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Meeting gauges citizens' feelings toward new jail

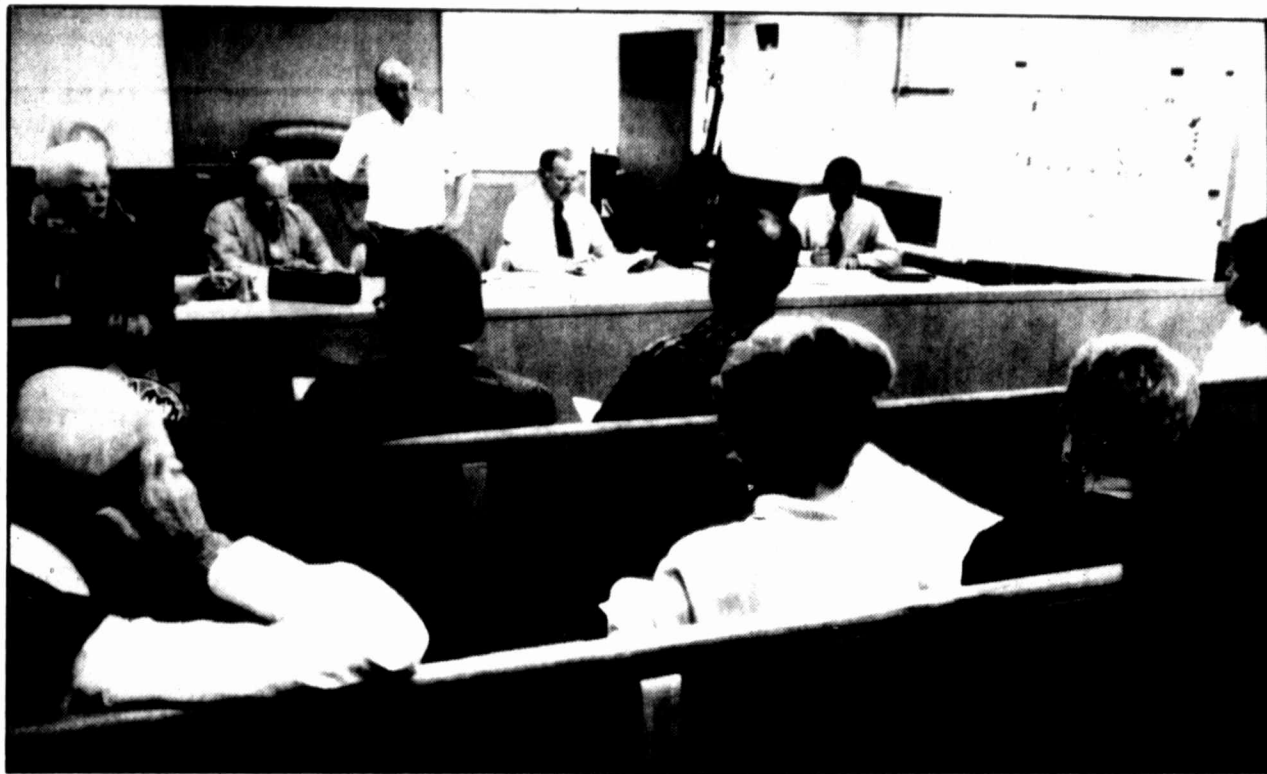
By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Despite tough questions and several heated exchanges, Howard County Commissioners said Tuesday's public meeting concerning the upcoming bond election was what Howard County and the city of Big Spring needed.

Commissioner Bill Crooker said, "This gave us a gauge as to how citizens feel about the issues."

Commissioner Sonny Choate prefaced the meeting by saying, "What this thing is all about is law enforcement and economics. Our local law enforcement is constrained because we don't have the space to house all of our prisoners."

According to Choate, Howard County is paying about \$4,000 a week to Limestone County to house prisoners and if something is not done about the jail, in 10 years Howard County will



Howard County Commissioner Sonny Choate discusses the upcoming bond election to a roomful of spectators at the Howard County Courthouse Tuesday afternoon. The meeting was to inform the public about bonds for a new jail and courthouse renovations.

911 main concern of citizens

By KELLIE JONES
Staff Writer

One of the main concerns brought up at the public hearing about the jail bond issue was consolidation of the 911 system.

Residents wanted to know what was being done by city and county officials to improve the dispatching services. Commissioners said if the courthouse renovation bond issue is approved by voters, the system would be moved to the basement of the courthouse.

Currently, the electrical wiring in the courthouse is outdated and not sufficient to handle the 911 equipment. Part of the renovations include plans to fix the electrical problems.

911 Coordinator Carl Dorton is gathering facts and figures on consolidating the system to present to city council members

and county commissioners. He says he wants to present the proposal to acting City Manager Tom Decell first then to the full council to ask for their portion of the costs. From there, he will approach county officials with the information.

Dorton explained what consolidation is, "first, it is the sharing of a common dispatch center/location. Second, combining operations of all emergency communications."

"Third, it's the sharing of an infrastructure that may be too costly for a single agency to purchase. Lastly, it's the combining of personnel and services under one agency so that it may be cost effective for all."

All dispatchers and supervisors will become employees of 911 and will no longer draw checks from the city or county.

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Nearly \$25,500 will be returned to city following drug seizure

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Big Spring Police Chief Jerry Edwards told City Council members Tuesday night that the BSPD should get about \$25,500 of the almost \$34,000 seized in a recent drug bust.

Last Wednesday night the BSPD's Drug Intervention Unit made the bust during a routine traffic stop when Officer Cpl. Jimmy Mayes pulled Phillip Dale Ferguson over near mile marker 176 for not wearing a seatbelt.

Edwards briefed council members at Tuesday's meeting saying Ferguson voluntarily surrendered one ounce of marijuana and the large amount of cash when he discovered he had been pulled over by a K-9 unit.

He said, "Ferguson said don't bring the dog (Lotta) up here."

Edwards said Ferguson was arrested at the time and the vehicle was impounded and searched. No additional money or drugs were located in the vehicle, but another \$3,400 was located on Ferguson's person

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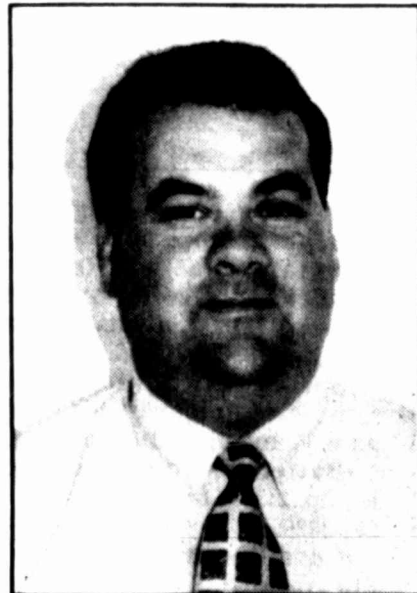
Jimmy Campbell seeking District 5 council seat

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

The race for the District 5 City Council position will be at least a two-man race leading up to the May 6 election.

Current District 5 Councilman Charles Bell, who filed for reelection on the first day of eligibility, will be challenged by lifelong Howard County resident Jimmy Campbell.

In announcing his candidacy for the District 5 position, Campbell said, "Our decision to run for the council seat has been made over a period of time. The last few elections have shown that the people of Big Spring are becoming more interested in positive change, and betterment for all the people of the city. After discussing the issues with friends and fam-

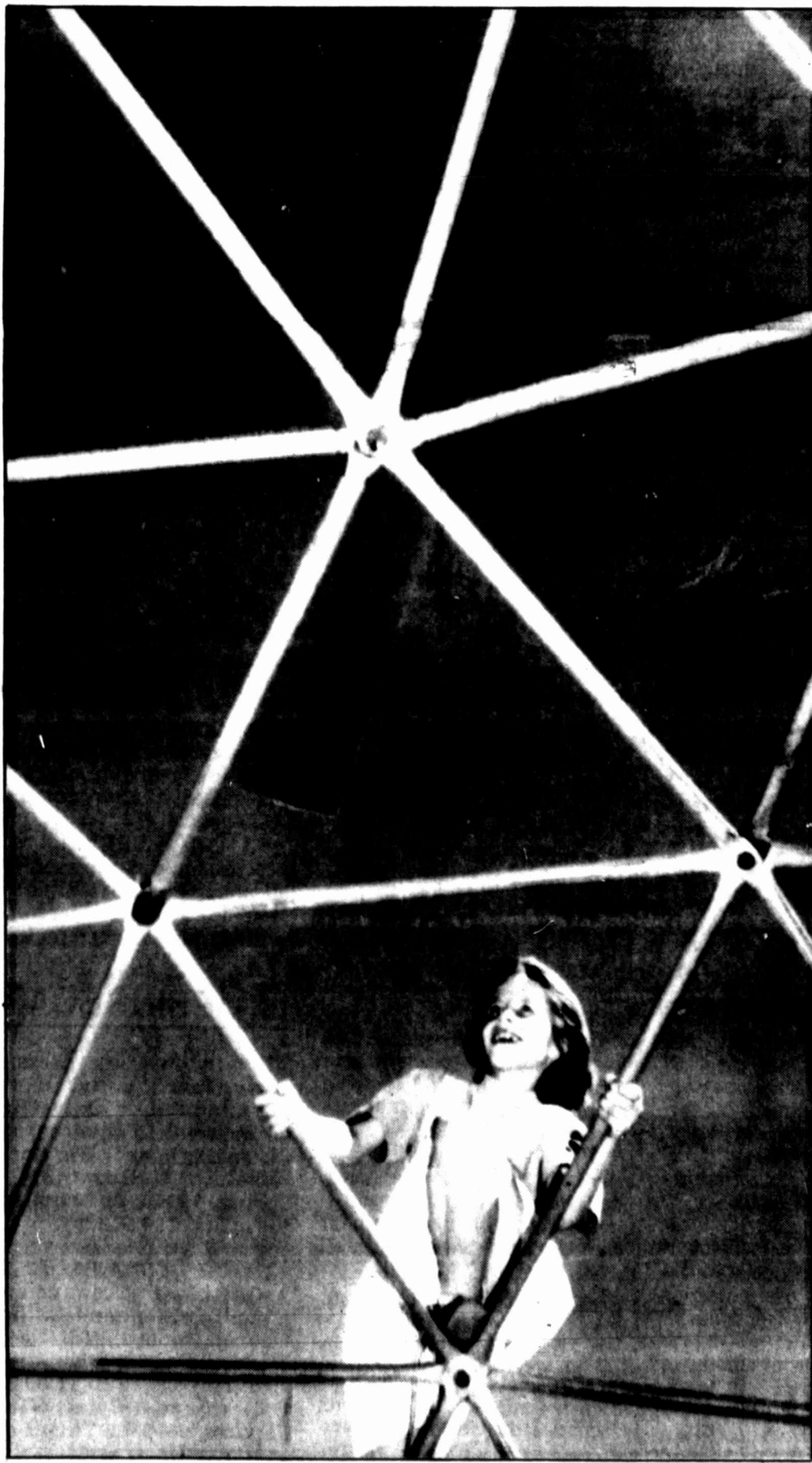


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MOVING UP TO TOUCH THE SKY



On a hot Tuesday afternoon, Nancy Studey climbs on the dome bars while playing on the Marcy Elementary School playground during recess.

Group to attend I-27 meeting

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

A coalition of Big Spring officials, including Moore Development For Big Spring Inc., the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, and Mayor Tim Blackshear, is traveling to San Angelo today to meet with Department of Transportation officials concerning the Interstate 27 project.

TXDOT is having a public hearing to discuss the proposed I-27 project which would connect Lubbock and Interstate 10 in an area between Fort Stockton and Junction.

The meeting will also address a study of a possible route from Amarillo to the Texas state line to the north.

Big Spring officials are attending the meeting to make its bid for one of several possible alternative routes should the feasibility study by HDR Engineering not be in favor of the proposed highway location in Lubbock.

If the freeway concept is not determined feasible then information in the study will be utilized to analyze the major corridors to determine what improvements are necessary to enhance rural mobility in the area and compliment the Texas Trunk System.

Local officials are in favor of Highway 87 being widened to four lanes all the way to San Angelo.

Linda Roger Walker, executive vice president of the chamber, feels like running I-27 from Lubbock south would be quite costly for the state and an alternative route is a real possibility.

She said, "If this (the Lubbock route) is not feasible, the engineers would then study an alter-

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U.S. Trivia
Space Shuttle Columbia's first flight was completed when?
Nov. 16, 1982
First satellite, Explorer 1 was launched when?
Jan. 31, 1958

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WORLD/NATION

Nation: A holdup just before closing at a suburban post office ended with two employees and two customers shot to death, and another patron critically wounded. See page 5A.

STATE

Worst polluter
The state of Texas — home to 60 percent of U.S. petrochemical production and 25 percent of the refining capacity — was the nation's second worst industrial polluter in 1993, officials say. See page 3A.

Town tense over verdict
Two officers investigated by federal officials for violating the civil rights of a 29-year-old man who died while in Corsicana police custody have been exonerated. See page 3A.

Retired soldier arrested
A retired soldier has been arrested in the death of his first wife 17 years ago. See page 3A.

TODAY'S WEATHER

Tonight **87** ▲ Highs **55** ▼ Lows

Mostly clear
Tonight, fair, low mid 50s, southwest winds 5 to 15 mph.

Permian Basin Forecast
Thursday: Partly cloudy, high upper 80s, south to southwest winds 10 to 20 mph, gusty; fair night, low mid 50s.
Friday: Partly cloudy, high upper 80s, south to southwest winds 10 to 20 mph, gusty; fair night, low mid 50s.

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Campbell

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their response, we decided to actively campaign."

Campbell, who is in Human Resource Management at the Federal Correctional Institute, believes his professional experience can be of significant value to city government where people are concerned.

He said, "By being involved with governmental affairs on a daily basis, I bring a considerable amount of knowledge and ability to efficient city government."

There are a number of priorities to his running, including the safety of local schools and recreation areas.

He said, "My wife, Jo Anne, and I have two sons and we don't want to worry unreasonably about their exposure to drugs and violence. This district has three grade schools, and we must make sure that the resources are available to keep our children safe. Our citizens need to have the sense of security that we can walk down the streets of Big Spring at all times."

Although Big Spring has increased its activities around positive economic development, Campbell says it will take progressive action for that to continue. He said many close friends and relatives have found it necessary to move away in order to find a means of supporting their family.

Campbell said, "I want them back. I want Big Spring to have the good jobs available, the quality of life made possible by good infrastructure and public security, to not only keep people in Big Spring, but to attract new people. Good jobs and an attractive city attract good people."

Campbell also believes that the city of Big Spring could realize a significant saving by making sure government functions don't overlap.

He said, "Anywhere we can provide better product delivery without duplication would benefit the people of District 5 and the city. It is important to remember that Big Spring taxpayers are also Howard County taxpayers."

Campbell said his priority during the last few years has been to start a family and raise good children and now is the time to work for the community to provide a future for all the children of the area.

He added, "Big Spring is where my children will be raised and community development for their future is my priority."

911

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During a 911 board's regular meeting in January, Dorton presented members with a "rough draft" proposal on what it would cost to centralize the system and where the money would come from.

The first phase of this project involves Dorton going to city and county officials with the proposals. If approved, an advisory committee made up of the top officials in the police department, sheriff department, city and county fire departments, emergency management and ambulance service.

"The committee would assist us in making decisions about the consolidation. They would make recommendations and have to agree totally that we need to consolidate in one location. They would also have to set the rules and regulations on dispatching and call taking because it must be the same for all agencies."

"An important factor is all decisions must be in writing."

Gauge

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be out \$2 million to another county because it didn't have room to house its prisoners and the current 40-year-old facility will be 50 and in the same condition.

"We're not proposing to renovate either the city or county jail, but to build a new one," Choate said.

Crooker pointed out to the crowd of about 35 people that the Howard County Courthouse, which houses the county jail, opened in 1954 with a jail capacity of 60 inmates. He added the Texas Commission on Jail Standards reduced that capacity to 38, but Sheriff A.N. Standard was able to get the capacity up to its current level which is 44 inmates.

"We started this process (a new jail) several years ago," Crooker said, "and progress has been slow. We're bleeding badly and we need to do something about it."

Commissioner Jerry Kilgore agreed with Choate and Crooker and added, "I don't see how we can afford not to do something about the jail. Also, we're not doing anything cosmetic to the courthouse, it's all mechanical."

Big Spring resident Carl Hampton posed several questions to commissioners and even suggested adding a half cent to the local sales tax to pay for the proposals.

He said, "This was everyone will be paying for the services he or she gets."

Several residents, including Hampton, expressed concern about the declining mineral values and tax base in the county, meaning when the county has to tighten its budget belt so do taxpayers.

During a February meeting of the Howard County Commissioners' Court, commissioners were presented with a 10 year estimate of oil and gas valuations for the county by Boyd Latham of Capitol Appraisal Group in Austin and Keith Toomire, Chief Appraiser for the Howard County Appraisal District.

Toomire told commissioners that since 1990, Howard County has been in a steady decline going from approximately \$540 million in appraised mineral value to about \$350 million in appraised value in 1994.

Toomire and Latham told commissioners this trend is likely to continue because oil and gas production is down and because oil is a depleting

resource.

Despite that fact that minerals values still make up about 15 percent of the county's overall appraised value, Howard County has been experiencing a steady decline in oil production of about six percent to seven percent a year.

Because the county is facing the task of having to operate with less money due to mineral values, a declining tax base, and a forecast that shows little or no growth in the next few years, residents asked commissioners what specific methods are on the table to try and offset this decline and how much more this bond election, if passed, would add to local property taxes.

The bond issue will only effect county taxes and if both propositions are passed on April 8, the present tax rate of \$.4432 or 44 cents per \$100 valuation would go to \$.5332 or 53 cents per \$100 valuation, a nine cent increase.

When the bond, if approved, is paid for in 20 years, 5 cents of the tax increase will stop. The additional 4 cents would remain in place because it would be used to operate the new jail on an annual basis.

Because the mineral value tax base is projected to decrease about \$25 million this year, an additional tax increase to maintain the present level of county services.

Consolidation of some city and county services is another method of saving brought up at the meeting.

Big Spring Mayor Tim Blackshear attended the meeting and said, "I'm in my sixth year of talking about jails and a combined law enforcement center and we as a county are going to have to look at combining services. I've been very quiet about this because it's not popular, but it's the wave of the future."

"We've been fighting unfunded mandates for years, but we turn around and do it to our own taxpayers by duplicating services."

He added he wasn't sure how he would vote on the jail at this point, but the courthouse repairs are definitely needed. He added all county as well as city property should be maintained.

Howard County Judge Ben Lockhart summed it up by saying, "This is why the issues are in the form of a bond election. If you want a new jail, you'll vote for it, and if you want to repair the courthouse, you'll vote for it. If not, you won't."

There will be no unwritten policies. It is very important the advisory committee be involved because if it doesn't work at that level, it won't work at ours. We need for everyone to cooperate," Dorton stated in the January meeting.

If the bond issue fails and money is available for a new location, the committee will have to decide how to divide the cost sharing of running the facilities.

During the time the facility is being built or renovated, the consolidation will take place at the police department where it is currently located. If the money for a new facility is not available, Edwards has offered to allow 911 to expand its current space in the department.

Dorton favors a separate location because it would remove the thinking from people in the community and the agencies involved that if it is in one of the agency's building, 911 is only handling calls for them.

No matter where the 911 system is located, Dorton and the board agree there needs to be a long term contract between all entities lasting 10 or 20 years.

Dorton has suggested one way

to equalize funding for the consolidation is to look at how many calls each agency receives and have each agency pay a certain percentage.

For example, if 20 percent of the total calls received are for the city fire department, then they are responsible for paying 20 percent of the costs. If the police department has 60 percent of the calls, they are responsible for paying 60 percent of the costs, etc.

City of Big Spring would have to come up with the money to pay both the police and fire departments' percentages. Howard County would foot the bill for the sheriff's and volunteer fire departments.

If the consolidation is approved, it will be necessary for 911 to purchase new radios, phones and other equipment that will be compatible with all agencies.

Currently, when a call comes in to 911 for the sheriff's department, the dispatcher handles any and all calls for them between 4 a.m. and 7 p.m. This is because the sheriff's department does not have its own dispatcher during these early morning hours.

ON THE RUN

POLICE

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

•**PAMELA PALMER**, 26 of 900 N.W. Second, was arrested for disorderly conduct by using abusive language. A criminal trespass warning was also issued against her.

•**VICTOR PRUITT**, 27 of 1307 East 14th, was arrested for assault/family violence and disorderly conduct by using abusive language.

•**SUSPICIOUS INVESTIGATIONS** at intersection of Monmouth and Greenbriar, 100 block of Airbase, 800 block of Nolan, 100 block of North Nolan, 1000 block of Runnels, N.W. Seventh and Bell, 400 block of Sunset Blvd., 300 block of West Fifth, 200 N.W. Second and in the 300 block of Runnels.

