of Texas Agriculture'?

Jared Groce
In what year did helium production begin in Texas?

1918

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WORLD/NATION

Nation: Floods washed out all roads into the Monterey Peninsula on Sunday as water-logged California struggled to recover from storms that battered two-thirds of the state. See page 5.

World: Committing themselves to a pact on fighting poverty, world leaders wrapped up a summit Sunday agreeing that misery can lead to violent social upheaval. See page 4.

STATE

Medical puzzle
A syphilis epidemic in Beaumont, where 664 cases were documented in 1994, four times the state's average, has federal health officials puzzled. See page 3.

Gulf War conference
Gulf War veterans said Deputy Defense Secretary John Deutch, nominated Saturday to be the next CIA director, could be helping hide information about the use of chemical and biological weapons by Iraq during the 1990-91 war. See page 3.

TODAY'S WEATHER

Tonight **73** ▲ Highs **45**
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▼ Lows **73**

Rain
Tonight, 80 percent chance of rain, low mid 40s, south winds 10 to 20 mph.

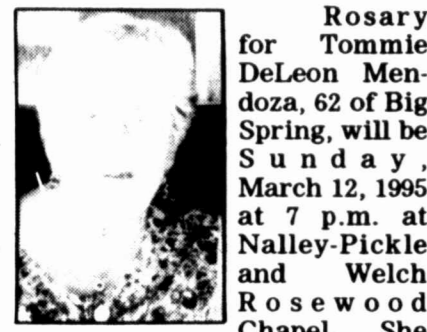
Permian Basin Forecast
Tuesday: A 60 percent chance or showers, high upper 50s, mostly cloudy night, 30 percent chance of rain, low mid 40s.
Wednesday: Mostly cloudy, slight chance of rain, high upper 50s; mostly cloudy night, low mid 40s.

Money

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teson, Gregg McAdams, James McCutchan, James D. McGee, Jo Kyle McKay, Joel H. McMinn, William T. McRee, Shirley A. McWaters, Vidal G. Mendez, Teodorico D. Mercado, Ruel Metcalf, Al Milch, Daisey B. Miller, H.D. Miller, Billie Mize, Jerry G. Moore, Terrance Moore, Lupe Munis, Jack and C.A. Murdock, Bill Musser, Coleman Nalls, Robert Nelson, Terry Nelson, Bessie Nesbitt, Guy Newell, Joyce Newsom,

OBITUARIES

Tommie Mendoza



Rosary for Tommie DeLeon Mendoza, 62 of Big Spring, will be Sunday, March 12, 1995 at 7 p.m. at Nalley-Pickle and Welch Rosewood Chapel. She died on Thursday, March 9, 1995 in Big Spring. Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Monday, March 13, 1995, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with Rev. Chris Coleman, pastor of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park under the direction of Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home.

She was born September 22, 1932, in Uvalde, Texas and married Jesus Mendoza on November 25, 1951, in Leakey, Texas. She came to Big Spring in 1951 and was a homemaker and a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Survivors include her husband: Jesus Mendoza, Big Spring; two daughters: Linda Ramirez and Gloria Herrera, Big Spring; six brothers: Cruz DeLeon, Stanton; Leroy DeLeon and Ray DeLeon, both of Camp Wood; Felix DeLeon, Leakey; Guadalupe DeLeon Jr. and Teodoro DeLeon, both of Uvalde. Eight sisters: Lucy Tobar, Guadalupe Falcon, Paula Monsivais, Maria Aguiro, Yolanda Aguiro, Gloria Hernandez and Modesta Balderas all of Camp Wood and Amanda Diaz, Uvalde; six grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. The family suggests memorials to: Hospice of the Southwest; P.O. Box 14710; Odessa, Texas; 79768-4710.

J.O. Haney

Services for J.O. Haney, 89, Big Spring, are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. He died today in San Antonio.

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

Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Rosewood Chapel 906 GREGG 267-6331. Tommie DeLeon Mendoza, 62, died Thursday. Services were 10:00 a.m. Monday, March 13, 1995 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Interment followed at Trinity Memorial Park. Guillerma M. Hernandez, 84, died Thursday. Services were at 2:00 p.m. Monday at Immaculate Heart Catholic Church. Interment followed at Mt. Olive Memorial Park. J. O. Haney, 89, of Big Spring, Texas died today in San Antonio. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home, Big Spring, Texas.

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Suit

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George Niece, Donna Oliver, Jo Ann Ornelas, J.R. Overton, Stephen Oyler, Arthur Pachall, Stanley Partee, Irene Pastrano, Earl W. Patterson, Lucille Patton, Harvey and Irva Paul, George F. Peacock, Cesario Perez, R.H. Phinney, James Pope, Bettye Powell, Elbert and Phyllis Powers, Jerry Price, Wilda Faye Price.

R & S Paint Company, Ray Rackely, Raj Reddy, Aaron Redwine, Domingo Rios, P.O. Rios Jr., Carl Ritter Jr., Jason K. Roberts, Ross T. Roberts, L.T. and Janie Fay Robertson, Maude Robinson, Ryan L. Rogers, Linda L. Roman, Ernest Rose, M. Keith Ross, Gary Arthur Sampsel, Madeline Sarockas, Bobby Schafer, Ellen Mae Schafer, Leonard Schafer, April L. Schmidt, Gary Schofield, Louisa Schosch, Renaldo Skannal, Don Smith, Jimmy L. Smith, Melinda E. Smith, Rickey Smith, S.M. Smith, Southwestern Royalty Company, Floyd E. Stephens, Rusty Stephens, J.A. Sturdivant, Willie Sudduth Jr., Jack Lee Swart.

Jerry L. Tallant, Louise D. Teague, Tina Teague, Patricia Gale Thompson, Homer Thorp, Tony Trantham, Trio Fuels, Johnny Bob Turner, Turner Properties, Marie Valles, K.S. Vasanawala, Don Vaughn, Catherine V. Wagner, Floyd E. Ward, Kimberly S. Wheland, James M. Wheland Sr., Richard White, Roland White, Sandra Wiggins, W.A. Williams, Lorna Womack, Lorna R. Womack, O.S. Womack, Lucrecia Woolridge, Dale Wortham, Norman Wright, Emma H. Yanez, Alvin Yanke.

Standard placed him on administrative leave without pay. The former deputy was told to remove his personal belongings from a department vehicle that same night. Wallace maintained he was fired.

*March 10, 1992 - Standard wins the primary claiming 62 percent of the votes. The night of his victory the sheriff said the door was open for negotiations to determine Wallace's status with the department.

*March 11, 1992 - The sheriff's department sent Wallace a registered letter as an invitation to discuss the situation.

*March 12, 1992 - A Herald article states the sheriff's department attempted to contact Wallace to offer a discuss taking Wallace off administrative leave but he was not home.

*March 16, 1992 - The two men meet to discuss the job but no decision was made.

*March 30, 1992 - Wallace remains on the county health insurance policy at least one more month, according to a published Herald report.

*June 4, 1992 - County Treasurer Bonnie Franklin requested commissioners consider the issue of whether or not to continue paying Wallace's health insurance at their next meeting. The next morning, County Judge Ben Lockhart said Standard fired Wallace on June 4 and authorized the discontinuance of benefits. The matter was considered settled by Lockhart and the item was not placed on the agenda. Lockhart was quoted as saying, "it's not paid and we're not going to pay it," referring to the insurance benefits.

*June 9, 1992 - A published report in the Herald confirms county officials decided not to pay Wallace's June benefits. Both men had met at least twice to discuss Wallace's job but the negotiations were unsuccessful. Standard had been quoted earlier as saying he never asked that health benefits be paid for Wallace. "I have not presently asked nor have I asked in the past that he be placed on benefits - for all practical purposes, he's been terminated."

*March 25, 1994 - Wallace and his attorney file the lawsuit in Abilene federal court.

*March 13, 1995 - Jury selection scheduled to begin at 8:45 a.m.

county officials voluntarily said they would testify. Wallace is suing for back and front pay as well as attorney fees, but no dollar amount has been made public at this time. According to County Attorney Hardy Wilkerson, when the lawsuit was first filed, Wallace was also claiming defamation of character but later dropped that portion of the case.

Building self-esteem and citizenship are important at College Heights and students are rewarded for their good behavior, attendance and being named to the honor roll.

Police

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents during the weekend ending at 8 a.m. Monday:

*RODNEY DALE SMITH, 32, no known address, was arrested for EVADING ARREST, DISORDERLY CONDUCT, and POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA UNDER 2 OUNCES. Bonded out.

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*CRIMINAL MISCHIEF in the 3600 block of Dixon.

*DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE in the 2600 block of Hwy. 176.

