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## Courthouse security to be stepped up

By **CARLTON JOHNSON**  
Staff Writer

When the capital murder trial of Levy Lee Edmondson Jr. begins, residents will see what's usually seen in big cities and on television dramas - strict security.

Currently, potential jurors

and people with business on the third floor of the Howard County Courthouse must pass through a state-of-the-art Garrett Magnascanner metal detector.

The detector is a permanent addition to the third floor of the courthouse and is not necessarily for the Edmondson trial, but

the timing of its arrival worked out so the county could have it for the trial.

Prosecuting attorneys in the case are reported to have already sent out more than 90 subpoenas and have a potential witness list of close to 200 people, meaning traffic in the courthouse could be heavy

when testimony begins.

According to Howard County Sheriff's Deputy Sgt. Barney Edens, when testimony begins people entering the courthouse will be subject to security checks on the first floor and then again on the third floor.

Edens said it's not certain at this point, but security check-

points may be at all four first floor entrances to the courthouse or some of the doors may be locked and people will have to use designated entrances.

He added people will place bags and items on an x-ray machine similar to those found in airports and once items have been cleared they will be tagged

to let third floor security know the item has been inspected.

Edens said once a person has cleared security they may proceed with their business in the courthouse and anyone going to the third floor courtroom will have to pass through the metal detector.

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### SPLISH, SPLASH



Herald photo by Tim Appel

Splishing and a splashing in the cool, cool water. Amanda Darden and Megan Rice attempt to splash each other as they kick the water with their feet. The pair were playing at the swimming area of Moss Creek Lake Wednesday afternoon.

## Cindy Young hired as principal of Coahoma High

By **MARY McATEER**  
Staff Writer

**COAHOMA** - Cindy Young will take over as principal of Coahoma High School Friday.

The Board of Trustees of Coahoma Independent School District, meeting in special session Wednesday, approved the superintendent's recommendation to hire Young. She replaces Larry Hudson, who accepted a position as assistant principal of Stafford High School outside Austin.

Young has been assistant principal for student activities of Monterey High School in Lubbock since 1993. A graduate of Wayland Baptist College, she has a Master's in English from Texas Tech University.

**Coahoma's baseball coach resigns -7A**

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## Grady finds TAAS scores 'encouraging'

By **MARY McATEER**  
Staff Writer

**GRADY** - Preliminary TAAS reports are encouraging, Grady board members were told July 10.

Melissa Hoch, school counselor, presented the scores to members of the Board of Trustees of Grady Independent School District, meeting in reg-

ular session. Although state reports will not be released until Aug. 1, preliminary results show definite improvement in target areas.

Superintendent Johnny Tubbs said Hoch tracked a number of students through grades three, five, and seven. He says the district is very pleased with the result of this year's testing.

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## United Way goal \$210,000

**■ Campaign marks 50th year of UW in Big Spring**

By **CARLTON JOHNSON**  
Staff Writer

A goal of \$210,000 was announced at this morning's 1995-96 United Way pre-kickoff campaign breakfast at Golden Corral.

Two dozen volunteers and board members attended this morning's breakfast to discuss the upcoming campaign.

Golden Corral Manager Ralph Johnson made this year's first contribution by giving United Way a check for \$500. The money was raised by Golden Corral employees participating in a pie throwing contest and

from a live radio remote. Executive Director Carrol Jennings said the breakfast was the initial meeting of volunteers who will work on the upcoming campaign.

The 1995-96 campaign is special because it marks the 50th Anniversary of the United Way in Big Spring.

The Big Spring/Howard County chapter of the United Way was formed in 1946.

United Way will officially kickoff the 1995-96 campaign drive with its annual luncheon on Sept. 7 at First United Methodist Church's Garrett Hall with original board members Dr. P.W. Malone and Joe Pickle expected to attend.

As part of its Golden Anniversary campaign, celebrity guests will also attend the kickoff luncheon, including NFL Hall of Fame quarterback Sammy Baugh of the Washington Redskins.

A major goal of the United Way is to have greater emphasis placed on the commercial divi-

sion (small businesses) during the campaign.

Several changes will also highlight the upcoming campaign including:

- Better account information for solicitors through an updated database.

- More personal contact with donors.

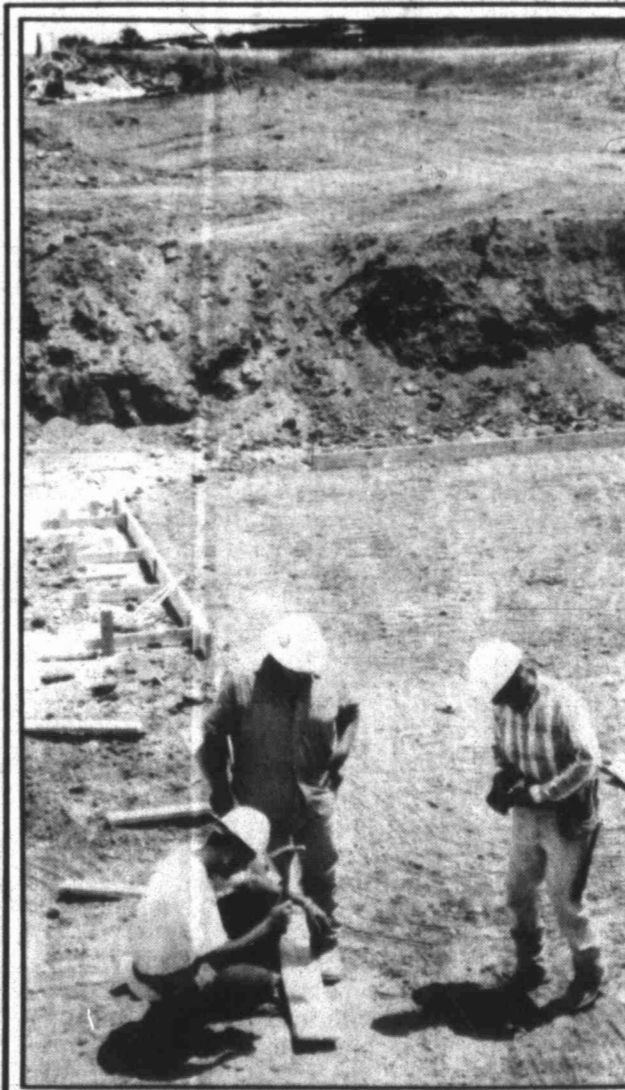
- Revised pledge cards reflecting individual, corporate, and organizational donations.

- Utilizing local and national publicity.

Last year the United Way raised 91.5 percent of its goal of \$225,000, ending with a final donation total of \$205,900.

Agencies assisted by the United Way in 1995 included the Boys Club, Buffalo Trail Council Boy Scouts, Rape Crisis & Victim Services, Northside Community Center, Dora Roberts Rehab Center, YMCA, Westside Community Center, Westside Day Care Center, and the Salvation Army.

Allocations by United Way in 1994-95 totaled \$149,600.



### GOING UP

Herald photo by Tim Appel

Workers erect a wooden frame which will later become a form for a concrete culvert in a cleared-out area next to South Highway 87 Tuesday. The cleared-out area will soon become the northbound lanes of Hwy. 87, part of the expansion project which began last summer.

## SWBell ordered to refund \$48 million

**HOUSTON (AP)** - Texans may soon see an something they like on their phone bill: a refund.

The Public Utility Commission on Wednesday ordered Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. to repay Texas customers about \$48 million from an experimental profit-sharing program.

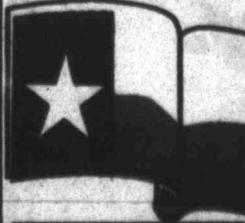
The PUC estimated residential customers will receive a one-time credit of about \$5.50 and business customers will get back about \$4.30 on future bills.

Bell spokesman Jon Loehman said the refunds will be made in August.

The paybacks come from an experimental regulation program that allowed the phone company a range of earnings and required Bell to share surplus profits with customers. Bell agreed to the program, which began in November 1990.

Loehman said Bell had anticipated a refund of this size, but it wasn't official until the PUC audited the company's earnings. The PUC came up with its fig-

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**Texas Trivia**

At what Hondo attraction can exotic game such as add and Indian black-buck antelope be hunted year round?  
777 Excite Game Ranch

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**STATE**

**Details of life**

Agents of the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms have made a public accounting, before members of Congress, of their errors in the 1993 raid against the Branch Davidians near Waco, Texas. See page 5A.

**Good service now the law**

If your cable television service is poor, just call the cops. That's the best way to handle it in this Corpus Christi suburb, where decent reception and good service soon won't be just a luxury — it'll be the law. See page 3A.

**TODAY'S WEATHER**

Tonight **98** ▲/Highs **70** ▼  
Lows

**Partly cloudy**

Tonight, partly cloudy, low near 70s, southeast winds 5 to 10 mph.

**Permian Basin Forecast**

**Friday:** Partly cloudy, high upper 90s, south winds 10 to 15 mph; partly cloudy night, low near 70, south winds.

**Saturday:** Partly cloudy, high upper 90s, south winds 10 to 15 mph; partly cloudy night, low near 70, south winds.



# Cable reception better be good or it's the hoosegow

PORTLAND (AP) — If your cable television service is poor, just call the cops.

That's the best way to handle it in this Corpus Christi suburb, where decent reception and good service soon won't be just a luxury — it'll be the law.

The City Council passed an ordinance Tuesday that sets strict service guidelines for cable companies that franchise in the city. Violation of the ordinance will be a Class C misdemeanor punishable by fines

levied by municipal court. The ordinance will affect all new cable franchises in the city.

Falcon Telecable, which has about 8,000 subscribers in Portland, will not be affected by the new ordinance unless its franchise agreement is renewed after its February 1996 expiration.

Gerald Ellman, regional manager for Falcon, said his company will be able to live up to the standards of the ordinance. "I think they're very con-

## Like some pizza delivery services, repair service must be handled within 30 minutes

sumer-oriented, very protective, and I appreciate that," he said. "We want to provide the best service."

Like some pizza delivery services, repair service must be handled within 30 minutes, according to the new ordinance.

