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50 Cents

City finds way to help with insurance increase

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

The city of Big Spring will be giving city employees a break on their next paycheck to help absorb some of the increase in their dependent insurance coverage.

Recently city employees noticed a deduction increase of \$58.40 per month for dependent insurance coverage.

The reason for the increase is

due to the considerable amount of claims filed by the approximately 130 city employees currently signed up for dependent coverage.

Bogard told the Big Spring City Council there was approximately \$800,000 in claims paid by the city last year, which is why the premiums have increased so much in 1996.

The city is self insured, but claim payments are administered for the city by Ted Parker

and Associates.

Bogard asked it to shift some of the deduction cost from the dependent (employee) side to the city's side in the amount of \$7.50 per employee to offset the increase by 50 percent.

"We wouldn't do anything to hurt our employees and if we could help them this way it would help lower their increase to around \$14 per pay period," Bogard said.

She added the fear city admin-

istration has is people can't absorb such a drastic deduction and will end up dropping their insurance coverage.

Bogard asked to make the shift permanent, which would cost \$45,000 per year.

Bogard and City Manager Gary Fuqua suggested to the council the \$45,000, which would also include all other employees not on dependent coverage, could be taken from the city's utility fund.

All city employees were figured into the \$45,000 amount, otherwise it would appear those employees on dependent coverage would be receiving a benefit and everyone else would not.

Fuqua said the utility fund is the healthiest fund the city has and the only one able to absorb the deduction.

"The deduction increase is sort of a hardship since we haven't been able to give our employees a raise in the last few

years," Fuqua said.

Another option for paying for the proposed \$45,000 shift would be to break the amount down by departments and have each department cover a percentage of the total, based on the number of employees in each department.

Bogard said city officials will look at all options and present the council with a proposal as to

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A SHARED BOND



Two cousins from different countries are able to communicate about the job they love, firefighting. Chris Halecker, left, is a German district fire chief and his cousin, Mark Hines, right, is a Big Spring firefighter. The two met for the first time this week.

Spanning the oceans, cousins find a common cause in firefighting



Herald photos by Tim Appel

Chris Halecker, second from right, explains some of the equipment pictured in the album that his fire department uses. Halecker is from Germany and was visiting relatives in Big Spring when he made a tour of one of the fire stations. Also pictured, from left are Halecker's aunt Monika Hampton, City Manager Gary Fuqua, Fire Chief Frank Anderson and Mark Hines, a local firefighter and Halecker's cousin.

By KELLIE JONES
Staff Writer

There may be an ocean between the cousins but they share a common bond, firefighting.

Big Spring firefighter Mark Hines met his cousin, Chris

Halecker, for the first time this week. Coincidentally, Halecker is a district fire chief in Fuerstenwalde, Germany.

Halecker came to the United States for the first time last Saturday to visit his cousin and aunt, Monika Hampton.

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Compost facility moves to landfill

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Big Spring and Howard County residents will soon have access to one-stop dumping when the city's compost facility moves out to the landfill.

When the move is complete all landfill, composting and recycling activities will be in one area.

The Big Spring City Council recently approved the recommendation of the Airpark Development Board and the city manager to move the facility.

One of the problems is residents dumping trash at the facility instead of just compost material.

Assistant City Manager Emma Bogard said it is hard to market the airpark with the composting facility there.

Another problem is manpower.

There's not enough help at the airpark facility and because of the success of the inmate work program, help has not been available from that group.

When the compost facility moves to the landfill, it will have another person to help with composting activities.

Landfill Supervisor Howard Shivers said, "I think we'll see our compost operation excel and expand by moving it to the landfill."

Currently there is no accurate way to know just how much compost material is being pro-

duced, but by having it at the landfill Shivers said he will be able to weigh everything and keep an accurate count.

Recycling will also be a big part of the overall operation at the landfill.

The city is still in the process of implementing its recycling program with areas schools as a result of a \$15,000 grant from the Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission and the Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission.

The city has placed containers at area schools for recycling and all proceeds derived from collections will be used to renovate and purchase new playground equipment in Big Spring's city parks.

Big Spring's oil recycling program is continuing and allowing resident to avoid possible fines by having a place to dispose of their used motor oil.

With the first TNRCC grant the city has been able to set up two large tanks at the landfill.

Once oil is taken to the landfill it is stored in the tanks picked up for proper disposal by Pro Cycle Oil Company out of Spring, Texas.

Shivers said the city is also in the process of applying for two more grants to get more containers to set up in different districts throughout the city.

"These grants through the TNRCC and PBRPC are pending, but hopefully we'll know

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Martin County commissioners elect judge pro tem

By DD TURNER
Managing Editor

AREA WRAPUP

Martin County Commissioner James Biggs was elected as judge pro tem at Monday's meeting.

Also during the meeting, commissioners took care of several housekeeping items including certifying the 1996 budget, setting officials pay on a salary basis and selecting a salary grievance committee.

County Judge Bob Deavenport said county officials used to be paid on a fee basis, but legislation was passed to pay salaries and has to be approved at the start of each year.

Bids for a jail recreational area, mandated by the Texas Jail Commission, was awarded for \$18,791 for fencing, plumb-

ing and electrical. Commissioners also approved advertising for bids for medical insurance. The bids will be considered Jan. 29.

Following an executive session, the commissioners passed a resolution authorizing the Martin County Sheriff's Office to continue working in the field to stop drug traffic.

Stanton
The Stanton City Council conducted its second public hearing, which no one attended, on a proposed annexation Monday.

The council approved the issuance and sale of \$425,000 in tax and waterworks and sewer system surplus revenue certificates of obligation.

At the Dec. 11 meeting, the

council hired Parkhill, Smith & Cooper to design, bid for water and sewer lines on annexation; hired Fulbright & Jaworski as bond counsel; authorized publication of notice to issue certificates of obligation and approved delinquent tax rolls.

Grady
Grady Superintendent Johnny Tubb's contract was extended Monday by the board of trustees. The contract will extend through 1998.

The board also approved early dismissal dates: March 8, beginning of spring break; April 4, beginning of Easter holiday; May 24, last day of school.

The board took no action on a statement of understanding with the Midland County Chapter of the American Red Cross concerning use of GISD as a disaster relief facility and

approved paying monthly bills.

Mitchell County
Routine business was also on tap for the Mitchell County Commissioners' Court.

Jay McCollum, a member of the board of directors for the Texas Midwest Community Network, addressed the court concerning a meeting being arranged with the state senators and representatives.

Texas Midwest Community Network is a group of cities, counties and chambers of commerce in a 20-county area surrounding Abilene which works to solve common problems.

Judge Ray Mayo said the commissioners were asked to "put on their thinking caps" and see if they had any concerns they wanted expressed to the state lawmakers.

Police investigating several incidents of slashed tires

Several Big Spring residents had their tires slashed Wednesday evening.

Officers took four reports in the 1400 and 1500 blocks of Oriole. Each case involved one or more tires on the residents' vehicles being slashed by a knife or some other type of sharp object. The reports were filed as criminal mischiefs.

Meanwhile, detectives are still investigating another series of criminal mischiefs involving people's car windows being shot out with BB guns last December.

Sgt. Victor Brake said Det. David Mohn is handling the case and has been busy this week with two trials in district

court. They hope to obtain additional arrest warrants soon.

A CrimeStoppers tip led investigators to those involved in shooting at car windows parked in the 1400 and 1500 blocks of Virginia, 1800 block of Morrison, 1400 block of Mount Vernon, 1500 block of East Fourth, 3200 block of Interstate 20 and 500 block of Westover. Another report from the 800 block of West 17th involved a front door of a house being shot.

Some of the juveniles involved in the incidents were arrested the end of December.

The total damages from all the incidents is \$3,000 making this case a state jail felony.

Herald Staff Report

Texas Trivia

For what craft was pioneer era artisan Samuel Bell of San Antonio best known?
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WORLD/NATION

Nation: Storm-weary Easterners elogged to work through mountains of piled-up snow and made another last-minute run on grocery stores as they tried to comprehend the possibility that another big storm was on the way. said. See page 3A.

World: A sprawling open-pit iron mine closed four years ago could be a mass grave for up to 8,000 Muslims and Croats killed by Bosnian Serbs in a campaign of ethnic cleansing. The New York Times reported Thursday. See page 3A.

STATE

Catbird's seat
Conservative Democrats are finding themselves in an enviable position now that budget talks between President Clinton and congressional Republicans have stalled, perhaps permanently. See page 4A.

Young abuser
Harris County authorities believe that a 14-year-old boy has sexually abused as many as 12 children, including his younger stepbrother and step-sister. See page 4A.

TODAY'S WEATHER

Tonight **67** ▲ Highs **27**
Lows ▼

Mostly clear
Tonight, clear, low upper 20s, northwest winds decreasing to 5 to 10 mph.

Permian Basin Forecast
Friday: Sunny, high mid 60s, northwest winds 5 to 10 mph; fair night, low mid 30s.
Saturday: Sunny, high mid 60s, northwest winds 5 to 10 mph; fair night, low mid 30s.

Help

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how the city can pay for the shift at the next council meeting.

"Our rates are still the lowest of other entities. Out of pocket expenses for city employees average about \$1,700 a year compared to \$4,000 to \$6,000," she added.