*THEFT in the 300 block of Gregg.

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Big Spring ON THE RUN

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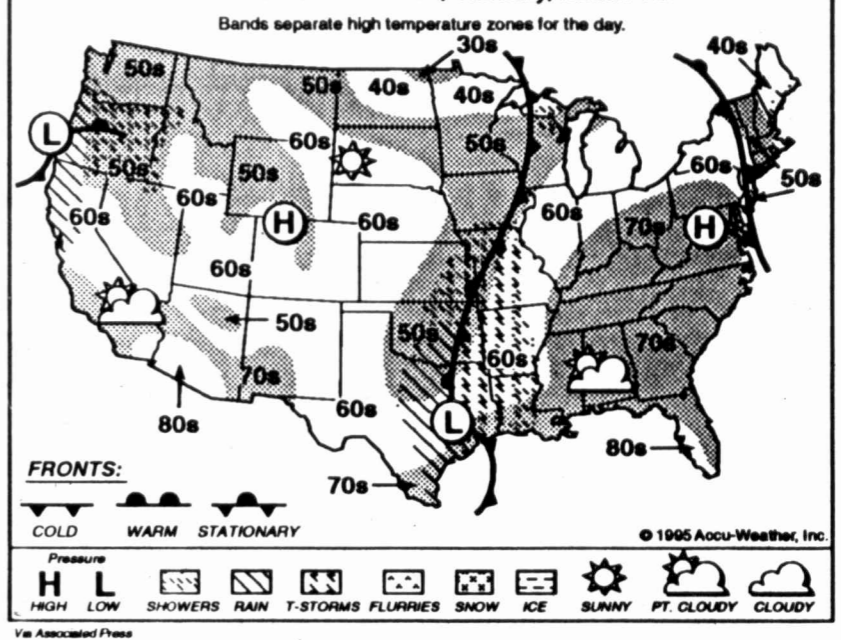
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NATIONAL Weather



NATIONAL SUMMARY: Showers and thunderstorms associated with a sluggish storm in Texas will trigger flooding in eastern parts of Texas and Oklahoma tomorrow, with wet weather extending north into Iowa. High pressure will sponsor warm, dry weather from the Great Lakes to the Southeast, but New England will remain chilly. Heavy rain will soak northern California and Oregon.

Year to date 1.43 Normal for year 1.54 **Statistics not available.

IN BRIEF

Breast cancer seminar March 20

The Big Spring Woman's Club will present Dr. Raymond Abrams, an obstetrics/gynecology surgeon at Baylor University, 7:30 p.m. March 20 at Dora Roberts Community Center. Abrams will discuss breast cancer, its causes, prevention and treatment.

Coahoma band boosters meet tonight

The Coahoma Band Booster Club will meet on Monday, March 13 at 7 p.m. in the band hall. All band parents are urged to attend. This will be an important meeting as we begin considering officers for next school year.

File now to run for school board

The election for Big Spring Independent School District Board of Trustees is May 6. Anyone wishing to run for a position on the school board can file their intentions between Feb. 20 and March 22 at the district's business office, 707 East 11th Place. They may file between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Fridays. Early voting days will be April 17 through May 2 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the county clerk's office. Irene Bustamante, Glynn Mouton, Dan Wise and Al Valdes are seeking re-election. Bustamante represents District One while Mouton, Wise and Valdes represent at-large districts.

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following incidents during the weekend ending at 8 a.m. Monday:

*KEITH MORRIS ALDRIDGE, 24, of 608 Lancaster was arrested for POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA UNDER 2 OUNCES. Released on \$1,000 bond.

*RAUL GONZALES MARTINEZ, 38, of 406 Martin Luther King Boulevard was arrested for POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA UNDER 2 OUNCES. Released on \$1,000 bond.

RECORDS

Table with 2 columns: Record type and Value. Sunday's temp. 77, Sunday's low 47, Average high 68, Average low 38, Record high 92 in 1989, Record low 15 in 1948, Rainfall Sunday 0.01, Month to date 0.36, Month's normal 0.25

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 *Single-Minded, unmarried/singles group, 8 p.m., Elks Lodge, FM 700. Call 263-8868. *Tops Club (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), 6:30 p.m. Weigh-in, 6 p.m., Canterbury South, 1700 Lancaster. Call 263-1340 or 263-8633. *Project Freedom, Christian support group, 7 p.m. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241. *Gospel singing, 7 p.m., Kentwood Center. Call 267-6764. *Al-A-Teen, 7:30 p.m., 615 Settles.

*Turning Point A.A., 8-9 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Goliad. Open to all substance abusers. *Alcoholics Anonymous noon open meeting, 615 Settles. *Volunteer tax assistance, First Presbyterian Church, Eighth and Runnels, 9 a.m. to noon. Appointments for other times, 263-4211. Bring IRS tax package, copy of last year's income tax return. *Howard County NAACP, 7 p.m., Chamber of Commerce conference room. Call Clarence Hartfield, 267-1806. *Coahoma Band Booster Club,

SPELL THAT!

The spelling bee will be 4:30 p.m. March 22 at the Howard College Auditorium. Only a few days are left to learn those words! Here are a few to practice with:

- Congregation Thermometer Intermittent Pomegranate Symphony Achievements

MARKETS

Table with 2 columns: Commodity and Price. May cotton futures 109.10 cents a pound, down 50 points; April crude oil 17.97 up 6 points; cash hog steady at 39.50 cents even; slaughter steers steady at 73 cents even; April live hog futures 40.32, up 2 points; April live cattle futures 72.45, up 8 points; according to Delta Commodities. Index 4024.89 Volume 89,696,420

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TUESDAY *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. *Comanche Lake Duplicate Weekly, Dora Roberts Civic Center, 1 p.m. Come early at 12:15 for mini-lessons. *Seniors' diabetic support group, 2 p.m., Canterbury South. Call 263-1265. *Most Excellent Way chemi-

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NEWS IN BRIEF

U.S. investments help dodge peso

McALLEN (AP) — Wealthy Mexicans are shipping cattle in droves across the Rio Grande, building apartments in Texas and forming partnerships with U.S. steel companies to protect their assets from a plummeting peso.

According to a report in the Sunday editions of The Monitor newspaper in McAllen, Mexican owners can get as much as 50 percent more for cattle in the U.S. than in their home country.

Illegal subdivisions allowed by lawmakers

DALLAS (AP) — Illegal, substandard subdivisions have been allowed to sprout along the U.S.-Mexico border because of close relationships some builders have with Texas legislators, Attorney General Dan Morales says.

Known as "colonias," the houses in the subdivisions usually come cheap, costing as little as \$100 a month to rent. But the homes also lack basic services such as running water, paved roads and proper sewage.

Health experts say they are a breeding ground for infectious diseases, which can spread quickly when families move to other parts of the United States.

Morales said close ties may make some lawmakers reluctant to pass tough laws against the developments. "Known as 'colonias,' the houses in the subdivisions usually come cheap, costing as little as \$100 a month to rent. But the homes also lack basic services such as running water, paved roads and proper sewage."

Nigerian mail, fax scams target Texans

HOUSTON (AP) — Mail and fax scams engineered by Nigerian citizens are raking in \$250 million from gullible Americans, the Houston Chronicle reported Sunday.

And Texans, international police say, are a prime target. U.S. Secret Service investigators cited the large number of Nigerian immigrants — the vast majority of them law-abiding — in Houston and Texas, offering a possible intelligence-gathering network for business operations.

Richard South, a detective constable with London's Metropolitan Police who knows of Texans targeted by a Nigerian scamster working from Great Britain, theorized that the con artists think that Texans have a lot of money.



Jason Whitcomb, 22, an 82nd Airborne Combat Engineer's Gulf War veteran, is wheeled out of an Irving hotel Sunday on his way to a local hospital by Gulf War veteran Tony Newcomb after suffering an attack of multiple chemical sensitivities syndrome. The two were attending a conference of Gulf War veterans.

Documents show Gulf War soldiers exposed to chemicals

IRVING (AP) — Gulf War veterans said Deputy Defense Secretary John Deutch, nominated Saturday to be the next CIA director, could be helping hide information about the use of chemical and biological weapons by Iraq during the 1990-91 war.

About 300 Gulf War vets attended a weekend conference here sponsored by the National Task Force of Desert Storms Veterans Group meant to pressure the government to do more studies of Gulf War Syndrome, an illness which some say was triggered by chemical and biological weapons.

The federal government has maintained that U.S. troops were not exposed to such agents. "Deutch...has been in charge of managing that information," said Paul Sullivan, president of Gulf War Veterans of Georgia.

"The Department of Defense is not releasing the information, so he is participating (in that) either by a failure to manage his subordinates or, by deliberate design, in a cover up."