•**THEFTS** in the 400 block of Gregg, 100 block of Airbase Road and in the 1100 block of North Lamesa.

•**ASSAULT BY THREATS** in the 800 block of Gregg.

•**ASSAULT/FAMILY VIOLENCE** in the 1300 block of East 14th.

•**ASSAULT** in the 300 block of San Jacinto.

•**LOUD PARTY** at intersection of San Antonio and West Eighth.

•**INJURY TO CHILD** in the 700 block of 11th Place. The complainant told officers someone injured his 15-year-old child.

•**MINOR ACCIDENT** at the intersection of 24th and Runnels. Citations for disobeying a stop sign and failure to maintain financial responsibility were issued.

•**MINOR ACCIDENT** in the 100 block of East Sixth. Citations for backing without safety and expired registration were issued.

•**CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** in the 400 block of Circle.

SHERIFF

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

•**JUAN MICHAEL NIETO**, 20 of HC 61 Box 265A, was transferred from the city jail after being arrested for harboring a runaway. He was released after posting a \$1,000 bond.

•**KEITH RANDALL PHERIGO**, 41 of Coahoma, was transferred from the city jail after being arrested for theft, evading arrest and resisting arrest. He was released after posting a \$1,500 bond.

•**SAMMY FERRELL**, 33 of 1009 Nolan, was released from jail after being sentenced to 30 days on a theft charge. He received two-for-one credit and

SPRINGBOARD

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TODAY
•Gamblers Anonymous, 7 p.m., St. Stephens Catholic Church, room 1, 4601 Neeley, Midland. Call 263-8920.

•Survivors, 10 to 11:30 a.m. Call Rape Crisis/Victim Services, 263-3312. This is open to all survivors.

•Alcoholics Anonymous noon open meeting and 8 p.m. 12 and 12 study.

•Thistles Writers Club for Howard College students, noon, room A-203. Bring lunch.

THURSDAY
•Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright, free food for area needy, 10 a.m.-noon.

DID YOU WIN?

one-third off for good conduct.
•**CAR HIT A DEER** on Richie Road.

•**GAS DRIVE OFF** at Town and Country store in Coahoma.
•**CHILD UNABLE TO FIND PARENTS** at Stage Coach Gifts. Parents were located and reunited with child.

•**ACCIDENT** in Sand Springs. Deputies were unable to locate the accident.

•**911 HANG-UP CALL** in Sand Springs. A child was playing with the telephone.

•**BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** in the northeast part of the county.

•**GRASS FIRE** near Highway 350.

FIRE

The Big Spring Fire Department reported the following incidents during a time period from March 6 to March 20:

•**GRASS FIRE** at N.W. Third and Bell.

•**GRASS FIRE** at 10th and Gollad.

•**GRASS FIRE** at 1408 Mesquite.

•**MINOR ACCIDENT** in the 800 block of Todd Road.

•**GRASS FIRE** in the 1700 block of Martin Luther King Blvd.

•**GRASS FIRE** on Columbia Street.

•**SMOKE** in the 1200 block of Wood. It was discovered steam was coming out of a vent on the roof.

•**GRASS FIRE** at 1403 Mesquite.

•**GRASS FIRE** at 1406 Mesquite.

•**GRASS FIRE** at 3400 block of East Highway 80.

•**CONTROLLED BURN** at FM 700 and East 16th Street.

•**STRUCTURE FIRE** at 2900 Anderson Road. The trailer home was completely destroyed.

•**FALSE ALARM** in the 2300 block of Rob.

•**DUMPSTER FIRE** in the 3600 block of Calvin.

•**MINOR ACCIDENT** at Ninth and Runnels.

•**SMOKE** in the 1300 block of Madison. A hot water heater had caught on fire due to faulty plumbing.

•**CAR FIRE** in the 800 block of Highland. A fire was ignited by a fuel leak and caught the car's engine on fire.

•**UNKNOWN FIRE** in the 1300 block of Harding. It turned out to be smoke coming from a barbecue pit.

RECORDS

Tuesday's temp. 94
Tuesday's low 55
Average high 70
Average low 41

Record high 92 in 1916
Record low 20 in 1955
Rainfall Tuesday 0.00

•Salvation Army drug education program, sponsored by Permian Basin Regional Council on alcohol and drug abuse, 7 p.m., Salvation Army Building, 308 Aylford.

•Spring City Senior Citizen Center art classes, 9:30-11:30 a.m. 55 and older invited.

•Battered women support group, 2:30 p.m. Call 263-3312 or 267-3626.

•Good Shepherd Fellowship, 610 Abrams, has services at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to come.

•Al-Anon, 8 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center, small cafeteria on first floor.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. Big Book Tape Study, 615 Settles.

•Masonic Lodge #598, 7:30 p.m., 219 Main.

•Country/western music and singing, 7 p.m., Kentwood Center, 2805 Lynn.

•Humane Society meeting, 7:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

FRIDAY

•Dominoes, 42, bridge and Chickentack, 5-8 p.m. at 2805 Lynn, Kentwood Center. Public invited.

•Survivors support group, 5:15 to 7 p.m. Call Rape Crisis/Victim Services, 263-3312.

•Turning Point A.A., 8-9:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Gollad. Open to all substance abusers.

•Sober Living Skills educational group, 12 noon to 1 p.m., Permian Basin Regional Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, 905 N. Benton. Call 263-8920.

•Spring City Senior Center, free fashion painting classes, 9:30-11:30 a.m. 55 and older invited.

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Year to date 1.45
Normal for year 1.75
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MARKETS

May cotton futures 106.45 cents a pound, up 85 points; April crude oil 18.53 up 10 points; cash hog steady at 39.50 cents even; slaughter steers steady at 71 cents even; April live hog futures 40.30, up 3 points; April live cattle futures 69.67, up 25 points; according to Delta Commodities.
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Chrysler	38 1/2 + 1/2
Coca-Cola	59 1/2 + 1/2
De Beers	23 1/2
DuPont	57 1/2
Exxon	65 1/2 + 1
Fina Inc.	77 1/2 + 1/2
Ford Motors	25 - 1/2
Halliburton	37 1/2 nc
IBM	82 1/2 - 1/2
JC Penney	44 1/2 + 1/2
Laser Indus LTD	5 1/2 nc
Mesa Ltd. Prt	5 1/2 + 1/2
Mobile	88 1/2 + 1/2
NUV	10 1/2 + 1/2
Pepsi Cola	40 1/2 + 1/2
Phillips Petroleum	35 + 1/2
Sears	51 1/2 - 1/2
Southwestern Bell	42 + 1/2
Sun	27 1/2 nc
Texaco	65 + 1/2
Texas Instruments	88 1/2 + 1
Texas Utilities	30 1/2 nc
Unocal Corp.	28 1/2 + 1/2
Wal Mart	24 1/2 + 1/2
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"I think the less expensive option is to widen 87."

Local officials said interested citizens wanting to attend the meeting are welcomed to go in support of the Big Spring group.

If time allows, area residents interested in the I-27 project are also encouraged to write letters of support and get them to the chamber or Moore Board as soon as possible so they can accompany city and county officials to San Angelo.

A reception is scheduled at the San Angelo Holiday Inn Convention Center from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at 441 Rio Concho Drive. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m.

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Rosalio Aleman Lopez, 59, died Sunday. Services were at 4:00 P.M. Wednesday at First Baptist Church in Garden City. Interment will follow in Garden City Cemetery.
Alfred E. Olson, 70, died Monday. Military Graveside Rites were at 11:00 A.M. today at Trinity Memorial Park.
Louise Carmichael, 74, died Friday. Graveside services were at 1:00 P.M. today at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

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NEWS IN
BRIEF

**Fake industrialist
indicted in wife's death**

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — A man who falsely claimed to be a multi-millionaire industrialist has been indicted in the fatal drug overdose of his wife of four months.

Officers said that although it appeared that Vicki Reed Parrish, 39, had died of an accidental drug overdose when they found her body in her opulent west Fort Worth home last summer, nothing in the case turned out as it originally appeared.

The woman's body was lying in a bed, a revolver near one hand and a syringe under the other.

Officers said Mrs. Parrish did not fit the addict profile and little things bothered investigators. For example, there were two fresh needle marks and no others; she was not known to abuse drugs; none of the usual drug paraphernalia were around; and the syringe was not the type typically used by heroin addicts.

**Court hears on
GM settlement**

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas Supreme Court is considering whether an appeals court erred in overturning a settlement in a lawsuit against General Motors Corp. concerning side-mounted gas tanks on pickup trucks.

The settlement, which would offer more than 645,000 Texas pickup owners a \$1,000 rebate toward a new GM vehicle, was deemed unfair and of "little or no value" to owners by the state's 6th Court of Appeals in Texarkana.

Lawyers for GM and for truck owners who agreed to the settlement appealed the Texarkana court's ruling. Lawyers for several owners who objected to the settlement want the appeals court judgment to stand and the case returned to a lower court.

The Supreme Court heard arguments Tuesday in the appeal.

"The plaintiffs have suffered no economic harm. Despite all the bad publicity in certain elements of the media, the value of these trucks ... never went down," said Houston lawyer Eugene Cook, who represents Detroit-based GM.

**Casino industry:
We'll be back**

AUSTIN (AP) — After receiving blistering criticism from Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, a casino industry executive says gambling advocates may be down now — but they'll be back.

"We may go away this year, but we're not giving up. As long as Texas continues to export close to \$3 billion annually to other gaming venues, we will continue to believe Texans want gaming," said Jack E. Pratt, chairman of the Dallas-based Hollywood Casino Corp.

Texas pollution is second worst

HOUSTON (AP) — The state of Texas — home to 60 percent of U.S. petrochemical production and 25 percent of the refining capacity — was the nation's second worst industrial polluter in 1993, officials say.

That's despite anti-pollution efforts by the state's larger corporations.

Toxic releases from industries in Texas totaled 381 million pounds in 1993, down 9.5 per-

cent from 1992, according to the National Pollution Discharge Elimination Act.

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Hall and others praised the reduction and the efforts of Clean Industries 2000, which is aimed at the decrease. The voluntary anti-pollution program was implemented 2 years ago.

From 1987 to 1993, the Clean Industries companies reduced their toxic releases by 25 percent, meaning they are at least halfway to their goal of reducing such emissions by at least 50 percent by the year 2000, HA

said. The EPA's Toxic Release Inventory, scheduled to be announced March 27, is considered the primary environmental index in the country.

When the Clean Industries effort began, some criticized it as nothing more than a "public relations campaign for polluters," Hall said. But the results prove the program is serious about reducing pollu-

tion, he added. "If you look at the 1987-93 time period, the Clean Industries group, in terms of percentage reductions and pounds, were responsible for the largest reduction when compared to other industries," Everitt noted.

Clean Industries members include ARCO, Amoco Chemical Co., Dow Chemical Co., Exxon Chemical Co., Phillips Petroleum Co. and Shell Oil Co.

Officers not guilty, town tense

CORSICANA (AP) — Two officers investigated by federal officials for violating the civil rights of a 29-year-old man who died while in Corsicana police custody have been exonerated.

The civil rights division of the U.S. Justice Department completed its review of the death of Craig Thomas, a black man from nearby Wortham who died in June of 1993 at the Navarro County Justice Center.

Investigators concluded that Corsicana police officers Tom Morris and Jeff Schafer did not violate the civil rights of Thomas, who was arrested for evading and resisting officers.

The officers, who have been on desk duty for almost two years, will return to patrol duty Thursday, Chief G.M. Cox said. "It is time that this regrettable incident be put behind us," Cox said in a statement.

Thomas' death sparked several protests by civil rights groups and black leaders.

Thomas' mother and daughter have filed a \$45 million lawsuit, alleging Thomas' civil rights were violated. Their attorney, Mark Bergman, said the decision has nothing to do with the claims of civil wrongdoing.

This just means that they don't plan to prosecute from a legal standpoint," Bergman said. "It has nothing to do with whether they violated Craig Thomas' civil rights."

and autopsy, done by a Washington, D.C., pathologist hired by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People's Navarro County chapter, placed more emphasis on the restraint methods as a factor in the death.

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Tarrant County Sheriff David Williams speaks on behalf of a concealed handgun bill in Austin. He suggested the Legislature give law-abiding citizens a swinging chance to defend themselves.

Testimony says officers used dog as target

GALVESTON (AP) — Two Bayou Vista police officers said they used a stray Lhasa apso for target practice last year, a Southeast Texas law enforcement officer has testified.

Tiki Island Deputy Marshal Roy Moore testified Tuesday that officers Greg Trantham, 32, and John Overstreet, 32, told him that they picked up the animal and took it to a remote location and shot it several times before finally killing it.

Trantham and Overstreet were charged with cruelty to an animal in the April 29 incident. They face up to a year in jail and a \$3,000 fine if they are convicted.

Moore testified that Overstreet told him on May 1 that he had disposed of the dog's carcass.



Bayou Vista police officers Greg Trantham and John Overstreet testified Tuesday that they used a stray Lhasa apso for target practice last year.

The deputy marshal also testified that Trantham and Overstreet were laughing and "having a good time" relating the story a short time after they allegedly shot the dog.

Moore's lawyer Stacey Moore said the charges were fabricated and challenged Moore's credibility since he did not immediately report the incident to the police.

Moore said he didn't report it because he was "hoping the dog would go away."

Moore said he later said outside the courtroom that the case was fabricated by Mary Shosty, executive director of the Bay Area Animal Care and Adoption of Criminals.

House takes up issue of concealed weapons

AUSTIN (AP) — The debate over whether Texans should be allowed to carry concealed handguns has moved to the House.

The Senate voted 23-7 last week in favor of the bill, which would allow citizens to obtain licenses to carry concealed guns.

On Tuesday, the House Public Safety Committee began considering the measure, which was sent to a subcommittee with other various gun proposals. Committee Chairman Keith Oakley, D-Terrell, said he expects the bill to be debated by the full House in early April.

Supporters say the measure would give law-abiding citizens a fighting chance against criminals. Opponents say it would make the streets more dangerous.

"The reason we're here is because in many parts of our state citizens live in what can be rightly termed war zones," said Rep. Ron Wilson, D-Houston, House sponsor of the bill.

"This bill has grown out of the concern of individuals in very difficult circumstances to be able to protect themselves," he said.

Wilson, who two years ago sponsored a proposed voter referendum on the issue, immediately shot down that possibility this time.

"It's my position that there was a referendum held on this

issue. It was held Nov. 8, 1994," Wilson said, referring to the gubernatorial election.

Former Gov. Ann Richards, a Democrat who lost to Republican George W. Bush, vetoed Wilson's referendum bill two years ago. Wilson said Richards is "now peddling her talents in Hollywood," in reference to her appearances in commercials for Doritos tortilla chips.

Wilson added, "I think the longer we wait to implement this bill, the more people will die."

Tarrant County Sheriff David Williams told the committee the bill would allow citizens to "repel deadly force with deadly force."

"Law enforcement officers cannot be everywhere all the time," he said.

Rep. Al Edwards, D-Houston, responded that allowing citizens to pack pistols is not the way to fight crime.

"Let's go after what's wrong and make it right," Edwards said. "If you guys are going to do your jobs ... we should do something to get guns off the streets."

Under the bill, citizens seeking gun permits would have to be legal Texas residents; at least 21 years old; never have been convicted of a felony; have not been delinquent in making a child support payment; and not be chemically dependent or of unsound mind.

Retired soldier arrested in first wife's death

ARLINGTON (AP) — A retired soldier whose current wife disappeared five months ago was arrested Tuesday.

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Quote of the Day

"People love the unvarnished truth if it's about others, and hate it when it's about themselves."

Warren Rogers, author, editor, 1994

Prison work program more than money-making project

A study of a decade's worth of crime in Texas shows us that juvenile crime has skyrocketed in that time period.

In fact, "Crime and Justice in Texas" shows almost every type of crime increasing but one - homicide, which has decreased by 9.2 percent.

The increase in juvenile crime simply jumps out at you: the number of juvenile arrests doubled in 10 years, from 14 percent of all people arrested to 26 percent by 1993.

As a result, we are building jails in an attempt to keep pace with the need for somewhere to put criminals. We are looking at doubling the juvenile housing needs.

Without coddling prisoners, some type of rehabilitation has to take place. Most of the people in jail are without a basic education, any skills or a trade.

There is a root to crime, something that allows these people to choose that path over another.

Prison officials from 47 states gathered in Houston this week for the first national convention on prison industries. Prison industries are a \$1 billion business in the United States and Canada, employing 80,000 inmates or 8 percent of an estimated 1 million prison

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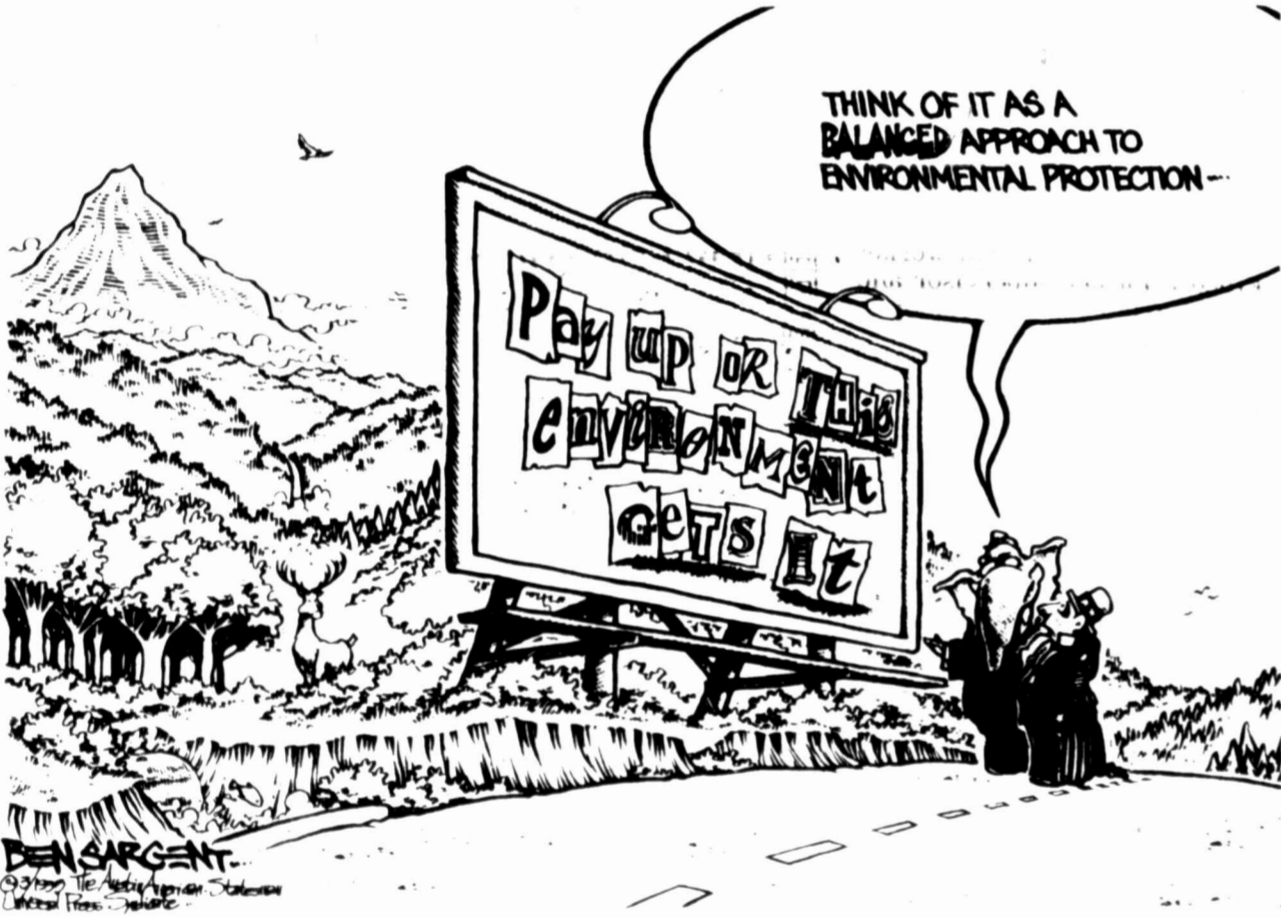
population. In Texas, 8,000 prison inmates work in industries producing everything from prison security doors to mops, brooms and orange jumpsuits. The inmates earn \$100 million last year, \$8 million of which came back into the system.

This is one way in which prisoners, who are a burden to society, can turn that around. Yes, they need to pay their debt, but, if by giving them either an education or a useful skill, many wouldn't be back.