As far as the utility fund is concerned, City Engineer and Utilities Director Ralph Truszkowski said the fund is also the city's contingency fund in case of a severe freeze such as the city experienced several years ago when busted pipes had to be replaced or some other

emergency.

Truszkowski said he is all for helping city employees because the city doesn't operate without its people, but there has to be a better way than taking the money from the utility fund.

"We can't get the job done without the people. Some of our employees are out there in all kinds of weather and this new insurance program that takes care of the employees and their families is a real asset, but let's find another way," Truszkowski said.

Mayor Tim Blackshear agreed saying, "Personally, I'm not for using the utility fund. The shift can be done, but it needs to be done in a different way."

Move

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something by June," Shivers said.

Recycling has already made an impact at the city landfill by saving space and prolonging the time Big Spring will be able to use the landfill.

"By 1997 we want to be able to have 40 percent of all recyclable materials being removed from the landfill. Right now we're at about 15 percent to 20 percent

and the compost facility has also helped us by reducing waste by approximately 15 percent to 20 percent as well," Shivers said.

The city is also working with Butts Recycling to establish a business recycling program so business will also have a place to take their recyclable materials. This program got underway in late November and the school recycling program began Tuesday.

Bond

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Hampton was amazed when she found out the cousins were in the same line of work and was excited when she heard her nephew was coming to Big Spring.

A tour was set up for Halecker to see how this country's fire departments differ from his own. Halecker was presented a key to the city by City Manager Gary Fuqua Tuesday afternoon.

"I'm very excited to be here.

Since we became the German Democratic Republic, it has been a great dream of mine to come here. I've heard about the Western world and now I can learn about it," Halecker said.

"I'm used to a large city so the smaller ones like here are interesting to me. I am overwhelmed by the friendly response we've received. I also invite four to five of those from the department to come and visit us in Germany."

One difference in the two countries' departments is the German trucks hold at least twice as much water than the ones in Big Spring. Fire Chief Frank Anderson said the German trucks hold about 1,500 gallons of water and are very rugged compared to the streamlined, state-of-the-art trucks here.

Halecker's department is funded 80 percent by the state and 20 percent by the city thus allowing for good pay and benefits, according to his aunt. Halecker is in charge of about 4,000 firefighters made up of professionals and volunteers.

Halecker presented an album to Anderson complete with pictures and history of his department. Some patches and helmet ornaments were also given to some of the local firefighters in attendance the day of the tour.

Firefighter Carl Condray asked fellow fireman Rich Grove to sketch a picture for Halecker months ago when they found out he was coming. The picture, entitled "United in a Common Cause," portrayed two firefighters entering a home filled with smoke.

Hampton added she is treating her nephew, his fiancé, volunteer firefighter Walter Pilgermann and his wife to American food. "I'm not cooking any German food. I decided to let them try the food here. They love red beans and cornbread."

OBITUARIES

James Cook

Services for James Marshall Cook, 80, Athens, formerly of Garden City, will be 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 13, 1996, at First Baptist Church of Garden City with Rev. Bob Grimes, pastor, officiating. Interment will follow at the Garden City Cemetery.

Mr. Cook died Thursday, Jan. 11, in a Tyler nursing home.

He was born on Jan. 29, 1915, in Garden City. His parents were A.D. and Jimmie Cook, pioneer Glasscock County family. He ranched for many years in Glasscock County and then in Kimble County. He had lived in Athens since 1969. He was a Methodist.

Survivors include two daughters: Brenda Nix, Athens, and Darla Bennett, Tyler; one brother: Allie B. Cook, Garden City; two sisters: Margarite Hardy, Garden City, and Marjorie Klein, Fredericksburg; one grandson; four granddaughters; and three great-granddaughters.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Jack and Alton Cook and two sisters, Alein Cook and Pauline Berry.

The family will receive friends from 5 to 8:30 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

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IN BRIEF

VA honors Martin L. King

The Big Spring VA Medical Center will honor slain civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. on Thursday at 11 a.m. The ceremony will be at the center in room 212. The public is invited to attend.

Chill cook-off set for Saturday

The Seventh Annual Harley Davidson Chill Cook-Off is Saturday beginning at 9 a.m. with judging at 1 p.m. The competition is at the Harley Davidson shop at 908 West Third.

Entry fee is \$15 and you can sign up the day of the contest. The money raised will be used to purchase t-shirts for children who attend the Muscular Dystrophy Association summer camp.

Shop officials will also be collecting pennies from anyone who wants to contribute to the building of the Kids Zone Playground at Comanche Trail Park. Call 263-2322 for more information.

Financial aid workshop Jan. 18

Big Spring High School will have a financial aid workshop 7-8 p.m. Jan. 18, in the cafeteria. All area seniors are invited.

Post Office closed Monday

The U.S. Post Office in Big Spring will be closed Monday, Jan. 15 in observance of Martin Luther King Day.

Child care enrollment today

Howard College on-campus child care for evening students will have open house enrollment 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursday. For more information call 264-5020.

Volunteers needed for meals program

The Mobile Meals Program, also known as Meals on Wheels, needs volunteers to deliver these meals. If you can spare just one hour per week to deliver eight or 10 meals, we need you. These meals are prepared at the kitchen of Runnels Junior High School. About 85 to 90 meals are prepared, packaged and delivered within the city limits of Big Spring.

If you can deliver these meals with a smile, please call 267-4503 or 263-4016.

Cotton conference set for Jan. 15

The Southern Mesa Cotton Conference is set for Jan. 15 at Lamesa's Dawson County Annex Building.

The registration fee for the conference is \$15 if paid by Jan. 10. After Jan. 10, the fee will be \$20. Registration forms and fees should be sent to the Dawson County Extension office at P.O. Box 1268, Lamesa, Texas 79331 c/o the Dawson County Ag Fund.

Howard College Spring Registration

Wednesday - January 10
8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. (Assigned time only)
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POLICE

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

- FEDERICO JOSE BUSTAMANTE, 35, no address given, was arrested for public intoxication.
- MARLON SCOTT CHANDLER, 19, of 1408 Tucson, was arrested on outstanding local warrants.
- WILLIAM TIMOTHY SUTTON, 19, of 4211 Parkway, was arrested on outstanding local warrants and no insurance.
- ALICE SALGADO, 45, of 2900 West Highway 80 #3, was arrested for public intoxication and disorderly conduct by using abusive language.
- FEDERICO SALGADO, 46, of 2900 West Highway 80 #3, was arrested for public intoxication.

SHERIFF

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

- SERVANDO MARTINEZ GARCIA JR., 19, of 505 East 14th, was transferred from the city jail after being arrested for bondsman off bond for failure to identify and perjury. He was later released on bonds totaling \$3,500.
- ARTHUR CEBALLOS JR., 19, of 1604 Cardinal, was transferred to a Substance Abuse Felony Punishment Facility to

RECORDS

Wednesday's temp.	41
Wednesday's low	34
Average high	52
Average low	26
Record high	80 in 1916
Record low	-5 in 1962

MARKETS

March cotton futures 82.90 cents a pound, up 10 points; Feb. crude oil 19.50, down 17 points; Cash hog steady at 42.50 cents even; slaughter steers steady at 64 cents even; Feb. live hog futures 45.77, up 42 points; Feb. live cattle futures 65.67, up 25 points. Courtesy: Delta Corporation.

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Coca-Cola	72% -

Directory to be updated

The Howard College Business Development Center will update the Minority, Veteran & Women-Owned Business Directory.

The purpose of this directory is to help companies or government agencies identify minority, women and veteran-owned businesses in Big Spring.

For more information, or to be included in this directory, contact Della Barraza at 264-5164 before Jan. 19.

SPRINGBOARD

To submit an item to Springboard, put it in writing and mail or deliver it to us one week in advance. Mail to: Springboard, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, 79720; or bring it by the office, 710 Scurry. For more information, contact Gina Garza, 263-7331, between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m.

TODAY

- Permian Basin Aids Coalition, 7 p.m., The Corral, 611 E. Third. Call Diane Linhart, 263-0900.
- Rackley-Swords Ch. 379 Vietnam Veterans of America, 7 p.m., 124 Jonesboro Road.
- American Legion & Auxiliary, 7 p.m. Call Helen Hall, 263-2858.
- Masonic Lodge #598, 7:30 p.m., 219 Main.
- Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright, free food for area needy, 10 a.m.-noon.
- Salvation Army drug education program, sponsored by Permian Basin Regional Council on alcohol and drug abuse, 7 p.m., Salvation Army Building, 908 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 267-3628.
- 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, 615 Settles.

FRIDAY

- Signal Mountain Quilting Guild, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281. Bring a lunch.
- Turning Point A.A., 8-9:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Gollad. Open to all substance abusers.
- Spring City Senior Center, free fashion painting classes, 9:30-11:30 a.m. 55 and older invited.
- Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Music by The Super Six Band. Area seniors invited.
- Alcoholics Anonymous noon open meeting and 8 p.m. Big Book Study, 615 Settles.