Pentagon spokesman Navy Cmdr. Chuck Franklin denied that there is a cover up. "There still are unanswered questions about what is causing the illnesses of Gulf War vets," he said.

"We are continuing to look at this. We have not let up in our search. We are doing everything we can to get to bottom of the illnesses."

Sullivan released recently declassified Department of Defense documents he obtained through the federal Freedom of Information Act that mention exposures to such agents during the war.

Among the documents were Operation Desert Storm command log entries from January and March 1991. A Jan. 20 entry says Czechoslovakian troops had detected chemical agents "flowing down from factory/storage (facility that had been) bombed in Iraq. Predictably, this has become/is going to become a problem."

Of the 697,000 troops who served in the war, about 6 percent — some 43,000 — have reported ailments including muscle pain, memory loss and respiratory and heart problems.

The symptoms of all but 15 percent can be attributed to known illnesses. Although there is no concrete evidence of a single, disease-causing agent among the rest, President Clinton has said he will devote \$20 million to study the problem.

Buyout of flooded property shapes up

DALLAS (AP) — Scarred subdivisions line many streams in southeast Texas after flooding killed 23 people, forced 34,000 people to seek emergency assistance and left 38 counties disaster areas.

Now, because of a federal policy shift, the biggest buyout of flood-prone properties in Texas history is taking shape, The Dallas Morning News reported on Sunday.

"We're trying to break the cycle," said Dell Greer, the federal coordinating officer for the most recent flood disaster in southeast Texas.

It is a historic change. For decades, the government helped Americans move into flood-prone areas, building dams and levees to keep the water out and, in case of floods, providing insurance and disaster relief.

Now, federal officials — faced with national flood losses that have doubled since 1950 to \$3

billion a year — increasingly want to get people and property out of harm's way.

Parts of more than 50 Texas subdivisions from Edna, near Victoria, to Bevil Oaks, outside Beaumont, are being considered for removal from the flood plain as a result of October flooding.

Most of them are in the Houston area, which has more repeat flood losses than anywhere except New Orleans, much of which is below sea level, according to National Flood Insurance Program records.

There won't be enough money to complete the job immediately, Greer said.

Local governments have submitted \$78 million worth of requests for hazard mitigation projects, proposing the buyout of about 1,200 homes along with drainage and flood-response improvements.

Combining two federal programs, only about \$23 million will be available, unless local

requests for special congressional action bear fruit, Greer said.

An 18-month-old federal law provides more money than ever before for such projects, but funding under that program is limited to 15 percent of disaster spending on any one event, such as the October 1994 floods.

Last week, federal officials provided a hint of disappointment to come, giving preliminary approval to 146 of 349 properties submitted under one of the two programs, among them 24 in Forest Cove. Decisions won't be made in the other, larger program until June, officials said.

If special additional funding is not forthcoming, "we'll take care of what we can this time, and next disaster we'll take care of some more," said Montgomery County engineer Don Blanton.

Montgomery County has proposed to buy out 396 homes.

Cold front triggers flooding, tornado warnings

Flash flood warnings were in effect early today for four North Texas counties, numerous severe thunderstorm warnings were issued for areas of Southeast Texas and tornado warnings were issued for three South Central Texas counties.

The heavy rainfall was triggered when cool dry air behind a cold front collided with warm, moist air from the Gulf of Mexico. A deep upper level low pressure area allowed the thunderstorms to become severe.

The flash flood warnings were issued for Dallas, Ellis, Collin and Grayson counties. Street flooding was widespread in the Dallas-Fort Worth area during the pre-dawn hours.

Several roads in the Hill Country were closed due to high water. A flash flood watch was in effect today for the eastern two-thirds of North Texas. The area is along and east of a line from Montague to Weatherford to Killeen and includes the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex and the cities of Sherman, Paris, Tyler, Longview, Lufkin and Waco.

Tornado warnings were issued during the night for Austin, Colorado and Washington counties. Winds gusted to near 75 mph at LaGrange during one of the strong thunderstorms.

In West Texas, forecasts called for mostly clear skies at night and mostly sunny during the day.

The showers and thunderstorms were expected to continue through tonight across North Texas, ending in central areas by Tuesday morning.

The Associated Press

Merits of weights in prison debated as bill seeks ban

HOUSTON (AP) — Two state lawmakers think prison inmates shouldn't be buffed.

But iron-pumping inmates and some of the officials who work with them say Rep. Tom Ramsay and Sen. Jeff Wentworth are missing the point with their bills to remove prison weight rooms.

Gregg Johnson, a 179-pound convicted murderer who has become addicted to the weight room at the Eastham Unit dur-

ing his 13 years in prison, can execute a squat lift with 660 pounds on his shoulders.

"We get a sense of discipline we never experienced before," he said.

"There are dozens of guys in here that are totally different people because of weightlifting. A lot of us have never put such an importance on anything," he said.

Stacked on top of the recent banning of tobacco products in

prison, removing weights would be like "putting gas on fire," said Mario Cotton, recreation supervisor.

"The cigarettes are gone and they're wired," he said of ex-smokers.

"There is a psychological mind-set to being bulked up and I don't like that mind-set in a criminal," said Rep. Tom Ramsay, D-Mount Vernon, who's pushing legislation to ban inmate weightlifting.

Syphilis epidemic has health officials puzzled

HOUSTON (AP) — A syphilis epidemic in Beaumont, where 664 cases were documented in 1994, four times the state's average, has federal health officials puzzled.

In Jefferson County, the numbers translated into 203 cases per 100,000 county residents. Last year, there were only 49 cases reported for every 100,000 Texans.

Another 29 cases were identified in January among county residents.

"I've never seen anything like this," said Everett Expose, a public health adviser for the national Centers for Disease Control. Expose heads a five-person team that is tracking down people who have been exposed to syphilis to urge them to be tested and if necessary treated for the disease.

"This is an epidemic," added Dr. Charles Bell, who heads the state's HIV and sexually transmitted disease detection program.

Beaumont, where almost half the county's population lives, reported about half of the cases. But Port Arthur, which is a little more than half Beaumont's size, reported almost as many, the Houston Chronicle reported Sunday.

There are no easy answers for why the epidemic struck this county of 240,000 people east of Houston. Bell, a native of Port Arthur, said one reason may be a lack of things for young people to do other than have sex.

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Quote of the Day

"The role of journalists is not to be hunters and gatherers of information but to wake people up, to be the eyes of our culture."

Alan Kay, computer, scientist, 1994

True information could lead to solution's path

For 6 percent of the 697,000 troops who served in Desert Storm, the Gulf War will not go away.

It is manifesting itself as the Gulf War syndrome, creating health problems for those who served their country.

Although the Department of Defense is studying the issue, it is the denial of possible exposure to toxins that is the problem.

We have to ask ourselves, could the riddle of the Gulf War syndrome be closer to an answer if possible exposure to toxins were made known?

Yes, we would probably be closer to an answer, because scientist would have had better clues to use in solving the riddle.

At a weekend conference of Gulf War veterans, evidence was presented which veterans say refute the claim the soldiers were not exposed to chemical or biological weapons.

One of the documents, used as evidence, is a command log which states

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"Israeli police confirmed nerve gas."

President Bill Clinton has said he will spend \$20 million to study the problem.

The bigger question is why do veterans have to fight so hard for treatment of war-related problems? Do we not owe them something for doing what this country, through its government, asks them to do?

It can be said they went willingly, but willingness to do a nasty job doesn't negate the fact we owe them for doing it.

While we go through budget-cutting times, a long-overdue necessity, we cannot continue to ask our armed forces to fight increasingly more dangerous wars without being willing to fund treatment for them.

It truly is a matter of respect.



Beating the crayfish syndrome

It's called "The Crayfish Syndrome." Put crayfish in a pail. When one of them starts to climb out, the rest of them will reach up and pull him down.



Paul Harvey
Columnist

The black minister of a black church in Meridian, Miss., watched his own people defeating themselves as a result of The Crayfish Syndrome.

When one sought political office, sought to start a business or sought to get an education, other blacks, instead of cheering him on, were more likely to envy him, deride him and try to pull him down.

The Crayfish Syndrome. So, Bishop Luke Edwards, pastor of the Greater Christ Temple, set out to encourage the members of his church - 96 percent of them on welfare - to become independent, productive and prosperous.

He got no money from foun-

dations or government and no contributions from corporations.

What he did was to start selling peanuts in the church. Then, the church opened a small store, bought farm produce wholesale and sold it for a profit.

Today, this do-it-yourself anti-poverty program has grown to include a ranch with 1,000 head of cattle, a hog operation with 300 brood sows, two motels, a gas station, three restaurants, two chicken farms and 4,000 acres of farmland. There's also the church-owned Green Acres housing development, two supermarkets, a construction company and two meat-processing plants.