Exceptions include work that can be done at the central office or if the company receives several different service calls at once. In those cases, the company will have 30 minutes to notify the subscriber of the delay.

The new rules also will

require the company to have manned repair service lines open 24 hours a day and it limits the time a customer can be left on hold to a maximum of 30 seconds at a time or a total of two minutes during the call.

If the company violates the ordinance, it can be penalized from \$200 to \$500 per violation. If the violation continues over a period of several days, penalties can be assessed for each day.

Portland City Manager Rick Conner said the guidelines were

prompted by numerous complaints that had been filed with the city.

Conner himself said he had a bad experience with Falcon when he first moved to the city several years ago. He said that when the underground cable was installed at his home, it was left above ground stretching across three residential lots.

"Every time a person would mow the lot behind us, he'd cut off our cable," Conner said.

## Affirmative action topic of speech to La Raza

DALLAS (AP) — Hispanics are making substantial gains in America, thanks largely to affirmative action programs, but must not lose ground to those pursuing policies to end them, President Clinton said Wednesday.

"We need to mend, but not end affirmative action programs," Clinton said, his image beaming from two large screens at the National Council of La Raza's annual meeting. "We need to stay with our principles. Indeed, affirmative action has worked."

The president spoke via satellite from Washington to about 1,800 members of the Hispanic rights group. A large number also viewed a forceful speech from the president on the same topic earlier Wednesday.

Speaking at the National Archives in Washington, Clinton issued a directive to federal departments and a 100-page report advocating reforms to ensure the programs benefit those who need the most help.

He directed departments to eliminate or reform any program that creates quotas, discrimination and preferences for unqualified individuals, and continues even after its equal opportunity purposes have been achieved.

"He came out strongly for (affirmative action). Discrimination is alive and well. And as long as it still exists, there won't be equal opportunity for



President Bill Clinton addresses participants at the National Council of La Raza via satellite in Dallas Wednesday. Clinton spoke about affirmative action and the need to retain it.

anyone," Carmen Lepe, an NCLR policy analyst, said after viewing both speeches.

Ms. Lepe said she appreciated that his speech addressed the issues of opportunities and level playing fields for minorities and women.

"He gave a brief summary of the core principles of the Constitution, of civil rights," she said. "Affirmative action stands for those core values. And just as we're beginning to see real positive results of affirmative action, we're being threatened."

## Bill threatens funding for three-state weather station

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — The center that provides farmers in a three-state area with weather information might lose its federal funding if a pending bill becomes law.

The U.S. Senate is considering a measure that places the future of the six-person Southwest Agriculture Weather Center on the campus of Texas A&M University in jeopardy, officials said Wednesday.

The center has served Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma for 20 years.

"Some of the weather databases that we have maintained for years on soil temperatures, evaporation and solar radiation — information vital to farmers — likely will be lost," said Dr. Mickey Flynn, the chief meteorologist who for 16 years has managed the center.

"There'll be no one to oversee the network of weather

observers, many of them volunteers, who generate hundreds of these data records around the state."

If the center is disbanded, the agriculture industry could lose the detailed agricultural forecasts that air 24 hours a day on national weather radio frequencies.

The measure would mean funding would stop on Sept. 30

for the A&M center and similar outlets at Auburn, Ala., Stoneville, Miss., and West Lafayette, Ind.

The plan's supporters say the people who use the service should fund the \$1.7 million it costs the government annually. Opponents counter that no such infrastructure is in place and costs would be prohibitive to small farmers.

## Soldier's death in training exercise compounds tragedy for his family

HOUSTON (AP) — The parents of Army Capt. Christopher Williams, a West Point graduate and Bronze Star recipient, were prepared for their son's death in warfare, not in a routine exercise.

But the news of his death in a training accident at Fort Sill, Okla. has compounded the tragedy for parents Valerie and John Williams of Houston.

"Death in warfare, is still death," his father told Houston station KHOU-TV on Wednesday. "Death in training, has a bit more hollow aspect to it."

U.S. Army safety inspectors began an investigation Wednesday of the incident that killed their son and injured eight Marines and soldiers when a

bomb dropped prematurely.

"You feel numb and you can't put into words how you just ache because it's a sudden separation," Mrs. Williams said.

Williams, 29, was commander of Battery A, 2nd Battalion, 17th Field Artillery.

The 500-pound bomb was dropped too early Tuesday from an OA-10 Thunderbolt II attack plane assigned to the 917th Wing Air Force Reserve at Barksdale Air Force Base in Bossier City, La. The twin-engine plane was a workhorse of the Persian Gulf War. The bomb struck in the vicinity of two Humvees.

The safety team, which is based at the Army's Safety Cen-

ter at Fort Rucker, Ala., will look into whether the accident was caused by faulty training procedures or human error. Fort Sill spokesman Daran Neal said today.

"This is standard procedure as far as how we look into these things," Neal said.

Williams, a 1984 graduate of Houston's Dobie High School went on to West Point where he was a 1988 graduate. He received a Bronze Star for his performance in the Persian Gulf War.

"The grief that Valerie and I have had to go through has been overwhelming," Williams said. "It's impossible to describe to you."

## Waco Democrat brings Branch Davidian life to the hearing's stage

WASHINGTON (AP) — Fourteen-year-old Kiri Jewell provided an emotional wallop on the first day of the politically charged congressional Waco hearings, stunning listeners with an explicit chronicle of life with the Branch Davidians.

She spoke of being forced to have sex with cult leader David Koresh at the age of 10 and of learning the best way to commit suicide — testimony that stood in stark counterpoint to the hours of partisan bickering that preceded her testimony.

"The whole time you were there, you were prepared to die," she said.

It was an appearance that wouldn't have occurred but for the quiet intervention of Rep. Chet Edwards, the third-term Democrat who represents Waco.

The 43-year-old lawmaker has assiduously avoided the media spotlight since Waco's name was seared into the national consciousness on Feb. 28, 1993,

after a botched raid by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms on the Davidians' compound.

In the 2 1/2 years since then, Edwards resisted media requests to talk about the events that transpired outside Waco, saying he didn't want to politicize the tragic loss of lives.

But with the ever-growing political circus surrounding the latest congressional inquiry, he decided to step out of the shadows.

Last week, after perusing a witness list he found lacking in testimony about life inside the compound, Edwards interceded to have Miss Jewell invited to testify.

"Frankly, I looked at the witness list and felt there was a huge gap in putting the facts on the table as to why the federal law enforcement agencies felt they had to go into the compound in the first place," Edwards said Wednesday.

"So I brought it to the attention of committee members that Kiri Jewell and her father were willing to discuss this matter."

## 1,519 tracts approved for oil, gas lease sale

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas Land Commissioner Garry Mauro says oil and gas companies are showing more interest in drilling on state land than at any time in the last 15 years.

The School Land Board on Tuesday approved 1,519 tracts totaling 654,366 acres for an Oct. 3 oil and gas lease sale.

Income from more than 13 million acres of state land is dedicated to the Permanent School Fund, which totals more than \$11 billion and furnishes \$737 million a year to school districts, or \$228 per student.

"The oil patch hasn't shown this much interest in state oil and gas lease tracts in 15 years and October promises to be a good month for the schoolchildren of Texas," Mauro said.

Mauro said 752 of the tracts are in the Gulf of Mexico, while 351 tracts are in Matagorda Bay, 140 tracts in East Matagorda Bay and 168 tracts in Galveston and Trinity Bays.

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## EDITORIAL

## Quote of the Day

"Speech is the golden harvest that followeth the flowering of thought."

M.F. Tupper, poet and dramatist, 1839

## Court-ordered marriage not domestic violence answer

Some things, no matter how you look at them, just don't make sense.

One of those is requiring couples, one of whom has been convicted of domestic violence, to get married.

That is what a judge in Cincinnati thinks is an appropriate condition of probation for this type of crime.

To give Hamilton County Municipal Judge Albert Mestemaker his due, he also orders counseling for the people.

The matrimonial order came to light when Scott Hancock, who pleaded no contest to domestic violence, received a four-month suspended sentence, a fine of \$100, nine months' probation and the order to marry his long-time girlfriend, asked the judge for a change of heart.

What this judge doesn't seem to understand is forcing marriage isn't going to change the climate of domestic violence. If it is there when the couple isn't married, it will be there when the couple is married.

About the only thing that can change domestic violence is a willingness to change the behavior pattern, often through counseling. If that willingness to change isn't there, no amount of marriage or counseling will work.

To make it worse, this judge perpetuates the notion that marriage is the solution to all ills. Maybe of some, but never to the ill of domestic violence.

Domestic violence occurs inside or outside the marriage bond and is no respecter of race, power, wealth or age.

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Domestic violence hurts. It hurts the ones receiving the brunt of the blows, it hurts those having to watch and it hurts all of us who have to take care of those who are the victims.

This judge showed a lack of concern for the victim. It's bad enough to be hit, to file charges, go to court to have the pain compounded by a lack of sensitivity in being told to marry the person doing the abusing.

It also begs the question of whether the woman was consulted in an order that will affect her life. It doesn't sound as if that was even taken into consideration.

What the judge did was take away this woman's right to choose and make her decision even more difficult, especially if she is torn between staying and going, as too many victims of domestic violence are.

Victims of domestic violence often would like to break free but either don't know how, are worried about children or are simply afraid of what might happen.

And the laws, as written, don't provide a full measure of protection.

In most cases, we wouldn't ask a victim of say sexual abuse to stay with the abuser. It shouldn't be a court order to marry one.

## In Other Views ...

Here is a sampling of editorial opinion from Texas newspapers:

July 17

Fort Worth Star-Telegram on Waco inquiry:

Clearly, there is a rationale for public hearings about the 1993 Branch Davidian tragedy near Waco if those hearings will be evenhanded and designed to clear the air. No hearings are going to change many minds on this controversial subject, but the facts ought to be out on the table.

However, it is as if the House Republicans sponsoring these hearings wanted to make sure they would be tainted from the outset.