SATURDAY

- West Texas Gluten Free Awareness Support Group (Celiacs helping Celiacs) will meet from 3 to 5 p.m. at Memorial Hospital, room E-18. A video on Creative Living will be viewed. Bring a gluten-free goodie and recipe. For more information call (915)520-2119 or (915)684-4671 or write to Gluten-Free Awareness, HC-51-S-46, Midland, Texas 79707.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, noon, 8 p.m. and 10 p.m. open meetings, 615 Settles.

serve 90 days to one year for revoking his probation. He had been on probation for burglary of a habitation.

- JOHNNY CANTU, 23, of 1504 Sycamore, was arrested on a motion to revoke his probation. He had been on probation for burglary of a habitation and was later released on a \$3,000 personal recognizance bond.
- MISSING LIVESTOCK on North Birdwell Lane.
- DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE in the 2800 block of South Anderson Lane.

Rainfall Wednesday	0.00
Month to date	0.09
Month's normal	0.25
Year to date	0.09
Normal for the year	0.25

**Statistics not available

De Beers	32% -
DuPont	71% -
Exxon	80% +
Fina Inc.	51% -
Ford Motors	27% +
Halliburton	47% +
IBM	86% -
JC Penney	46% +
Laser Indus LTD	9% nc
Mesa Ltd. Prt	3% nc
Mobile	111% +
NUV	10% nc
Pepsi Cola	54% -
Phillips Petroleum	33% -
Rural/Metro	22% -
Sears	41% -
Southwestern Bell	55% -
Sun	27% nc
Texasco	78% nc
Texas Instruments	46% + 1%
Texas Utilities	41% -
Unocal Corp.	29% nc
Wal-Mart	22% +
Amcap	13.15- 13.95
Euro Pacific	23.46- 24.89
I.C.A.	21.14- 22.43
New Economy	15.84- 16.81
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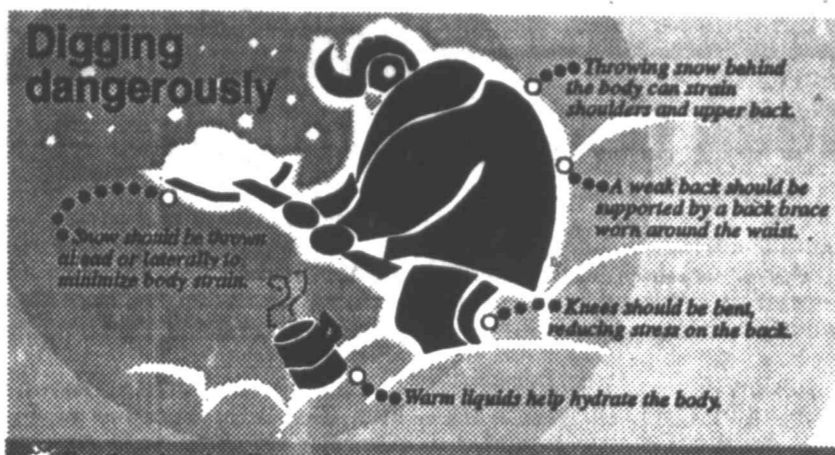
Easterners brace for another onslaught

Storm-weary Easterners slogged to work through mountains of piled-up snow and made another last-minute run on grocery stores as they tried to comprehend the possibility that another big storm was on the way.

"I really don't want to wait for the milk. I want to get on with my life," a frustrated Judy Kaitz said Wednesday after digging her way out of the snow in New York to stock up on food and other essentials.

Simple tasks have become tests of endurance in the aftermath of the big blizzard of '96, a storm the East is still digging out from under and which has been blamed for at least 100 deaths since Sunday.

By Wednesday, commuters were shoving and fuming, shoppers waited again in long lines, and shovelers wondered where to throw all the snow.



But the worst news was the forecast: By Friday, at least a foot of new snow may be headed into many areas of the East.

Sunday and Monday's blizzard steamrollered as far south as Georgia and Alabama, shutting down most schools and businesses until Tuesday and paralyzing planes, trains, buses and automobiles.

Philadelphia Mayor Edward Rendell begged residents to shovel themselves out from under a record 30.7 inches of snow. He said the city's plows are too big to get through many of the narrow streets.

"You can't expect us in the greatest storm in the history of Philadelphia to do something we haven't done for 40 years in modest snowfalls," he said.

Philadelphia schools were

closed for the fourth consecutive day today. Most Boston schools also were still closed; New York opened its schools on Wednesday after closing Monday and Tuesday for the first time since 1978.

In Brooklyn, N.Y., scores of cars remained buried Wednesday under snowbanks. Enterprising souls made money digging them out. "Will Free Your Car and Your Spinal Column for \$25 to \$40," read one sign.

In York, Pa., which got walloped with 3 feet of snow, welfare recipients waited in vain for a bank to open so they could cash their checks. Debra Walters said she was down to half a loaf of bread and half a bottle of milk for her two girls.

The Associated Press

Budget talks in limbo, Congress goes home

WASHINGTON (AP) — With chances waning for a balanced budget agreement this year, House Speaker Newt Gingrich says he may try to pass a series of short-term spending bills that would keep the government operating at reduced levels until the November election.

With no new negotiations likely before the middle of next week, Congress finally took a break Wednesday after its leaders and President Clinton failed to come to terms on a seven-year budget-balancing plan that would resolve the threat of another government shutdown Jan. 27.

Stock and bond markets tumbled Wednesday shortly after Gingrich, speaking in Casper, Wyo., predicted: "The odds are

better than even, as of today, there will be no agreement."

Talking with reporters later in Seattle, Gingrich, R-Ga., said Republicans were looking at the possibility of approving so-called continuing resolutions — temporary spending bills that would keep the government in business. The current short-term spending bill expires Jan. 26.

"What we'd like to do is to have an occasional continuing resolution for, say, 30 days at 75 percent, then 30 days at 70 percent," he said. "And for the general bureaucracy of the government, gradually shrink it over the course of the year."

When Clinton and congressional Republicans suspended budget talks Tuesday, big differ-

ences remained on Medicare and Medicaid spending and the size of a tax cut.

"Our attitude should be positive" in the next week, said Senate Republican leader Bob Dole of Kansas. "But can we reach an agreement? I do not know. Is it doubtful? Probably. Is it possible? Yes."

Dole said "fundamental differences" remain. Republicans are pushing for basic changes in the way government operates. Democrats insist they will not accept major cutbacks in health, education and environmental programs.

Dole's comment came as he formally adjourned the Senate until Jan. 22, the day before Clinton's state-of-the-union address.

Suspended budget talks cause Dow plunge

NEW YORK (AP) — Wall Street's anger and disappointment over suspension of the budget talks in Washington led to a drop of nearly 100 points in the Dow Jones industrial average and raises the question of what investors will do next.

"The financial markets are firing a very clear shot across the Washington bow," says Hugh Johnson, market strategist at First Albany Corp.

Financial markets had been betting on a resolution to the budget standoff that would bal-

ance the budget in seven years, reduce the need for government borrowing and ease pressure on interest rates.

The Dow at the close of trading Wednesday was down 97.19 at 5,032.94. Volume was the fifth-highest ever on the Big Board.

The price of gold rose about \$3.50 an ounce and approached the \$400 level. That's gold's highest price in more than two years, a sure sign that investors see turmoil ahead and are looking for a safe place to park their cash.

Tethered girl's mother overdoses

MONCKS CORNER, S.C. (AP) — A woman under court order to keep her teen-age daughter tethered was hospitalized for a drug overdose Wednesday. Her husband assumed responsibility for holding his stepdaughter's leash.

Deborah Harter was rushed to Trident Regional Medical Center on Tuesday night. The family's lawyer, Kevin Kearse, said Mrs. Harter overdosed on a prescription drug for anxiety. She did not identify the medication and said there was no indication the overdose was on purpose.

"Let's face it, she's tethered to

a 15-year-old," Kearse said. "That may have caused her anxiety."

A hospital spokeswoman said Mrs. Harter originally was in critical condition and later upgraded to stable. She was moved to a private room, spokeswoman Linda Berlinghoff said. Kearse said he expected Mrs. Harter to be released by Thursday.

Mrs. Harter's 15-year-old daughter, Tonya Kline, visited the hospital Tuesday night with her stepfather, Richard Harter, holding the other end of the tether. They returned Wednesday.

Mine mass grave for Muslim, Croats

NEW YORK (AP) — A sprawling open-pit iron mine closed four years ago could be a mass grave for up to 8,000 Muslims and Croats killed by Bosnian Serbs in a campaign of ethnic cleansing, The New York Times reported Thursday.

The remains are those of victims that have been exhumed from other mass graves in the area and taken to the mine, where they are reburied under tons of debris, the newspaper said, citing reports from non-Serb miners in the northwest Bosnian town of Ljubija.

The bodies are often mangled by mining equipment, doused with chemicals and then buried in the mine under tons of debris, the Times said.

Senior British commanders stationed in the region with a NATO peace-keeping force told the newspaper British patrols frequently uncover badly decomposed corpses, which they said are then whisked away by Bosnian Serbs.