The way the Nevada system works, the prisoners make \$4.25 an hour, 25 percent goes to pay for their room and board, 5 percent to a victims' fund and 5 percent to revitalize the program.

The federal work program at the Big Spring Federal Correctional Institution is a good example. They make a little money, pay off their debts and learn a skill.

That is better than learning only how to become better criminals, hopping in and out of jail.



Nice guys attract scorn

I went to see "Nobody's Fool" the other night because Paul Newman never made a bad movie. He didn't start with "Nobody's Fool."

The I had supper with some friends

and naturally we started talking about Newman. How terrific it is that he gives away all the profits from his salad dressing. How great he looks at 70, better than most men look at 27, or ever. The usual things.

There were three women at the table, two of whom had interviewed Paul Newman, in person. One was a movie reviewer, so her good luck makes sense.

The other woman was a sports reporter who had talked to Newman not once, but twice, both times about his auto racing. The first time he phoned her, just as she was getting out of the shower. Or so she claims.

I was odd woman out. The

only time I've talked to Newman is in my dreams.

Most of the time I am perfectly content with my reporting lot in life, to tell the stories of folks you never heard of, the most interesting kind.

Once I interviewed Captain Kangaroo, but that was an unusual day for me. I generally prefer subjects cagey enough to keep themselves off of infernal TV. After all, that's not an easy thing to do these days.

I would make an exception for Paul Newman, however. I would like to ask him if he really can eat 50 boiled eggs.

There are a few other famous people I wouldn't mind interviewing. One of them is Barbara Jordan. Her wise and wonderful voice reminds me of that old joke about the grand Pooh-Bah of the Ku Klux Klan who made a scouting trip to Heaven. When he came back, he told his buddies they didn't want to go there.

"Why not?" they asked. "I met God," he said, "and She's black."

Then there are some people I think I would like to know and be friendly with if it didn't involve that awkward first meeting. For instance, it would be great to drink an occasional beer with Mike Royko or Bill Mauldin, but they are the last men on earth you'd want to have think of you as a celebrity hound, ipso facto, a jackass.

All in all, I think it's best to admire the famous from afar: It's not their fault that they could not live up to the image we idly manufacture.

Writers, especially, are always different than we imagine. Not that I subscribe to that nonsensical idea that the meaner and more disagreeable the man or woman, the greater the artist. It doesn't always work that way.

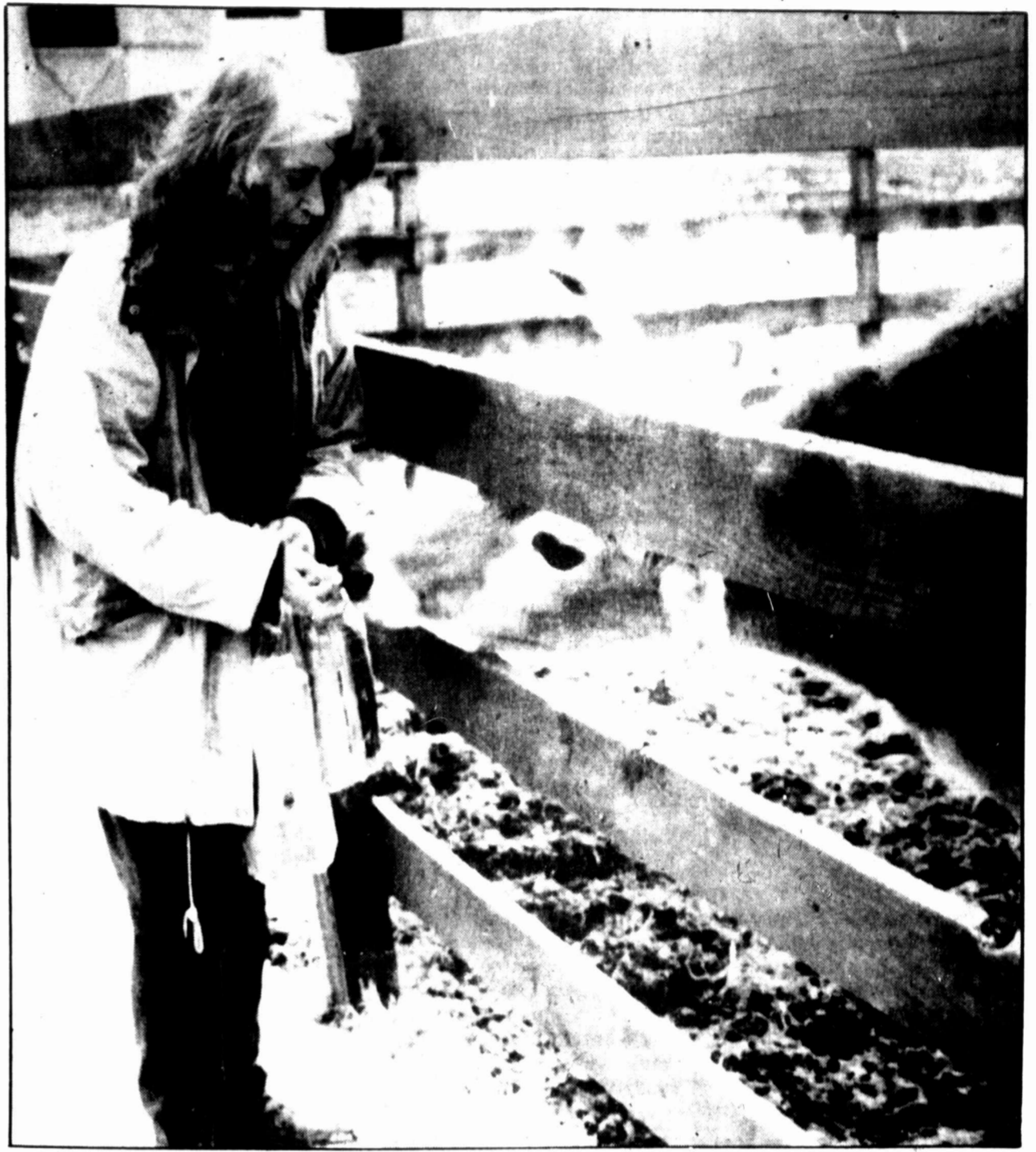
I got angry the other day reading a cruel story about John Grisham. It's true, he's not William Faulkner. But he has never, ever pretended to be. The article said Grisham isn't writing fine literature and shouldn't even presume to admire those who do. But the thing that most provoked the journalist's scorn is that Grisham is such a nice guy. Aha! Proof he can't write.

Baloney. That's some machismo, Hemingway thing. One of the most authentic voices to emerge the past decade is that of Bailey White who writes gentle little radio essays from South Georgia. I called her one day to ask about her stories, and she was humble, shy and nice. She can write.

So if Paul Newman ever phones while I'm taweling off, I'll be sweet as pie so as not to disappoint him.

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OUT FRONT



Sara Whalen feeds a steer named Andrew at her animal shelter in Middletown, N.Y., recently. Whalen has offered shelter for hundreds of animals that no one wanted, stray cats, horses and dogs. The Pets Alive shelter may close if Whalen cannot raise \$250,000 to stop the eviction of her volunteer mission.

Animal shelter faces closure

Owner trying to find funds to pay back taxes

MIDDLETOWN, N.Y. (AP) — For the aging pony with a broken jaw, the abandoned blind dog and the cat with seven toes on each paw, Sarah Whalen's farm has been a savior from euthanasia.

Now, after nearly a decade of caring for unwanted, forgotten and stray animals, Whalen is facing eviction from the farm where she runs her volunteer shelter, Pets Alive.

"I can't imagine what will happen," said a nervous Whalen, who had to appear in Town of Wallkill court last Thursday to answer an eviction notice served over the weekend.

The judge can order an extension or force her out within 72 hours. If Whalen is evicted, her hundred-odd animals must be immediately placed in other shelters or private homes or face being put to sleep.

Whalen says her now-estranged husband, Leo, bought the property 60 miles northwest of New York City in 1986, then stopped paying taxes several years ago. A friend, who Whalen won't identify, bought

the mortgage and agreed to sell the farm to her after her divorce. Then the eviction notice arrived.

She won't comment on why she is being evicted, and says the solution to her quandary is to raise at least \$250,000 to buy the property. Recent stories on Whalen's plight have prompted donations totaling more than \$60,000 from across the country.

"It's breaking my heart. I wish I could help, and I don't know how," said John Contino, an animal rescue worker in New York City who has placed several dogs with Whalen.

Pets Alive is considered the only shelter in the state that will accept just about any type of animal, without regard to its adoptability, and house it indefinitely until a suitable home is found.

That policy has turned Whalen's farm into a patch of animal heaven — a sanctuary from almost certain death for horses destined for dog food and dogs declared dangerous by the courts.

Most of the animals at Pets Alive have been neglected or abused, like the miniature pony who had his jaw broken by his owner. North, a blind golden retriever, was brought to the farm for temporary boarding three years ago. The owner never returned.

North is one of 80 dogs at Pets

Alive. There also are 30 cats, several horses and goats, a parrot, a pig and a steer named Andrew.

Whalen relies on donations and her own money to pay the farm's expenses of about \$4,000 a month. Volunteers occasionally pitch in their labor.

Ironically, Whalen grew up in a home where no animals were allowed. "I never had an animal until I was 27 years old," she said. "My mom loved animals from afar — the farther the better."

She credits her first dog, a golden retriever, with saving the life of her then-infant son by finding him after he had wandered away. After that, she dedicated her life to helping animals, and worked as an animal control officer for almost 30 years.

The possibility that Whalen's shelter could be closed distresses animal rights advocates who don't think animals should be killed by shelters.

"People will not have a place to bring their animals, a no-kill shelter, for adoption," said David Stein, a lawyer for the Manhattan-based Legal Action for Animals.

The address for Pets Alive Inc. is Rd. 10, Box 836, Derby Road, Middletown, N.Y. 10940. The telephone number is (914) 386-9738.

Wolves not leaving pens

One wolf already dead, caught feeding on a calf

YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK, Wyo. (AP) — They came, they saw, they stayed put.

Six Canadian gray wolves chosen as the pioneers of a new Rocky Mountain population paced in their pen but showed no signs of wanting to venture out into the wilderness.

Wildlife biologists opened the gates to the pen Tuesday afternoon, two months after the wolves first arrived. More than six hours later, the wolves still had not chosen to lope into a landscape rich with prey.

"They're going to do their own thing," park spokeswoman Cheryl Matthews said. "It's kind of like one of your kids, you know. You can't outguess them."

Twenty-nine wolves have been brought to Wyoming and Idaho from Canada, the first step in the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Ser-

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vice's 10-year plan to restore the predators to the region. The gray wolf was wiped out early in this century by hunters.

Fifteen wolves were released directly into the Idaho wilderness. One has since been shot to death, apparently after being caught feeding on a newborn calf.

The 14 wolves brought to Yel-

lowstone National Park have been kept in two pens since January to familiarize them with their new surroundings. The second pen will be opened after the first group leaves.

Ultimately, the government wants to build up a population of 200 wolves in Yellowstone and central Idaho.

Park spokeswoman Marsha Karle said she believed the six wolves will leave their pen soon, even though they may have become accustomed to being fed rather than searching for food in the wild.

"It's a pretty good living, but they've shown an interest in getting out of those pens since they've been in there," she said.

Biologists were monitoring the wolves with cameras placed at the pen's gate and through radio transmitters attached to the wolves' collars.

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House erupts as welfare reform hits the House

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Republicans say their welfare reform proposal would free the neediest Americans from the shackles of Democratic programs that have succeeded only in enslaving them. Democrats say Republicans are out to save money, not the poor.

On the eve of the first floor votes on the legislative centerpiece of the Republican social agenda, verbal fireworks exploded during House debate Tuesday.

"They're coming for our children, they're coming for the poor, they're coming for the sick, the elderly, the disabled. This is the 'Contract With America,'" Rep. John Lewis, D-Ga., said in an impassioned speech in which he alluded to Nazi persecution during World War II.

One of the chief architects of the reform bill, Rep. Clay Shaw, R-Fla., fired back, saying mention of the Nazi Holocaust was an "absolute outrage."

Rep. William Goodling, R-Pa., chairman of the Economic and Educational Opportunity Committee, said the GOP plan was the only way to help poor people "live the American dream."

"If we don't change, we are going to continue to enslave the very people that we spent over \$5 trillion to try to help," he said.

The charged rhetoric was expected to continue today as the House begins voting on 31 amendments — including ones relating to abortion — as well as two Democratic substitute bills.

The Republican plan would dismantle 45 social programs developed over the past six decades and replace them with large, lump-sum payments to the states. It also would do away with the New Deal promise that the federal government will unconditionally provide for the nation's poor women and children.

Adult welfare recipients would have to work within two years and all families would be pushed off the rolls after five years. In addition, as many as 2.2 million legal immigrants would be barred from cash welfare, food stamps and Medicaid.

Free school lunches no longer would be guaranteed to poor children, and food stamp benefits for 27 million Americans no longer would automatically keep pace with inflation.

The Congressional Budget Office says the bill could save taxpayers at least \$66 billion over five years.

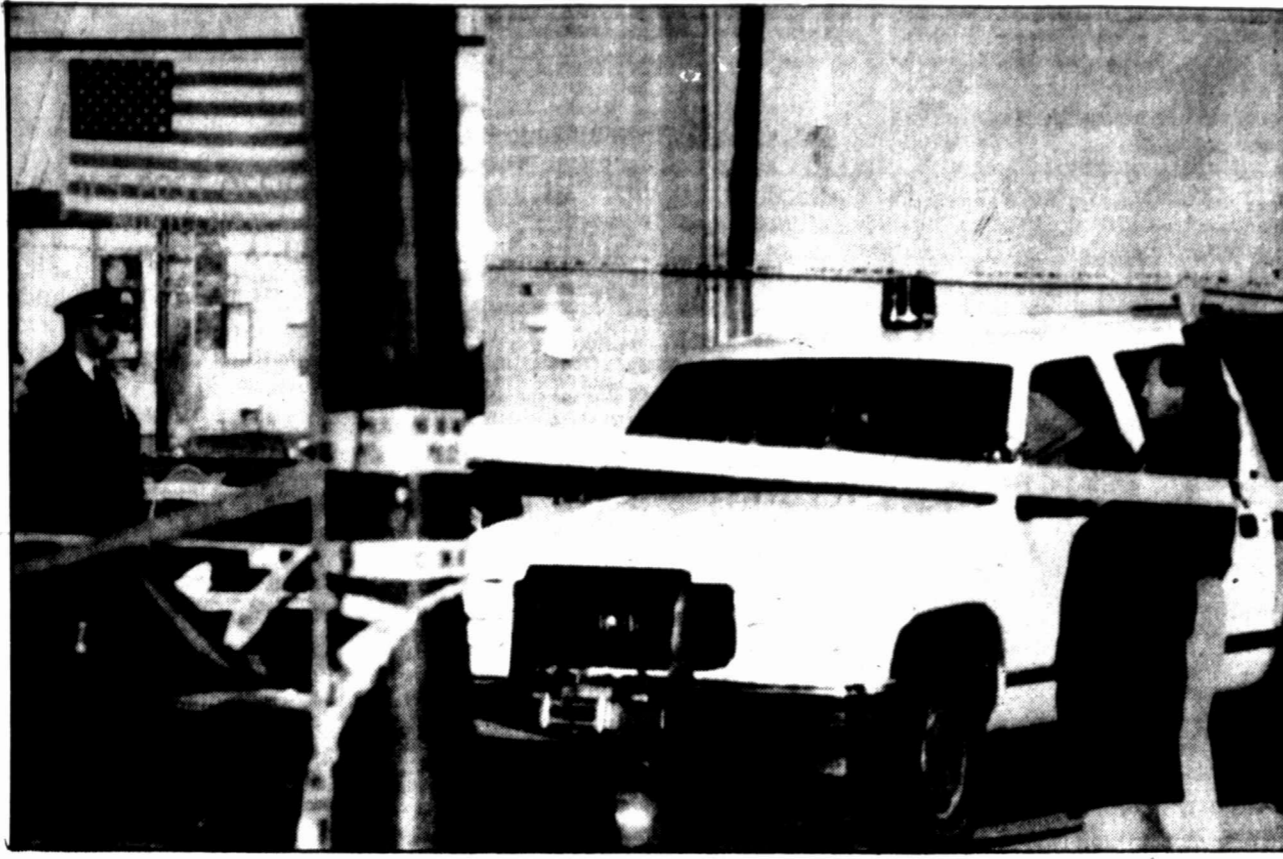
Democrats admitted that the current welfare system was broken in many places. But they said it should be reformed, not destroyed.

"Welfare was intended to be a safety net for widows and children but it has become a hammock that has encouraged laziness and idleness," said Rep. Blanche Lambert Lincoln, D-Ark.

"If throwing children and low-income people onto the streets is reforming the system then I guess this bill succeeds in what it purports to do," said Rep. Cardiss Collins, D-Ill. "What the bill really succeeds in doing is something that is not discussed: It creates \$69.4 billion in savings to pay for tax cuts for the rich folk of this country."

But Republicans said Democrats had thrown trillions of dollars at the poor, with mostly damaging effects. They said their aim was to make the programs more efficient and give the states the flexibility to experiment with reform.

Rep. Randy "Duke" Cunningham, R-Calif., cited examples of welfare recipients spending money on drugs. He said the current system hurts children "by encouraging self-destructive behavior."



One of two vehicles from the Essex County Prosecutor's office departs early Wednesday morning with the bodies of victims killed Tuesday during a robbery attempt at the Montclair, N.J., post office. Four men were killed and another left in critical condition in an after-hours hold-up at the post office according to authorities.

Holdup ends with four dead

MONTCLAIR, N.J. (AP) — A holdup just before closing at a suburban post office ended with two employees and two customers shot to death, and another patron critically wounded.

Police searched the quiet New York City suburb door-to-door Tuesday night but made no arrests.

Authorities said they didn't know whether there was more than one gunman. The Record of Hackensack said investigators recovered a 9 mm pistol.

The victims were found by a postal truck driver who came to pick up mail and saw a body on the floor. After he called for help, police waited 15 minutes before entering the building because they believed there may have been hostages inside.

The injured man, 45-year-old David Grossman, was in critical condition today with two gunshot wounds to his head. His sister-in-law, Alison Cross, said he might have stopped for stamps or to pick up mail from

a postal box. The holdup occurred right before the post office closed at 4 p.m.

Bill Murphy, who works at Watchung Booksellers a few stores from the post office, said he heard what may have been three shots.

"I didn't know what they were," he said. "I thought it was a car backfiring. Then someone came in and told us what happened."

Girls playing field hockey at a nearby playground saw a man run from the post office with a gun. The girls started screaming and were ushered to the sidelines by their coach, The New York Times reported.

After the shooting, children and parents in a doctor's office next to the post office were kept inside by police for safety. When they were allowed to leave, some ran screaming from the office.

Police Chief Thomas Russo identified the dead postal work-

ers as Stanley Scott Walensky, 42, and Ernest Spruill, 56. The two slain customers were Robert Leslie, 38, and George Lomoga, 59. All the victims lived in Montclair.

U.S. Postmaster General Marvin Runyon said in a statement he was "shocked and saddened by the shootings" and that the events "underscore how vulnerable we all are in a society today where guns and violence have become the norm."

Montclair, about 15 miles west of New York City, is a mixed-income community of about 38,000 residents.

"This town is what I would describe as rural suburbia," said resident Brent Balasa. "You can get to the city easily but it's far enough away so you feel safe and isolated from crime. But I'm not so sure if the suburbs are safe anymore."

In 1991, a fired postal worker killed a former supervisor and her boyfriend in New Jersey at their home in Wayne.

U.S. trade deficit surges upward to highest level

WASHINGTON (AP) — America's trade deficit surged 68.4 percent in January as the deficit in merchandise soared to the highest level in U.S. history, reflecting heavy demand for imported cars, toys and televisions.

The Commerce Department report today showed that the total deficit in goods and services rose to \$12.22 billion, up from a December imbalance of \$7.26 billion.

The report highlighted the first trade fallout from the economic chaos in Mexico. The United States, which had been enjoying trade surpluses with Mexico, suffered a \$863 million deficit in January, the biggest imbalance with that country in nearly a decade.

Imports from Mexico jumped by 10.9 percent while U.S. exports fell by 9.8 percent as the steep devaluation of the Mexican peso priced American goods out of what has been America's third biggest export market.

Economists had been looking

for the overall deficit to widen in January, but the actual jump was far above the \$9 billion many analysts had been forecasting.

Analysts had worried that a bad trade report could put further downward pressure on the dollar. In recent weeks, the U.S. currency has tumbled to record lows against the Japanese yen and German mark.

The big increase in January reflected large gains in imports of goods and services, which both hit record highs in January. By contrast, U.S. exports fell with goods dropping 5.4 percent and service exports falling 2.3 percent.