It is largely the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms that is on trial. (Even Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin says that the ATF botched the original raid on the Davidian compound.) Meanwhile, the National Rifle Association takes a back seat to no one in the shrillness of its criticism of the ATF ("jackbooted government thugs") and its opposition to almost all federal gun laws. So why would Republican congressional staff people take along NRA-financed analysts when examining weapons retrieved from the compound?

For the first time, we have privatization of congressional hearings.

Instead of hiring outside experts, the subcommittees holding the hearings decided to use analysts hired by the NRA. The good faith and honest purpose of the hearings has been compromised before a witness is called. The incompetence of the ATF raiders is matched by the incompetence of the committee staff doing the investigation and the chairmen who saw nothing amiss in selling a congressional function to an advocacy group.

No good can come of these hearings if, instead of shedding light on how law enforcement could do a better job, the hearing sponsors have adopted the NRA/militia agenda of blanket opposition to federal gun laws and those who enforce them.

July 17

El Paso Times on the FDA and nicotine:

Is nicotine a drug? The chief of the Food and Drug Administration believes it is. The

nation's health officials agree. So do all the country's most reputable health organizations. But the most moving supporters are those who have lost loved ones to the deadly habit of smoking.

The person who must be convinced that nicotine ought to be more broadly regulated as an addictive drug is President Bill Clinton. With his support, generations of children have a better chance of never lifting that first cigarette.

That decision won't just save lives, but health-care costs and worker productivity.

The FDA needs the authority to control the distribution and sale of tobacco products, one of the cornerstones of the ongoing discussions between the federal agency and the president. That means government can ban the sale of cigarettes in vending machines, where children can more easily buy them, and issue stricter licensing to vendors. Though banned from selling tobacco products to minors, too many disregard the law.

The FDA proposes regulating tobacco under the Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act.

The president has an opportunity here to act powerfully, responsibly and quickly to protect public health. ...

July 16

Amarillo Sunday News-Globe on the Pantex stockpile: Government must shrink. It must be cost-conscious.

Why, then, is the U.S. Department of Energy entertaining an idea to move nuclear weapons stockpiles out of its Pantex plant in Amarillo for who knows where? If Pantex's functions went elsewhere, the government would have to spend billions of dollars for a new infrastructure. Again, we ask: Why would the federal government even consider a move that would cost more money unnecessarily? ...

Some old Texan once said, "If it ain't broke, don't fix it." The mammoth Pantex plant certainly ain't broke. Not only does it not need fixing, it has earned its place as a good neighbor in the Panhandle and has developed a performance record that is second to none. If anything, because of the plant's record, DOE officials should view Pantex as a site to receive additional work available as the

agency scales back, not as a plant to be downsized. It just makes sense — as in federal dollars and cents. ...

July 16

San Antonio Express-News on U.S. economy:

Americans considering leaving the United States because of dissatisfaction with this nation's level of economic prosperity will have immense difficulty finding a more prosperous country anywhere else in the world.

In terms of per capita gross domestic product and purchasing power, only the tiny European grand duchy of Luxembourg is more economically prosperous than the United States. ...

Granted, this country's economic prosperity is not equally distributed. Too much wealth is concentrated in the hands of too few. ...

Being middle class in the United States is better than virtually anywhere else.

Why, then, do so many middle-class Americans today feel so financially insecure? Comparatively speaking, the majority of people in this country have plenty for which to be thankful. ...

July 15

Austin American-Statesman on French nuclear arms testing: France is ignoring not just Greenpeace protesters and world opinion but logic as well in insisting it will go ahead with scheduled underground nuclear bomb tests on one of its atolls in the South Pacific.

Not only is testing unnecessary and potentially hazardous to people and the environment, it is also hazardous to the possibility of an effective test ban treaty. President Jacques Chirac should reconsider his decision. ...

China set off a nuclear explosion recently right after it announced it favored arms control. Now France, which says it supports a nuclear test ban, intends to do the same. ...

If France wants to demonstrate that the Republic is still a moral leader in world politics, it should declare its own nuclear test ban, not follow China's sorry example. ...

The Associated Press

## WORLD

## Fears mount as Canada's Indians take the offensive

TORONTO (AP) — From coast to coast, Canada's Indians are on the offensive, blockading roads, threatening sit-ins, challenging authorities. Shots have been fired, tempers are high and fears of bloodshed are mounting.

Grievances differ from one area to another, but there is a common theme. Indian militants believe their rights and their interests get shunted aside if they passively play by the rules, and they believe confrontation is necessary.

Grand Chief Ovide Mercredi, who heads the national assembly of Indian chiefs, told his colleagues at their annual meeting this week in Ottawa that negotiations with the government seem fruitless. He said he was prepared to occupy the federal departments of Indian Affairs and Finance to make his point.

"I've tried to work in a cooperative way with the government, but they just ignore me," he said. "If it means becoming more aggressive, more militant ... that's what we must do."

Mercredi accused federal authorities of trying to divide Canada's 500,000 Indians by going directly to local bands to negotiate treaty rights. He said Indians must remain united.

In New Brunswick, shots were fired last weekend at the home

of two Micmac Indians involved in a long-running protest over fishing rights. In response, militants from the American Indian Movement arrived to support the protesters, who have barricaded a road at a fishing site along the salmon-rich Miramichi River.

The Indian protesters, who claim a 1772 treaty entitles them to fish as they wish, call themselves warriors, wear masks and combat fatigues, and often carry baseball bats. They have been using highly effective gill nets in violation of a ban agreed to by the local chief and the federal Fisheries Department.

Fisheries officers responded by setting up a containment net that prevents salmon from swimming upstream to the protesters' nets.

On the other side of Canada, Royal Canadian Mounted Police officers have been maintaining round-the-clock patrols near Chase, British Columbia, where a four-month Indian blockade has infuriated non-Indian property owners.

Tensions worsened this week when one of the protesters pointed a rifle at the head of an off-duty Mountie.

The dispute, simmering since April, is over a plan to develop a recreational vehicle park on what Indians say is an ancient

burial site.

To stop construction materials from reaching the RV-park, Indians erected a checkpoint on the road, which goes through Indian land and is used by non-Indian residents to reach their Adams Lake homes.

After recent negotiations, the Indians promised to leave the road open as long as no building supplies were moved into the area.

But when a man used a barge Saturday to bring in building supplies for a summer cottage, band members removed the cat-guard on the road, leaving a deep ditch and cutting access for other residents.

The non-Indian residents believe the government cannot be relied on to resolve the standoff — the latest of a series of Indian blockades in British Columbia.

"We're talking about a bad, bad situation right now," said one resident, Dan Harper. "Residents believe that the provincial, federal, and local authorities won't get personally involved until someone gets shot."

His sentiment is shared by many non-Indians across Canada who believe the government is too weak in dealing with blockades and too generous in settling territorial claims.

## Volcano lets fly with the ash but no lava as yet

PLYMOUTH, Montserrat (AP) — The highest mountain on this Caribbean island has been spewing volcanic ash, but no lava has been sighted and residents were told there was no reason to panic.

Dozens of people have already abandoned their homes since the first gray-white volcanic ash spewed into the sky Tuesday night, and the British territory's government put the island of 12,000 people on full alert.

On Wednesday morning, the mountain roared and a mushroom cloud rose from the 3,000-foot Chances Peak. Volcanic ash was blasted 2,000 feet into the air, and the eruption was followed by an earthquake near the top of the peak.

"We heard this rumbling, like fleets of heavy jets screaming over, but couldn't see anything because it was the roaring of the turbulence under the earth," said Karney Osborne, general manager of Radio Antilles.

## UNION FIGHT



Clemente Esquivel, speaker of the newly formed union coalition May First, speaks to protesters who marched through Mexico City Wednesday. Thousands of protesters marched to demand the liberation of jailed union leaders.

## Serbs grab second 'safe area'

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Scorning Western peace efforts, Serbs have claimed control of a second U.N.-declared Muslim "safe area," saying the leaders of Zepa surrendered and accepted liquor and cigarettes in defeat.

The fall of the remote mountainous enclave set the stage for another flood of refugees who fear murder and torture if they stay.

Local civilians appeared to have made a deal to give up Zepa to besieging Serbs without the formal approval of the army and the government in Sarajevo.

President Alija Izetbegovic conceded today that the enclave had fallen.

"It is our understanding that the Bosnian president appeared to accept that Zepa had in fact fallen," U.N. spokesman Alexander Ivanko told reporters.

He said the fighting in the enclave had eased, and the Sarajevo government had asked the United Nations to provide security for the thousands of Muslims the Serbs plan to expel.

The capture of Zepa widens Serb control over a strategic swath of land between Sarajevo and the Serbian border. Only one more Muslim enclave, Gorazde, lies in that region, and Serbs are expected to make it the target of their next major assault.

The weakly defended Zepa had been expected to fall since

Serbs seized the larger "safe area" of Srebrenica to the north last week. The loss of Zepa deals a severe blow to the U.N. peace-keeping mission in Bosnia, already widely derided as ineffectual.

Serbs hinted that they want to use the conquest to dictate terms for a settlement. Spokesman Jovan Zametica said "the international community should help provide a realistic framework for a negotiated settlement."

"The Serbs are amazed by the international community's capacity for self-deception. The international community is sick, and it needs help. We, the Serbs, intend to sober it up," Zametica told The Associated Press.

Several peace plans have been proposed during the three-year war, all of them requiring the Serbs to give up some of the 70 percent of Bosnia that they have seized.

Bosnia's foreign minister, Muhamed Sacirbey, predicted a reprise in Zepa of the atrocities reported since the Bosnian Serbs overran Srebrenica last week.

The fall of Zepa will mean "another 15,000 to 20,000 people who are going to be subjected to the worst types of abuses, murder and rape," he said Wednesday at the United Nations.

About 23,000 refugees fled Srebrenica and thousands of other residents are missing and

feared dead or pressed into labor for the Serbs.

Zepa has an estimated 10,000 to 16,000 civilians, although the Serbs claim there are only 7,000 in all.

Bosnian Serb army headquarters said civilian representatives had "accepted surrender conditions" during a meeting with the Bosnian Serb commander, Gen. Ratko Mladic, Wednesday evening.