"Everyone seems to be in a hurry to cover their killings,"

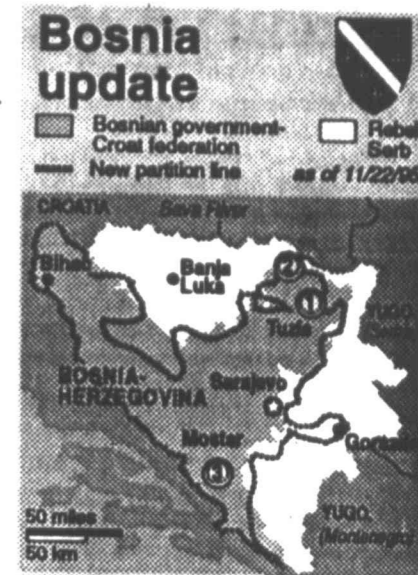
said a senior British commander the newspaper did not name.

The Ljubija mine and suspected mass graves in Srebrenica could be the key to proving Bosnian Serbs methodically launched a campaign of genocide against Muslims and Croats, a human rights advocate said.

"There was a lot of killing in Ljubija," said Ivan Zvonimir Cickak, the head of the Croatian Helsinki Committee for Human Rights. "We think there may be as many as 8,000 bodies in the mine."

Residents of Ljubija told the newspaper that in the summer of 1992 they saw busloads of Muslims and Croats taken through the gates of the mine, but never saw any return.

"The buses would go in day and night," one resident said. "They were filled with people. They always came back from the mine empty. We heard shooting day and night. At first we heard single shots, then we



- 1 An American military fuel tanker overturned, injuring two U.S. soldiers.
- 2 A U.S. Bradley armored vehicle hit an anti-personnel mine 10 miles southwest of the Sava River bridge.
- 3 Five mortar rounds fired from the Croat side of the divided city hit the Muslim side.

began to hear lots of automatic fire."

Mitterrand's funeral holds to his power, rural roots

PARIS (AP) — In ceremonies befitting a president who tenaciously held both to power and to his rural roots, Francois Mitterrand was honored today by world leaders at Notre Dame cathedral and by his hometown, where his body will be laid to rest.

Thousands of tearful supporters filled the Place de la Bastille overnight to bid farewell to the man who led France longer than anyone else this century.

More than 250 world leaders and dignitaries came to pay their last respects, including Vice President Al Gore, Russia's Boris Yeltsin, Prime Minister John Major of Britain, Palestinian chief Yasser Arafat, Prime Minister Shimon Peres of Israel and Cuba's Fidel Castro.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl of Germany shed tears as a choir sang and Cardinal Jean-Marie Lustiger led the funeral Mass for Mitterrand, who died Monday of prostate cancer.

In his eulogy, Lustiger quoted Mitterrand's recently published thoughts on death, a subject

that friends said haunted his last years.

"Death is what gives destiny its richness and meaning," Lustiger said, reading Mitterrand's words. "Men today are too busy living and seem to miss the mystery, and don't realize that their essential zest for life has dried up."

At Mitterrand's birthplace in Jarnac, a ceremony took place for his family and closest friends at the simple church where he was baptized and his parents were married.

Outside, an estimated 20,000 people converged on the southwestern town of 2,000 residents, where Mitterrand was to be buried in his family tomb. His body was carried to the cemetery in a blue hearse, and the funeral motorcade paused at his birthplace.

Mitterrand's body, flown from Paris at dawn, arrived in Jarnac, where onlookers lined narrow streets and hung out of windows. Military cadets carried his coffin, draped in the blue, white and red French flag.

Sailors off sinking ship rescued

HALIFAX, Nova Scotia (AP) — The crew of a Canadian fisheries patrol ship today rescued all 24 sailors from an ore freighter sinking in rolling, frigid seas off Newfoundland.

The Greek officers and Asian crew aboard the foundering Amphion had endured a long night of high winds and waves up to 30 feet high.

The Greek-owned Amphion, en route to Philadelphia from Europe, issued its first distress call Wednesday morning. But the harsh weather that punched leaks in the freighter prevented the patrol ship Leonard J. Cowley from reaching the crew, 500 miles offshore, before first light today.

"It is over now," said Capt. Sonny Johannesson of the Danish ship Enniberg, which was in the area and responded to the distress call.

Chechen rebel convoy stalled with 160 hostages

PERVOMAYSKAYA, Russia (AP) — Russian helicopter gunships today circled menacingly over a convoy of Chechen rebels holding more than 100 hostages, and a top Russian commander said the guerrillas must be annihilated.

Talks failed to break the deadlock between the rebels who say they will shoot their captives if they are not guaranteed safe passage and the Russians who insist they release the hostages before going home to Chechnya.

Russian troops advanced in dozens of armored vehicles and trucks towed in heavy artillery. The rebels were apparently reluctant to give up the hostages, fearing a Russian attack once their human shield

was removed.

"These bandits must be eliminated," said Maj. Gen. Alexander Mikhailov, a spokesman for the Federal Security Service.

The hostage crisis was the latest embarrassment for Moscow, which for 13 months has been trying to suppress separatists trying to take Chechnya out of the Russian Federation. Still, President Boris Yeltsin felt confident enough to travel to Paris to attend funeral ceremonies today for former French President Francois Mitterrand.

The rebels' attack Tuesday on the Dagestani city of Kizlyar may have been intended to show the Kremlin that the Chechens are far from defeated and can strike at will — includ-

ing targets outside their break-away republic.

Local officials said at least 40 people — 17 rebels, 9 police officers and soldiers and 14 civilians — were killed in the Tuesday raid, and 50 were wounded.

Dagestani authorities negotiated safe passage Wednesday for about 250 rebel guerrillas, who took along some 160 hostages — including 110 women and children — and Dagestani officials, as well as the bodies of dead guerrillas. The rebels released up to 3,000 hostages they had seized Tuesday, and set out in 11 buses and two trucks for the breakaway republic.

Residents of the region gathered for spontaneous rallies along the convoy's route.

A moo-ving rescue

SHICKSHINNY, Pa. (AP) — It was a cow slip.

The 900-pound bovine wandered to the center of her owner's icy pond. Problem is, she didn't moo-ve fast enough and fell in.

A neighbor, Paul Zagata, spotted her head and shoulders bobbing in the water about 100 feet from shore Tuesday. The cow's back legs were stuck in mud.

Zagata, his brother Andy and farm owner Art Hildebrandt attached a harness to the Brown Swiss cow, but she stopped moving whenever they tried to pull her from the 6-foot hole.

Plan B: Send for the Luzerne County Dive Team.

Ten men in wet suits arrived. They called in the fire department. The team fastened a rope to the harness and attached it to a winch on the front of the fire truck.

"Many other cows watched in fear and hope," said Scott Tretheway, team's commander.

The truck immediately pulled the shivering cow up and onto the ice. She later recovered inside a barn. Tretheway estimated she was in the pond for two hours.

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EDITORIAL

Quote of the Day

"From a worldly point of view, there is no mistake so great as that of always being right."
— Samuel Butler

Centralized voting good sense

This is one step the Big Spring City Council has taken that really makes sense - centralizing voting for the city, school and college. Following a public hearing Tuesday, the council voted to approve a centralized voting place - Big Spring High School cafeteria. If it all works out, it will be in place for the upcoming primaries.

The issue came up when several citizens expressed their concerns about the difficulty in voting. Instead of having to go to three places - for the city, the school and the college - voters will be able to cast their votes in each at one place. A good move. One of the main hopes is this change

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will increase voter turnout. It will be interesting to see if by making it easier to vote, more people will actually vote. Even though voting has been made as easy as possible, voter apathy is still high. But, by having three voting places in one, chances are good voter turnout will increase.

Whether or not turnout does increase, it still makes sense to make voting as easy as possible, not only for the voter but for those running the elections.



What happens next ... NOTHING

By WALTER R. MEARS
AP Special Correspondent

AP NEWS ANALYSIS

WASHINGTON (AP) — When Sen. Bob Dole tried to explain what happens next in the balanced budget negotiations, he was reduced to saying that the central thing is what "will not happen next." In the illogic of this process, what that means is nothing at all.

It may be hard to discern the difference between that and what's been going on for weeks, except for the fact that the government is at least open, and largely functioning, through Jan. 26. The well-advertised 50 hours of arduous budget bargaining between leaders of the Republican Congress and President Clinton creaked to a halt without so much as a semantic accord on what to call the stall.

In everyday language, the talks broke off because they broke down. But Leon Panetta, Clinton's chief of staff, said the White House preferred to call it a recess. Others, he said, preferred the word suspension.

"We feel the time has come for a pause," House Speaker Newt Gingrich said after the Tuesday talk stoppage. Dole was for recess, and said the Republicans would be prepared to meet again, no earlier than next Wednesday, whenever the president has something else to present as a step toward a settlement.

The Republicans said they'd already yielded ground, Clinton said he had too, and both sides said they aren't really debating dollars so much as the role and size of the federal future.

"It's not just the money here, I want to emphasize that," Clinton said Wednesday. "It's the policy." He said a seven-year

balanced budget solution could be arrived at in 15 minutes, but for the ideological differences. That means the issue of where to cut spending, how much and for whom to cut taxes, what to do about federal medical care programs for the elderly and the needy.

Those always have been issues between Democrats and Republicans: Clinton said what ought to happen now is a budget accord, presumably on something close to his last offer, and then a campaign on the basic differences over programs like Medicare, education spending and environmental protection.

"We ought to have an election about that," he said.