One good example is worth a thousand admonitions - and the good example of the Greater Christ Temple of Meridian has removed the entire church membership from welfare rolls, and nobody is on food stamps. Taxpayers are saved \$300,000 a year!

Pastor Edwards says, "Black people can be just as successful as anyone else, but our leaders have allowed us to be entrapped by government handouts. Handouts have robbed our people of self-esteem and

self-respect."

Pastor Edwards says, "Being black in America is still a handicap, but when dealing with any handicapped person, the worst thing you can do is to subject him to a daily harangue about the things he cannot do. Few of us have enough confidence and ambition not to be undone by that."

Instead, Pastor Edwards delivers the opposite message, telling his church members over and over again what they can accomplish and reinforcing his admonition with no-nonsense schooling. He inspires them to make friends with hard work.

A black bishop who does not look to Washington to solve his people's problems gets no applause from government pay-rollers, who are paid to keep segments of our population subservient.

But what's working in Meridian could work anywhere with proper leadership.

More and more among all our hybrid nation's people, the cream is coming to the top - not because of government but in spite of it.

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WORLD

Zedillo: Austerity necessary

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Struggling to control the nation's economic and political crises, President Ernesto Zedillo insists austerity measures are necessary and pledges to clean up Mexico's corrupt political system.

His statements in a Sunday night address to the nation came as millions of poor Mexicans struggled to cope with soaring prices and a day after his predecessor, Carlos Salinas de Gortari, left the country under unclear circumstances.

"Nothing, and no one, will weaken my decision to head up construction of the kind of authentic, legal state that Mexicans deserve," Zedillo said in his speech.

"I will do that presiding over a government of laws, within the structure of a strengthened democracy. We are facing great political, social and economic challenges all at the same

time," said Zedillo.

It was perhaps his strongest statement since he took office on Dec. 1 and inherited a host of economic and political problems.

Zedillo has been criticized for appearing indecisive in dealing with the peso's disastrous slide and the investigations of two high-profile assassinations that have underscored Mexico's political corruption.

But in the last month, his administration has made a series of tough announcements: the issuance of arrest warrants for rebel leaders; the arrest of Salinas' brother on charges he masterminded the assassination of the ruling party's No. 2 man; and revelations that last year's murder of a presidential candidate was part of a conspiracy.

On the economy, Zedillo insisted Sunday that the unpopular austerity plan unveiled Thursday was necessary to halt

"a financial and production collapse ... that would mean the loss of millions of jobs."

Both business and labor oppose the plan that calls for a 35 percent increase in gasoline prices, a 20 percent hike in electrical service fees and a jump of 5 percentage points in the sales tax.

On the political front, Zedillo said that "real (economic) development demands that we make Mexico an authentic country of laws and demand a strengthening of our democracy."

Salinas reportedly left Mexico to live in the United States following his brother's arrest and the heavy criticism he has suffered for his handling of the economy.

A source close to Salinas told The Associated Press that he had left Mexico. The source, who spoke on condition of anonymity, didn't know when or where he went.



A couple of Newfoundland fishermen display a sign to crew members of the seized Spanish fishing vessel, Estai, as it arrived under Canadian escort into St. John's Harbour, Newfoundland, Thursday. Officials claimed the boat was overfishing.

Canada seizes Spanish boat; claims overfishing

ST. JOHN'S, Newfoundland (AP) — A Spanish fisherman was hauled into court Sunday through a jeering, egg-throwing crowd gathered to support Canada's seizure of the boat in a dispute over North Atlantic fishing rights.

Captain Enrique Davila Gonzalez was released on \$8,000 bail and was believed to have returned to his ship, the Estai.

Several thousand people waited as the ship was brought into harbor. Gonzalez and Spain's ambassador to Canada were jostled, jeered and had two eggs thrown at them on their way to court. An egg hit a German

diplomat. In Brussels, senior European Union diplomats demanded that Canada release the Spanish trawler and crew as a condition for negotiations on the fishing dispute.

The Canadian navy stopped the Estai, which was believed to have been fishing for turbot, on Thursday in international waters near the Grand Banks.

The tensions stemmed from Canada's implementation of a law passed last year allowing it to seize ships in international waters believed to be overfishing.

Bhutto blamed as violence continues to erupt

KARACHI, Pakistan (AP) — Critics blamed Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto for failing to take strong action to halt the bloodshed in her hometown which claimed another 13 victims Sunday, including nine political activists shot in a hit-and-run attack.

Karachi has been the scene of almost daily violence for more than a year, nearly 500 people have been killed in the Arabian Sea port in the past three months.

The violence attracted international attention when two Americans were fatally shot.

The flag-draped coffins of the two victims, Jackie van Landingham and Gary Durell, were flown out on a U.S. Air Force plane Saturday evening. An FBI team is in Karachi to help search for the attackers, and the United States has offered a \$2 million reward.

Ms. Bhutto held urgent talks Saturday with government and security officials in Karachi,

but announced only a small increase in police patrols around mosques and other possible targets.

"It's as though she plays the same tape recording every time she is here in Karachi," said Ghafoor Ahmed, an opposition politician.

Ms. Bhutto withdrew the army from the streets of Karachi in November, saying police were capable of maintaining order in the volatile city.

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Jury out hand evidence

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Jury still out on LAPD's handling of evidence

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The way O.J. Simpson's lawyers put it, you couldn't find a bigger bunch of bunglers than those in the Los Angeles Police Department.

But did Keystone Kops so botch the investigation that none of the evidence can be trusted? Or is the evidence so strong defense lawyers are taking desperate stabs at sowing doubt?

"The defense has no choice. Because the evidence is so overwhelming, they have to attack the police investigation," said Vincent Bugliosi, a former Los Angeles prosecutor who tried Charles Manson.

Week after week, the defense grilled police officers about everything from overlooking blood on a gate to not taking pictures of melting ice cream.

"From what I've seen so far, it's just typical garden-variety oversights that don't add up to a hill of beans," said Bugliosi.

Still, others are surprised at some of the mistakes made in the investigation of the June 12 murders of Nicole Brown Simpson and Ronald Goldman.

Even a coroner's official condemned detectives — for waiting 6 1/2 hours before notifying his office.

"Then we get there and you want to tell us when he died? Everybody trampled around. Whose footprints are those? Yours? Theirs?" said Juan J. Jimenez, the coroner's assistant chief of investigations. "They dropped the ball. They've done this on numerous occasions."

LAPD spokesman John Dunkin defends the investigators as well-trained and experienced.

"I'm disappointed that people are prone to make offhand statements based on limited information," he said.

But Dallas police Sgt. Jim Chandler says such criticism is routine.

"In the absence of a witness to discredit, they have to discredit the collection of evidence and procedures," he said. "We see it in virtually every criminal trial."

Although Detroit police Lt. William Rice says they wouldn't be tolerated in his department, he thinks the LAPD slip-ups are insignificant.

Forensic pathologist Cyril H. Wecht of Pittsburgh says the opposite.

"It was horrible, a debacle, inexcusable, unforgivable ... to say these are routine or acceptable errors," said Wecht, past president of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences. "I'll tell you what I would expect in the year 1994 in the second-largest metropolitan area — near perfection."

Defense lawyer Johnnie Cochran Jr. said in his opening statement "the evidence will be shown to be contaminated, compromised and corrupted."

Among the defense targets: some of Simpson's blood given to police a day after the killings allegedly is missing; blood on a gate at the murder scene wasn't analyzed for weeks; no photographs were taken of a cup of melting ice cream or candles at the murder scene that might have helped pinpoint the time of death; and blood found on Ms. Simpson's back wasn't tested.



National Guard and Castroville Fire Department workers carry wheelchair-bound Lucy Cedillo, 64, from her flood-threatened home. The Tembladero Slough emptied into the neighborhood in Castroville, Calif., Sunday.

Eight dead, more rain coming

Californians struggling to recover

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Floods washed out all roads into the Monterey Peninsula on Sunday as waterlogged California struggled to recover from storms that battered two-thirds of the state.

At least eight people died in five days of flooding, and five more are missing after driving into a rain-swollen creek when an Interstate 5 bridge collapsed in central California.

Sunday was rain-free for most of California. The National Weather Service said showers were expected again Monday, but not the downpours of last week.

Gov. Pete Wilson asked President Clinton on Sunday to declare 39 counties federal disaster areas, which would allow individuals and businesses affected by the floods to apply for federal loans.

In Monterey County, thousands of people left their homes overnight as the Salinas and Pajaro rivers inundated some of the nation's richest farmlands, the site of John Steinbeck's "The Grapes of Wrath."