The Muslim civilians, waving a white flag, met with rebel Serb forces and sealed the surrender by accepting "cigarettes and liquor," said Bosnian Serb army spokesman Milovan Milutinovic.

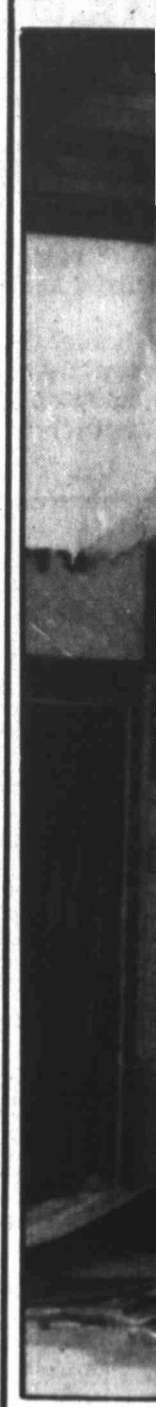
Zepa's civilians can leave beginning this afternoon under U.N. military escort, the statement said.

They are to head for Kladanj, a government-held town through which the thousands of Muslims expelled from Srebrenica also traveled en route to Tuzla, the statement said.

Ivanko said the Serbs were holding all men between 18 and 55 for prisoner exchanges with the Bosnian army.

Western leaders were debating how to respond to the Serbs' fierce onslaught and brazen defiance of the United Nations. U.N. chief Boutros Boutros-Ghali and some leaders are to meet Friday in London to consider beefing up forces to protect the four remaining "safe areas."

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A Fort Bragg firefighter moves a piece of insulation to roll up a hose after an explosion in a paint booth blew siding and insulation from the sides of an Installation Material Maintenance Division building on Fort Bragg, N.C. Wednesday. The blast injured 22, severely burning two workers.

# Clinton stands behind affirmative action

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton firmly rejected calls for dismantling affirmative action programs Wednesday, arguing that race and gender preferences are fair and do not discriminate against white men. "Affirmative action has been good for America," he asserted.

The president's unequivocal declaration put him at war with Republicans and seemed at odds with his past expressions of sympathy for white men who feel that preferences in hiring, promotions, contracts and college admissions work against them.

"We should have a simple slogan: Mend it, but don't end it," Clinton said.

Affirmative action has become a hot issue in the political world, and GOP presidential candidates pounced on Clinton's remarks.

"He should have said end it. You can't mend it," said California Gov. Pete Wilson, who is backing a proposal to terminate race and gender preferences in hiring, contracts and admissions at the University of Cali-

fornia.

Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., said, "This is not a difficult issue. Discrimination is wrong. And preferential treatment is wrong, too."

Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, said Clinton "is committed to solving the problem of discrimination in America by extending unfair advantage to even more people."

Dole said he would offer legislation next week "to get the federal government out of the group-preference business." The White House said it anticipated such a move and hoped to defeat it.

Rather than scrapping preferences, Clinton issued a directive to federal departments and a 100-page report advocating reforms to ensure that programs benefit those who need help the most.

He ordered the elimination or overhaul of any program that "creates a quota, creates preferences for unqualified individuals, creates reverse discrimination or continues even after its equal opportunity purposes have been achieved."

Clinton also called for a new federal set-aside program to target federal contracts to businesses in poor areas even if they are owned by whites. Currently, set-asides are reserved for women and minorities. Congress would have to approve the new set-aside system, and that seems doubtful in light of GOP moves to abolish affirmative action.

Whereas Clinton once had seemed ready to roll back preferential programs, he gave an unflinching defense of affirmative action as a tool to open the doors of education, employment and business opportunity to victims of persistent discrimination.

His remarks cheered leaders of women's groups and minorities, who are an instrumental part of his political base. Myrlie Evers-Williams, head of the NAACP, praised Clinton for "his bold, decisive statement."

Jesse Jackson, considering a challenge to Clinton for the Democratic presidential nomination, called the president's remarks "one of his finer hours as a leader of the country." And

yet, Jackson said, "What we heard today is not where the White House was three months ago."

George Stephanopoulos, a senior adviser to Clinton, said he hoped Democratic activists would be energized by the speech.

The president, offering the conclusions of a five-month administration study, said, "When affirmative action is done right, it is flexible, it is fair and it works."

He delivered his findings in a speech at the National Archives amid displays of the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution and the Bill of Rights. His audience included university administrators, elected officials, women's leaders and veterans of the civil rights movement.

Arguing that affirmative action programs are still necessary, Clinton said that the unemployment for blacks is about twice that for whites and that the Hispanic jobless rate is even higher.

In terms of salaries, women make only 72 percent as much as men for comparable jobs.

# House votes to block aid to Mexico

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a striking rebuke of President Clinton and congressional leaders of both parties, the House voted Wednesday to block billions of dollars in further U.S. loans to bail out the ailing Mexican economy.

By a vote of 245-183, lawmakers approved a provision by Rep. Bernard Sanders of Vermont, Congress' lone independent, that would halt U.S. support for the peso effective Oct. 1. The provision was added to a spending bill for the Treasury, Postal Service and other agencies for the coming fiscal year.

Of the \$20 billion Clinton put into the exchange stabilization fund in January with support from Congress' bipartisan leaders, \$12.5 billion has been dispensed so far. The House measure would not affect the money already dispensed.

The White House had no immediate comment.

Since its creation, the aid package has been attacked by lawmakers on both sides of the political spectrum. Some conservatives oppose risking U.S. funds to help a government many of them say is ineffective, and some liberals argue that the bailout helps mainly big

investors.

Sanders, a self-declared socialist, advanced another argument that appealed to legislators of all stripes: that Congress never had a chance to vote on the bailout.

"The question today was whether we should put at risk \$20 billion of the American taxpayers' money without debate in the U.S. Congress," Sanders told reporters after the vote.

Supporters of the bailout said abandoning it would jeopardize rocking Mexico and eventually the American economy as well.

House Banking Committee Chairman James Leach, R-Iowa, called the vote "a very dangerous, very capricious act," but said it "reflected a legitimate sense of frustration by members who are very cautious about wanting to be accountable for what appears to be foreign aid."

The ultimate effect of the vote was unclear because the Senate has yet to take a similar vote. Opposition there has been led by Senate Banking Committee Chairman Alfonse D'Amato, R-N.Y., who moved to block the bailout earlier this year but never forced it to a vote.

# Study: 4 million children go to bed hungry each night

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Food Research and Action Center estimates 4 million children go to bed hungry, skip meals or eat small portions because their parents run out of money and food stamps.

The study released Wednesday by the liberal advocacy group is based on interviews with 5,023 low-income households with children.

Study director Cheryl A. Wehler said the research documents what "people at the front lines have been saying for years — hunger is a problem among this nation's low-income families."

Rep. Randy "Duke" Cunningham, R-Calif., said if it's true that nearly one-third of all American children are hungry or at risk of hunger, then federal nutrition programs "have failed our children miserably and must be replaced with more local authority and accountability."

Robert Rector, a welfare expert with the conservative Heritage Foundation, pointed to the study's findings that hungry households spend \$324.56 a month on food, compared with \$334.26 for non-hungry households.

# Truck driver indicted in crash that killed five

TIFTON, Ga. (AP) — A tractor-trailer rig with bad brakes slammed into the back of a pickup truck carrying 14 members of one family, spinning it off into a tree 250 feet away and leaving five people dead.

"There were bodies scattered everywhere," Sgt. Johnny Cooper said of the pre-dawn crash Wednesday. "Somewhere a fire started. There was a mattress in the back of the truck."

Truck driver Timothy Dou-

glas, 32, of Leesburg, Fla., was charged with five counts of vehicular homicide and was being held in the Cook County Jail.

Four of the injured were in critical condition early today, including 5-year-old Alex Bahena, who had burns over 75 percent of his body.

All three people in the cab and two of the 11 in the covered bed of the truck were killed.

The family was headed to Florida from Chicago to visit a relative, Cooper said.

The brakes on seven of the truck's 10 wheels were out of adjustment and the brake linings on two front wheels were excessively worn, said Sgt. Johnny Jones of the state Public Service Commission, which is responsible for the safety of big commercial trucks. In addition, the driver's log book was not up to date.

# Hospital may be source of Legionnaire's disease outbreak

CHAMBERSBURG, Pa. (AP) — A hospital may be one of several sources of Legionnaires' disease that has killed three people in the biggest outbreak since 1976.

The victims all died in the last week, the latest on Tuesday. Ten others are known to be infected with the disease, which is transmitted in airborne water droplets, often through air-conditioning systems. Test results were pending on 30 to 50 more people.

Federal health officials found that some of the sick had been in Chambersburg Hospital — as employees, volunteers, patients or visitors — before the outbreak.

The federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is still testing water samples from the hospital. It has since flushed its hot-water system with 170-degree water and sanitized its air-conditioning system, hospital President Norman Epstein said.

In Cloquet, Minn., a Carlton County office building was closed indefinitely after the bac-

teria that causes Legionnaires' disease were found in the building's hot-water heater, said Larry Sundberg, an epidemiologist for the St. Louis County Health Department.

He said one worker has contracted the illness, but the source has not been determined.

The building's air-conditioning system malfunctioned June 20, leaking water where mold

and mildew later formed. The building, which houses the state Department of Motor Vehicles and other offices, was closed soon afterward.

Legionnaires' disease derived its name from an outbreak in 1976, when 29 people attending an American Legion convention at a Philadelphia hotel became infected and died.

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# Waco residents differ on need for congressional hearings

WACO (AP) — Clive Doyle stares out across what remains of the Branch Davidian compound where he lived off and on for 27 years.

His eyes scan the shoulder-high weeds buzzing with locusts, the charred foundation that once supported his home, and the rows of small, white crosses that memorialize the 81 people who died two years ago as that home burned to the ground.

But what Doyle was looking for could not be found. He wanted answers and said he hopes congressional hearings now under way will supply some.