Today's report represented another setback for the Clinton administration, which has made trade expansion efforts a centerpiece of its foreign policy.

Critics have charged that the widening trade gap, which last year hit an all-time high of \$166.57 billion in merchandise, and the crisis in Mexico proved that President Clinton has been

wrong to pursue big market-opening trade deals such as the 124-nation General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade and the North American Free Trade Agreement.

America's deficit with Japan was \$4.86 billion in January, the highest for any single country, but down 12.5 percent from December to the lowest level since last May. Analysts attributed part of that decline to the Kobe earthquake, which disrupted activities at one of Japan's biggest ports.

The U.S. deficit in merchandise of \$16.3 billion was the highest in history, beating the old mark of \$15.9 billion set in December 1985.

The 3 percent jump in goods imports to an all-time high of \$61.17 billion reflected big gains, led by a \$542 million rise in consumer imports. Imports of toys were up \$166 million, televisions and video recorders rose \$106 million and demand for small boats rose by \$57 million.

Dual execution first in Illinois since 1952

JOLIET, Ill. (AP) — Nearly 17 years ago, James Free and Hernando Williams committed murders about a month apart.

Early today, about an hour apart, they were strapped to hospital gurneys, wheeled into a small room at Stateville Correctional Center and executed by injection.

It marked the first time since 1952 that Illinois has put two convicts to death on the same day, and increased to four the number of inmates executed in the state since the death penalty was reinstated in 1977.

The dual execution was a matter of coincidence; the state Supreme Court set the execution dates.

Only two other states have executed more than one person on a single day since the U.S. Supreme Court allowed capital punishment to resume in 1976. Texas executed two men Jan. 31. Arkansas put to death two killers on May 11 and three on Aug. 3.

Free, 41, was convicted of murdering an office worker in April 1978.

Williams, 40, had pleaded guilty to abducting, raping and shooting to death a childbirth instructor he had held prisoner in the trunk of his car for 36

hours in March 1978.

Free was executed first and pronounced dead at 12:42 a.m. He gave a long, rambling statement, parts of it inaudible, in which he asked forgiveness for his crime and criticized the news media and the death penalty.

Williams died a little more than an hour later. Described by prison officials as jovial in his final hours, Williams had no audible last words.

Families of Free's and Williams' victims were allowed to watch the executions on closed-circuit television from elsewhere in the prison. They left without speaking to reporters.

Both men had butterfly shrimp for their last meal; Free also ate hominy, french fries, strawberry cheesecake and a soft drink. A Roman Catholic priest said Mass for Free; Williams declined to meet with a clergyman.

Lawyer for the two killers tried unsuccessfully Tuesday to delay the executions. Williams was turned down by the Illinois Supreme Court and a federal appeals court in Chicago, while Free's last appeal was rejected by the U.S. Supreme Court.

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Cult raided; death toll continues to rise

TOKYO (AP) — Police wearing gas masks and carrying canaries as poison gas detectors staged simultaneous nationwide raids today against a shadowy sect, confiscating chemicals that could yield clues in the nerve-gas attack on Tokyo's subways.

But authorities refused to link the raids directly to the subway attack in which at least 10 people died and 5,000 were injured. Instead, they cited the unsolved kidnapping of a public official.

About two dozen buildings and compounds of the Aum Shinri Kyo sect were raided in a dawn sweep by more than 2,500 police. Several people were arrested and charged in the kidnapping.

Police encountered little serious resistance, but turned up chilling evidence of the Buddhist group's hold on followers.

At one compound, in a rural area near Mount Fuji, they found about 50 sect members dazed or unconscious. A doctor said they might have been suffering from malnutrition.

Police confiscated bottles of chemicals at the same compound, and Kyodo News Service said the chemicals were similar to those used in the Tokyo attack Monday.

The nerve gas caused people to retch, faint and have convulsions. The death toll rose to 10



Wearing a helmet and a gas mask, a local police officer walks toward the compound of the Aum Shinri Kyo's facility with a caged canary in hand.

today when two more people died. Several hundred people remained hospitalized, 52 in serious or critical condition.

Despite the decisiveness of the raids, authorities were clearly treating the sect very gingerly. The group, which has bitterly criticized authorities in the past, claims the subway gassing was carried out by the government in order to discredit the sect.

Police employed notable restraint, using no weapons to subdue sect followers who struggled or scuffled.

And in an address to parliament on the subway attack, Prime Minister Tomiichi Murayama did not refer to the raids specifically. He said only that organized crime could not

be tolerated. The government moved today to introduce a law making it illegal to possess sarin, the nerve gas in the attack, or its ingredients, news reports said.

The Sublime Truth sect has been linked in news reports to several unexplained releases of irritating gases near its premises, and is believed to have been involved in the manufacture of sarin.

But police said they moved against the sect because fingerprints of a follower had been found in a van used earlier this month to abduct a government

official, according to television reports. He had reportedly injured his sister, a member of the group, not to give the cult a name and she owned.

Secretive cult believed involved in sarin production

TOKYO (AP) — Aum Shinri Kyo, the apocalyptic cult raided today by police investigating the deadly nerve gas attack on Tokyo's subway, is so secretive it reportedly won't even let meter-readers on its property.

But the Buddhist group, which claims 40,000 adherents and runs several companies, hasn't completely shunned the public view — nor has it avoided brushes with the law or conflicts with its neighbors.

Aum Shinri Kyo has been linked in press reports to several kidnappings, and three followers were arrested in one case the day before Monday's subway attack.

Neighbors, meanwhile, have

complained about noxious fumes from its facilities, and the group is believed to have been involved in the manufacture of sarin, the lethal substance police say was used in the subway attack.

At a raid today at one compound, police found bottles of chemicals. Kyodo News Service said the chemicals were similar to those used in the subway attack.

Aum Shinri Kyo was detained after the subway attack, quickly issuing a statement denying any involvement and belligerently threatening to sue anyone who suggested it was responsible. The government raid, carried out the attack on

the group.

"Aum" means creation and death in Sanskrit, and the group's full name is translated as "Sublime Truth." It was founded in 1986 by Shoko Asahara, whose real name is Chizuo Matsumoto. A tall, thin, pale figure, Asahara is believed to have the power of teleportation and warns that the world will end soon.

He claims his highest god is Lord Venkateswara, the Hindu god of destruction and reproduction.

The group claims a Japanese membership of 10,000 and 30,000 in Russia, where it has a three-hour Russian language broadcast in 1993. It claims the top group officials are doctors and scientists.

Government advances against Serbs

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Government troops seemed to have made advances against Serbs in northeastern Bosnia, and the two sides traded blame for provoking the combat that has shattered a 2-month-old truce.

Diplomats have so far failed to avert a major spring offensive that both sides have threatened, and Bosnian Vice President Ejup Ganic said his government was acting to counter "weak diplomacy."

"Diplomacy without force is a weak diplomacy. These barbarians understand only force," Ganic said. "What we can do is try to resist, to organize ourselves."

Serbs shelled civilians in Kalesija, 10 miles south of the government stronghold of

Tuzla, on Tuesday. In all, 374 detonations were recorded in and around Kalesija, said Capt. Sultan Babar, a U.N. spokesman.

Shelling ebbed in Tuzla itself, where 26 people were killed and up to 80 wounded Monday by a Serb shell that hit a Bosnian army barracks.

Babar's report suggested that fighting was spreading along the front lines to the northeast and southeast of Tuzla.

He reported that 375 artillery shells were fired around Mount Majeвица on Tuesday, but there were no reliable estimates of casualties.

The Muslim-led government army began an offensive there Monday, apparently hoping to capture Serb artillery positions that can shell Tuzla and its air-

port. Four Serb soldiers were killed and 12 wounded in the area during the two days of fighting, the Bosnian Serb news agency SRNA reported.

Babar said there was also some Serb shelling in the Posavina corridor, a vital east-west supply line to the north of Tuzla.

Government troops apparently made some gains on Mount Majeвица, U.N. officials said. But U.N. movements in the area were severely restricted, making it difficult for peacekeepers to assess battlefield movements.

Babar said government soldiers had prevented U.N. military observers from reaching observation posts overlooking front lines on the mountain.

Iran building up troops near Strait of Hormuz

ABU DHABI, United Arab Emirates (AP) — Iran has placed 8,000 troops and chemical weapons near the Strait of Hormuz as part of a "very substantial buildup" of military force, Defense Secretary William Perry said today.

"It's a deployment of force beyond any reasonable defensive requirement and can only be regarded as a threat to shipping in the area," Perry said at

a news conference in Bahrain just before flying to this federation of emirates near the strategic entry to the Persian Gulf.

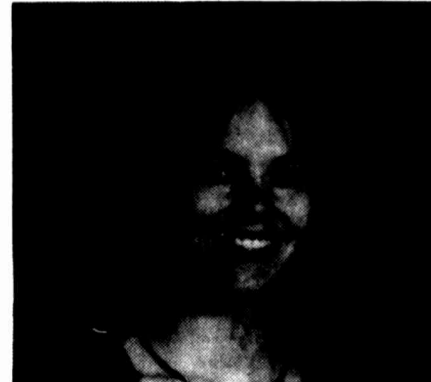
The defense secretary has been warning repeatedly in recent days of Iran's military build-up near the shallow waterway, but he had not disclosed before that chemical weapons were included in the mass of arms.

Perry did not say what type of

chemical weapons the Iranians had, nor did he disclose their suspected delivery system.

On Tuesday, Perry was briefed by U.S. Navy officials about Iran's build-up, including its use of two Russian-made Kilo-class diesel submarines and five Chinese fast-attack patrol boats.

The Iranians have also placed surface-to-surface and surface-to-air missiles in the region.



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Resolution would challenge prison settlement

AUSTIN (AP) — A House committee is considering a resolution that would challenge the state's settlement of a long-running prison lawsuit.

On Tuesday, the House Corrections Committee heard testimony on a resolution by state Rep. John Culberson, R-Houston.

The measure, left pending by the committee, would allow the

Legislature to hire a private attorney to sue to end the so-called Ruiz lawsuit settlement. Culberson said that settlement includes unduly restrictive prison population caps.

Texas Attorney General Dan Morales, who helped reach the settlement in federal court in 1992, has called the proposal "foolhardy."

Culberson's resolution says

that the settlement keeps the state from having sovereign control over its prison system.

The resolution contends that the settlement also prohibits the state from making as many as 6,100 additional prison beds available to keep prisoners behind bars longer.

"Unless we take action, by the time Star Trek becomes a reality, we will be under a court

order," Culberson said.

Texas Department of Criminal Justice Board member Carol Vance, a former chairman of the board, said that ending the settlement would benefit the state by allowing the Legislature to have complete authority over its prisons.

But Vance told the committee that he didn't know of any board policies that would

change if the settlement were lifted.

He said he doesn't believe that 6,100 prison beds would be made available if the settlement were terminated.

"I don't think you can double up a 5-foot by 9-foot prison cell," Vance said. "That's 45 square feet. A king-sized bed is 42 square feet. You've got a commode in there and with two per-

sons in there 23 hours a day, I think we would end up with a lot of killings."

Morales spokesman Ward Tisdale said, "There is nothing to gain and potentially a lot to lose by re-litigating the Ruiz (prison) case. The state controls its prison system. By reopening the case, the state would open itself up to the possibility of federal court control."

Grand jury probing KFC murders recesses

HENDERSON (AP) — A grand jury has temporarily recessed its investigation into the slayings of five people abducted from a Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurant, while one woman who appeared before the panel said she's been threatened.

Saying it wanted to reassemble April 25 to consider more evidence, the Rusk County panel adjourned Tuesday night without taking any action in the 1983 case.

Meanwhile, Lenora Ruby of Kilgore, who appeared before the grand jury, said she was warned that her house might be set afire if she implicated James Earl Mankins Jr., the son of a former Texas lawmaker.

The Gregg County Sheriff's Department confirmed Tuesday that the woman had reported the threat, and that the report is being investigated. Ms. Ruby said she has since moved.

Mankins was identified as a suspect in a search warrant affidavit filed last week filed by the Texas attorney general's office to support issuance of a warrant compelling Mankins to give blood for DNA testing. Prosecutors hope to link a fingerprint found on one of the victims to Mankins.

The laboratory used in the testing, GeneScreen, has since found that the genetic material in the fingernail was the same type as that found in Mankins' nail. The chance of that genetic match, together with the Type O blood match, is 1 in 53 for Caucasians, The Dallas Morning News reported in today's editions.


"It's my client's position, or he tells me, that it is not his fingernail," said Mankins' attorney, J. Paul Nelson of Henderson, "and that the only way his fingernail could be there is if it is planted. Now that's what he tells me."

Lenora Ruby, a 42-year-old Kilgore waitress who served two years in federal prison during the 1980s for selling methamphetamines, told authorities that three of her former drug customers visited her house in the country and hinted that she should think twice before implicating Mankins in the slayings.

"About 10 Friday night, I received a call from a man that said my house could burn at any moment," Ms. Ruby is quoted as saying in today's editions of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

The Tyler Morning Telegraph reports in today's editions that an East Mountain man also said his life has been threatened for supporting grand jury witness, Kimberly Miller Stephenson, whose mother was one of the five victims.

Texas Attorney General's prosecutor Shane Phelps said Tuesday that new information and leads need to be pursued, which necessitated the grand jury recess.



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Steers jump all over Sweetwater

By STEVE REAGAN
Sportswriter

The Big Spring Steers realize they're not the most talented team in school history, so they'll have to be one of the most opportunistic.

The Steers were out-hit by Sweetwater Tuesday but took advantage of five Mustang errors to claim a 6-2 non-district baseball win at Steer Park.

The win ensures the Steers (9-7-1) of

a winning record heading into next Tuesday's district opener against Fort Stockton, a fact head coach Bobby Doe is more than happy with.

"We've got to be a little bit happy going into district with a winning record," Doe said. "The team's been playing a lot better the last two weeks." Despite managing only five hits off Sweetwater pitching, the Steers looked district-ready in other areas.

Three pitchers - starter Zac Leslie, winner Mark Miller and Gabe Rodriguez - scattered six hits while

combining for 10 strikeouts and allowing only two walks.

In the field, the Steers committed two errors in the fourth inning - both by shortstop Armando Gutierrez - but were spotless the rest of the time.

And at the plate, Big Spring wasn't overpowering, but it definitely knew when to pick its spots.

After spotting the Mustangs (3-10) a one-run lead in the top of the first, the Steers tied the game in their half of the inning when Cody Tredaway reached on a strikeout passed ball, went to sec-

ond on a wild pitch and scored on John Oliva's single up the middle.

Big Spring struck for another run in the fourth to take the lead. First baseman Trey Terrazas reached on an error by pitcher Kerry Carr, went to second on a wild pitch and eventually scored on T.J. Rios' fielder's choice grounder.

It was in the fifth inning, however, that the Steers took firm control of the game. With the game tied at 2, Big Spring scored two runs on a hit and two Sweetwater errors.

"I think we're about ready for district," Doe said. "We were kind of dragging today after all the games we've played the past couple of weeks, so we're going to try to regroup and get a little more fire under our rears."

Sweetwater 100-0-0-2-6-5
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SPORTS IN BRIEF

Coahoma softball team beats Eunice, loses to UIL

The Coahoma softball team's 7-3 win over Eunice, N.M., Tuesday pushes the Bulldogettes' actual record to 9-2. In the UIL's eyes, however, they are 2-9.

The UIL has ordered the Bulldogettes to forfeit seven of their wins because of the use of ineligible players. Some Bulldogettes accepted T-shirts as prizes at a softball tournament last summer, coach Danny Randolph said, and that made them ineligible.

The players involved have returned the shirts and are now eligible, Randolph said, but all games they played in while possessing the shirts have been forfeited.

Back to the game Tuesday in Eunice. Audra Bingham, Tori Elmore and Krista Jeffcoat smashed home runs to lead a 10-hit Bulldogette attack. Stephanie Stone tripled.

Bingham (2-6) struck out 11 Eunice hitters while allowing six hits. In her last three starts, Bingham has struck out 30 batters.

Big Spring club team falls at San Angelo

The Big Spring girls' softball team lost 18-2 at San Angelo Lake View Tuesday.

Big Spring's Teri Gonzales smacked two hits, and Kerri Hall hit a single.

Charlene Bargainer and Amanda Hale played well defensively for Big Spring, which plays at Permian Friday.

SnakeFest softball tournament returns

SnakeFest V, a softball tournament, will be played March Friday and Saturday in Big Spring.

Entry fees are \$110 per team, and there is a three-game guarantee. Team trophies will be given to first-through sixth-place teams, and first through fourth will receive individual trophies.

For more information, call Chuck Martin at 264-9236.

Stanton hosts softball tournament

A men's softball tournament will be played in Stanton Friday and Saturday. There is a \$100 entry fee per team.

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

Sonics slip by Rockets

HOUSTON (AP) - The Houston Rockets gave themselves a chance to win and Nate McMillan took it away.

Sarunas Marciulionis scored 20 points off the bench and Gary Payton hit two free throws with 16.5 seconds to play that held back Houston's rally and gave the SuperSonics a 104-102 victory on Tuesday night.

McMillan had two of his six steals in the critical final minutes of the game.

Seattle was leading 103-99 after Payton's free throws but Kenny Smith's 3-point basket with 6.8 seconds to go pulled Houston within one point. Detlef Schrempf made another free throw with 5.6 seconds to go for the final score and Vernon Maxwell's final miss gave Seattle a hard-fought victory.

"It was down to the wire and we gave ourselves a way to win," Houston guard Kenny Smith said. "But they made the great plays defensively down the stretch."

Payton scored 19 points for Seattle and Schrempf finished with 18. Clyde Drexler led the Rockets with 22 points and Hakeem Olajuwon had 21 points and eight rebounds.



Associated Press photo
Seattle's Shawn Kemp, left, is fouled by Houston's Hakeem Olajuwon (34) Tuesday. Seattle beat the Rockets 104-102.

JV Steers win golf tourney

The Big Spring junior varsity boys golf team took top honors at the Forsan Invitational, held Tuesday at Comanche Trail Golf Course.

Charlie Marmelejo of Big Spring took medalist honors with a one-round score of 75, while Weldon Gibbs of Big Spring was third with a 79.

Other Big Spring scores were: Matt Fleharty, 83; Nick DeWaters, 91; Josh Palmer, 89. Forsan "A" finished second in the event, while Ozona was third, Forsan "B" was fourth and Coahoma fifth.

Forsan "A" scores were: Chris Spivey, 81; Mike Spivey, 82; Chris Evans, 82; Jeremy Etheredge, 84; Chad Kemper, 129.

Forsan "B" scores were: Rusty Baker, 82; Jason Brown, 88; Wes

Crow, 93; Andy Epley, 94; Paul Kinsey, 101.

"I wasn't real pleased with how they did - every one of those kids played in the regional tournament last year," Forsan coach Jan East said. "They still shot some good scores, but I'm not satisfied with that. I feel we've got a better team than that."

Coahoma individual scores were: Brock Carter, 84; Josh Collum, 90; Jason Archibald, 93; Reggie Roberts, 93; Jay McHugh, 96.

"Brock Carter is playing real well right now," said Coahoma golf coach Kim Nichols. "He's a freshman, and there's three freshmen in our first five. I feel like they're improving steadily."

In the girls division, Ozona

was first, Stanton second and Coahoma third.

Coahoma individual scores were: Jerriann Mitchell, 127; Kori Caffey, 113; Jehnifer Smith, 133; Amy Ward, 142.

"This was the girls' first meet, and I think they did a good job considering the weather we've had and the fact that they compete in so many other sports," Nichols said.

Forsan's girls did not have enough players to field a team, but in medalist competition, they finished: Deborah Light, 104; Brooke Reed, 109; Krista West, 114.

Both Coahoma and Forsan will be in action Tuesday at the Coahoma Invitational, also slated for Comanche Trail Golf Course.

Hawks return to winning ways against Lamar

By STEVE REAGAN
Sportswriter

For the time being, all is once again right in the Howard Hawks' universe.

Less than three days after snapping an eight-game losing streak, the Hawks are now on the high side of a streak thanks to their 6-4, 9-5 doubleheader sweep of Lamar (Colo.) College at Jack Barber Field Tuesday afternoon.

There was even more good news for Howard coach Brian Roper - his error-plagued defense played immaculately Tuesday. What's more, he received solid pitching in both games and the Hawks (14-9) out-hit Lamar 22-19.

All this combined to make Roper sound almost happy.

"I'm not totally pleased with the way things turned out, but it's great to have a three-game winning streak, and it's great not to have committed any errors," Roper said. "Hopefully, we can build on this."

In the opener, Roper started freshman Scott Mackenzie, who had a couple of planned starts rained out earlier this season. Given another chance to show his stuff, MacKenzie made the most of his opportunity, scattering eight hits while striking out 10 and walking three en route to the complete-game victory, his second in four decisions.