The flooding cut off the communities around Monterey, about 100 miles south of San

Francisco. "At this point all roads are closed — the Monterey Peninsula is literally isolated," said county emergency officer Al Friedrich.

California Highway Patrol officials said roads may remain closed until Monday.

Many people were rousted from their homes early Sunday as flood waters rushed into low-lying riverside communities overnight.

"Police went down the streets with their sirens telling people to please leave," Friedrich said. "It's a scary thing to hear in the dark."

In the farming town of Pajaro, residents were in shock.

"People walked in here in tears. They looked like they were caught completely off-guard," said Salvation Army Maj. Joan Souders. "We saw people walk in here with no shoes, no socks or with water lines up to their thighs."

From the Oregon state line down to Mexico, rain, wind and snow wreaked havoc across 40 of California's 58 counties.

"It's the most widespread geographic storm in California in this century," said James Bailey of the state-federal Flood Operations Center in Sacramento.

The storms may also be the most expensive in California history, he added, costing up to \$2 billion in a state already burdened with January's Pacific storms, as well as a series of

earthquakes, fires and mudslides.

In Coalinga, about 50 miles west of Fresno, teams were back at the scene of a fatal I-5 road bridge collapse on California's main north-south freeway.

Four cars drove into a rain-swollen creek Friday night when the overpass suddenly dropped into the water. Transportation officials believe floodwater and its debris undermined the bridge's foundation.

One driver was rescued, but six people were believed to be in the other three cars.

Rescue crews pulled the body of a teen-age girl from one car Sunday, said highway patrol spokeswoman Karen Barrows. Searchers found the last two cars.

"We don't know yet whether there are bodies inside," Barrows said.

Survivor Wayne Johnson, 45, said he saw too late that something was wrong. As he approached the span in the rain and darkness, he saw a flash-light waving.

"I thought that perhaps the road was flooded so I started to slow down ... then I went up and down at an angle, and I was airborne Evel Knievel-style," he said.

He got out of his truck, but was stuck in a tree for several hours before being rescued.

Southern Californians shoveled mud and pushed water out of homes and off roads in areas hit hard by the rains.

Musician uses music as search tool for her cousin's killer

NEW YORK (AP) — Jacqueline Alexander, shot to death beneath the family Christmas tree, was one of 1,995 city homicides in 1992. Her murder made no headlines. The alleged killer, her estranged husband, escaped.

But there was a witness — an aspiring musician named Jazz Lee Alston, who watched her cousin die. After death threats forced Alston into hiding for two years, she has now turned the slaying into a song and is on a crusade to find her cousin's killer.

"Someone had to make a stand," said Alston, speaking in a soft voice over the telephone from an undisclosed location. "This has to be done. It's not what I wanted to do. It's not what I liked to do. It just had to be done."

The songwriter and her label have launched an unprecedented music industry version of "America's Most Wanted." Last month, American Recordings mailed New York Police Department wanted posters with Paul Alexander's picture and rap sheet to scores of music journalists nationwide. The label also posted his mug shot on its Internet site.

"He's more than a suspect," said Detective Ronnie Pereira. "If we get him, he's going down for murder."

Mrs. Alexander was abused by her husband. She moved out and kept her new address a secret for about two months — until Dec. 27, 1992. Alston was staying with her cousin when she was murdered.

Like a child recounting an oft-heard bedtime story, Alston

This has to be done. It's not what I wanted to do. It's not what I liked to do. It just had to be done.

Jazz Lee Alston

recited by rote what happened that morning.

"He must have been watching the house the whole night," she said. "When we opened the door to let (a friend) ... Paul started to force his way in. We let the door go, and Paul came in started to fight. He pointed the gun ... Jackie ... said, 'Whatever you're going to do, go it to me.' And he shot her."

In her jazz-pop song "Love ... Never ... Alston recounts an abusive relationship that ends in murder. Over an eerie synthesized riff, Alston matter-of-factly tells a gruesome story:

"My man loved me so (expletive) much
"Christmas night he blew
"my head wide open
"All over the living
"room floor."

After Mrs. Alexander's funeral, Alston said, she began receiving death threats from Alexander. She left New York six days later, abandoning her family, friends and music.

Two weeks ago, Alston said, Alexander called his dead wife's mother with this message: "One down, two to go," a reference to Alston and another witness.

Gramm won't push for abortion amendment, if elected

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Phil Gramm, who is strongly opposed to abortion, says he would not push for a constitutional amendment to ban abortions if elected president next year.

Instead, the Texas Republican said Sunday on NBC's "Meet the Press," he would work to see no federal money is used to fund abortions, except in cases where the mother's life is in danger.

"I don't believe there's a consensus in the country to amend the Constitution," Gramm said when asked if he would try to overturn the 1973 Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court decision.

"Nobody has offered the amendment, and I would not see that as part of my mandate in terms of amending the Constitution."

Gramm's statement was the latest to suggest the fiscal conservative wants to stay clear of the abortion issue in his run for the 1996 Republican presidential nomination.

He has previously said while he would want his running mate to share his philosophical views, abortion would not be a litmus test in choosing a vice presidential nominee.

Gramm said he supported GOP 1992 platform language that would ban abortions in cases of rape or incest.

Legal reform brings out lawyer-bashing

WASHINGTON (AP) — The debate on Republican proposals to revamp the civil legal system gave members of the House of Representatives the opportunity to engage in lawyer-bashing.

As legislators considered three far-reaching bills to limit lawsuits and make the losers pay legal fees under certain conditions, there was no shortage of statements condemning a profession increasingly criticized in recent years as the number of lawsuits has soared.

No matter that most members of Congress are themselves attorneys. Anti-lawyerism touches a deep populist nerve

that was brought to life in last November's elections.

Anti-lawyer sentiment and concern about the growing litigiousness of American society are behind much of the Republican-pushed legislation. The package of three bills, facing a tough challenge in the Senate, would make it easier for companies to defend product-liability and securities-fraud cases and would pre-empt state laws by creating a federal limit on punitive damages in most lawsuits.

The far-reaching proposals are part of the GOP's "Contract With America" legislative game plan.

Hospital acknowledges second fatal mistake in two weeks

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — The same hospital where a surgeon amputated the wrong leg of a patient is acknowledging another mistake — two weeks later — that led to the death of a 77-year-old man.

Leo Alfonso died March 3 after a respiratory technician at University Community Hospital mistakenly removed his ventilator, hospital officials said.

Alfonso died less than an hour later, though health care workers tried for 30 minutes to revive him, hospital spokesman John Andreas said Sunday.

The technician was supposed to have taken another patient off a ventilator, Andreas said.

The employee should have checked the patient's identity visually, by speaking to him, by reading his chart and by checking his identification bracelet, Andreas said.

The hospital said the worker, who has been employed for 23 years, has a clean record. She

was suspended pending an investigation.

The hospital immediately reviewed its identification procedures after Alfonso's death and all employees providing respiratory care were retrained.

President Norm Stein said Saturday.

"We determined that our procedures work, but in this case they were not followed," he said.

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SPORTS IN BRIEF

Howard women win Odessa rodeo

The Howard College women's rodeo team won the Odessa College rodeo over the weekend.

Shanna Owens was the star of the show, winning the women's all-around title. Owens won in barrel racing, leading at all stops, and she was third in the average at goat tying and break-away roping.

Howard won with 235 points to runner-up Vernon Regional's 145. Another star for the ladies was Stephanie Miller, who was fourth in breakaway roping.

The men's team finished fourth at 120 - Vernon Regional won the event with 260 points.

Cory McFadden was fifth in the average in bareback riding and fourth in bull riding. Also in bull riding, Reed Corder was first in the first go-round and second in the average, while Chad Armstrong was second in the first go and third in the average.

Shawn Mays was second in the short go and third in the average in steer wrestling. Richard Chumley was fourth in the short go.

Howard returns to action March 30 at the West Texas A&M rodeo.

Big Spring softball completes long weekend

Big Spring's club softball team lost four games this weekend but had some superb play.

Friday, Big Spring led 12-10 going into the bottom of the seventh at Andrews, but Andrews smacked a three-run homer to win. Big Spring is 0-8 after losing two games Saturday against Coahoma.

In the Andrews game, Jessica Cobos launched a three-run homer and went 3 for 3 for Big Spring. Melissa Martinez singled, doubled and homered.

Cobos had four RBIs; Martinez had three. In the second game at Andrews, Big Spring fell 15-11. During the four-game weekend, Big Spring received great defensive play from Charlene Bargaineer, Lisa Hernandez, Amanda Hale, Cobos, Martinez, Stephanie Kennedy and Erica Lanspery.