"I'd like to see justice served in the sense that there are people that are responsible for what happened here," said Doyle, whose 18-year-old daughter, Shari, died on April 19, 1993, when fire engulfed cult leader David Koresh's compound, ending a 51-day siege with the gov-

ernment. "This need never have happened the way it did," Doyle said. "The fact that they went about it the way they did, somebody should answer for that."

Doyle, who lives and works in Waco, escaped from the compound's chapel minutes before it burned to the ground.

He is scheduled to testify next week at the hearings, which began Wednesday. His main reason for doing so, he said, is

to bring out the truth about the siege.

"The demonization, the lying about us, the 51 days of pure hell. To me, it all needs to be addressed," he said.

Doyle also said he hopes the hearings will help the nine Branch Davidians who are imprisoned for their roles in the Feb. 28, 1993, shootout that started the siege. Four agents of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms and six Davidians

were killed in the gunbattle. Not everyone in Waco agrees with Doyle.

Mayor Bob Sheehy said his town has tried to get out from under the spotlight that has shined on it as a result of the Davidians. The hearings, he said, will continue to connect the city to the religious group.

"Each event ... like Oklahoma or these hearings, everybody cranks up again and connects it in some way back to the David-

ians, and that keeps it alive," Sheehy said. "I'd just as soon not continually be connected to something that we had nothing to do with."

Gladys Bustin, who lives about 10 miles from the compound, said the hearings are pointless.

"Why beat a dead horse? I think the ATF did what they had to do, what they could do. They were just doing their job," she said.

# First day of hearings homes in on abuse

WASHINGTON (AP) — Agents of the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms have made a public accounting, before members of Congress, of their errors in the 1993 raid against the Branch Davidians near Waco, Texas.

Minority Democrats, meanwhile, painted a sinister portrait of David Koresh, as GOP-run House hearings opened Wednesday on the Waco tragedy, homing in on allegations of child sexual abuse and gun violations by the cult leader.

The ATF first admitted errors in a Treasury Department report issued in 1993, and the agents described them Wednesday.

As they elicited sometimes shocking and detailed testimony, Democratic lawmakers aimed to blunt the Republicans' political gains by laying out a justification for the raid.

The Republicans organized the hearings, over Democrats' objections, to scrutinize the law enforcement actions taken against the Davidians by the FBI, the ATF and other federal agencies.

The packed hearing room was stunned in mid-afternoon when a nervous Kiri Jewell, now 14, recounted in detail the first time she had sex with Koresh, the leader of the sect. She also recounted Koresh's graphic description of sex acts with other women and children.

"I was 10 years old when this happened," Miss Jewell testified. "I remember sitting in the gas station wondering when he (Koresh) would do it again. I wasn't afraid, but I was nervous."

Dr. Bruce Perry, an associate professor of psychiatry at Baylor Medical College, told the



Kiri Jewell, 14, is sworn in prior to testifying on Capitol Hill Wednesday before a joint House subcommittee investigating the Branch Davidians in Waco as her father, David, looks on. Jewell told about having sex with Branch Davidian leader David Koresh when she was 10, about being taught how to commit suicide and to "expect to be killed by the feds."

lawmakers the Davidian cult was "grooming children from the age of four and five to be sex objects for the leader (Koresh)." In addition, Perry said, children living at the Mount Carmel

compound "were inappropriately and excessively disciplined." Four ATF agents and six Davidians died in the agency's botched Feb. 28, 1993, raid of the compound. That led to a 51-day

siege, which ended April 19 when agents knocked a hole in the compound and put in tear gas. The complex caught fire and 81 Davidians, including Koresh, died from flames and bullets.

Top law enforcement and military officials were slated to appear before the two House subcommittees today as the exhaustive, eight-day hearings continue. The Republicans were planning to focus in today's session on the planning of the initial raid and the use of military personnel in the action.

As Wednesday's hearing dragged into the night, Republicans got back to their agenda, prodding the ATF officials who were in charge of the raid to admit that they made some mistakes and regretted them.

Dan Hartnett, who was the agency's deputy director for enforcement but has since retired, said he thinks frequently about mistakes that allowed the raid to go forward even after Koresh was tipped that it was about to take place.

Hartnett said he was the only person who could have given an order to cancel the raid if the element of surprise was lost, and he did not give the order. In fact, he said, he never heard the term "element of surprise" until the day after the failed raid.

He was immediately contradicted by ATF agent Davy Aguilera, who said he and Hartnett were present at a meeting when then-ATF Director Steve Higgins directed that the raid be canceled if agents could not surprise the Davidians.

Kiri Jewell's mother, Sherri Lynn Jewell, who was one of Koresh's wives, died in the April 19 fire. Kiri was removed from the Mount Carmel compound about a year before the fire.

## EXCERPTS FROM TESTIMONY

Excerpts of remarks and testimony made at Wednesday's hearings on the government's 1993 raids on the Branch Davidian complex near Waco, Texas:

Kiri Jewell (14-year-old who lived at the Branch Davidian complex until shortly before the raid): When my mother and I first joined David Koresh, he was still Vernon Howell and his group was living in a little two-bedroom house in San Bernardino, California. I was five or six. We lived with the group off and on there and in Pomona, California, in Palestine and Waco, Texas, and in Laverne, California.

When we joined, David was planning to lead the group to Israel to retake Jerusalem. He taught that there would be a big battle between the forces of the world and David and his people. The world would win, and we would be killed, but we would come back in a cloud and smite the wicked and retake the world.

The details would change as David received more messages from God, but there was never a time when we didn't expect to be killed by the feds, who David said were Babylon. While we waited for this to happen, we

built up an army for David, so that the battle would be a big one and all the world would know the power of David and God.

In the meantime, David was very strict about how we should live. He only spanked me twice, though I knew he spanked other people or had them spanked. He personally spanked me because I said I was going on a diet when I was about 8 years old. He used the big wooden board they used for adults, not the wooden spoon they called "little helper."

The second time David spanked me and the other kids it involved getting candy from vending machines against his teachings. Before spanking us that time, he bought an enormous lot of candy and made us eat it until we were sick.

It was common for David to sleep in a bed with women and children. Sometimes I fell asleep in his room after meeting, or maybe I'd fall asleep on his bed watching MTV. I didn't even think about it, because the women and girls were all David's wives, or would be, and many of the kids were his too. Even if he wasn't really our father, we were taught that he

was our real father. ...

David took me on a motorcycle trip with some of the guys to Mount Baldy when I was about 7. On that trip, he took me for a ride down a mountain speed trail on a chair lift. There wasn't any snow, but it seemed like we could see the whole world. That was when David said to me personally that one day I would be one of his wives.

We all knew about sex, because David talked about it a lot. He made us watch movies that showed sex and war, like "Platoon" and "Hamburger Hill" over and over again. I was scared by the rape scenes, but I would have been more scared to try to leave the room when he was there. We also watched "Miracle of Life" to see how babies were born. ...

When Mom and Lisa and I went to Texas in 1991, David took the three of us to a motel. There were two chairs in the room, one bed that we all slept in. My mom and Lisa made soup in a crock pot. We were there for two or three days, just mostly hanging around the room. David preached to us. I sat on the floor playing with the shoelaces while he talked. We

watched "Ernest Goes to Camp." ...

My mom and Lisa went to do a little shopping. I took a shower, and then I was brushing my hair, sitting in a chair, and David told me to come and sit down by him in the bed. I was wearing a long white T-shirt and panties. He kissed me and sat there. But then he laid me down. ... I had known this would happen some time, so I just laid there and stared at the ceiling. I didn't know how to kiss him back. Anyway, I was still kind of freaked out.

When he was finished he told me to go take a shower. I walked to the bathroom with my panties down around my ankles. ... I just stayed in the shower for maybe an hour. When I came out, David was in his jeans and the bed was made. He told me to come here again. This time he read to me from the "Song of Solomon." ...

It was also accepted that the best way to shoot yourself if necessary in this battle with Babylon was to put the gun in your mouth, back to the soft spot above your throat before pulling the trigger.



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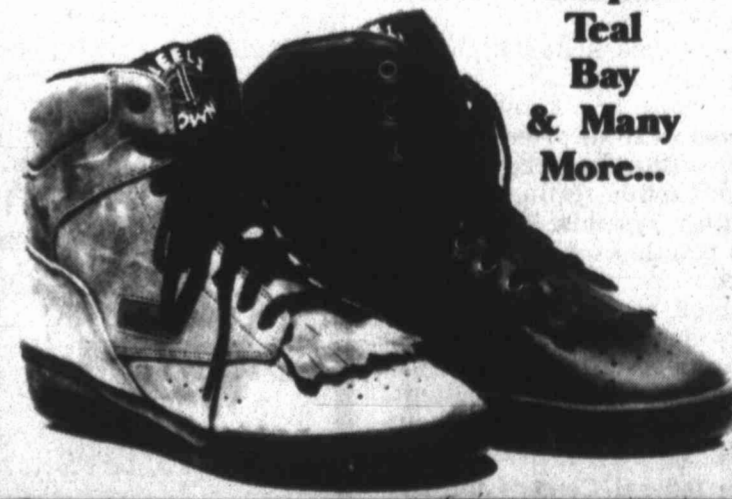
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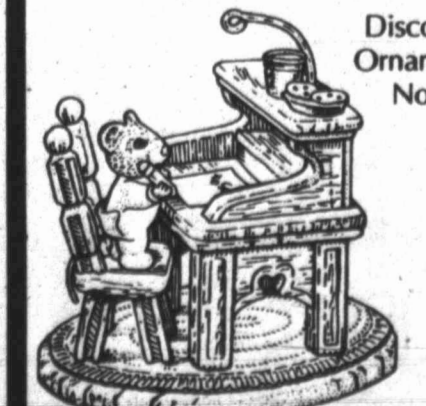


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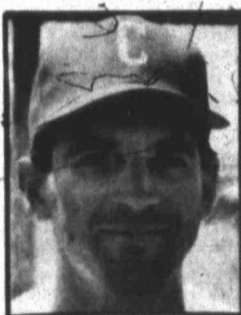
# Coahoma baseball coach resigns

Herald Sports Staff

COAHOMA - Six weeks after leading the Coahoma Bulldogs to the state tournament, Terry Baxter has resigned as head baseball coach.