"I've had a couple of starts rained out, so I wanted to take advantage of the situation ... and show the coaches what I could do," Mackenzie said.



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While Mackenzie was holding the Runnin' Lopes in check, Howard's batters gradually put Lamar starter Doug Morgan (2-3) away, scoring single runs in each of the first three innings before finally administering the coup de grace: A four-hit, three-run fifth that finally iced the game.

Second baseman Eric Garcia started the inning with a double



Herald photo by Tim Appel

Howard College second baseman Eric Garcia fires to first after a force play Tuesday. Howard swept a doubleheader vs. Lamar Junior College. The Hawks return to action Saturday in a doubleheader at Frank Phillips.

and eventually scored on Tyson Lindkeugel's fielder's choice grounder. Later in the inning, Matt Schultdt and Wes Davis both scored on Kent Holland's two-out single to right field.

Howard never ran away with the second game, either, but it used a four-run fifth to gain control. Pitcher Matt Uberacken (2-3) relieved starter Brett Wood in that inning and picked up the win.

Offensively, Holland, Lindkeugel, Ryan Merritt and Matt Brosseau all had two hits.

The Hawks return to Western Junior College Athletic Conference play Saturday and Sunday with a four-game series at Frank Phillips, and Roper for one hopes the eight-game losing streak quickly turns into just a bad memory.

"I think this would be the right time to (turn the corner)," Roper said. "I think this would be a good time to play our best baseball, and I think it would be nice time to start peaking and put together a nice winning streak."

Game 1
Lamar 100 100 2-4 8 2
Howard 111 030 x-6 9 0
Morgan and Nelson; Mackenzie and Holland; W - Mackenzie; L - Morgan; LOB - Lamar 7; Howard 5; E - Lamar 2 (McCaskie, Nelson); 2B - McCaskie 2; Garcia, Lindkeugel; SB - Fagnan, Garcia, Brosseau; Sac - Fagnan; SF - Keough; WP - Morgan 2; PB - Nelson.

Game 2
Lamar 200 111 0-5 11 2
Howard 101 241 x-9 13 0
W - Ueberacken; L - See; 2B - Lenertz; Garcia, Merritt, Lindkeugel, HR - Ogle (2); Schultdt (4).

SHOT OF THE DAY



Ouch!

Chicago White Sox catcher Henry Manning tumbles after a successful snag of a foul ball at a recent Grapefruit League game.

TEXAS SPORTS

Lubbock welcomes baseball team

LUBBOCK (AP) - A new Texas-Louisiana League member's nickname is already famous around this South Plains city. The latest franchise addition to the baseball league is the Lubbock Crickets, officials said Tuesday.

The name had to be unique, capable of representation by a mascot and related geographically or historically to the area, said Doug Theodore, league president.

"We believe Crickets meets all of these, recognizing that the name is a reference to the legendary Buddy Holly band which hailed from Lubbock," he said.

The team logo depicts a uniformed cricket swinging a bat in front of an "L." The team colors will be black and gold, with deep green.

NATION/WORLD

Could Tarkanian return?

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) - Former UNLV coach Jerry Tarkanian has talked with Fresno State athletic director Gary Cunningham about the Bulldogs' vacant coaching job, the Albuquerque Journal reported today.

Seles pushes for tougher sentence

HAMBURG, Germany (AP) - Monica Seles asked a court for a stronger penalty against the man who stabbed her during a match two years ago.

In a letter read at the retrial of Gunther Parche, Seles said her convicted attacker deserved more than the suspended two-year sentence originally imposed.

ON THE AIR

Basketball

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Quarterfinals,
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Just say NO to the Big Ten

The NCAA basketball tournament has been predictable, which is not to say it hasn't been enjoyable. It has been predictable because A) there were plenty of upsets in the first round, B) the Big Ten schools did their usual *el foldo*, and C) Bobby Knight once again made a fool of himself.

I found this enjoyable because A) upsets are good for the tournament; B) the Big Ten-ers usually play the part of upset victim, and C) Knight being a jerk somehow convinces me that the universe is unfolding as it should.

First, the upsets. You know, we really shouldn't consider first-round upsets all that upsetting anymore. After all, there has never been an NCAA tournament where all 32 higher seeds won their first-round games.

Despite that, it does my heart good to watch the big boys get their hats handed to them every once in awhile. When the tournament draw is announced, everyone always makes a big deal about the field not including the 64 best teams in the nation. Of course it doesn't. In a normal universe, Florida International wouldn't even be in the same building as UCLA, much less playing the Bruins in an actual game.

But, what the heck, give the little guys a shot. They just might surprise you - like Manhattan, Old Dominion and Miami of Ohio did this year. More often than not, one of the teams that falls to the little people is from the Big Ten. The conference, which somehow cons the NCAA selection committee into giving it umpteen spots in the tournament field, always seems to find a way to go belly-up once the games begin. This year was no different. Six Big Ten teams received bids to the tournament and five lost in the first round. The lone survivor, Purdue, checked out in the second round.

That's one-for-seven in this year's tournament. Heck, that sounds like my free-throw average. If the folks who gripe about the small schools getting included are really serious about upgrading the quality of the tournament, maybe they can start by saying no to the Big Ten.

By all means, however, say yes to Indiana. It wouldn't be the NCAA tournament if Bobby Knight wasn't around haranguing some poor player or reporter.

Like death and taxes, Knight is one of those down-side reminders that life does indeed go on.

This year's Knight tirade was directed at some poor NCAA media guy who mistakenly told reporters that Knight wouldn't be available for interviews after the Hoosiers lost to Missouri last week.

Sure enough, though, The General showed up and proceeded to spend the next few minutes in an ugly tirade against the poor NCAA guy.

I know a lot of folks in Indiana consider him a demigod, and Dick Vitale can't mention Knight's name without the love light shining in his eyes, but I can't believe the man is still coaching. Must be the sweater.

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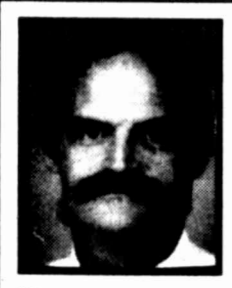
The following times and distances recorded by area athletes are updated as often as possible. The Herald requests coaches phone in times 8-11 a.m., Monday-Friday at 263-7331.

Girls

Discus - Martinez, Big Spring, 101-9; Johnson, Forsan 71-1.
Shot Put - McKnight, C-City, 34-4 7/8; Cole, Big Spring, 29-0; Johnson, Forsan, 25-4.
High Jump - Crawford, C-City, 5-3; Harp, Garden City, 4-10; McWhorter, Big Spring, 4-8; Hill, Big Spring, 4-8.
Long Jump - Lott, Big Spring, 16-9 1/2; McKnight, C-City, 16-5; Smith, Big Spring, 16-2.
Triple Jump - Lott, Big Spring, 35-10; Crawford, C-City, 33-0; Hampton, C-City, 32-2 1/4.
400 Relay - Stanton (Wyckoff, Bundas, Herm, Chapa), 51.46; Big Spring (DeLaGarza, Smith, Wilbert, Lott), 51.9; C-City, 54.17.
800 Relay - Stanton (Wyckoff, Bundas, Herm, Chapa), 1:47.65; Big Spring (Smith, Lott, Casillas, Wilbert), 1:50.31; C-City, 1:57.25.
1,600 Relay - Stanton (Herm, Bundas, Wyckoff, Chapa), 4:11.76; Big Spring (Hall, Hensley, Cline, Lott), 4:29.7; C-City, 4:56.38.
100 Dash - Shakey, C-City, 13.77; M. DeLaGarza, Big Spring, 14.0; T. DeLaGarza, Forsan, 15.49.
200 Dash - McKnight, C-City, 28.94; Batla, Garden City, 30.82.
100 Hurdles - Sterling, Coahoma, 17.65; Harp, Garden City, 18.17; Mendoza, C-City, 18.59.
300 Hurdles - Maxie, Garden City, 52.24; Hoch, Garden City, 1:00.57.
400 Run - Redwine, C-City, 65.91; Cline, Big Spring, 66.5.
800 Run - Adkins, Stanton, 2:36.6; Redwine, C-City, 2:38.58; Hensley, Big Spring, 2:39.74.
1,600 Run - Merrell, C-City, 6:34.56; Zameno, C-City, 6:41.26.
3,200 Run - Welch, Grady, 12:41.84; Merrell, C-City, 14:14.68; Ceballos, C-City, 14:20.91.

Boys

Discus - Roberts, Big Spring, 144-6; Parras, C-City, 133-5.
Shot Put - Roberts, Big Spring, 45-6; Parras, C-City, 43-9 1/8.
High Jump - Owusu, Big Spring, 6-2; Barr, Coahoma, 6-2; Etheredge, Forsan, 5-6.
Long Jump - Owusu, Big Spring, 30-0 3/4.
Triple Jump - Owusu, Big Spring, 47-1 3/4; Kerby, Coahoma, 41-0.
Pole Vault - McHugh, Coahoma, 10-0.
400 Relay - Big Spring, 3:43.87.
1,600 Relay - Big Spring, 10:07.
100 Dash - Farr, Big Spring, 10.99; Burchett, Big Spring, 10.99; Stanton, 11.00.
200 Dash - Farr, Big Spring, 21.87; Maner, Stanton, 22.79; Seidenberger, Garden City, 23.16; Rodriguez, 23.8.
110 Hurdles - Ochoa, Big Spring, 15.14; Eddington, Big Spring, 15.2; Roberts, Stanton, 16.74.
300 Hurdles - Eddington, Big Spring, 40.85; Ochoa, Big Spring, 41.08; Sanchez, Stanton, 43.56.
400 Run - Franklin, Big Spring, 54.1; Castro, Stanton, 55.90; Munoz, Forsan, 57.05.
800 Run - Franklin, Big Spring, 2:01.45; Harrison, Forsan, 2:15.85; Henry, Coahoma, 2:18.20.
1,600 Run - Phillips, Coahoma, 5:09.75; Harrison, Forsan, 5:25.10.
3,200 Run - Ramirez, C-City, 12:05.57.



Steve Reagan
Sports Writer

SPORTSEXTRA

TENNIS

Garden City Tennis

Here are results from last week's Garden City Tennis Tournament:

Varsity Division
Team totals - 1. Reagan Co., 124; 2. Forsan, 84; 3. Iron Co., 73; 4. Garden City, 72; 5. Sterling City, 48; 6. Coahoma, 36; 7. Snyder JV, 34; 8. Garden City JV, 18; 9. Reagan Co. JV, 2; 10. Forsan JV, 1.
Girls Singles championship - Flores (RC) def. Castillo (RC) 4-6, 7-6 (7-5), 6-2.
Girls Singles championship - Luton (RC) def. Mendoza (RC) 6-4, 6-4.
Girls Doubles championship - Canceros/Raws (F) def. Harp/Johnson (GC) 6-3, 6-7 (4-7), 6-2.
Boys Doubles championship - Bird/Kuykendall (RC) def. Flores/Flores (C) 6-1, 6-1.

Junior Varsity Division (round-robin format)
Team totals - 1. Garden City, 79; 2. Sterling City, 55; 3. Forsan, 28.
Girls singles - 1. Schwarz (GC); 2. Fuchs (GC); 3. Jameson (SC); 4. Proctor (F).
Girls doubles - 1. Hallmann/Bradley (CG); 2. Raynor/Foster (SC); 3. Rodriguez/Martinez (GC); 4. Karsan/Gilstrap (GC).
Boys singles - 1. Thadford (GC); 2. Hise (F); 3. Pryor (SC); 4. Allman (SC).
Boys doubles - 1. Howard/Howard (SC); 2. Dalton/Hillier (GC); 3. Hilbrunner/Simer (F).

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	18	6	2	38	100	57
Chicago	17	9	2	36	100	69
St. Louis	15	9	2	32	96	74
Toronto	13	12	3	31	82	84
Dallas	10	14	2	24	83	74
Winnipeg	9	14	2	22	78	99

Pacific Division
Calgary 12 12 5 29 93 84
Edmonton 12 13 2 26 80 93
Vancouver 9 10 8 26 85 93
Los Angeles 9 13 2 24 87 107
San Jose 10 14 2 22 82 87
Anaheim 7 16 4 18 64 98

Tuesday's Games
Pittsburgh 3, Buffalo 2
Washington 1, Ottawa 0
Vancouver 3, Toronto 1
Chicago 7, San Jose 3
Los Angeles 3, Anaheim 3, tie

Wednesday's Games
Philadelphia at Hartford, 7 p.m.
Florida at Montreal, 7:30 p.m.
Boston at Quebec, 7:30 p.m.
New Jersey at N.Y. Rangers, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday's Games
Winnipeg at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Edmonton at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
St. Louis at Calgary, 9:30 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at N.Y. Islanders, 7:30 p.m.
Edmonton at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Chicago at Vancouver, 10:30 p.m.
Anaheim at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.

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x-clinched playoff berth.
Tuesday's Games
Charlotte 78, New York 69
Miami 97, Indiana 95
Detroit 102, New Jersey 95
Orlando 126, Phoenix 102
Milwaukee 115, Golden State 109
Seattle 104, Houston 102
Portland 111, Washington 106

Wednesday's Games
Chicago at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
San Antonio at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Golden State at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Miami at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.
Dallas at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Denver at Utah, 9 p.m.
Portland at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

Thursday's Games
Dallas at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Orlando, 8 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
Utah at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
New York at Denver, 9 p.m.
Washington at Seattle, 10 p.m.

Kansas City, Mo. Sunday, March 26

Semifinal winners, 5 p.m.
WEST REGIONAL Regional Semifinals
At Oakland Alameda County Coliseum
Thursday, March 23
UCLA (27-2) vs. Mississippi State (22-7), 8:05 p.m.
Maryland (26-7) vs. Connecticut (27-4), 30 minutes after previous game.
Regional Championship
At Oakland-Alameda County Coliseum
Oakland Saturday, March 25
Semifinal winners, 3:40 p.m.
NIT Schedule
NIT Tournament At A Glance
All Times EST
Second Round Monday, March 20
South Florida 75, Coppin State 59
Virginia Tech 91, Providence 78
Washington State 83, Illinois State 80
Canisius 55, Bradley 53
Marquette 70, St. Bonaventure 61
New Mexico State 92, Texas-EI Paso 89, OT
Tuesday, March 21
Penn State 65, Nebraska 52
Iowa 66, Ohio University 62
Quarterfinals
Wednesday, March 22
New Mexico State (25-9) at Virginia Tech (22-10), 7:30 p.m.
South Florida (18-11) at Marquette (19-11), 9:30 p.m.
Thursday, March 23
Washington State (18-11) at Canisius (20-12), 7:30 p.m.
Penn State (19-10) at Iowa (21-11), 9:30 p.m.

BASKETBALL

NBA Standings

National Basketball Association All Times EST

EASTERN CONFERENCE			
Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct.
x-Orlando	49	17	74.2
x-New York	42	22	65.6
New Jersey	26	40	39.4
Boston	25	40	38.5
Miami	25	41	37.9
Washington	18	47	27.7
Philadelphia	17	48	26.2

HOCKEY

NHL Standings

National Hockey League All Times EST			
EASTERN CONFERENCE			
Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct.
Philadelphia	41	25	62.1
Pittsburgh	40	26	60.8
Cleveland	36	29	55.4
Chicago	34	32	51.5
Atlanta	33	32	50.8
Washington	26	41	38.8
Philadelphia	24	42	36.2

NCAA Tournament

NCAA Basketball Tournament All Times EST
EAST REGIONAL Regional Semifinals
At The Meadowlands East Rutherford, N.J. Friday, March 24
Wake Forest (26-5) vs. Oklahoma State (25-9), 7:40 p.m.
Tulsa (24-7) vs. Massachusetts (26-4), 30 minutes after previous game.
Regional Championship
At The Meadowlands East Rutherford, N.J. Sunday, March 26
Semifinal winners, 2:40 p.m.
SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Regional Semifinals
At Birmingham-Jefferson Civic Center Birmingham, Ala. Thursday, March 23
Georgetown (21-9) vs. North Carolina (26-5), 7:45 p.m.
(24-8), 30 minutes after previous game.
Regional Championship
At Kemper Arena Kansas City, Mo. Sunday, March 26
Memphis (24-9) vs. Arkansas (29-6), 8 p.m.
Kansas (25-5) vs. Virginia (24-8), 30 minutes after previous game.
Regional Championship
At Kemper Arena

TRANSACTIONS

Tuesday
BASEBALL
St. Louis Cardinals - Released Pedro Borbon, pitcher.
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
ANTA HAWKS - Signed Enns toward to Bismarck.
HEAD BULL - Signed...
PHILADELPHIA 76ERS - Named Joe Carbone strength and conditioning coach.
SACRAMENTO KINGS - Activated Doug Lee, guard, from the injured list.

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Wilander returns in style

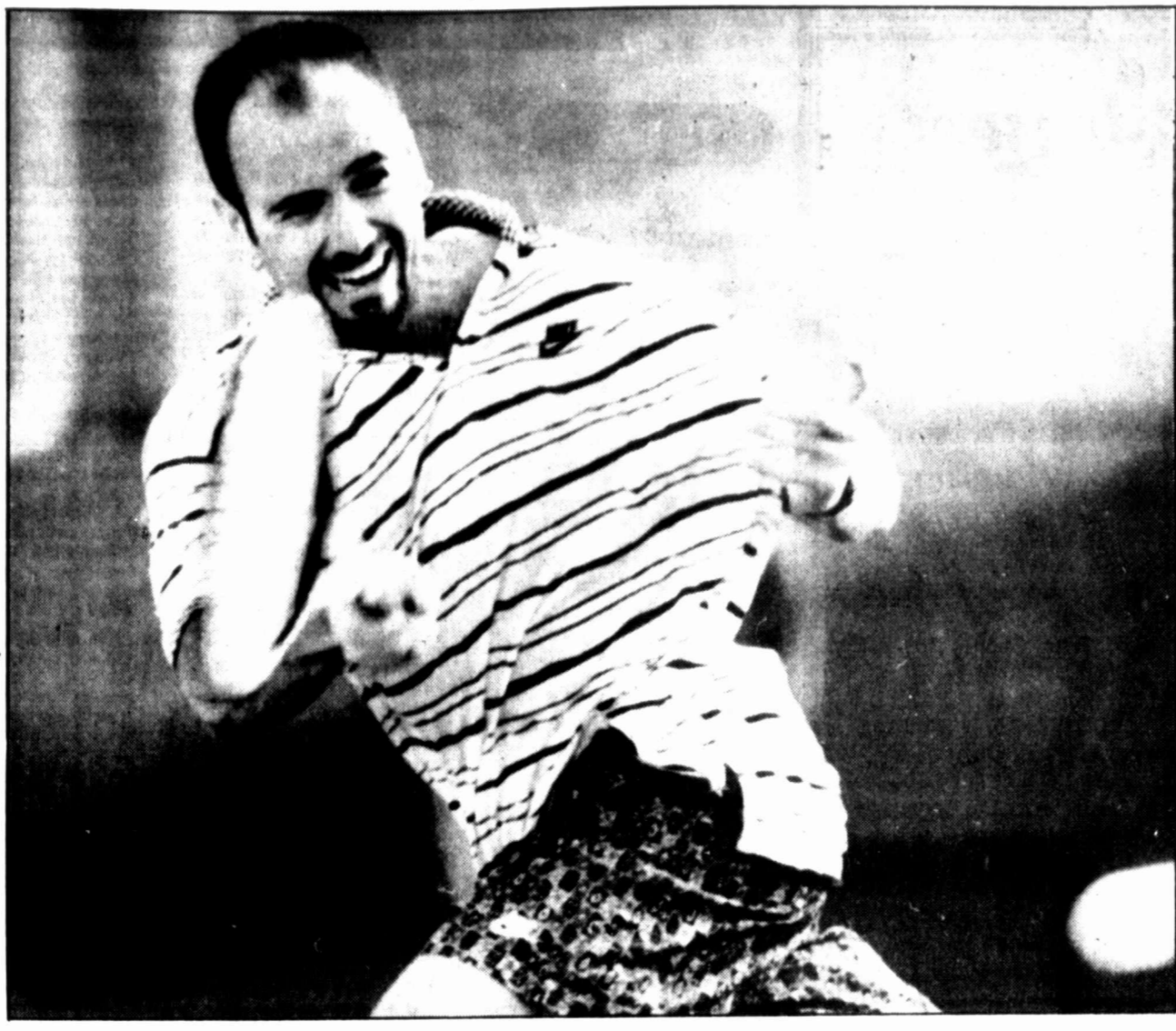
■ Top-ranked Sampras, No. 2 Agassi advance

KEY BISCAZYNE, Fla. (AP) — Mats Wilander left tennis and missed it. Now he's back, hugging the baseline with new-found affection for the game.