Speaking of Big Spring softball, catcher Teri Gonzales was misidentified in a outline on page 9A of Sunday's Herald.

Coahoma softball on a hot streak

The Coahoma Bulldogettes improved to 5-1 with a doubleheader sweep over Big Spring Saturday. That came after the Bulldogettes won their district opener Friday against Westbrook.

Coahoma beat Westbrook 25-1. In that game, LaDonna Hale scored a run and went 2 for 2.

In the second game against Big Spring, Jerriann Mitchell was the winning pitcher. Cassie Rich had three RBIs; Brenda Austin had four.

Owusu earns more state honors

Drexell Owusu of Big Spring was among 12 high school seniors named to the 1995 FINA Dallas Morning News All-State

Scholar-Athlete Team.

Each of the 12 all-state team members will receive a \$4,000 college scholarship and will be honored at a June banquet in Dallas.

Owusu is the defending Class 4A state champion in the triple jump, and he also kicked for the Big Spring football team.

Stallings gains All-American status

Jeremy Stallings of Stanton, a sophomore at the University of Florida, earned All-America status with an eighth-place finish Saturday at the NCAA Indoor Championship in Indianapolis.

Stallings took eighth in the 800-meter run with a time of 1 minute, 53.82 seconds. He was part of UF's eighth-place distance medley relay team as well.

Coahoma baseball loses two of three

The Coahoma baseball team lost two of three games over the weekend.

Coahoma fell 12-1 at Rotan Friday, despite another homer from Coahoma slugger Kelby Bailey.

Coahoma beat Midland Lee JV 12-6 in the first game of a Saturday doubleheader, but the Bulldogs lost the second game 21-15.

Big Spring ties for ninth

The Big Spring boys' golf team tied for ninth in the two-day San Angelo Classic Friday and Saturday.

Big Spring shot a 682 (356-326) in a 14-team field. Borger won at 650 (336-314).

For Big Spring, scores were - Jake McCullough 164 (87-77), Pat Carter 180 (99-81), Justin Cole 179 (93-86), Ryan Williams 175 (85-90), Mike Balderach 173 (91-82).

Coahoma sets softball signups

COAHOMA - Registration for the Coahoma UGSA girls' softball league have begun.

Signups will be noon-5 p.m. Saturday at the Coahoma Community Center.

Other registration dates are: March 21 and 23, 5-8 p.m. at the softball field; March 25, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at the softball field. Tryouts will follow registration on March 25.

Registration fee is \$20, and players need to provide a copy of their birth certificates. For more information, call 394-4748.

Big Spring girls place 12th in Andrews

Big Spring's girls' golf team finished 12th among the deep two-team field at the Andrews Classic. Big Spring shot a 787 (397-390) to finish off the pace set by Andrews' 695 (352-343).

Scores for Big Spring included Kristie Hale 192 (95-97), Alicia Wood 197 (97-100), Jennifer Broadrick 199 (102-97), Stefanie Waggoner 197 (103-94) and Vanessa Billalba 203 (103-100).

Stanton hosts softball tournament

A men's softball tournament will be played in Stanton March 24-25. There is a \$100 entry fee per team.

For more information, call Freddy Hernandez at 756-2326.

TAR HEEL DOWN



North Carolina's Rasheed Wallace (30) is consoled by a trainer Sunday at the ACC Championship game. Wallace may miss the NCAAs. Wake Forest beat UNC 82-80.

On the road to Tyler

Nationals, here we come! We pulled away from the near abandoned dorm at 9 a.m. Everyone had already left for their Spring Break - now we were leaving for ours.

Most everyone slept on the long journey to Tyler - it's not like we were seeing new scenery since we had attended a tournament there just before Christmas. We stopped along the way three times, two for fuel and once for lunch, which was in Fort Worth at Cicci's Pizza.

We arrived in Tyler at about 5 p.m. and settled into our rooms. Once again we are divided into pairs in our rooms. We had the option to go to the movies at 6:45, or we could stay and just hang out at the hotel.

About eight of us, including (assistant) Coach (Matt) Corkery, went and saw movies, such as 'Outbreak,' 'Hideaway' and 'Heavyweights.' After that we grabbed a bite to eat at

places such as Popeye's and Sonic, according to what we preferred to eat.

That was all that our day included. Today we have quite a few things to do. We have pictures, practice and a banquet, so that looks to be a full day.

I'm so excited to be at the national tournament. It's quite an accomplishment! It's really nice that so many fans and supporters are going to be in attendance! Most of us are glad to have our families coming to cheer us on as well. I can't wait for our team to put on a good show for the City of Roses!

Let's go Lady Hawks!

No one was relieved by the news than Earnst.

The Big Spring High School graduate has seen limited playing time this year and feared that Monday's injury would keep her out of the national tournament entirely.

"It's exciting to see what (the national tournament) will be like," Earnst said. "I haven't been able to practice since Monday, so this week has been pretty laid back, but pretty intense as well."

Another first-timer on the way to Tyler is assistant coach Matt Corkery.

"I've been associated with winning teams before, so this is not a new thing, but it's still very exciting," Corkery said. "I've been very happy for the program and the players."

For head coach Terry Gray, the major concern has been keeping the team's focus sharp during a 10-day layoff.

"We took a few days off, let our injuries heal and let them get away from the game for awhile," he said. "Then we got them back a couple of days ago and got a few practices under our belts. I think they'll be ready to go."



Summer Swoboda
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EARNST

New Mexico sweeps Hawks again

The Howard College baseball team lost two games Sunday in Hobbs, N.M.

New Mexico Junior College (10-2 in the Western Junior College Athletic Conference) defeated Howard 13-4 and 10-9. Howard is 4-4 in the WJAC, 11-6 overall.

The Hawks are still hurting from Eric Garcia's injury - a shoulder problem that limits a slick-fielding shortstop to designated-hitter duties - and the problems worsened when short-

stop Shane Smith missed Sunday's games due to a bad wrist.

Howard coach Brian Roper said, "When you have 10 errors in two games, it's ridiculous."

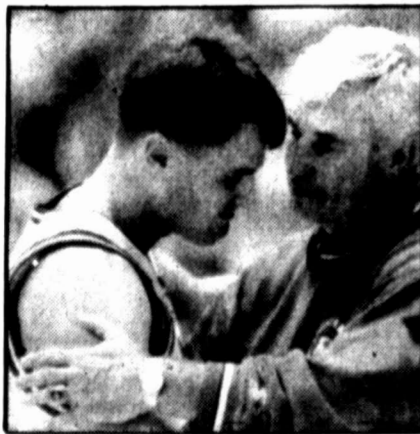
New Mexico smashed five home runs in the first game. In the 11-inning second game, Howard used six pitchers but couldn't hold a four-run first-inning lead. In the first game, Garcia went 2 for 4, and in the second game Wes Davis and Kent Holland had three hits

each. Howard hosts Odessa this weekend.

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SHOT OF THE DAY



The General's soft side
Indiana University coach Bob Knight embraces his son, Patrick, as the younger left his last career home game Sunday. Indiana beat Iowa 110-79.

TEXAS SPORTS

Stars skate to a tie

DALLAS (AP) — Paul Broten's goal with 7:36 remaining in regulation completed Dallas' comeback from a three-goal third-period deficit Sunday night, leading the Stars to a 4-4 tie with the Calgary Flames. The Stars fell behind 4-1 early in the third period before storming back with three goals during a span of 2:52.

Astros release ex-convict

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston Astros pitcher J.P. Simone was released with three other players on Sunday. On Friday, Simone claimed he had "never been to prison." On Saturday, he said he served six months in a Marion, Ill., federal penitentiary for refusing to testify before a grand jury.

NATION/WORLD

Rams could stay in L.A.

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP) — The NFL made it apparent Sunday that the Rams are going to have to ante up some of the estimated \$75 million they're getting for personal seat licenses before they get approval to move to St. Louis.

The Rams moved from the No. 2 TV market to the No. 18 market.

'Big Daddy' blasts challenger

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Riddick Bowe knocked down Herbie Hide seven times and stopped him at 2:25 of the sixth round to win the WBO heavyweight title Saturday night.

Bowe, the former undisputed champion, is 36-1 with 30 knockouts. Hide dropped to 26-1.

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NHL Standings

Table with columns: National Hockey League, All Times EST, Eastern Conference, Atlantic Division, W, L, T, Pts, GF, GA. Lists teams like N.Y. Rangers, Philadelphia, New Jersey, etc.

NBA Standings

Table with columns: National Basketball Association, All Times EST, Eastern Conference, Atlantic Division, W, L, Pct., GB. Lists teams like Orlando, New York, New Jersey, etc.