Republicans would counter that there's already been one, in 1994, and they won it, which is why the government is split and the budget at impasse. But Clinton said it didn't get to the point of campaign debate and decision on the specific programs at issue now.

It never does. But the elections of 1992, when he made the economy his central issue, and of 1994, when Republicans challenged big government, dealt with the overall philosophies that are in dispute now.

Gingrich said the deadlock may not be broken and there may be no budget deal until after the Nov. 5 elections, pessimism that triggered a stock market plunge Wednesday.

"It may just be that we need one more election," he said. "It may literally be that the Clinton administration cannot agree to the kind of decentralization and lower spending and lower taxes that we represent."

Which is another way of saying that Clinton is a Democrat and they are conservative Republicans.

The election isn't going to change that, and the current poll outlook holds through the election year, the voters may well deliver another divided government.

While one survey put Dole and Clinton in a statistical dead heat as presidential rivals, a Washington Post-ABC News poll published Wednesday rated Clinton comfortably ahead.

With 236 seats in the House and 54 in the Senate, Republicans are in a commanding position to extend their control of Congress. There are more senators retiring than in any modern election, and eight of the 12 are Democrats, openings likely to enlarge the GOP majority. In the House, 22 Democrats have decided against running again.

Were Clinton to win a second term, and congressional lines to hold, the whole dispute about priorities and policy would be replayed, as it has been before, between Republican presidents and the Democrats who held Congress until this year. The answer has been compromise. Without it, a divided government doesn't work.

"In a political system where one party ... does not have total control, sooner or later you have to ask yourself are you going to make the perfect the enemy of the good," Clinton said.

Good question. What's missing is a good answer.

Walter R. Mears, vice president and columnist for The Associated Press, has reported on Washington and national politics for more than 30 years.

TEXAS

Teen believed to have abused children

HOUSTON (AP) — Harris County authorities believe that a 14-year-old boy has sexually abused as many as 12 children, including his younger stepbrother and stepsister.

Authorities said Wednesday that the victims all lived in the east Harris County neighborhood.

The boy, who was not identified, was taken into custody Tuesday night following an investigation that began a week earlier, Sheriff Tommy Thomas said.

He was charged in the juvenile court system with four

counts of sexual assault and is in the custody of juvenile authorities.

Under new laws, the teen-ager could be certified for trial in adult courts.

Although authorities haven't identified him because of his age, they said he attends C.E. King Junior High School and the family lives in the Sheldon Woods subdivision. The household consists of the teen, his mother, her boyfriend and his two children, they said.

Thomas said detectives became involved in the case when someone told Harris

County Children's Protective Services officials there was evidence the boy was physically and sexually abusing his 5-year-old stepbrother and 6-year-old stepsister.

An investigation disclosed that the youth may have abused other children in the subdivision and at least 10 children came forward to say that they had been abused by the boy, officers said.

The victims include boys and girls ranging in age from 5 to 10, and the abuse dates back to last June or perhaps earlier, Thomas said.

TAXING LEARNING



Volunteers listen to instructions at the First Presbyterian Church Wednesday as they prepare for the start of another tax year. The volunteers, part of the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program, will be available to help citizens with their taxes starting in February.

Oldest rookie fired for blocking background check

FORT WORTH (AP) — The oldest rookie to graduate from the Fort Worth Police Academy has been fired for attempting to block officials from doing a background check, Police Chief Thomas Windham says.

Dan Foglton, 46, was terminated during the past weekend because he told the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms not to release a detailed employment record to city police, Windham said Wednesday.

Windham said police were specifically interested in learning why he left his job with the federal agency.

The record Foglton provided the city indicates that there might have been a disciplinary problem, the chief said, but details of the incident were not included with the documents given to the department.

The chief said that in July, Foglton signed a release allowing the city to get a copy of his

employment record, but in September he told the ATF by letter to withhold the information.

"We let him into the academy before the background check was completed, but he understood we would check it," Windham said. "I didn't have any alternative" other than to fire him.

Foglton told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram his previous jobs have ranged from being a Secret Service agent protecting U.S. presidents to working as a corporate security officer for General Dynamics in Fort Worth.

Foglton did not return phone calls to his home, the newspaper reported today.

Richard Carter, a lawyer who represents Foglton, said Foglton was not trying to hide anything from the city but was instead trying to facilitate the process by having his confidential files released to him for review by the city.

Decision on Lucas expected by Feb. 2

SAN ANGELO (AP) — A federal judge says he hopes to decide by Feb. 2 whether one-time suspected serial killer Henry Lee Lucas should be executed.

Lucas, who says he is 60 years old, contends he did not strangle "Orange Socks," so called because that was the only clothing the woman was wearing when her body was found Halloween 1979, in a culvert near Georgetown. The body was never identified.

A San Angelo jury sentenced Lucas to death in 1984 for her slaying.

Lucas contends he was working in Florida at the time. He claims his confessions in that "Orange Socks" case were false.

Conservative Democrats think they are in the catbird's seat over budget

WASHINGTON (AP) — Conservative Democrats are finding themselves in an enviable position now that budget talks between President Clinton and congressional Republicans have stalled, perhaps permanently.

Republican leaders are courting the so-called "Blue Dog Democrats," hopeful that the GOP can sidestep the White House and push a veto-proof budget-balancing plan through Congress with the help of those Democrats.

"In my estimation, that may be the most productive way for us to move forward," said House Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Irving.

But White House Chief of Staff Leon Panetta, interviewed Wednesday on NBC's "Today" show, said: "We feel pretty confident about our ability to hold conservative Democrats."

The Blue Dogs have been at the table during the protracted budget wrangling, finding their own alternative to achieving a balanced budget by 2002 gaining ever more credence. Republicans have moved toward the Blue Dogs' numbers on reduced spending for Medicare and Medicaid, agreeing to drop their bigger spending reductions. Agreement on welfare numbers is near.

But one area that has yet to be ironed out with the 22 conservative Democrats who form the Coalition is tax cuts.

One prominent conservative, Rep. Charles Stenholm of Texas, indicated Wednesday that House Speaker Newt Gingrich and other Republicans may have problems wooing the Blue Dogs to their side if the GOP continues insisting on a \$177 billion tax cut.

"It seems now that the only real, real division that we have with the Republican side is their demand that we have a tax cut paid for with borrowed money," the Stamford Democrat said. "That's going to be very difficult for many of us to stomach."

But, he added: "Certainly if the Republicans are willing to scale back their tax cut to get the deficit down, there will be a lot of agreement."

Contrasting the GOP and Coalition plans, Stenholm said the Republicans' blueprint would require adding another \$115 billion to the deficit in the first three years to pay for the tax cuts.

"We are much more interested in the Coalition approach that starts the deficit down and continues the deficit down," Stenholm said.

The other two Coalition members from Texas, Reps. Pete Geren of Fort Worth and Ralph Hall of Rockwall, seemed less perturbed by the tax cut issue.

Dole says there's going to be one, the (House) Speaker says there is going to be one and (House) Democratic leader Richard Gephardt indicates there's going to be one, there's going to be one," Hall said.

"So then you need to move in and try to have some input and have a reasonable position on what tax cuts you'd have," Hall said, indicating support for cuts in capital gains, inheritance taxes and some sort of tax rebate for families with dependents.

The budget talks are akin to the story of the tortoise and the hare, Geren said, expressing hope that an agreement can be worked out on tax cuts and other outstanding issues.

"The Coalition has been pursuing the tortoise strategy," he said. "We are just plodding along, taking the budget piece by piece and working through everybody's objections to each piece and getting that done and moving on to the next one."

If it takes voting for a Republican to achieve a balanced budget in seven years, and embarrassing the White House by doing so, Geren said he would.

"This is a chance of a lifetime to bring fiscal responsibility to a government that has grown exponentially over the last 30 years and I don't want to blow it," said Geren, who is retiring from Congress after this year.

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BINGO!

The numbers show it's a hit in Howard County

By **CARLTON JOHNSON**
Staff Writer

Charitable Bingo continues to be a big hit with players in Howard County.

Texas Lottery Commission Executive Director Nora Linares said total prize amounts being won statewide are on the rise.

"During the third quarter of 1995 players in Howard County collected their share of prizes playing charitable bingo games," she said.

Charitable Bingo players who frequented the 10 bingo halls in Howard County won \$656,202 in July, August and September of this year.

The \$656,202 won locally represents part of the \$106 million in prize money bingo halls across the state paid to winners. That includes \$86.6 million for regular bingo prizes and \$21.5 million for pull tab bingo games.

The third quarter figure is a 0.75 percent increase compared to second quarter figures.

Players in Dallas County bingo halls won \$15.6 million, more than any other county in

the state. Tarrant County was second with \$13.7 million, followed by Harris County with \$11.1 million.