Baxter resigned Tuesday, effective immediately, Coahoma superintendent L.D. Monroe said. Baxter, 27, joined the Coahoma district this school year after three years as a junior high coach in the

Midland school system. His first



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year as a head coach was memorable - he led the Bulldogs to a 21-6-1 record and a spot in the state Class 2A semifinals, where they were defeated by state champion East Bernard.

In addition to his baseball duties, Baxter also taught history at Coahoma High School, was a defensive coordinator and linebacker coach for the football team and head coach of the seventh-grade boys' basketball squad.

Monroe said Baxter is going to Sul Ross University in Alpine, where he will work on his master's degree while assisting with the football and baseball teams.

Don Randell, baseball coach at

Sul Ross, said Baxter does not have coaching duties at the school as of yet.

"It's not official yet, but it's a definite possibility," Randell said. "We've spoken to him and he's spoken to us. He inquired about the possibility of getting a position two weeks ago."

Randell said a position wasn't available two weeks ago but may be available this week.

"We should know by Monday," Randell said. Meanwhile, Sul Ross football

coach Jim Hector said Baxter has not been hired for his staff as of yet.

The Coahoma school district will begin its search for a replacement immediately, although no potential replacements have applied for the position yet, Monroe said.

With the start of preseason football drills less than three weeks away, Baxter's absence will be felt more on Coahoma's football team, which is suddenly without one of its key assis-

tants.

"It'll put us in a little bind," said Eddie McHugh, Coahoma athletic director and head football coach. "But we've got three weeks to find a replacement. It's easier to find a coach who teaches history than it is to find one who teaches science or math."

Baxter's phone number in Coahoma has been disconnected, and attempts to reach him in Alpine this morning were unsuccessful.

## Training Camp

# Cowboys play 'QB school'

IRVING (AP) - It's a new team and a new site, but Dallas Cowboys quarterback Wade Wilson said training camp is still just training camp to him.

"The day I look forward to (in camp) is the day we leave," said Wilson, who practiced much in cooler climates than Austin during his long tenure with the Minnesota Vikings.

Many of the rookies have expressed glee in strutting their stuff in temperatures that should sizzle the team's camp facility at St. Edward's University. Even Wilson admitted the newness of his situation will make his 16th summer ordeal seem more worthwhile.

"But when you've been in the same system for years, the training camp old-timers can set in real early," Wilson said. "Being with a new team and a new system, I've certainly got a lot of learning to do. It'll make the camp go by a lot faster."

The team wrapped up its three-day "quarterback school" mini camp Wednesday. Players were expected to check into camp today at 3 p.m.



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Coach Barry Switzer said he is looking forward to getting down to the business of two-a-day practices, which convene at 8:45 a.m. Friday.

"We'll pick up our road maps, a sack lunch and an apple and

head on (Interstate) 35 South," he said. "I hope the rookies find it."

With the signing of cornerback Alundis Brice on Wednesday morning, the Cowboys' only unsigned draft pick is Alabama running back Sherman Williams, their top choice.

Williams and veteran linebacker Darrin Smith are the team's only two contract hold-outs, though Smith appears much further from signing.

Switzer said he is pushing Cowboys owner Jerry Jones to pursue free agent cornerback Deion Sanders, and added he'd gladly line him up on offense as a receiver as well as defense.

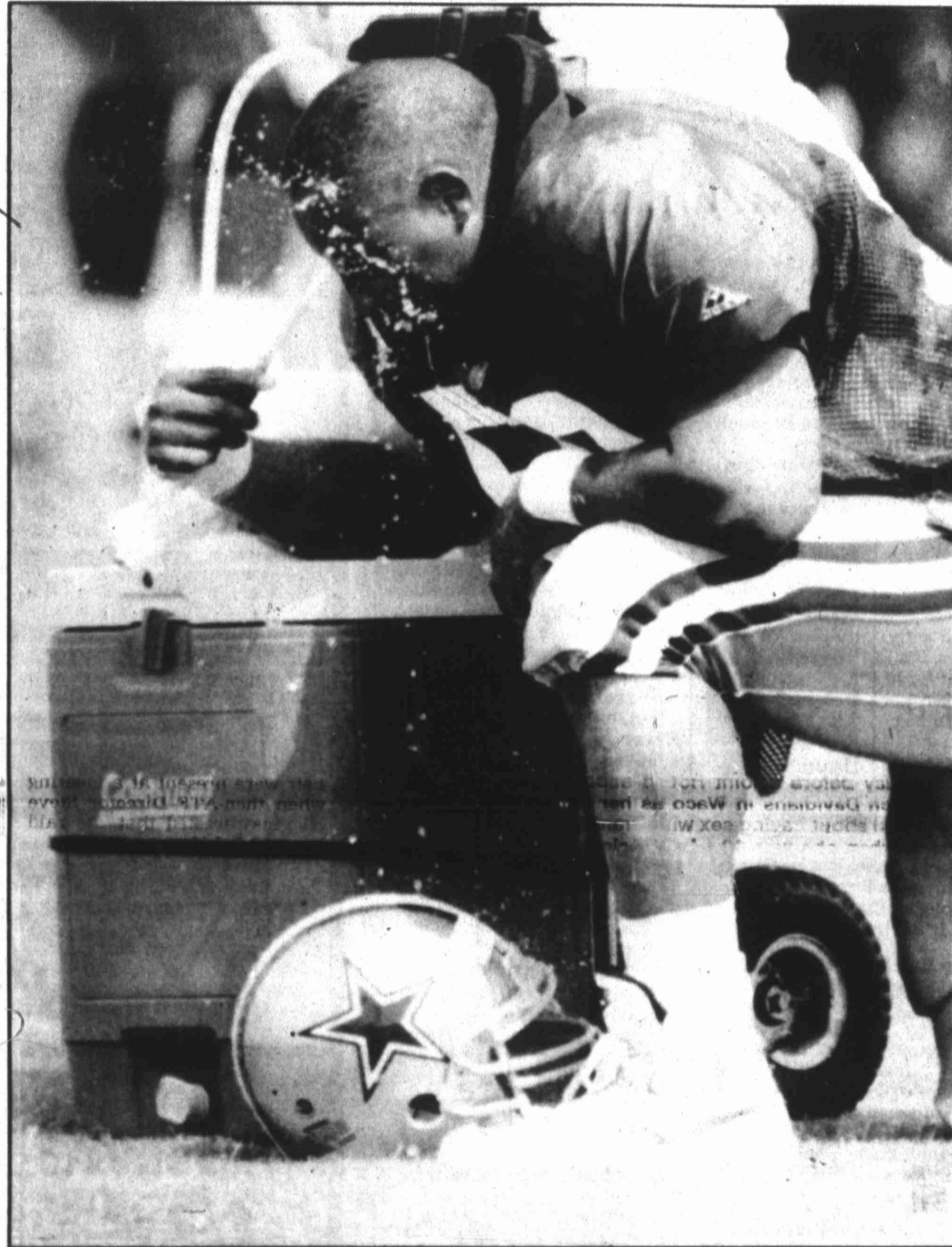
Wilson, who threw Sanders his first NFL offensive touch-down when both were Atlanta Falcons, said the Cowboys could only benefit from the man known as "Neon Deion."

"I would like to see Deion - he's such a phenomenal player," Wilson said. "If he could polish up on offense, he could start both ways."

As for the players in camp now, Switzer said he'd like to see "at least the first three or four guys" drafted make the ballclub, but he reserved special praise for the last man chosen by Dallas in the draft, Oscar Sturgis.

"To me, (Sturgis) is better than a seventh-round pick," Switzer said. "But it's all guesswork. That's why we go to Austin, to try to find out."

The Cowboys will return to their Valley Ranch facility in Irving on Aug. 18.



Dallas Cowboy Dana Howard sprays his face with water Tuesday as he tries to keep cool during a morning workout at the team's training facility in Irving. The team will move workouts to Austin Thursday.

# Seahawk receiver out on bond

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (AP) - Seattle Seahawks receiver Brian Blades read sympathy cards as he was driven away from jail Wednesday after posting \$10,000 bond on a manslaughter charge in the shooting death of his cousin.

His agent said Blades would report to the Seahawks' training camp Friday.

The hometown football hero has refused to speak to police and remained silent as he was followed by a crush of reporters and photographers into and out of the Broward County Jail.

Blades, 29, wore a red, white and blue warmup jacket emblazoned with the letters USA as he surrendered. He spent 90 minutes in jail going through the booking process.

He was fingerprinted and photographed on the charge of manslaughter with a firearm filed Tuesday by police. The first-degree felony carries a possible 30-year prison sentence.

In a news conference on his mother's lawn last week, an emotional Blades read a statement saying the shooting of his cousin, Charles Blades, 34, was unintentional.

The victim apparently was trying to play the role of the peacemaker when he was killed, an arrest-warrant affidavit indicated.

Police charged the player shot his cousin in the chin from a distance of 4 inches as the two struggled for control of Brian Blades' .38-caliber handgun in the player's office at home.

Charles Blades was trying to keep Brian Blades from returning with the gun to the home of his brother, Detroit Lions defensive back Bennie Blades, a few doors away, the affidavit said. Brian Blades intended to intervene in a fight between Bennie Blades and his girlfriend.

Relatives said Brian Blades was hysterical for hours after the shooting, and a doctor prescribed tranquilizers for him.

The police charge puts the case in the hands of prosecutors to decide what to do next.

"More than likely, it's going to go to the grand jury," said Charles Morton, head of the homicide division in the Broward County state attorney's office. "If they indict, they indict. If they don't, they don't."

# Prairie Dog announcer back in the booth after ejection

ABILENE (AP) - Public address announcer Dave Andrews was back at the ballpark press box Wednesday after getting thrown out of the game by the umpire Tuesday night.

Umpire Mel Chettum had just tossed Abilene manager Charley Kerfeld in an argument over a foul call. He took offense when Andrews chose that moment to be on the PA system and thank an eyeglass manufacturer for sunglasses that had been handed out to fans when they entered the ballpark.