GOLF

Honda Classic

Final scores and money won Sunday from the PGA Tour's \$1.2 million Honda Classic, on the 6,964-yard par-71 Weston Hills Country Club course.

AP Top 25

Table with columns: Rank, Team, Record, Pts, Prv. Lists top 25 college basketball teams.

LPGA Ping

Table with columns: Rank, Player, Score, Par. Lists top 25 LPGA players.

Saturday's Games

Florida 2, Boston 0; Pittsburgh 6, Buffalo 2; Quebec 2, N.Y. Islanders 1; Montreal 3, N.Y. Rangers 1; Chicago 2, Toronto 2, tie; Los Angeles 4, Winnipeg 2; Vancouver 5, Anaheim 3.

Sunday's Games

Washington 110, New Jersey 102; Charlotte 104, Miami 95; Seattle 96, New York 84; L.A. Lakers 108, Chicago 105; Houston 109, Dallas 102.

College Scores

Sunday (Men) EAST: Penn St. 69, Minnesota 60; MIDWEST: Illinois 82, Ohio St. 63; Michigan St. 97, Wisconsin 72; FAR WEST: Arizona St. 103, Arizona 98, 20T; Oregon St. 83, Southern Cal 81, OT; Stanford 74, Washington 65; UCLA 94, Oregon 78; Washington St. 92, California 89.

Tournaments

American West Conference Championship: S. Utah 83, CS Northridge 82; Atlantic Coast Conference Semifinals: North Carolina 97, Maryland 92, OT; Wake Forest 77, Virginia 68; Big East Conference Semifinals: Connecticut 88, Georgetown 81; Villanova 90, Providence 75; Big Eight Conference Semifinals: Iowa St. 80, Kansas 72, OT; Oklahoma St. 74, Oklahoma 58; Big Sky Conference Championship: Weber St. 84, Montana 62; Big West Conference Semifinals: Long Beach St. 87, New Mexico St. 79.

NIT Pairings

NEW YORK (AP) — The pairings for first round games in the 1995 NIT tournament with overall record, game times and television coverage if any. Wednesday, March 15: Marquette (17-11) at Auburn (16-12), 7 p.m.; Coppin State (20-9) at St. Joseph's (17-11), 7 p.m.; Seton Hall (16-13) at Canisius (18-12), 7:30 p.m.; Miami, Fla. (15-12) at Penn State (17-10), 7:30 p.m. (ESPN); DePaul (17-10) at Iowa (19-11), 9:30 p.m. (ESPN).

Michael, PLEASE return to the NBA

Finally there's something good - no something great - to talk about in the world of sports: The return of Michael Jordan to basketball. He isn't because of his father's murder, but there are those who speculate he quit because he wanted to allow gambling allegations to die down. It's sickening that people bask in the hardships and misfortunes of other people. It would be nice if all families, especially athletes, had the closeness Jordan had with his father. No one has the right to tell another man, even Michael Jordan, when and how long to

grieve. If Jordan wanted to play baseball, great! Sure he was criticized, but he died, and he wasn't sitting in a Lazy Boy second-guessing his fellow athletes. Many people speculated Jordan would return to basketball, but in the meantime we should have respected his reasons for leaving as he stated them when he left the game. He said he had nothing more to prove. He loves the game and obviously still does, but his heart just wasn't in it any more when he left. No one will doubt that part of his heart was taken from him when his father was killed. Without Jordan in a Chicago Bulls uniform, the introductions of the Bulls at home games in the new United Center just aren't the same. He's not back yet, but let's hope this is for real. Jordan, by leaving the game, was doing something else he loved - attempting to spend more time with his family. The only thing Jordan ever did to hurt basketball is set the standard of excellence too high for anyone else to reach. Maybe in another dozen years or so we will have more Jordans in basketball uniforms, but for now the original will do just fine. Money has all but taken the fun out of the games we love. Thank goodness for those who play because they love the game, whatever it may be. Jordan makes more money from endorsements than from playing basketball, but make no mistake about it, when he plays he is playing to win. Shaquille O'Neal will win the scoring title this year, but with Jordan back, let's hope, we will once again have a superstar who can score a basket from outside of three feet. Shaq is a perfect gentleman, but there's more to basketball than the slam dunk. There is an excellent group of young stars in the NBA, but the greatest star of them all still has some play left in his game, and the NBA could certainly use a shot of adrenaline. Enough of Dennis Rodman! For all of the wannabe superstars in the NBA, drawing million-dollar salaries for doing nothing like Glenn Robinson, the bell is ringing and school's back in, sucks!



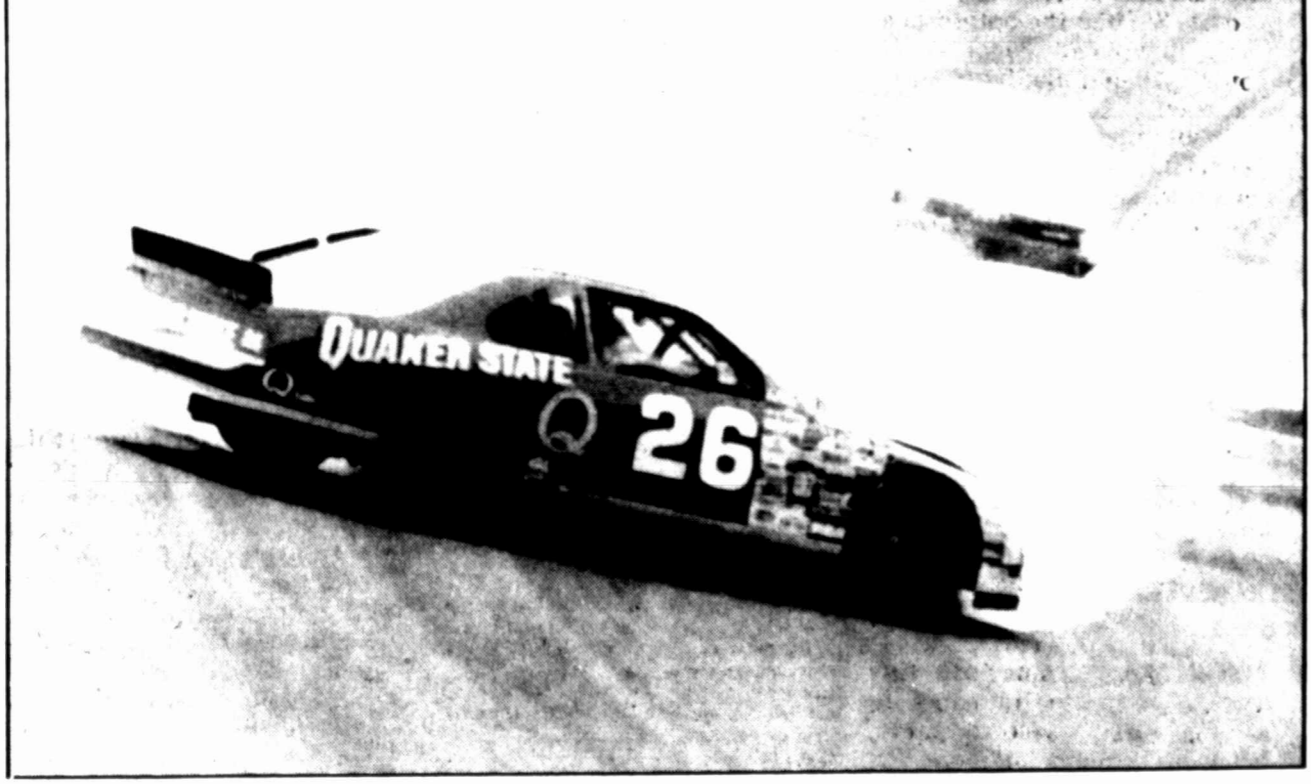
Carlton Johnson Staff Writer

Cowboys keep star tight end

IRVING (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys have signed free agent tight end Jay Novacek to a three-year, \$4.8 million contract. The signing of Novacek helped ease the pain of the recent losses of wide receiver Alvin Harper to Tampa Bay and Mark Stepnoski to the Houston Oilers. Novacek had decided Saturday night to stay with the Cowboys, but a big offer from the Green Bay Packers on Sunday almost changed his mind. Frank Bauer, Novacek's agent, told The Dallas Morning News. The offer from Green Bay amounted to \$1.75 million a year, making its three-year package \$450,000 greater than the Cowboys' eventual winning offer, Bauer said. "If Jay had gone for the money, he'd have gone to Green Bay," Cowboys vice president Stephen Jones said. The Cowboys raised their offer twice Sunday and loaded it up front with a \$1.8 million signing bonus. He will receive base salaries of \$800,000, \$1 million and \$1.2 million.