But the score is no longer so important. For Wilander, a winner of seven Grand Slams and once ranked No. 1, the playing's the thing.

On Tuesday, he beat Jan Siemerink 6-4, 6-2 and advanced to the quarterfinals of the Lipton Championships.

"When you have taken a couple of years off, you start to realize you are not going to be able to compete in a professional sport for the rest of your life," Wilander said. "Doing something that near to perfection is a feeling impossible to describe, and I think it is very hard to get



Andre Agassi returns the ball to Malivai Washington during their match at the Lipton Championships in Key Biscayne, Fla. Tuesday. Agassi, the second seed in the tournament, beat Washington 6-3, 6-4.

that feeling in any other part of life. "I mean, it happens on the

golf course. Sometimes you hit an unbelievable shot to the green. But it lasts for a second.

Here it lasts for an hour and a half."

Stories keep flying about Lewis' death

BOSTON (AP) — The Boston Celtics prepared to retire Reggie Lewis' number tonight amid allegations that the late player admitted to at least one doctor that he used cocaine before every home game as a "performance enhancer."

The Boston Herald today quoted an unidentified medical source close to the case as saying Lewis would not or could not stop using cocaine even



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after collapsing during a game and being warned that continued use would kill him.

Meanwhile, a college teammate and friend of Lewis on Tuesday night recanted statements that he used cocaine with Lewis and Len Bias, who died of a cocaine overdose days after being drafted by Boston.

In interviews with The Wall Street Journal and The Boston Globe, Derrick Lewis had said he had used cocaine with Reggie Lewis five days before the Celtics captain collapsed during a playoff game in April 1993. He also said he used cocaine with Lewis and Bias during a summer basketball camp in 1985.

But Tuesday night, he told WCVB-TV he had never seen Lewis or Bias do cocaine.

"I never got high with Reggie, no more than drinking beers,"

he told WCVB in a telephone interview. "The Globe and all these reporters are coming down here bugging me, just to try to get some dirt on Reggie."

The Herald's source said Reggie Lewis told the doctor a number of Celtics teammates used cocaine at the time. The newspaper also said the former head of the state police Narcotics Unit, Detective Lt. Robert Long, said reports of drug use by certain players were "common knowledge" among some investigators.

Jan Volk, Celtics executive vice president and general manager, said the Herald account was "an incredibly bold statement to be made under the cloak of an unnamed source and an obvious violation of medical ethics."

The Herald's source also said Gilbert Mudge, the cardiologist at Brigham and Women's Hospital who treated Lewis after his first collapse, and after Lewis left the care of a group of team doctors, knew of Lewis' drug involvement "right off the bat."

Mudge has cited patient confidentiality in refusing to comment on the case. The Celtics and Lewis' former teammates remained focused on his accomplishments, both as a player and as a person committed to community service.

Current and former Celtics and team officials, along with Lewis' widow helped staff the telephones Tuesday night during a telethon for the Reggie Lewis Foundation.

Baseball players' union suffers setback

NEW YORK (AP) — In a setback for organized labor, a federal appeals court ruled unions can't file antitrust suits against employers and reversed a \$30.3 million judgment against the NFL.

The 2-1 decision announced Tuesday by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia will have an impact on both baseball and the NBA, which has operated without a collective bargaining agreement

since last summer.

"When federal labor policy collides with antitrust policy in a labor market organized around a collective bargaining relationship, antitrust policy must give way," Chief Judge Harry Edwards wrote for the majority.

"Injecting antitrust liability into the system for resolving disputes between unions and employers would both subvert national labor policy and exag-

gerate federal antitrust concerns."

Baseball players have asked Congress to strip baseball owners of their antitrust exemption, created by a 1922 U.S. Supreme Court decision. But even if the exemption was removed, Tuesday's decision in Brown vs. Pro Football Inc. would force the Major League Baseball Players Association to decertify before it could file suit.

Tuesday's decision went

beyond the 8th Circuit's holding in Powell vs. NFL and the 2nd Circuit's holding in NBA vs. Williams. The court ruled that a unilaterally implemented term after an impasse in bargaining was beyond challenge under the antitrust laws.

"To accommodate federal labor policy, we must preserve the delicate balance of countervailing power that characterizes the process," Edwards wrote in a 30-page decision.

Big Spring's Fourth Annual Ag-Expo will be March 23 and 24 at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. The Exhibit Floor will be open to the public from 6:00 pm until 9:00 pm on Thursday and from 9:00 am until 5:30 pm Friday. At 1:00 pm Friday, you can Harold Bob Bennett, State Executive Director of the Consolidated Farm Service Agency (formerly ASCS).

The Expo brings the latest technology and training for area farmers and ranchers. Exhibitors include fertilizer, computer software, seed, and feed companies, and implement dealers. There is also the opportunity to update individual pesticide certifications and learn about new management programs.

The Agricultural Appreciation Dinner, beginning at 6:00 pm Thursday, is sponsored by the Chamber as a token of their appreciation to the agricultural industry in the area. The 1994 Dinner had the largest attendance ever recorded and it is hoped that 1995 will be even larger.

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Do you have a good story idea for the *life!* section? Call 263-7331, Ext. 112.

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Big Spring Herald

Wednesday, March 22, 1995

Retirement? Not for this lifelong worker

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Herald Correspondent

Gertrude Hallford has spent most of her life taking care of people.

She's 80 now, and still doing it.

The Big Spring widow, who raised 10 children, once tried to take a retirement.

"I bawled and hollered so much," she said. "I was lonely without anything to do."

So three or four years ago, Hallford took a job - a paying, part-time job.

At the time, one of Hallford's daughters was working for Nurses Unlimited, giving care to the agency's clients. She did light cooking, cleaning and some personal care work.

"I thought if she could do it, I could, too," said Hallford. So she asked her daughter about getting her a job for Nurses Unlimited.

Her daughter approached a supervisor, who questioned if the then-76 or 77-year-old could handle the work.

"My daughter said, 'My mother can work circles around



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me," Hallford recalled. She got the job. Now Hallford and two of her daughters work for the agency.

At times, Hallford has worked almost full-time, visiting three clients for several hours each, five days a week.

Now, she cares for only one patient, working about 10 hours a week. But Hallford admits

she puts in extra time without pay.

"If they're lonely, need someone just to talk to," she said, "I do that just because I know what it's like to be lonely. They just want someone to sit with them."

Hallford, who moved to Big Spring as a teenager, didn't work for much of her marriage.

"With all those kids, there wasn't time," she said.

But later, she worked for Howard College and at Webb Air Force Base. In her spare time these days, Hallford likes to embroider, piece quilts and work in her yard.

She reads the newspaper every day and watches a little TV, enjoying keeping up with current events.

One of her sons, who lives in Midland, keeps telling Hallford his home has a bedroom "with her name on it." She's declined to move so far.

And apparently, the octogenarian has no plans to quit her job anytime soon.

"I like doing it," she said. "I just like helping people. I feel like I'm doing something for someone."

NICE KITTIES



Two Siberian tigers enjoy the sunshine, and a little nuzzling, at the Philadelphia Zoo March 14.

Associated Press photo

Doll lovers' paradise at Heritage Museum

Special to the Herald

A century of history shows in the faces, hairstyles and costumes of a doll collector's lifetime hobby, on display at Big Spring's Heritage Museum.

The exhibit, which includes about 1,500 dolls from the collection of a Big Spring family, recreates one of the city's landmarks - the Doll Museum.

Although closed for many years, the building at Third and Gregg streets has long been a curiosity for local residents and visitors to the city.

Museum curator Angle Way said last fall's acquisition of the old museum's contents was promising in many ways.

"The feeling of our board of directors was that this was an exceptional collection," Way said. "It stood in its own right because of its diversity, and the local folklore that surrounded the doll museum."

Claudine Terrazas, now deceased, had filled the building's first floor with dolls she collected throughout her life. She often said in interviews that opening the museum in 1977 was her way of sharing her fascination with the community.

The Doll Museum's facade has been recreated for the exhibit, using roof tin from the building and the original front door's iron gate. Many dolls are displayed in the original cases, acquired along with the collection.

Once the Heritage Museum took possession of the dolls, they were made a permanent part of the local history museum.

Included are dolls made of porcelain, both bisque and china; plastic; vinyl; and composition, a paper- or wood-based material.

There are historical figures depicted along with movie stars and cartoon characters. Cultural icons such as the Campbell Soup Kids and the earliest Barbie dolls are represented.

Just a few feet away from smiling president's wives in their inaugural gowns, Snow White hangs with six of her seven dwarves, all wooden marionettes.

Notable pieces include a German bisque doll from the



Courtesy photo

Effanbee's Patsy and Skippy, on display in the Heritage Museum's vinyl doll section, were a late addition to the Terrazas collection.

early 1900s, a composition Kewpie, "Skookum" dolls, and an American Indian figure made of wood, cloth and plastic with a horse-hair wig.

Among the many Madame Alexander dolls are "Little Women," Dolls of the World, three Scarletts and Cinderella. There are composition figures of the Dionne quintuplets, born in Canada in the 1930s and recreated by the Alexander Doll Company wearing diapers and bibs embroidered with their names.

China figures include George and Martha Washington and Charlie Chaplin, along with Queen Victoria and Prince Albert in wedding finery. Plastic figures include Sonja Henie and three of the Beatles.

Several Shirley Temple dolls include the Little Princess and Rebecca, formed of wood pulp and side-glancing eyes.

Heritage Museum staff has spent many hours cleaning and refurbishing dolls for the collection, as well as researching required to label each item according to history and construction.

"It's a wonderful addition of local history to the Heritage Museum," Way said.

"We have enjoyed working with the collection and we have tried to display it so it can be enjoyed by as many people as possible for many years to come."

Wesley Methodist presents 'hymn-dramas'

By JANET AUSBURY
Features Editor

Wesley United Methodist Church, located at 12th and Owens Streets, will present Rev. Whitney Dough starting 7 p.m. Friday in the church sanctuary, preceded by a 6 p.m. meal in Memorial Hall.

Dough, who will appear



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through Sunday, is a member of the Florida Conference of the Methodist Church.

He and wife Kathy, who provides technical assistance for his programs, live in Altamonte Springs, Fla. He is a musician and vocalist as well as a preacher.

He produced the first "Methodist Hour" radio broadcast, has written two books, "Fowl Play" and "Our Unknown Friends - The Hymn Writers" and is perhaps best known for his hymn-dramas, which are multimedia presentations on the lives of famous hymn writers.

Among the writers Dough profiles are George Beverly

Shea, author of "I'd Rather Have Jesus"; Joseph Scriven, author of "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"; and John Newton, the slave trader who changed his life and went on to write "Amazing Grace."

Shea himself said of Dough's hymn-dramas, "Whitney Dough was so impressive, with his careful way of covering the subject well. And I liked his stepping up to sing. That was great. A real pro! But done in the spirit of Christ."

Other special programs Dough presents around the country are "Hymns of the Cross and Resurrection," for Holy Week, and "Favorite Carols," a Christmas program.

The public is invited to Dough's presentations. In addition to the Friday meal and presentation, the Saturday schedule is a 9:30 a.m. drama, 10:30 a.m. snack break, 11 a.m. drama and covered dish Mexican style at 5:45 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. drama.

Sunday's schedule includes a 9:30 a.m. presentation, 11 a.m. worship service with special music and sermon, 4:30 p.m. drama, 5:45 p.m. meal and the last presentation at 7 p.m.

The presentations are free of charge, but a love offering will be taken. Child care will be provided.

For more information, call the church at 263-2092.

Make your memories creative with workshop

Do you have boxes of photographs sitting around, needing an album? If you do, then the Creative Memories workshop is just for you!



Dana Tarter
Extension Agent

Vicky Welch, instructor for Creative Memories, will conduct a workshop in Big Spring 10 a.m.-noon April 8 at the St. Paul Lutheran Church, 810 Scurry.

Registration for the workshop is \$7.50 and is due in the Howard County Extension Office no later than April 5.

What exactly is a Creative Memories workshop, you might ask? The Creative Memories workshop is an informational class, how-to demonstration and hands-on workshop all rolled into one. It is a fun and easy step-by-step method for turning your boxes of snapshots and memorabilia into a keepsake photo album.

This is the first step toward preserving your past, enriching your future and starting a family album tradition.

In a couple of hours, participants will learn the importance of organizing and preserving photos. During the workshop individuals will receive personal assistance from an experienced professional as they put

together an actual page of their keepsake album.

Participants will learn factual information relating to the damaging effects of using certain materials for photo albums and also learn how to store albums. Also included in the workshop will be creative tips on cropping, decorating, photo-journalism, album page layout ideas and much more.

Registration fee for the workshop will cover researched information and hands-on instruction and each participant will receive materials necessary to start an album page which will include: a high-grade, acid-free album page, photo-safe adhesives and the use of special tools for cropping your photos and decorating your album pages.

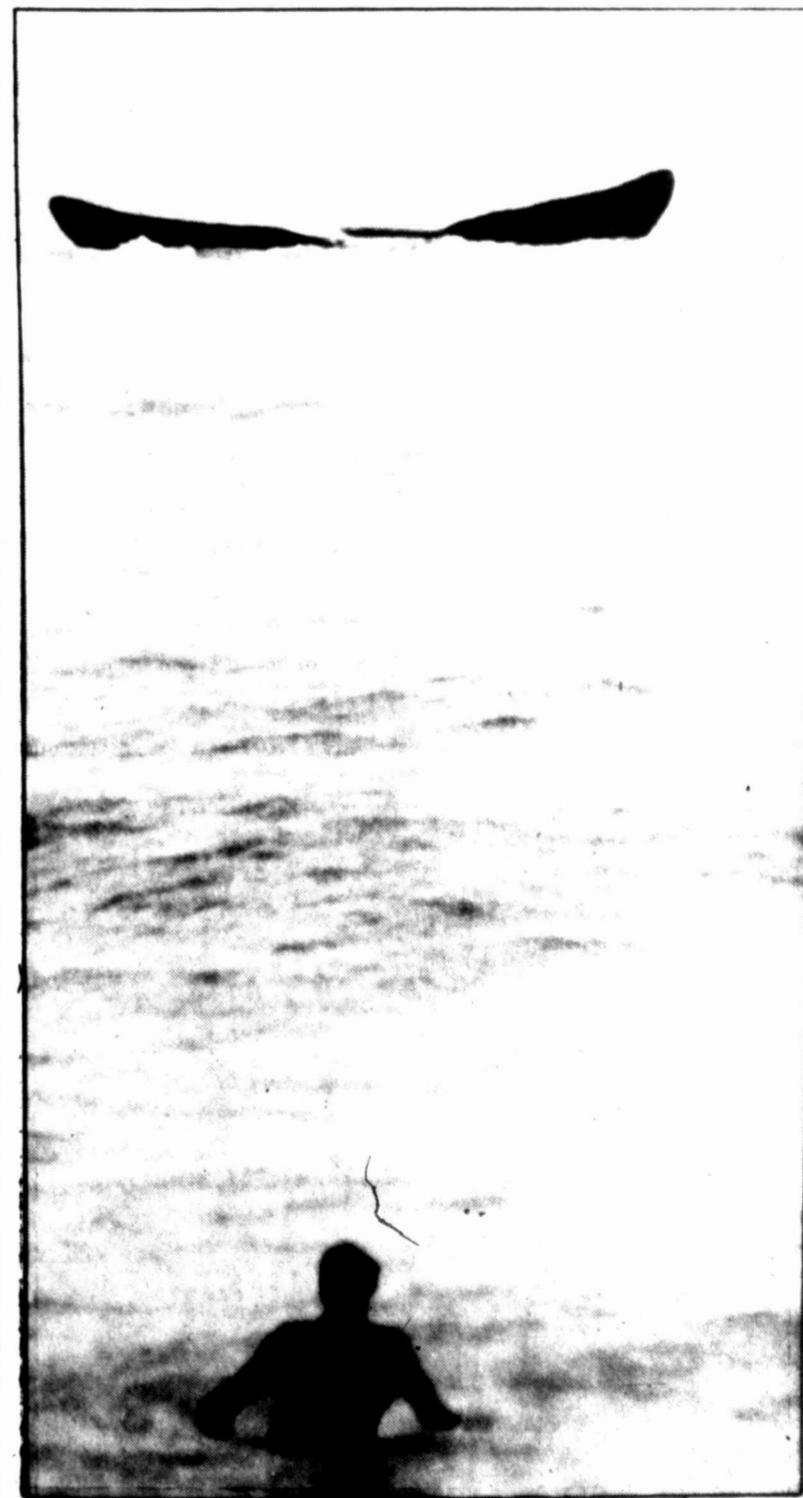
There are some supplies that participants will need to bring:

- A recent pack of 12 to 24 photos, preferably from one event

- Any memorabilia that would be applicable to that event (ticket stubs, brochures, etc.)
 - Sharp scissors
 - Pen
- Photo-safe materials will be available for purchase following the workshop.

The Creative Memories workshop is being sponsored by the Howard County office of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. Educational programs conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin.

WHALE OF A TAIL



A surfer sits on his board as he watches a large whale flip its tail and head out further into the Atlantic Ocean near Satellite Beach, Fla.

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SUPPORT GROUPS

MONDAY

•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.

•TOPS weight support group, 6:30 p.m., Canterbury South, 1700 Lancaster. Weigh-in, 6 p.m. Call 263-1340 or 263-8633.

•Project Freedom, Christian support group for survivors of physical/emotional/sexual and/or spiritual abuse. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241 for dates/times of upcoming groups.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.

TUESDAY

•Widow/Widower support group, first and third Tuesdays each month, 5:30 p.m. First Tuesday meetings are at a local restaurant. Third Tuesday meetings are at First Presbyterian Church, Eighth and Runnels (enter through patio), followed by dinner at a local restaurant. For more information call 398-5522 or 399-4369.

•Support for MS and Related Diseases, 6:30 p.m. second Tuesday of each month, Canterbury South. Public invited. Call Leslie, 267-1069.

•Al-Anon, 8 p.m., 615 Settles.

•Seniors' diabetic support group, 2 p.m., Canterbury South. Call 263-1265.

•Compassionate Friends support group for parents who have experienced death of a child, 7:30 p.m. first Tuesday of each even-numbered month, room 113 of the Family Life Center Building, First Baptist Church, 705 W. Marcy. Enter by southeast door. Call 267-2769.

•VOICES support group for

abuse, incest, rape, date rape, any other crime of indecency. 3:45 p.m. Call Rape Crisis/Victim Services, 263-3312.

•Diabetes support group, second Tuesday of each month, 7 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center classroom.

•Cancer support group, first Tuesday of each month, 7-8 p.m., VA Medical Center room 213. Call Beverly Rice, 263-3168 ext. 7077.

•"The Most Excellent Way" drug and alcohol support group meets Tuesdays at 7 p.m., Cornerstone Bookstore, 1909 Gregg. For more information, please call 263-3168 or 267-7047 from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m., after 5 p.m., call 267-1424.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. closed meeting.

WEDNESDAY

•Gamblers Anonymous, 7 p.m., St. Stephen's Catholic Church, room 1, 4601 Neeley, Midland. Call 263-8920.

•Survivors support group for survivors of sexual abuse, 10-11:30 a.m. Call Rape Crisis/Victim Services, 263-3312.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. 12 and 12 study.

THURSDAY

•Salvation Army drug education program, sponsored by Permian Basin Regional Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, 7 p.m., Salvation Army building, 308 Aylford.

•Battered women support group, 2:30 p.m. Call 263-3312 or 267-3626.

•Al-Anon, 8 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center, small cafeteria on the first floor.

•Howard County Mental Health Center family education meeting 6 p.m., last Thursday of each month. Followed by Big Spring Alliance for the

Shannon Nabors or Dixie Burcham, 263-0027.

•Big Spring Alliance for the Mentally Ill meeting 7 p.m., last Thursday of each month following the TXMHMR family support meeting. Call 267-7220 for more information.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 6:30 p.m. women open meeting.

•A.D.D.A.P.T. non-profit support and learning organization about attention deficit disorder, learning disorders and dyslexia. Monthly meetings during September, October, November, January, February, March, April and May, second

Thursday of these months at the Cerebral Palsy building, 802 Ventura, Midland.

FRIDAY

•Survivors, 5:15-7 p.m. Call Rape Crisis/Victim Services, 263-3312.

•Turning Point A.A., 8-9:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Goliad. Open to all substance abusers.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. Big Book Study.

•Sober Living Skills educational group, which focuses on relapse prevention, problem solving/conflict resolution and support group orientation, 12 noon to 1 p.m., Permian Basin Regional Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, 905 N. Benton. Call 263-8920. Newcomers welcome.

FRIDAY

•Family support group for current and former patients and their families, 1 p.m. weekly, Reflections Unit of Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Call Beverly Grant, 263-0074.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. closed meeting.