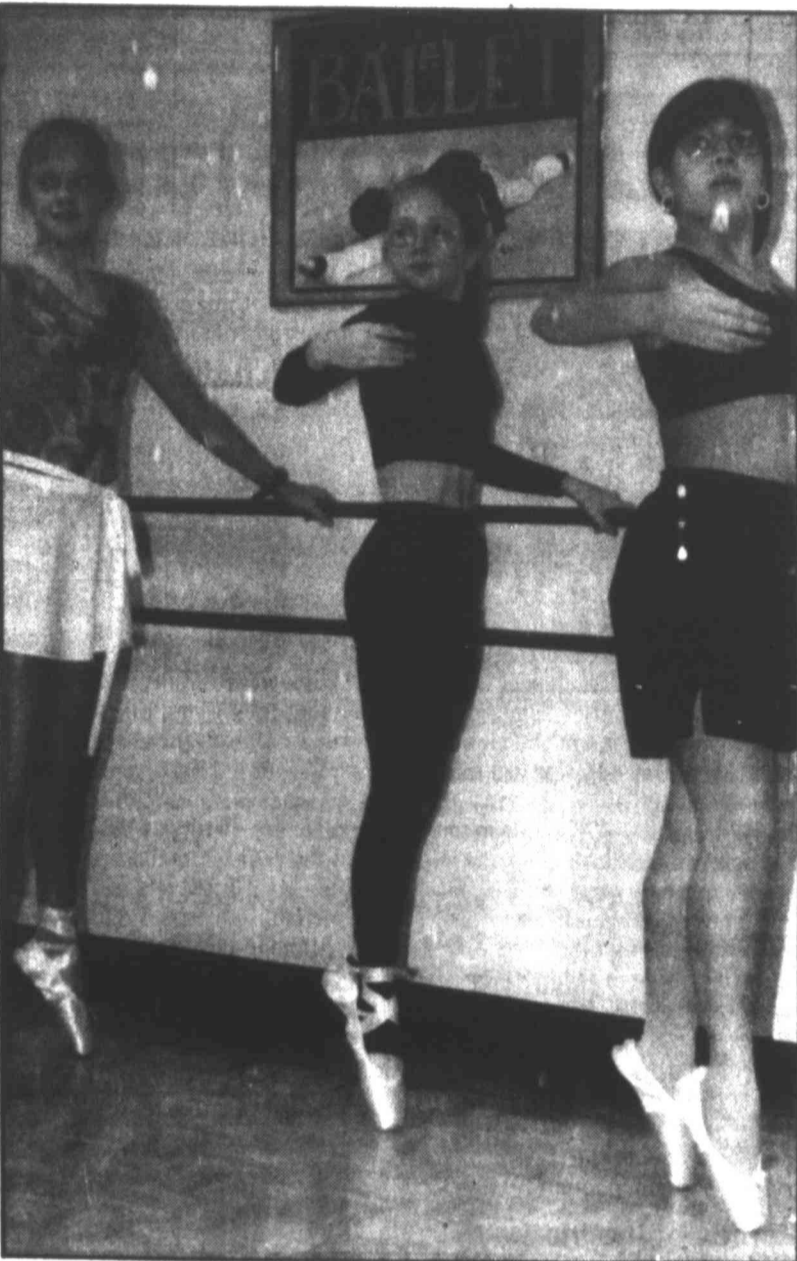
In December the city of Big Spring received \$14,062.35 in charitable bingo prize fees covering the third quarter of 1995.

The payments cover prize fees collected by charitable Bingo players during July, August and September of 1995. Cities and counties that imposed the gross receipts tax on a local-option basis receive or share quarterly payments equal to 2.5 percent of the prizes won by players in their jurisdictions.

The \$14,062.35 payment allocated to the city of Big Spring was part of the \$2.7 million in prize fees allocated to Texas cities and counties last month. In total, 68 county governments received \$1.4 million in prize fees, and 127 city governments received \$1.3 million.

The largest single allocation of prize fees for the third quarter was \$209,900 to Dallas County. The remainder of the top five is: Tarrant County, \$178,710; Harris County, \$160,674; city of Dallas, \$127,514; and Bexar County, \$116,933.

BUDDING BALLERINAS



The first day of wearing toe shoes, Chelsea Churchwell, Laura Rutherford and Traci Beltran hold onto the rail and practice standing on their toes at the Dance Gallery Tuesday afternoon.

Austin seeing a growing niche for private schools

By **SHARON JAYSON**
Austin American-Statesman

AUSTIN — High school junior Adam Schwitters' semester of study in Switzerland in the fall of 1994 may have boosted his chances for acceptance at St. Stephen's Episcopal School last winter.

Schwitters had spent the first semester of his 10th-grade year as one of six Texans among 40 sophomores nationwide selected for Swiss Semester, a program for "highly motivated students of above average achievement." He was accepted at St. Stephen's.

Many others weren't. This fall, 48 students applied for the 18 available spots as freshmen at Austin's oldest private high school, which opened in 1950 as a co-educational college preparatory boarding and day school.

Classes are full at the 400-acre campus just west of Loop 360, where high school tuition is \$10,850 a year.

Families drawn to Austin by a surging job market say they're surprised at the lack of private school opportunities in a city touted for its educated population.

But there are signs of possible change. St. Andrew's hired an out-of-town consultant last spring to gauge local sentiment toward its offering a high school program.

The city's rapid population growth, which includes many in the high-tech field, prompted a recommendation to "seriously consider the addition of grades nine through 12." While the board considers that option, private high schools continue to turn students away for lack of space.

Highly qualified applicants are often placed on waiting lists after being subjected to a review of their academic records, test scores, letters of recommendation and sitting for a personal interview with school officials.

Some observers say the limited number of private school slots is, at least in part, a reflection of the area's tradition of strong public schools and Texans' opinions about non-public schools.

"When I came to the Southwest, there was an attitude here that private schools are somehow undemocratic and elitist," said Richard Ekdhahl, executive director of the Independent Schools Association of the Southwest, a regional office for the National Association of Independent Schools. "That would explain to some degree that there are relatively few schools here. Private schools in New England predate public schools, whereas in the Southwest the public school predated private schools."

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School menagerie helps students study unusual animals

By **PAUL MCKAY**
Houston Chronicle

THE WOODLANDS, Texas — Bryan Downey can hardly wait until it's his turn to get together with friends in the science lab.

He especially likes visiting his green friend — the one with the long tail.

The monkey-tail skink — a friendly green lizard weighing almost two pounds — is a favorite of other pupils at Powell Elementary School, too, but it's far from alone. There are plenty of other residents of the science lab's menagerie who get daily attention.

"It's a big, humongous

skink!" Bryan, a 7-year-old first-grader, gushes about the big lizard.

But he also enjoys the baby boa constrictor and the hedgehog from among the 21 animals maintained in the school's "Adopt-an-Animal" program. The project enables pupils to learn about animals in an up-close and personal way.

"We're trying to create an environment where the students can get hands-on instruction," said Kimberly Mellor, an assistant principal in charge of the project. "It gives the students a chance to observe and hold the animals, feed them and take care of them rather than just reading about them in

a book. "The kids love it," Mellor said. "When they hear they're going to the science lab, they get absolutely thrilled."

All 635 children at the school, from kindergarten through fourth grade, get their thrills. Mellor said each grade level has a designated day to visit the lab so that everyone has continual access.

Parent volunteers come in daily to help with feeding, cleaning cages or other maintenance, but pupils are encouraged to do whatever they can.

"The kids cut up and divide the food and things like that because it's my philosophy, and our principal's philosophy, that

if the children can do it, let them do it," Mellor said.

On Fridays or holidays, the volunteers take the animals home for feeding and upkeep until the next school day. Some of the animals have been donated by parents who acquired them through Wet Pets and Friends, a local pet shop.

But area businesses also have contributed some of the critters, as well as funds or services for food, veterinary care and the like. Mellor calls the project "a complete team effort."

The animals range from the exotic and somewhat rare — like the popular monkey-tail skink — to more common

species such as ferrets and guinea pigs.

The green skink — probably the most popular and unusual specimen in the lab — comes from the Solomon Islands. It's a friendly animal that the children have named "Alien." It has a long tail it uses as a fifth leg, which makes it fun to observe, Mellor said.

The menagerie also has a smaller, brown skink.

The pupils have learned from their study of the skinks that they are vegetarians found in the jungle. They also have learned Alien can be hard to find, as its green skin provides an effective camouflage in its natural habitat.

Animals like the boa, which currently is young and about a foot long — compared with the 8 feet it will reach — will be exchanged for other animals before they grow too large. Mellor said the pet shop makes the exchanges so that the children can be exposed to a variety of animals.