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NASCAR driver Steve Kinser (26) goes sideways as his car slides in front of the McDonald's Ford (94) of Bill Elliott Sunday at the Purolator 500.

Gordon wins again at Purolator 500

HAMPTON, Ga. (AP) — The only mystery for Jeff Gordon in the Purolator 500 was where the heck that darn vibration was coming from. Gordon's victory two weeks earlier at Rockingham was almost as convincing as Sunday's win, and it too was accompanied by the mystery vibration. "It's the kind of vibration we don't know what it is," Gordon said. "After Rockingham, the guys tore the car down looking at everything that they thought it could be and didn't find anything. "It started up right away again today, but I didn't want to say anything because the car

was running so good," he added. "I didn't say anything for about 200 (of the 328) laps. Then I said, 'Hey guys, I've got a little vibration again. Is there anything I can do about it?' They said no." "But, heck, every time the thing vibrates we win, so I don't know whether we need to fix it or not." Still, the 23-year-old Gordon, considered by many NASCAR's newest superstar in only his third full season, had plenty of time to think about the shake in his steering wheel and where it was coming from. After taking the lead from Dale Earnhardt for the first time on lap 63, Gordon led 250 of the last 266 trips around the 1.522-mile Atlanta Motor Speedway oval.

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**FOR TUESDAY,
MARCH 14, 1995**

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You will be challenged to keep everything together today. All your creative skills will come into play. Communications are important but misunderstandings are likely. Confirm appointments and messages. Maintain a sense of humor. Be flexible. Tonight: Swap jokes. ***

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Stay secure, and acknowledge your desires. Check out another's offer. Stay on top of work. It is important to realize that the pressure you now experience will go away. A light approach is fine with a friend. Do not push too hard. Tonight: Be more fun-loving. **

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Communications are excessive, strained and confusing. Another cares about you enormously. Listen to this person's perspective. Don't let a misunderstanding start because someone is difficult. A sense of humor goes far. Tonight: Call it an early day. ***

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Caution with money is needed. You might have spent too much. Focus on the long-term goals in your life. You might have to restrict actions, change plans or refocus. There is a way to get what you want. You just might not see it today. Tonight: Return calls. **

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Your happy personality comes out. Others are under enormous pressure. A friend's communication is meaningful. Laugh instead of getting uptight. A family member is in a sour mood. Nothing you do will change this. Stay secure. Tonight: Go with your whim. ***

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Say little and observe. You might not like what you find. Your ability to resolve a problem is highlighted. Understand what motivates another. Confusion abounds. It may be difficult to find a positive solution. Listen to a partner's input. Tonight: Do for you. **

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): It is imperative that you do not lose your focus. Stay aware of what others are saying. A friend could be demanding, and your self-expression could be challenged. Don't let a misunderstanding get to you. Change plans if you need to. Tonight: Play ostrich. **

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Zero in on goals. A family member needs attention. A child or loved one lets you know how important you are. Excellent communications earmark your day. Discipline yourself. Handle a business matter before it gets out of hand. Tonight: Take time alone. *****

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You get important information. Tackle an immediate problem by checking out what is going on. You might be out of sorts and feeling challenged. Communications with a family member do not hold the answer. A fun approach backfires. Tonight: Work late. ****

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): A partner could be causing a money problem. Do not be hard on this person, whose need to spend is intense. Explain. State your limits and communicate what's important to you. You could feel hurt or abused. Tonight: Discuss feelings in an unemotional manner. ***

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Be easygoing. Your charisma is high, and others are clearly drawn to you. Think out your choices carefully. Communications over money are volatile. Honor your instincts. Know what's important. Your goals are changing. Tonight: Indulge an out-of-sorts friend. **

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Communications are effective. You push past your limits. Concentrate on your work, and complete one item at a time. There is a tendency to get confused or misunderstand. Be anchored and direct. Tonight: Say yes to an invitation. **

IF MARCH 14 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Relationships flourish because of your ability to think through problems and intuit situations. Focus needs to be on others. Nevertheless, do not give up your priorities and goals. Your career is demanding this year, and you might often feel stressed out.

THE ASTERISKS (*) SHOW THE KIND OF DAY YOU'LL HAVE: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

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CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., P.O. BOX 1150, MIDLAND, TEXAS 79702, has applied to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil or gas. The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the SAN ANDRES formation, W.L. Foster 5 lease, well number 25491 #42-336-33652. The proposed injection well is ten miles east from Goathorns in the Iatan (San Andres) Field, Mitchell County, Texas. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from approximately 1700 to 2400 feet. The applicant proposes to inject at a maximum daily rate of 1000 barrels per day per well and the maximum surface injection pressure to 800 pounds per square inch. LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Underground Injection Control Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, Drawer 12887, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711-2887 (Telephone 512/469-6790). 0247 March 13, 1995

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MONDAY MAR. 13. TV schedule table with columns for station, time, and program name.

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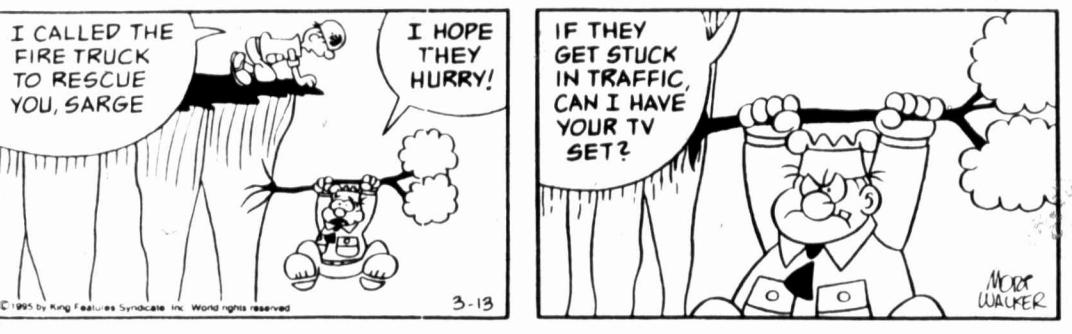
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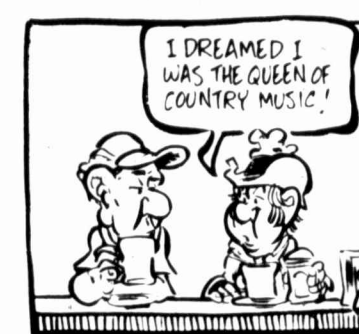
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RITZ advertisement listing showtimes for The Brady Bunch, Sean Connery in Just Cause R, Adam Sandler in Billy Madison PG-13, and All shows before 6 pm.

Moins 4 advertisement listing showtimes for Outbreak R, Heavyweights PG, Hideaway R, and Forrest Gump PG-13.

THE Daily Crossword by James Barrick

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down.

Saturday's Puzzle solved: A crossword puzzle grid with the solution filled in.

This date in history

Today is Monday, March 13, the 72nd day of 1995. There are 293 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On March 13, 1852, a familiar symbol of the United States, Uncle Sam, made his debut as a cartoon character in the New York Lantern.

of President Andrew Johnson began in the U.S. Senate. In 1884, Standard Time was adopted throughout the United States. In 1901, the 23rd president of the United States, Benjamin Harrison, died in Indianapolis. In 1906, American suffragist Susan B. Anthony died in Rochester, N.Y. In 1925, a law went into effect in Tennessee prohibiting the teaching of evolution. In 1928, more than 400 people died when the San Francisquito Valley in California was inundated with water after the St. Francis Dam burst. In 1933, banks in the U.S. began to re-open after a "holiday" declared by President Roosevelt. In 1938, famed attorney Clarence S. Darrow died in Chicago.

In 1964, in a case that drew much notoriety, 38 residents of a Queens, N.Y., neighborhood failed to respond to the cries of Kitty Genovese, a 28-year-old bar manager who was stabbed to death. In 1969, the Apollo 9 astronauts splashed down, ending a mission that included the successful testing of the Lunar Module. In 1980, Ford Motor Chairman Henry Ford II announced he was stepping down. In 1980, a jury in Winamac, Ind., found Ford Motor Co. inno-

cent of reckless homicide in the fiery deaths of three young women riding in a Ford Pinto. Ten years ago: Funeral services were held in Moscow for Soviet leader Konstantin U. Chernenko, after which Vice President Bush met with Chernenko's successor, Mikhail S. Gorbachev. Thought for Today: "Die Weltgeschichte ist das Weltgericht." (The history of the world is the verdict of the world.) - Friedrich von Schiller, German author (1759-1805).

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THE QUIGMANS by Buddy Hickerson. Comic strip showing a man and woman with speech bubbles: "'Lil' Jocko and his father haven't spoken to each other in years. I'm so proud of them.'"