Texas-Louisiana League officials called Tuesday's fiasco an innocent case of bad timing: Andrews' plug for Lenscrafters capped an argument in which the Prairie Dogs manager shook his glasses at the home-plate umpire.

"After I read it, I thought, 'Wow. That was kind of bad,'" Andrews said Wednesday. "I didn't do it intentionally."

The announcement he read said, "We'd like to thank Lenscrafters for providing the sunglasses for tonight's promo-

tion."

The situation came in the ninth inning of the Prairie Dogs' 3-1 loss to the Alexandria Aces, in the waning moments of a heated argument between Chettum and Kerfeld.

Bruce Unrue, the team's media relations director, said Kerfeld got ejected and then removed his glasses to shake them at Chettum as the argument resumed.

Unrue says that's when he asked Andrews to kill time by reading a promotion. The script

Andrews chose thanked the eyeglasses store for its giveaway of sunglasses that night.

"It was totally innocent, but the umps didn't think it was that funny," Unrue said. "Of course the crowd thought that was hilarious."

Chettum ejected Andrews, who left to a standing ovation.

League president Doug Theodore in Dallas said Abilene's losing streak - 14 of the past 17 games - created a tinderbox of frustration at the stadium. The announcement

was taken out of context, he said.

"That's unfortunate, but that's what's part of the game and what makes it interesting," Theodore said.

Chettum declined to comment until he could talk to league office.

Andrews, a disc jockey, said supporters had brought \$80 by his rock 'n' roll workplace to help pay the \$50 fine he received. Extra donations will go to charity: the Lighthouse Foundation for the Blind.

BOTTOM of the ORDER

## SHOT OF THE DAY



Please? Steven Lowe, 4, waits for a player to sign an autograph Wednesday at Candlestick Park. Florida beat San Francisco 3-1.

## TEXAS SPORTS

### Astros, Padres deal again

HOUSTON (AP) - The Houston Astros returned outfielder Phil Plantier to the San Diego Padres on Wednesday in exchange for two pitchers.

In return, the Astros received left-handed pitcher Jeff Tabaka and right-handed pitcher Rich Loiselle. Plantier, 26, came to Houston as part of a 12-player deal Dec. 28 between the Astros and Padres. He was batting .250 with four home runs and 15 RBI in 22 games this season.

### Indians clobber Rangers

ARLINGTON (AP) - Cleveland rookie Herbert Perry had four hits and drove in four runs in leading a 19-hit attack that carried the Indians past the Texas Rangers 14-5 Wednesday.

## NATION/WORLD

### Baseball owners' trial postponed

NEW YORK (AP) - The trial of baseball owners on unfair labor practice charges was postponed for the fourth time. Players, owners and the National Labor Relations Board agreed to push back the trial to Aug. 28.

In December and March, the NLRB issued complaints against the owners. On March 31, U.S. District Judge Sonia Sotomayor issued a preliminary injunction against the owners.

### Maryland QB will stay put

COLLEGE PARK, Md. (AP) - Maryland quarterback Scott Milanovich will stay for his senior year despite a four-game NCAA suspension for gambling. The suspension was originally eight games.

## ON THE AIR

### Baseball

Major League Pittsburgh at Atlanta, 6:35 p.m., WTBS (ch. 11).

### Cycling

Tour de France, 2 p.m., ESPN.

### Golf

LPGA Big Apple Classic, 4 p.m., PRIME (ch. 29).





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### Got an item?

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

## 'Karate kids' enjoy martial arts training

By MARY McATEER  
Staff Writer

Why would you want to study a martial art?

If you're a kid, there are so many other things you can be doing - playing football, baseball, or basketball, for example. Why spend hours in a hot room with someone making you point your feet straight and watch where your hands are?

Why spend years working and sweating and struggling to get a black belt when the Mighty Morphin Power Rangers get to wear those neat-looking suits just for being on television?

What do you get out of it? Sancho Panza's reply to Aldonza was "I like him," but for karate students in Big Spring, the replies are as varied as the children themselves.

"It's fun." "Nobody laughs if I make a mistake." "I learn a lot." "I feel better about myself." "It helps me concentrate." "Nobody messes with me at karate class." These are some of the responses from kids studying the martial arts.

Whatever it is, it must be something good. Parents and teachers comment that young-

sters taking the martial arts are more self-confident, less prone to losing their tempers and fighting, and have a better self-image and better concentration. Most parents report that grades improve or stay good.

Many children, and adults, for that matter, try one or two classes and then drop out. But the ones who stick with it, stick with it for years.

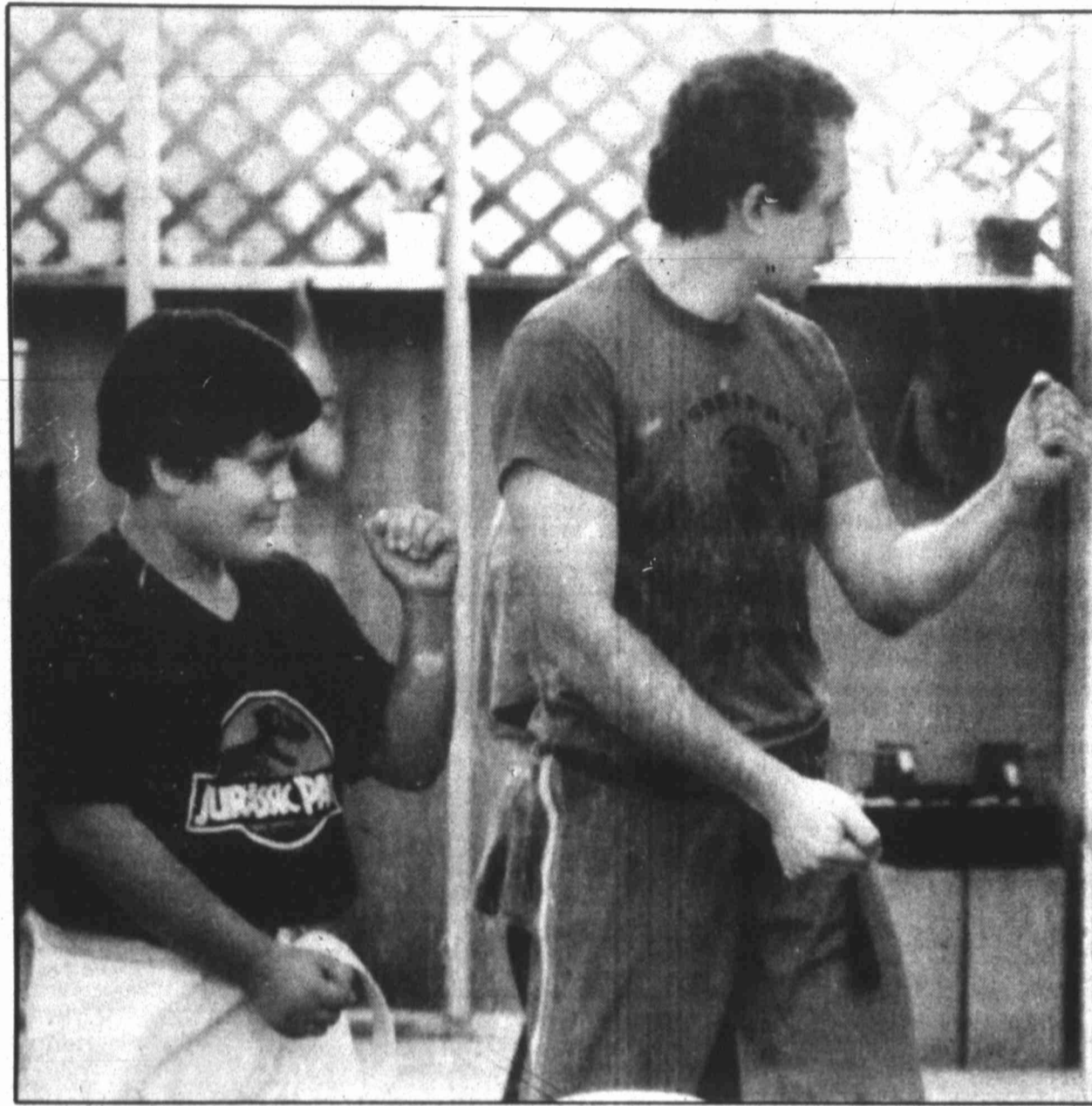
Ronnie Stinson, 15, has studied tae kwon do for almost two years and studied kenpo before that. He started taking martial arts classes because he'd always liked the movies, and he stuck with it because he enjoys it. He plans on staying with it for life, possibly even teaching someday.

"We have fun and play around, but we learn a lot," he said. "I don't lose my temper and want to fight as much."

Ronnie's mom, Jamie, commented that although he played baseball and softball, tae kwon do is the first sport he's really pursued. His studies in the martial arts help his academic studies, too - Ronnie consistently works above his grade level.

Ronnie began competing as

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Joseph Quintero, left, emulates teacher John Holwager's moves during karate class at the Boys' Club. Joseph said he has learned not to start fights and how to deal with those who do.

## CAREER CORNER

an orange belt. At the Big Spring tae kwon do championship, he won first place in

**Occupation title:** Occupational therapist.

**Duties:** Plan, organize, conduct, and establish programs designed to help injured, disabled or emotionally disturbed people to do work or leisure activities.

**Working environment:** Hospitals, clinics, rehabilitation centers.

**Helpful high school classes:** College preparatory, health, algebra, chemistry, fine arts, photography, biology, physical science, production systems and art.

**Continuing education:** Junior college, senior college.

**Some sources of training:** Howard College (basics), Texas Tech, University of Texas at San Antonio, University of Texas at Galveston.

**Certification/licenses:** American Occupational Therapy Association Professional Organizations.

**Salary:** \$42,238 average salary for hospital therapist in 1993.

**Job prospects:** Excellent.

*Career Corner is provided by Roger Goertz of Big Spring High School's Career Technology Department.*

## Where the campers have cold, wet noses

PUTNEY, Vt. (AP) — The camp rules are clear: Campers cannot be left loose in the dorm rooms. They must be leashed in public areas, and all poop must be picked up immediately.