SUNDAY

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, 11 a.m. closed meeting and 7 p.m. open meeting.

Working away from welfare

By ERIC VAUGHAN
Amarillo Globe-News

AMARILLO — As the war over welfare reform rages in Washington, another battle is under way in Amarillo to help 16 families end their dependence on government aid.

Phyllis Davenport, a single mother with three children, is part of the new Family Self Sufficiency program, which is operated by the city's Community Development Department.

"Being a single parent, I don't know if I'll get married or what, but I want to make it on my own," Ms. Davenport said.

She does not fit the stereotypical image of a welfare recipient. She graduated from high school and works full-time as a program supervisor for the Children's Cottage. But she still can't make ends meet without some help.

Through the program, she wants to go to college and earn a degree that will help further her career. And she wants to end her partial reliance on welfare.

"I want to get off government assistance and be able to provide some kind of financial security for my kids," she said.

The families in the program have signed five-year contracts of participation, which outline the responsibilities of the family and the agency.

As part of the contract, the family must be free from all welfare assistance during the last year of the program, said Marie Albino, the city's supportive housing coordinator.

"They have a lot of barriers that they face in their situations, from not having child care to not having transportation," Ms. Albino said.

Those are some of the problems that the comprehensive program will help families solve. Other agencies will provide participants with services such as child care, financial aid for school, mental and dental assistance and transportation and educational services.

"You can't just provide housing," Ms. Albino said. "That's just enabling them to stay where they're at. I think it's more in-tune with the welfare reform that's coming."

Republicans in Congress have proposed welfare reforms that would cut spending on public assistance programs by at least \$50 billion over five years. The reform plan is expected to go to the House floor for a vote in less than two weeks.

But if the 16 Amarillo families in the self-sufficiency program are successful, they will no longer have to worry about cuts in welfare programs.

Tonja Vandagriff is a single mother with five sons. Although she is participating in the program, she already is well down the road to self-sufficiency.

Ms. Vandagriff began taking classes at Amarillo College in the spring of 1992. She will graduate this summer with an



Phyllis Davenport, shown working at the Children's Cottage, is looking to end her partial reliance on welfare. Davenport, a single mother with three children, is part of the New Self Sufficiency program in Amarillo.

associate degree in word processing and plans to earn a real estate license.

"It did not take the program to motivate me to get myself on my feet to try to support my family," she said. "The program has just been an extra benefit for that."

And Ms. Vandagriff hopes her five sons will learn from her example. "I hope they will see in me the value of going to school, finishing school and getting a good education."

From single mothers to single fathers, there are a variety of people involved in the Family Self Sufficiency program in Amarillo.

Most have high school educations or GEDs, and one has a bachelor's degree. Some have been receiving welfare for a decade. Others have been on government aid for a short time.

The program, which is partially funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, can be completed in less than five years if participants reach all of their goals.

"It's very individualized and that's another unique factor of the program," Ms. Albino said. "There's very intense follow-up ... to make sure they're not slipping through the cracks."

Through the self-sufficiency program, the families will find help in cutting through the red tape that often hinders them from receiving aid.

They will get help in applying for and filling out financial aid and scholarship applications.

And the program will help them overcome common barriers, such as finding child care while they work or go to school.

"We do know that having education is the key to being self sufficient — that education is important to their success," Ms. Albino said.

Another incentive is an escrow for each participant based on increases in their earned income throughout the contract. When participants earn money, they are required to pay a certain amount of their rent, and money will be put into the escrow.

"It will be available when they complete their contract," Ms. Albino said. "If they quit, they won't get the escrow money."

The program is still in its early stages, but Ms. Albino said she expects to see a lot of progress for the families during the next few years.

"Some of them just need that support and know that you can succeed and you deserve to succeed," she said. "The success is going to depend on their commitment ... but we'll sure give them all the guidance and support they need to be successful."

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Of snakes, drinks and all things Irish

Both of my parents are of Irish descent. The Irish are well known for four things in particular:

their superstitions, their natures, their storytelling abilities, their capacity for consuming alcoholic beverages and the fervor of their politics. This is my heritage.

In today's salute to the Children of Erin, I plan to employ all four of these claims to fame. We will begin with superstitious beliefs and storytelling abilities.

One autumn several years ago, a snake was seen in our basement. Unfortunately it wasn't possible to avoid the basement until the snake left of its own accord or died of old age. My laundry facilities are down there; so is our only bathroom.

The thought of being seated comfortably in the bathroom, skimming through a 6-month-old copy of Reader's Digest and then having something disgusting slither over my feet, or worse yet, drop into my hair from an overhead lighting fixture was too horrendous to contemplate.

A trauma like that could bind a person for months. The snake would have to go ... but how? I had never seen any snake traps in the local hardware stores and no company I knew of manufactured a product called, Snake-Be-Gone, so it was a real dilemma.

My mom suggested I use holy water. I thought maybe her potassium was low, but she was serious. "Why not give it a try," she said. "It worked for

me. I was fully aware that the legend of St. Patrick driving the snakes from Ireland is a myth. There had never been snakes in Ireland, just as there are no snakes in New Zealand or the polar ice caps.

This knowledge did not deter me one whit. I'm much too Irish to allow mere reason to interfere with my belief structure.

This is why I found myself in the church vestibule in the dark of night filling a container with holy water.

Later that night I went through my basement sprinkling the water in the corners while chanting, "Out snake, I command ye!" I suppose this is not the recommended procedure for driving out snakes but I got caught up in the drama.

My children, observing me from the stairs, were agast. They thought good old Mom had finally stripped her gears.

I felt like a complete and utter fool, but in my heart I truly believed this bizarre ritual would do the trick. God as my witness, not that snake, nor any other was ever seen in my basement again.

Well, that takes care of superstitious beliefs and storytelling abilities. The other two aspects of my Irishness, booze and politics, I dealt with on the evening of March 17, when my daughter and I celebrated at the local Howard Johnson's.

We imbued; we didn't drive. Being such lovely Irish colleens we can always find a sober sucker willing to cart our butts around.

We wore "Kiss Me, I'm Irish" buttons pinned to the back pocket of our jeans. Some people would view this as a bad attitude, but we're Irish, so we saw it simply as a political statement.

Erin go brag!
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Christina Ferchalk
Columnist

IN THE BAG

Are you a picky pickle eater? Do you remember the nickel pickles from earlier days when delis catered to real pickle experts?

Now comes an old-fashioned New York-style kosher dill from DZ Pickling in Los Angeles, Calif., available by mail-order.

These pickles arrive in a white plastic bucket that's a challenge to open but worth it. Protected inside are burlap-covered jars of the still-fermenting pickles. If the brine is slightly fizzy, the company says that's OK.

The 43-year-old owner of DZ Pickling, Zev Dorman, uses his great-great-grandfather's 150-year-old recipe for fermenting cucumbers in a naturally cloudy brine with no vinegar.

The brine contains chunks of garlic, sprigs of dill and sea salt. A spicy-hot Mexican version includes red chilies. Both types are super-crunchy.

To order, call 1-800-PICKLE-5 (742-5535). Quart jars are \$5, plus \$3.50 shipping; buy four, get one free. Specify new, half-sour or sour pickles.

For Easter, simmer a dozen eggs the old-fashioned way, along with a few handfuls of papery yellow onion skins.

By the time the eggs are cooked (20 minutes standing off the heat), the onion skins have dyed the eggs a deep orange hue. Red onion skins work, too.

Add a teaspoon or two of vinegar to the water once the eggs are off the heat to help set color.

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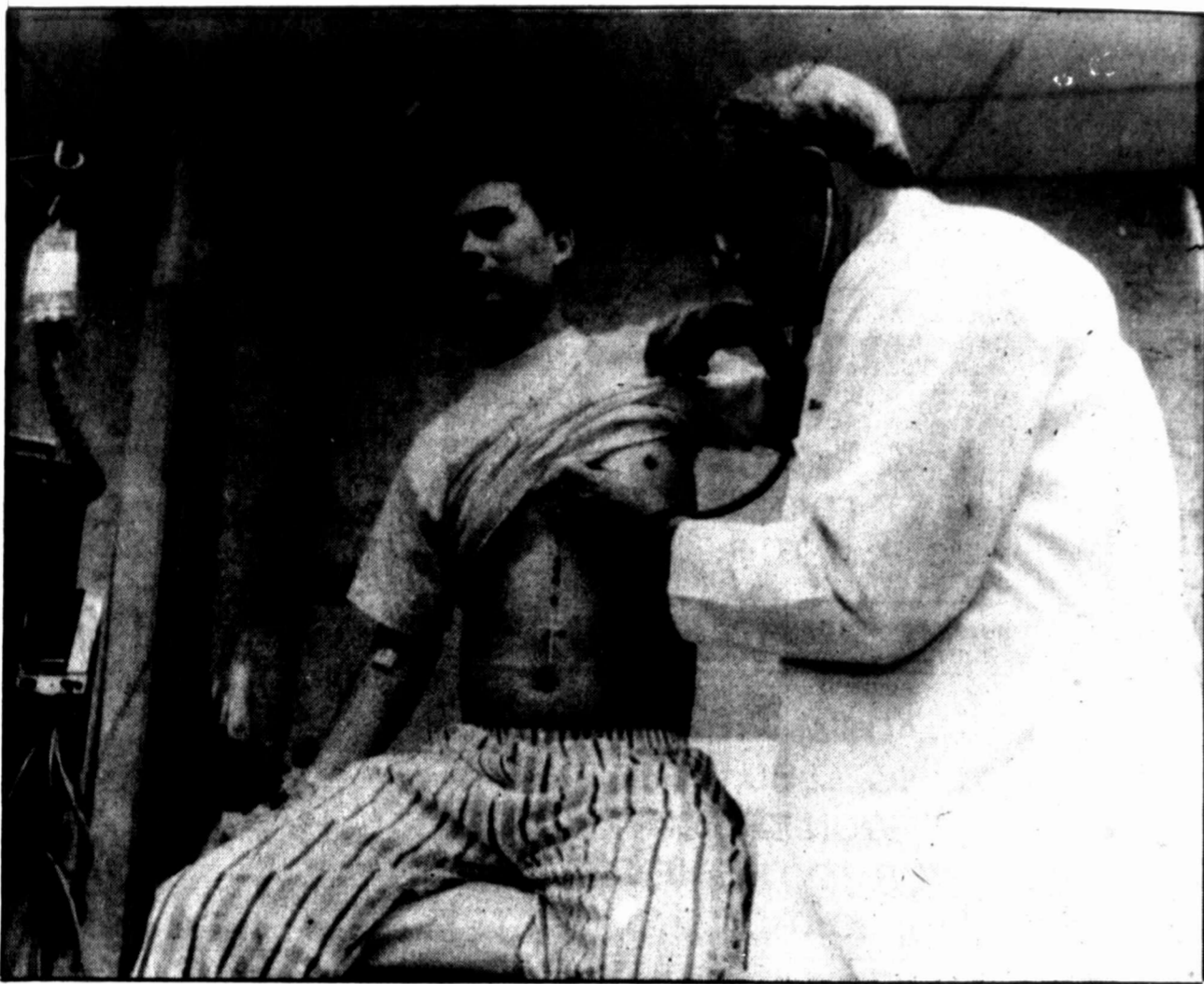
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Dr. Lynn Banowsky examines kidney transplant patient Oscar Ybarra of Von Ormy, Texas. An epidemic of diabetes in South Texas has provided kidney transplant pioneer Dr. Banowsky with one of the busiest programs in the country. The kidney transplant program at San Antonio Regional Hospital has often been ranked the busiest in Texas, and one of the top programs in the country.

Kidney transplant pioneer has one of country's busiest programs

By DON FINLEY
San Antonio Express-News

SAN ANTONIO — An epidemic of diabetes in South Texas has provided kidney transplant pioneer Dr. Lynn Banowsky with one of the busiest programs in the country.

Banowsky, who was presented the Kathryn Dial Murray Gift of Life Award from the National Kidney Foundation of South Texas last week, has transplanted hundreds of kidneys in patients from throughout the state.

Many of the recipients were poor with little education. "I don't think there's much doubt there are economic factors at play causing people to have end-stage kidney disease," Banowsky said in an interview from his office at San Antonio Regional Hospital, where his transplant program occupies half of the third floor.

"It's largely a disease of the poor," he said. "It hits middle-class America, too, but not at the same rate. We have a fair number of people who can't read. We have some patients who are blind. So educating them is not always real easy."

Mexican-Americans, who have a far greater prevalence of diabetes, make up a large percentage of his patient base. Blacks, who have higher rates of both diabetes and hypertension, also represent a large number.

Over the past several years, the kidney transplant program

at San Antonio Regional Hospital has often been ranked the busiest in Texas, and one of the top 30 programs in the country in terms of numbers.

"We're limited not by the number of people who need kidneys, but by the number of donor organs we have," Banowsky said.

Banowsky operates one of three kidney transplant programs in San Antonio.

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Lynn Banowsky

The others are at Wilford Hall Medical Center, which has one of only two military transplant programs in the nation; and at University Hospital, operated by the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio.

Diabetic patients pose a greater challenge for transplantation, Banowsky said.

"They're sicker," he said. "Many of them will be blind from their diabetes. Many of them will have had amputations, many of them will have heart disease, or neuropathy, so they have to walk with a cane, or some can't walk at all."

Since 1990, Banowsky's

plant team has performed between 80 and 109 kidney transplants a year.

In 1992, the group performed 94 even though Banowsky suffered a heart attack. He was away from the operating room only two weeks and now says he's in better shape than before.

End-stage kidney disease is one of the few conditions covered by Medicare, regardless of the patient's age. Since the early 1970s, both dialysis treatments and transplants are covered.

"Before then, it was like getting rabies," Banowsky said. "You basically made sure there wasn't some correctable reason for the kidney disease, like obstruction, then you made the patient comfortable until they died."

"The saying was, it wasn't such a bad way to go. You just kind of get drowsy and there's not a lot of pain."

A native of Stephenville, Banowsky became interested in transplants during their earliest days, when he was a medical student at Tulane University in Louisiana in the 1960s.

Tulane doctors attempted an early kidney transplant on a patient who had a twin brother willing to provide a donor organ. Banowsky was hooked. "This guy walked out of the hospital two weeks later. It was as dramatic as watching Lazarus come up," he said.

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FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 1995
ARIES (March 21-April 19): You accomplish a lot quickly. Take the lead, and don't get upset by pressure. Your career is demanding, and you have every right to want what you do. Adhere carefully to your desires. A loving communication from a friend is important. Tonight: Follow your intuition.****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Your spirit soars because of a friend's news. You are much happier than you have been. Listen carefully to an important offer. Evaluate it with care and self-awareness. Detach, and consider your options. Tonight: Rent a favorite movie.*****

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): One-to-one relating is highlighted. Good news finds you. You are in the limelight at work because you get much accomplished. Pressure is high, and you understand more than you think. Listen carefully, and don't do anything halfway. Tonight: Say yes to an offer.****

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Pressure is high, as you feel torn between the demands of a partner and work. You might not be able to handle both simultaneously. Recognize your limits, maintain a sense of humor and say yes to loved ones. Another can help eliminate stress. Tonight: Just enjoy.****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Be clear with a co-worker who needs your support and, perhaps, financial backing. You can say no. You might feel pulled in and have a difficult time detaching, but you must. Recognize that you need an outlet for your creativity. Tonight: Get a good night's sleep.*****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Reach out to another who is at a distance. Allow your playful personality to emerge. Flirting could develop into much more, and a partner might be justified in being jealous. Be clear about your relationship. Lighten up about options. Tonight: Negotiate your terms.****

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Be

direct about your goals and objectives. Your ability to discuss a situation is important in determining its outcome. Go over a problem with a co-worker. Your understanding helps a family member and a colleague. Remain centered. Tonight: Stay home.****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Curb a tendency to socialize excessively. A romantic situation could have you excited. Know what you want here. Be direct. You accomplish a lot quickly at work. Though you might want to daydream, keep focused. Tonight: Go to a favorite hangout.*****

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Expenses are high, but you still may want to spend on your home. Be clear about what you expect from another. You could be enticed to do something unusual financially. Stay responsible and you'll like the outcome. Tonight: Balance your checkbook.****

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Excellence surrounds you. The pressure of a home matter is heavy. Rethink a situation carefully. Self-evaluation and honesty help. Your honest way of expressing yourself can make the difference. Listen carefully to an offer. Tonight: Be personality-plus.*****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You realize what's happening and what you need to do. Let your awareness guide you. Are you really open to opportunity? Get your own information. Intuition is important in a money dealing. Communications are muddled. Tonight: Do for yourself.***

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Zero in on what's important to you. Focus on achieving success, honoring a change and being more happy with a situation. Be aware of what a financial commitment really means. You will have to make important long-term money decisions. Tonight: Hang out.*****

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

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Shy student's essay a plea for help

DEAR ABBY: As a substitute teacher, I get a fresh perspective on students that regular teachers may miss.

On my first day in a class, I ask students to write three or four paragraphs describing themselves. The following is one student's essay. It was signed,

"The Shy One."

"Dear Teacher: I am one of your students, but you may not have noticed me. I am the quiet one who always does what she is told and never gives you any trouble. I eat alone at lunchtime and sit alone at recess. I try to look like I'm OK because I have my pride, but

inside I'm hurting. "Giving an oral report is agony for me. When you let the team captains choose their teams for P.E., I'm always the last one to be picked, and it hurts so much. If you're sensitive and pick up on my feelings, I won't respond to your kindness, because it embarrasses me as much to be noticed as it hurts to be ignored."

"But please don't give up on me. Stick with me and help me become part of the group. You can make a big difference in my life as that special teacher who helped turn my life around."

Abby, please publish this. I am sure there are many who will relate to it. -- RETIRED TEACHER

DEAR RETIRED TEACHER: Thanks for sharing a very special essay. Some actors have said that, as children, they were very shy and turned to acting because they were too insecure to be themselves.

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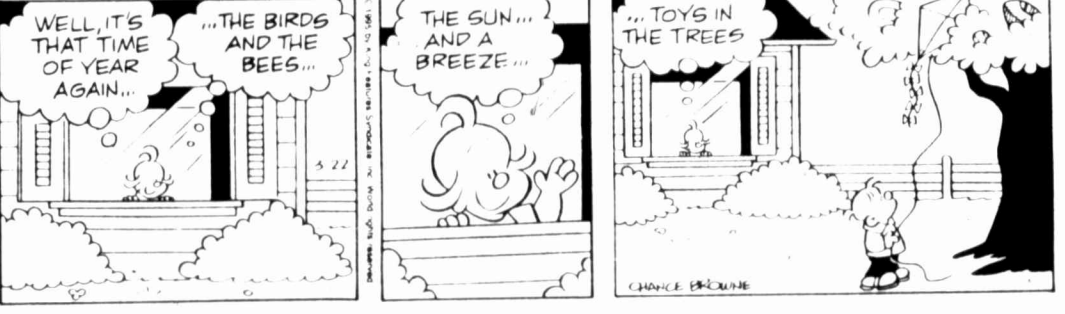
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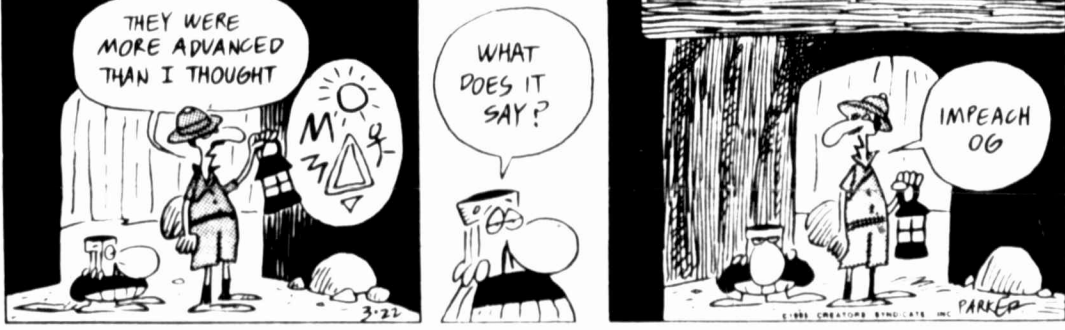
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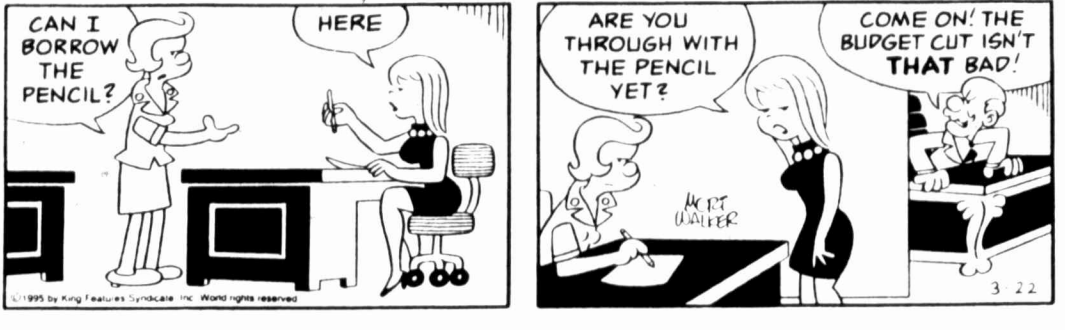
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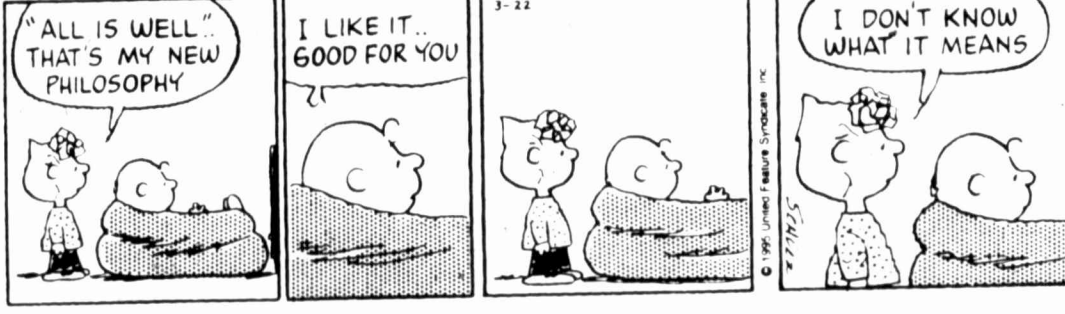
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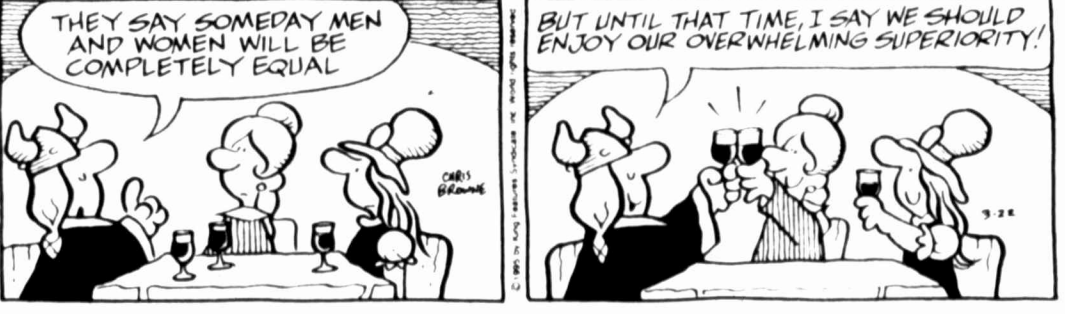
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THE Daily Crossword by Harvey L. Chew

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down words.