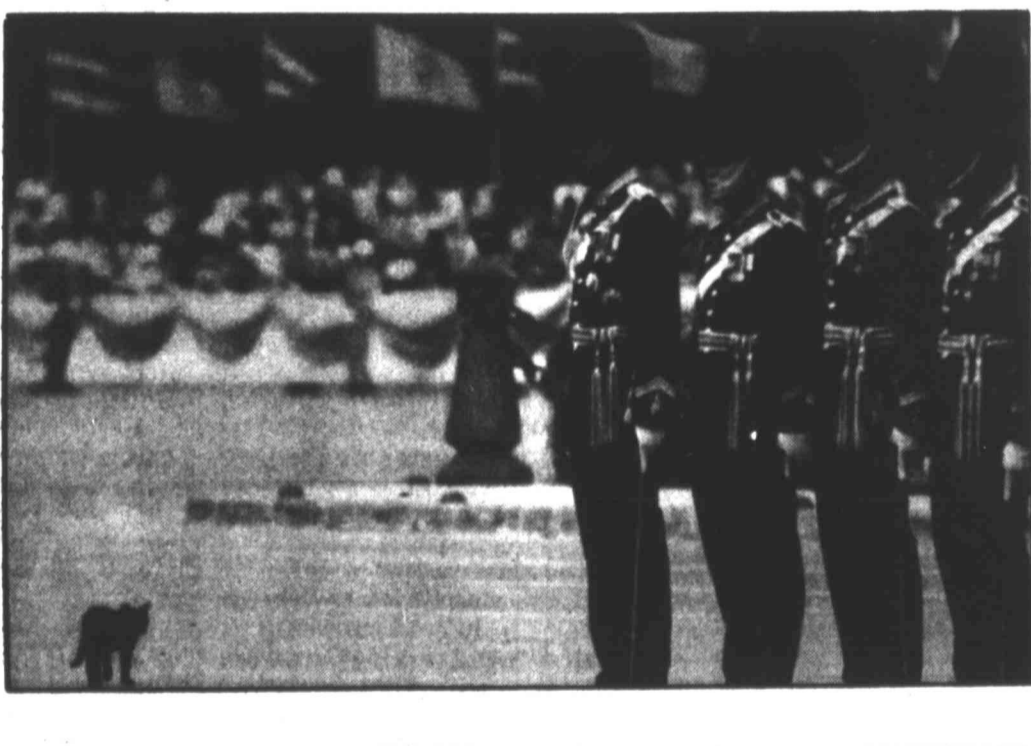
Besides being a great educational tool, Mellor said, the program, which began in August, reaps motivational benefits for problem pupils. She said those who have behavioral problems are rewarded after a certain number of days of good behavior with a visit to the lab.

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THAT DARN CAT

Associated Press photo

A stray black cat wanders onto the plaza as members of the Thai Royal Guard stand at attention during an annual ceremony honoring Thailand's King Bhumipol Adulyadej's birthday in Bangkok on Dec. 3. He turned 68 Dec. 5.



Cyber-Kids lead online chat in eWorld

By **TOM ABATE**
San Francisco Examiner

SAN FRANCISCO — Alex Hempton, Suzy Klein and Kris Nyberg lead two youth-oriented discussion groups on eWorld, Apple Computer Inc.'s answer to America Online and CompuServe.

Hempton, 14, and Nyberg, 18, run Youth Central, a forum where some 5,000 teens regularly talk about everything from movies to personal concerns. Klein runs a smaller discussion group called Girls Online.

Hempton, a ninth-grader in San Diego, started playing with computers at age 8. By the time he was 12, he was regularly visiting America Online. He became a frequent and early user of eWorld. After it debuted

in July 1994, Apple asked him to form an on-line area geared to youngsters. He leapt at the chance.

"Being on-line is another way of meeting people that you wouldn't get if you were watching TV or talking on the phone," Hempton said.

While in training with Apple staff, he met Klein. Apple wanted the pair to work together, but Klein thought otherwise. "I wanted a group of my own," said the Alameda, Calif., high schooler. Apple gave her a chance to host Girls Online, where young women can meet in cyberspace without guys pawing around.

"It bugs me sometimes that most of what they want to talk about is boys," said Klein, who wishes her on-line girlfriends

would chat about the science fiction books and classics she enjoys.

Eighteen-year-old Nyberg, eldest of the three, got his first computer from an inheritance left by his deceased father. He met and befriended Hempton in Youth Central chat discussions, and discovered they were neighbors in San Diego.

"A little while ago, Alex had an opening for someone to help out with Youth Central, and I applied," Nyberg said.

But the Cyber-Kids say they're not falling into any cyber-void.

"It's not like the on-line world will replace going to the movies or eating dinner with your family," Hempton said.

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TIPS 'N' TRIVIA

When it's good to eat like a king

What's the secret of staying fit and trim into old age, without excessive weight loss regimens? It may have to do with that first meal of the day. Remember the old adage, "Eat like a king at breakfast, a prince at lunch and a pauper at dinner." Fuel up in the morning with plenty of complex carbohydrates (breads, cereals, other grains) plus calcium and protein (milk, yogurt, cheese).

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Band Boosters to meet Jan. 16

The Big Spring Band Boosters will meet 7 p.m. Jan. 16 in the high school band hall. All Band Boosters band parents and supporters are encouraged to attend.

WTCA to present play in February

The West Texas Center for the Arts of Big Spring and the Amateur Community Theater Society (ACTS) will present the play "Weekend Comedy" Feb. 16-18 at the Howard College Campus Theater Auditorium. For more information call 264-5115.

Post office to close Jan. 15

The U.S. Post Office in Big Spring will be closed Monday, Jan. 15 in observance of Martin Luther King Day.

THE LAST WORD

As a general rule the most successful man in life is the man who has the best information.
—Benjamin Disraeli

Between man and wife even thoughts are contagious.
—Friedrich Nietzsche

We make our friends; we make our enemies; but God makes our next-door neighbor.
—G.K. Chesterton

Daring ideas are like chessmen moved forward; they may be beaten, but they may start a winning game.
—Goethe

EXTRA! EXTRA!

The following column is based on a story that appeared in the Herald on Tuesday.

Test your reading comprehension by reading the story below and answering the questions that follow.

County Approves Boot Camp for Juvenile

Howard County commissioners have tentatively approved spending \$14,000 to send a juvenile to boot camp.

Chief Juvenile Probation Officer Margy Thompson-Bradberry made the request at the commissioners' meeting Monday morning.

She said the money set aside for her office is already spent for the year to pay for sending juveniles to facilities in Midland or Sweetwater.

County Judge Ben Lockhart, also the juvenile judge, has made a request to Bradberry to discuss the matter with the offender's parents.

Bradberry reported the teen was involved in burglarizing and vandalizing a van in Midland last summer.

He was sent to a facility out of town for 30 days and his first day of school, he reportedly cussed at a teacher and got into a fight.

It costs the county \$2,500 to house a teen in a youth facility in Midland or Sweetwater for 30 days.

"The camp is not run by the state but it is state-certified. The kids are not left alone from 5:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. and they continue their academic education.

The camp is run by retired military personnel who run it just like a Marine or other branch of service runs their boot camps.

Lockhart suggested the county pick up the difference in whatever the parents can't pay toward the price of sending their son to the facility.

A new state law mandates courts to remove the offender from the home but doesn't provide the funds to pay for the cost of housing the juvenile in any type of facility.

Commissioner Sonny Choate made the motion to tentatively approve the measure and place it on the next agenda so they can see how much the county will have to pay once Bradberry visits with the family.

The motion carried unanimously.

Find and define the following vocabulary words in the story:

- 1. tentatively
2. appropriated
3. offender
4. mandates
5. unanimously

Answers: 1. Done as a trial, experimental.

2. Set aside for a particular purpose.

3. A person who does something wrong, displeases or makes someone angry.

4. Officially orders an action to be taken.

5. Agreed to by everyone. (Definitions based on Webster's Dictionary Library, 1980)

The Mini Page Especially for kids and their families

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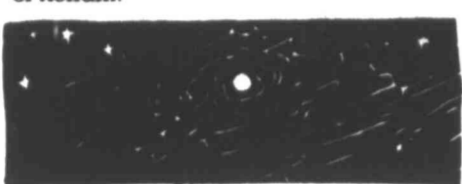
By BETTY DEBNAM

Star Starters

A Kid's Guide to Stars

Star qualities

A star is a big ball of gases mashed together in a cloud. The gases are mostly hydrogen, with a small amount of helium.



A star is born

New stars are formed when the pressure of the gases and dust gets so great that the heat at the core of a cloud reaches millions of degrees.

The star begins to shine when the hydrogen atoms are fused, or joined together, to form helium atoms.

Most stars shine for about 500 billion years.



Star search

The best stargazing is in the country, away from city lights. The best nights are clear winter nights when the moon is dark.

Stars are out in the daytime, but we do not see them because the sun shines so brightly it blots them out.



Seeing stars

No one knows how many stars there are. On a dark winter night, people in rural areas can see about 4,500 stars with the naked eye.

In and around cities, lights and pollution can block out the view of the stars. From the suburbs, you might see as many as 200 of them.

When you first look, you will probably see only a few stars. But if you search for a while, you will be able to see many more of the fainter stars.

People in the Northern Hemisphere see different stars than do people in the Southern Hemisphere.

Homes of the stars

Stars are clustered in galaxies. There are at least 100 billion stars in a galaxy. There are billions of galaxies in our universe.



Star light, star bright

From Earth some stars seem a lot brighter than others. Astronomers call the brightness of a star its "magnitude."

Magnitudes

- Brightest 1st
Somewhat bright 2nd
Medium 3rd
Faint 4th
Very faint 5th
Barely visible 6th

Far stars

The nearest star to us is the sun. It is about 93 million miles from Earth. The next nearest star is almost 26 trillion miles, or 4.3 light-years, away.

Space is so huge that astronomers measure distances in light-years. A light-year is the distance light can travel in a year.

When we look at a star 4.3 light-years away, we are looking at light that left the star more than four years ago.