This is obviously not your average camp for summer-weary children or budding athletes.

It's Camp Gone to the Dogs — two one-week sessions of fun, relaxation, and recreation for dog enthusiasts and their canine counterparts.

"This is the greatest camp I've ever been to," exclaims Vicki Shaw of Miramar, Fla. as she rubs her Dalmatian puppy, Nib. "They have top quality people here. I wish I could squeeze 25 hours into each day."

Honey Loring, a licensed psychologist, was running a camp for children in the late 1980s when she thought, "I'm a kid, and I want to go to camp. And wouldn't it be fun if we all could go to camp with our dogs?"

Now in its sixth year of operation, the camp is brimming with participants.

The schedule boasts 35 to 40 activities every day. Among them: tracking and sheep herding lessons; agility and show training; lectures on behavioral and medical problems. There is also an afternoon scheduled with a talent show, tail wagging and kissing contests, and



After an exhausting day of activity, Domino, top, and Rosie take a rest together during the dog square-dancing event at Camp Gone to the Dogs in Putney, Vt. The dogs are owned by Kathy Buckley and Lynne Ivaldi of Barrington, R.I. Campers are encouraged to take part in any or none of the 35-40 activities planned every day.

awards for rescued and veteran dogs.

"There's so much to do," says Nancy Kembel of Bethlehem, Pa. as she stands in line with her bearded collie, Buffle, for a swim lesson. "You just don't want to miss anything!"

The camp is held on the rolling hillsides of The Putney School, a 500-acre private boarding school near Loring's home.

"I wanted a place where people could spend quality time with their dogs," she says. "I wanted a camp with good food,

no tents and no competition." Lucy, a miniature wire-haired dachshund, runs the lure course — an activity where a dog chases a scarf as it speeds around a field on a guided wire — with as much enthusiasm as Pixel, an Afghan.

Amy, a small beagle-mix, is straining at the end of her leash as she waits for her turn. "She's normally a couch potato," says amazed owner Rita Lanson of Hillsboro, N.J., "but she comes to camp and it's like Jekyll and Hyde."

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## Tips for picking school fashions

By LISA MCKINNON  
Scripps Howard News Service

It's as much a part of going back to school as buying new pencils and a three-ring binder.

Teachers still may ask how you spent your summer, but

with a little crystal-ball knowledge about what's on tap for fall '95, you'll be able to see what you're wearing when you answer the question.

Read on for a guide to summer-perfect fashions that will carry you through fall:

**NOW:** Rey Nori, 22, takes a cool approach to summer in a halter top of grape satin, \$19, and a hip-hugging, floral-print skirt, \$36.

**LATER:** As classes and fall nears, the halter adds sheen to a tailored jacket in black or midnight blue, with matching hip-hugging cigarette pants.

Wear the floral skirt — an important piece for fall — with a twin sweater set or the same dark jacket buttoned up and accessorized with a fabric flower.

**NOW:** Polka dots help model Rey Nori swing into summer

in cheeky style. Sheer red-and-white tie-front blouse, \$34, and short pleated skirt in black and white, \$48. Vintage hat from the Salvation Army.

**LATER:** For a variety of in-style period looks this fall, pair the middy blouse with a solid

eases into fall with one of the new sculpted or soft, self-belted jackets.

**NOW:** April Davis, 17, gets a jump on her reading and her fall wardrobe in a cropped jacket, \$39, with matching beret, \$6.99, and short pleated skirt, \$29.

**LATER:** Sewn up in a summer-perfect combination of linen and rayon, this outfit makes an easy transition into fall.

The jacket ties shut with a satin bow of chocolate brown, a popular color for the season, and its skirt is decidedly schoolgirl in style.

For a more polished — and warmer — look, wear the jacket with a longer skirt of solid chocolate brown.

**N O W :** Contemplating outdoor graduation ceremonies and summer weddings is April Davis, dressed for such occasions in a sheath of butter-yellow linen with a wispy sailor collar of yellow silk, \$49.

**LATER:** For dates and other evening events throughout Indian summer, cover arms with a sheer, off-the-shoulder shawl. Think Uma Thurman at the Oscars.

—Scripps Howard News Service

### SLICE of life!

#### PICTURE THIS



**Whoee!** Michelle Pike, of Woodland Beach, Md., launches her son Jake, 3, airborne for a short flight before splash-down into Glebe Creek. (Associated Press photo)

#### LOCAL TIDBITS

##### Writers, get out those pens

A state-wide competition for writers age 50-plus will highlight this year's recreational competition at the 1995 NationsBank Texas Senior Games, slated Sept. 19-24 in Temple.

Categories for this year's writing competition include poetry, essay, short story, and miscellaneous (for songs, adages, etc.).

Winning entries will be published in a special Texas Senior Writers Anthology, and each entrant will receive a copy of the anthology at no charge.

Judges from Texas colleges will review each entry and will select first, second, and third medalists, and will also designate any honorable mentions.

For entry forms or additional information, contact Susan McDowell at (817) 770-5690. Deadline to submit entries is Aug. 31.

##### Stargazing, storytelling at park

There will be a nature walk, 8 p.m., and storytelling, 9 p.m., July 22 and 29 at the Big Spring State Park. Meet at the upper picnic pavilion/playground area. \$3 park admission.

The park will also have a stargazing session 8 p.m. Aug. 4. Bad weather date will be 8 p.m. Aug. 5. The West Texas Astronomy Club, SPAC and Starbeams & Heliowinds will be in town with their 12-inch telescopes, enabling stargazers to view planets and nebula.

The session will take place at the upper picnic pavilion, located near the playground on top of the mountain. A slide show will feature galaxies and constellations.

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

#### THE LAST WORD

I have sworn upon the altar of God, eternal hostility against every form of tyranny over the mind of man.

—Thomas Jefferson, "Letter to Dr. Benjamin Rush"

The day that this country ceases to be free for irreligion, it will cease to be free for religion.

—Robert Houghwout Jackson

Learning is not attained by chance, it must be sought for with ardor and attended to with diligence.

—Abigail Adams, "Letter to John Quincy Adams"









THURSDAY

JULY 20

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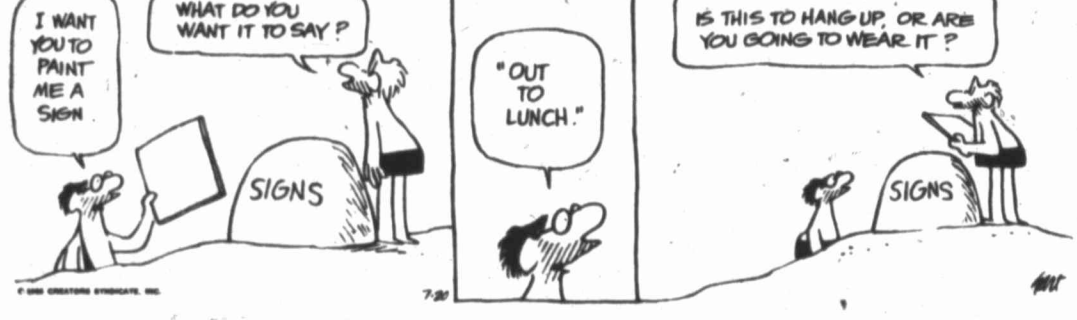
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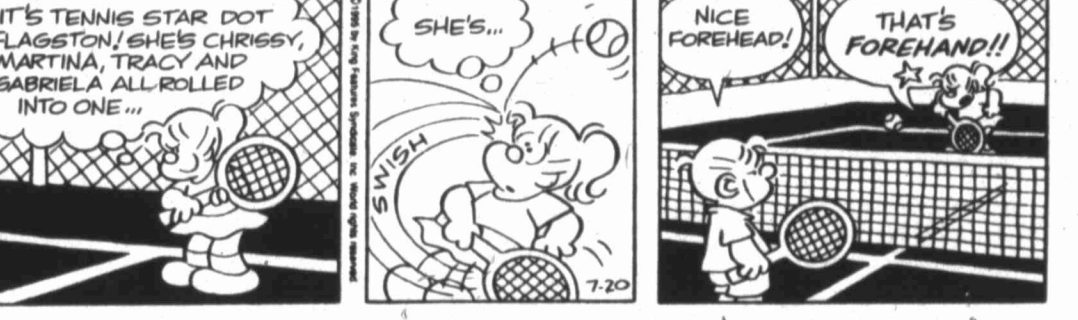
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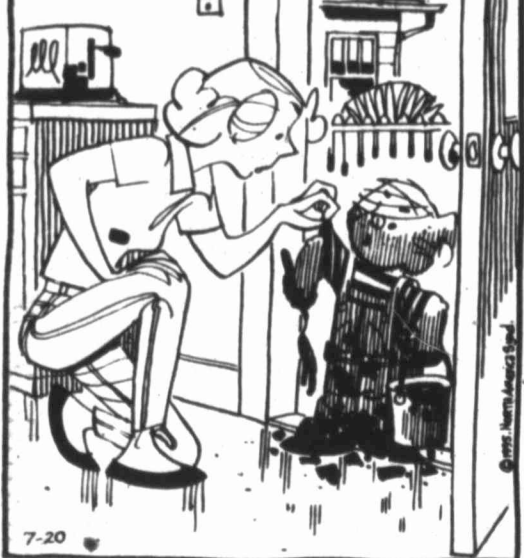
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THE Daily Crossword by Richard Thomas

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down words.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY

Today is Thursday, July 20, the 201st day of 1995. There are 164 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On July 20, 1969, Apollo 11 astronauts Neil Armstrong and Edwin "Buzz" Aldrin became the first men to walk on the moon as they stepped out of their lunar module.

surrendered to federal troops. In 1917, the draft lottery in World War I went into operation. In 1942, the first detachment of the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps - later known as "WACs" - began basic training at Fort Des Moines, Iowa.

appeals court set aside Oliver North's Iran-Contra convictions, reversing one outright. In 1976, America's Viking 1 robot spacecraft made a successful, first-ever landing on Mars.

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THE QUIGMANS by Buddy Hickerson