This date in history

Today is Wednesday, March 22, the 81st day of 1995. There are 284 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: One hundred years ago, on March 22, 1895, Auguste and Louis Lumiere showed their first movie to an invited audience in Paris...

the American colonies. (The act was repealed the following year.) In 1794, Congress passed a law prohibiting American vessels from supplying slaves to other countries. In 1820, U.S. naval hero Stephen Decatur was killed in a duel with Commodore James Barron near Washington, D.C. In 1882, Congress outlawed polygamy. In 1894, hockey's first Stanley Cup championship game was played...

into operation. In 1972, Congress sent the proposed Equal Rights Amendment to the states for ratification. In 1978, Karl Wallenda, the 73-year-old patriarch of "The Flying Wallendas" high-wire act, fell to his death while attempting to walk a cable strung between two hotels in San Juan, Puerto Rico. Ten years ago: French diplomats Marcel Fontaine and Marcel Carton were kidnapped in Lebanon by Muslim extremists. (They were freed in May 1988.)



Five years ago: A jury in Anchorage, Alaska, found former tanker captain Joseph Hazelwood innocent of three major charges in connection with the Exxon Valdez oil spill, but convicted him of a minor charge of negligent discharge of oil. One year ago: The Federal Reserve announced it was raising short-term interest rates from 3.25 to 3.5 percent, the second such boost of the year. "Woody Woodpecker" creator Walter Lantz died in Burbank, Calif., at age 93.

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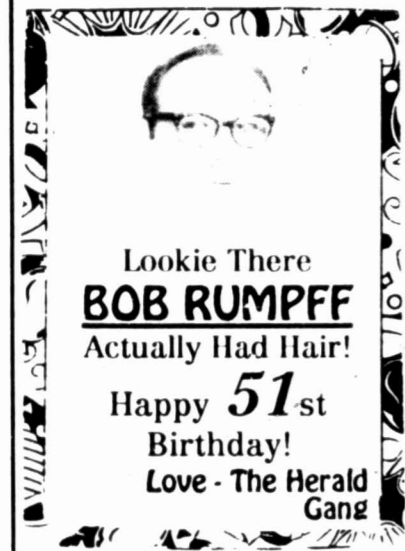
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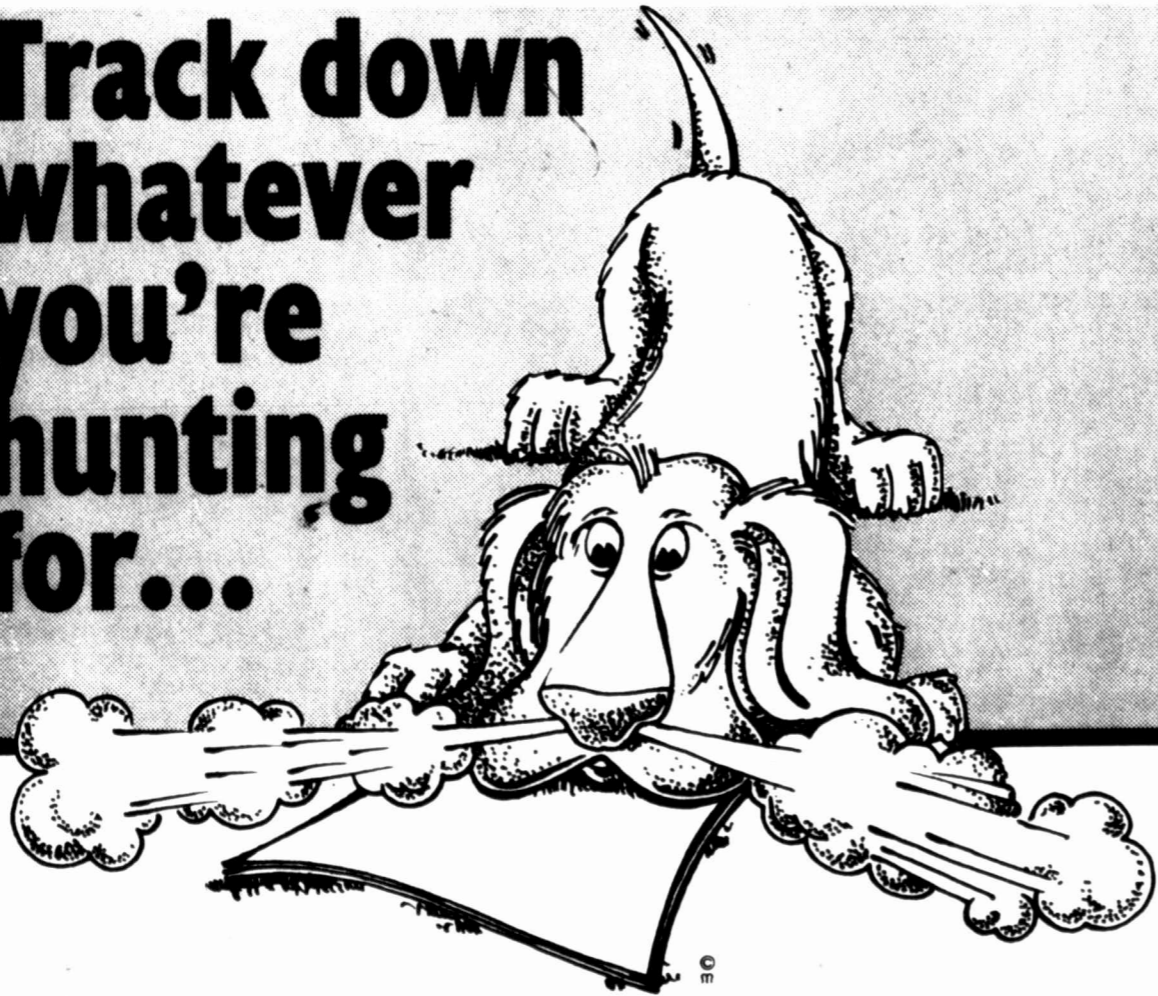
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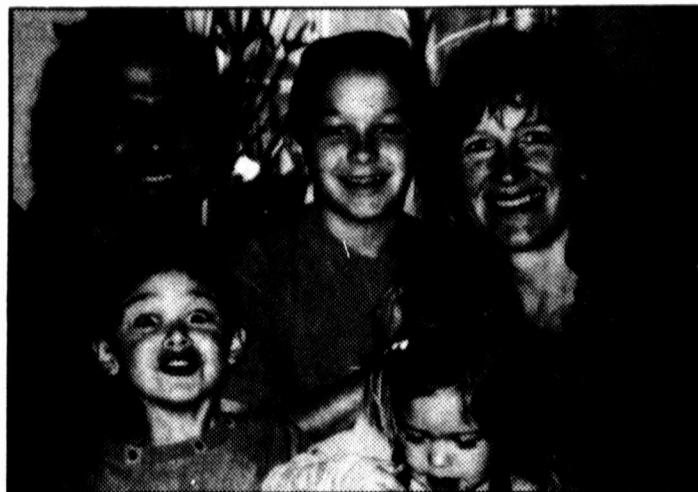
The 1995 Caldecott Winner

Meet David Diaz



The Caldecott Medal is presented each year to the illustrator of the most distinguished picture book for children. This year's winner was David Diaz for the book "Smoky Night."

"Smoky Night" is the story of a boy, his cat and his mother. It takes place during a big-city riot. Cats and the riots bring neighbors from different backgrounds together.



David Diaz with his wife, Cecelia, and their three children, son Jericho, 12; son Ariel, 5; and daughter Gabrielle, 3.



"Smoky Night" is illustrated in an unusual way. One page is photos, and the one next to it is a painting. ("Smoky Night," by Eve Bunting, illustrated by David Diaz, published by Harcourt Brace & Co., 1994.)

It took David Diaz about a year to finish "Smoky Night." During that time he was working on dozens of other things.

"I work with ad agencies, design studios, magazines and newspapers," he told us. His studio is in his home, but he is planning to get another place soon. He has one assistant who helps him with the bills and filing.

His advice to kids who want to become artists: "Begin to look at as much art as possible. Begin to draw as much as possible. The more you draw, the better you are. There are lots of careers in the graphic arts" (drawing, painting and photography, for instance).

Some of his favorite things:

Food: Japanese

Children's illustrator: William Steig

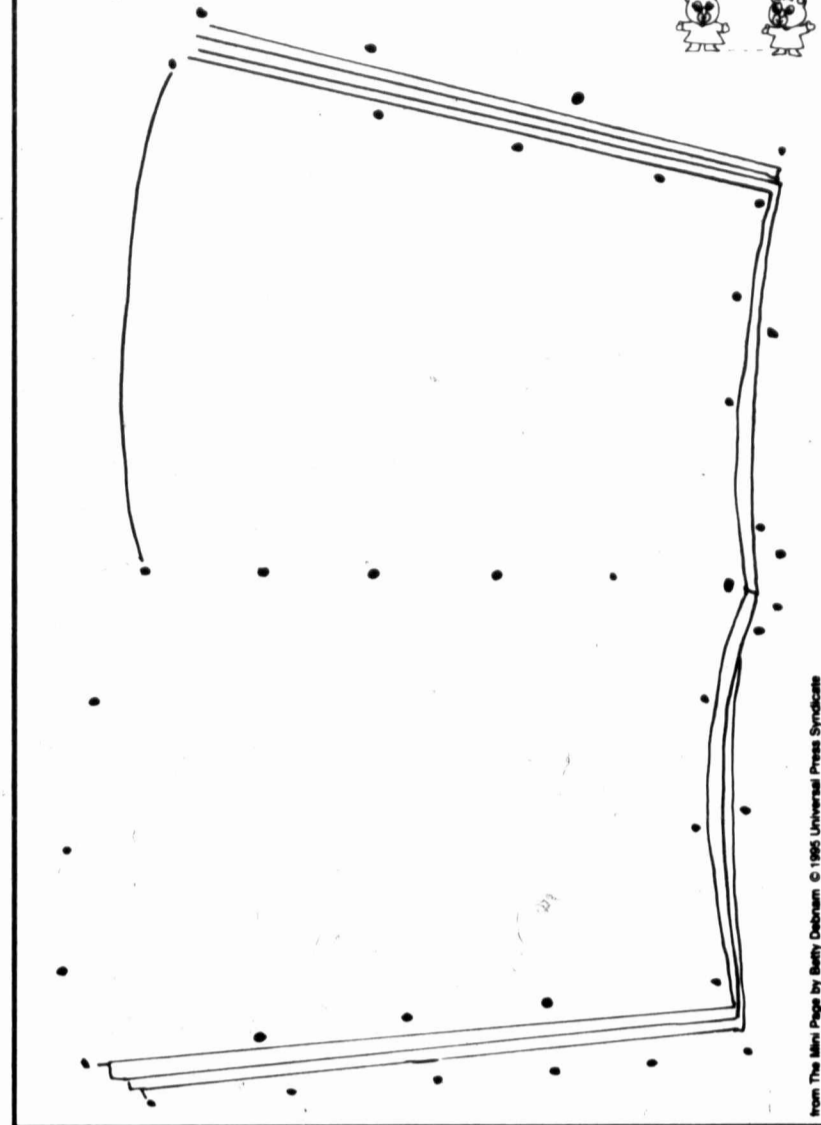
Vacation spot: Seaside, a town in Florida

Hobbies: ceramics (making pottery)

Music: all kinds. He always listens to music while he works.

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When David Diaz was in the first grade, he was asked to fill in the letters for the word "nose." He also drew a nose — and the face. It was at that moment he decided to become an artist.

David grew up in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. He studied at the Art Institute there. Then he moved to California, where he now lives.

"Smoky Night" is the first children's book David Diaz has illustrated. However, he is not new to the field of art. For the past 15 years, he has run a very busy studio.



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The Mini Page Teacher's Guide

For use by teachers and parents at home and at school. For use with issue: Meet David Diaz

Main idea: This issue is about National Library Week and award-winners among children's authors and illustrators. The following is a list of activities to be used with this issue. They are listed in order of difficulty. Ask the children to do the following:

1. Look through your newspaper for pictures that might make a good plot for a book.
2. If possible, go to the library and get as many past Caldecott award winners as possible. Compare the ways they are illustrated. Which do you like best? Why? How is "Smoky Night" different from the others?
3. Design a National Library Week poster.
4. Discuss the following: What were some good books you have read recently? Which was your favorite? Have you read any of the award-winning books mentioned in this issue? What do you think makes a book a Newbery or Caldecott winner? Would you like to be a children's book author or illustrator? What training do you think is needed? Who is your favorite author and why?
5. Write a report on your favorite book. Draw a picture to illustrate the book.
6. If you were to interview your favorite author, what questions would you ask him or her?

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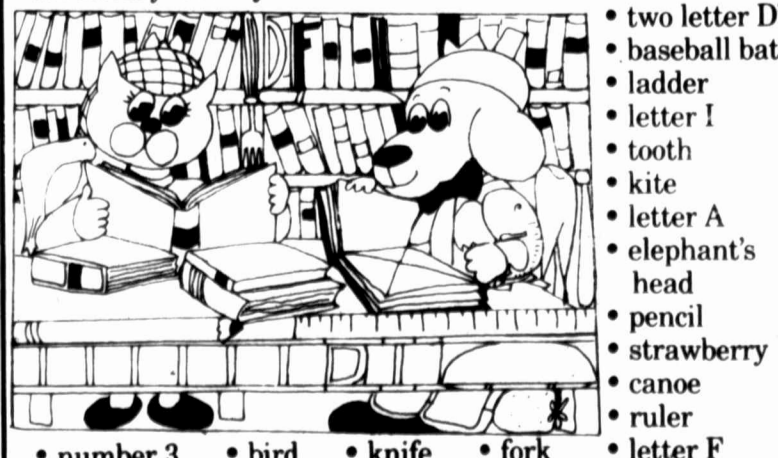
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- baseball bat
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- canoe
- ruler
- letter F
- number 3
- bird
- knife
- fork

Meet Eve Bunting



David Diaz won the Caldecott Medal as the illustrator of "Smoky Night." Eve Bunting is the author of this book.

"I started thinking about the book the very day after the riots" (nearby Los Angeles had a bad riot in 1993), Eve Bunting said.

Ms. Bunting grew up in Ireland. She and her family moved to this country 36 years ago. They settled in California.

After her children were in high school, she took a writing course at a nearby college. She sold her first story to a children's magazine. Since that time she has written about 160 books!

Her books are written for preschool kids all the way up to adults.

In an interview with her, we found out that she has turned one bedroom of her house into a studio where she does her writing.

Thinking is the biggest part of her work, she told us. "I don't start a book until I've thought it out quite carefully."

Favorite things

Music: light classical

Hobbies: golf, walking, reading, watching TV, going out shopping with friends, and writing (her favorite)

Color: blue

Time and place to read: in the evening, in bed or in the bathtub

Food: chocolate cake, Italian or Mexican food

Family: husband, three children and four grandchildren

Other award-winners

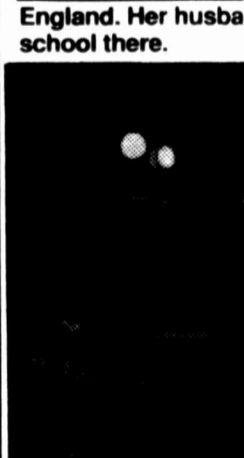
Here are some more award-winners announced by the American Library Association. National Library Week is April 6-15. Visit a library. Read a good book!



The John Newbery Medal is awarded each year to the author of the most outstanding children's book.



The 1995 winner is Sharon Creech for "Walk Two Moons." She has written three novels that were published in England. She is from this country, but lives nine months each year in England. Her husband is a headmaster at a school there.



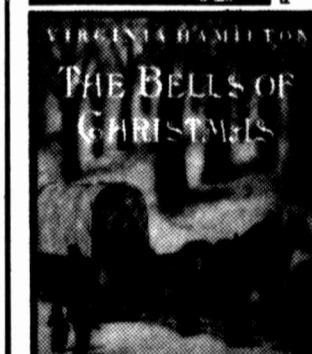
"Walk Two Moons" is the story of 13-year-old Salamanca, of Native American background. She sets out with her grandparents to visit her mother, who has not returned from a trip to Idaho.



The Laura Ingalls Wilder Medal honors an author or illustrator whose books have made a lasting contribution to children's literature. It is based not on one book, but on all of the books a person has written or illustrated. The award is presented every three years.



Virginia Hamilton is the 1995 winner. One of her many previous awards was the 1975 Newbery Award for "M.C. Higgins, the Great."



"The Bells of Christmas" was a King honor book in 1990. Ms. Hamilton has won many awards, including two King Author Awards.



Coretta Scott King Awards are given each year to an outstanding black author and an outstanding black illustrator.



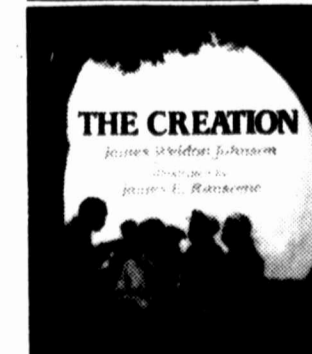
The Coretta Scott King Author Award for 1995 was awarded to Patricia C. and Frederick L. McKissack for "Christmas in the Big House, Christmas in the Quarters." The McKissacks, who have been married for more than 20 years, have written more than 20 books for children. This is their second King Award.



The book is set in 1859 on a plantation in Virginia. It compares how people in the big house and those in the slave quarters celebrated Christmas just before the Civil War.



The Coretta Scott King Illustrator Award for 1995 went to James E. Ransome for "The Creation." Mr. Ransome was born in Rich Square, N.C. He has illustrated more than 10 books. He now lives in Poughkeepsie, N.Y.



"The Creation" was written by James Weldon Johnson in 1919. It tells a biblical story of God's creation of the world.

To do: Look through your newspaper for a story you think would make a good book. Design a book jacket for it.

Next week, find out how to dye eggs the natural way. Also, enjoy an Easter read-aloud story.