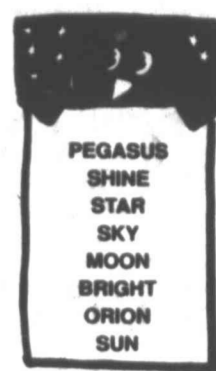


When the moon passes before our star neighbor, the sun, we have an eclipse.

PETER PENGUIN'S PUZZLE & LE-DO

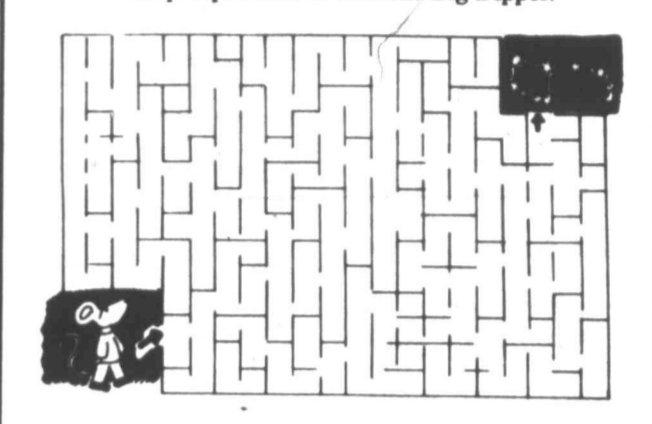
Each of the words Peter Penguin is holding is hidden in a sentence. We have found the first one for you.

- 1. Ask your mother to get ready.
2. It is just a rabbit.
3. Is Elmo on first base?
4. Tuck in Gus under the blanket.
5. Are you or I on the bicycle?
6. Gosh, I never saw the movie.
7. Is Bob right on target?
8. Is Peg a suspect?



MAZE

Help Alpha Mouse find the Big Dipper.



MIGHTY FUNNY'S Mini Jokes

Humorous jokes and riddles including 'HOW DO YOU GET A MOUSE TO FLY?' and 'BUY HIM AN AIRLINE TICKET!'.

Rookie Cookie's Recipe

Tuna 'n Stuff

- You'll need:
1 6-ounce package stuffing mix
1 10-ounce box frozen peas, thawed
2 6 1/2-ounce cans tuna, drained
1 can cream of mushroom soup

- What to do:
1. Make stuffing following directions on package.
2. Combine stuffing with peas. Mix well.
3. Place in greased casserole.
4. In a medium bowl, combine tuna and mushroom soup. Mix well.
5. Spread tuna-soup mixture on top of stuffing mixture.
6. Bake in a preheated 350-degree oven for 30 minutes. Serves 6.



Star Stars

Constellations are groups of stars that form patterns as seen from Earth.

Ancient people thought these patterns formed the outline of creatures or people.

But don't worry if you don't see the same pictures they saw. It's much easier to look for simple patterns.

For example, don't start by looking for the Big Bear. Instead, look for the Big Dipper.



making up stories about the night skies.

To make things easier for us, modern astronomers have divided the whole sky into 88 regions. Each region marks one constellation.

Earlier people didn't have TV or computers or soccer. They entertained themselves by



As the Earth moves around the sun, we get different views of constellations.

Each constellation has a time when we can see it best, a time when it is highest in the sky.

STARS

Word search puzzle with words related to stars and constellations hidden in a grid.

Mini Spy ...

Mini Spy and her friends are stargazing. See if you can find:

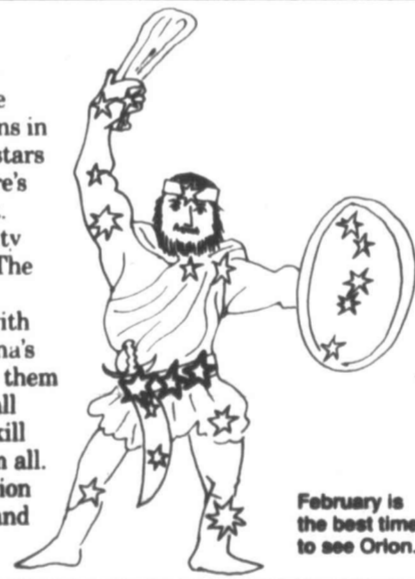


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dustpan
number 7
knitpot
knife
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Winter: Orion

Orion is one of the most famous patterns in the sky. The three stars making up the figure's belt are easy to spot.

Orion was a mighty but mortal hunter. The goddess of hunting, Diana, fell in love with him.

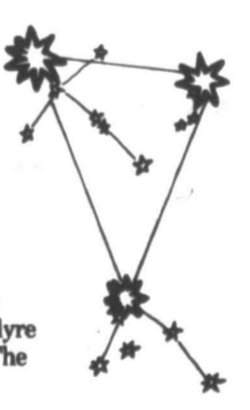


February is the best time to see Orion.

The Summer Triangle

This pattern is not a constellation. Each of its three stars is part of a different constellation.

The star on the top left is part of Cygnus, or the Swan. This constellation is also known as the Northern Cross.



Spring: the Big Dipper

Another well-known pattern is the Big Dipper. We can see it all year round, but it is easiest to see in the spring.

The dipper is part of a constellation called Ursa Major or the Big Bear. The dipper's handle makes up the bear's tail.

Normally bears have short, stubby tails. But when the god Zeus grabbed this bear by her tail and threw her into the sky, her tail stretched way out.

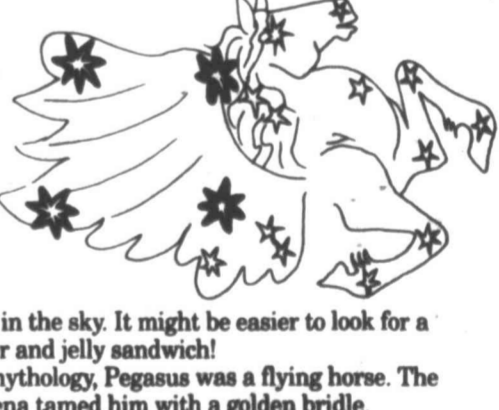


Autumn: the Square of Pegasus

Pegasus is easy to find in the autumn; you just look for a square.

It is not so easy to imagine a flying horse, especially since it is upside down in the sky.

In Greek mythology, Pegasus was a flying horse. The goddess Athena tamed him with a golden bridle.



The Mini Page thanks Geoffrey Chester of the Albert Einstein Planetarium, National Air and Space Museum, Smithsonian Institution.

Next week, The Mini Page tackles professional football.

To do: Look through your newspaper for other signs of the seasons.

Advertisement for Coronado Hills Apartments featuring the text 'A lifetime of learning should begin today.' and 'THE MINI PAGE SPONSORED BY: MARIE HALL A Proud Newspaper In Education Partner.'

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SPORTS

BIG SPRING HERALD
THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 1996

SCOREBOARD

Friday	NBA	NHL
Monahans at LADY STEERS, 6 p.m., Steer Gym Monahans at STEERS, 7:30 p.m., Steer Gym	Washington 96, Philadelphia 93 Chicago 118, Seattle 87 San Antonio 92, Cleveland 86 Denver 91, Vancouver 85 Portland 90, Miami 89	Toronto 5, Los Angeles 4 Detroit 4, Dallas 0 Winnipeg 4, Buffalo 1 Florida 4, Colorado 4, tie Calgary 3, Hartford 2, OT

Got an Item?

Do you have an interesting story idea? Call Steve Reagan, 263-7331, Ext 113.

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Howard rallies past Grayson

By RODERICK RICHARDSON
Sportswriter

The Howard College Hawks stole a victory Wednesday night from Grayson College 86-82. Grayson held the lead the majority of the game, but the Hawks were on top at the end.

The score was close during the opening minutes as Grayson set up a 2-3 zone defense to shut off Howard's inside game.

The zone caught the Hawks' attention. Turnovers plagued the Hawks, possibly to the absence of point guard Rod Jones. Grayson steadily widened the lead to 26-18 with 8:31 remaining in the first half.

"It was really difficult for us without our point guard. I think it was pretty obvious," said Howard Coach Tommy Collins. "We were really out of synch without him... We lost a lot of cohesiveness that we had in the past. But we came out with a victory and that's always good."

Free throws kept the Hawks in the game. Grayson's aggressive defense placed the Vikings in foul trouble late in the first half. The Vikings' foul problems was also a sign of Howard's improvement in the inside game.

"We had to get quick buckets," said Hawk point guard Aaron Curry. "We had to go inside, give it to our big man. They get the fouls and stop the clock."

Grayson still had the lead right before the half, but a last second three-pointer by freshmen guard Andre Blackmon tied the game 41-41 at intermission.

With Howard taking the momentum, the pace Please see HAWKS, page 2B



Howard's L.J. Johnson (23) and Steve Jones of Grayson College battle for a rebound during their game Wednesday at Garrett Coliseum.

Surprise! Johnson gets Dolphins' job

DAVIE, Fla. (AP) — Jimmy Johnson once again is about to follow a coaching legend.

First it was Tom Landry in Dallas, and now it's Don Shula. Johnson's decision to coach the Miami Dolphins came after just one meeting with team owner Wayne Huizenga. An announcement was planned for this afternoon, Johnson's mother told The Associated Press late Wednesday.

"Jimmy is very happy," said Allene Johnson, speaking by telephone from her home in Port Arthur, Texas. "He just loves coaching and he's very happy to be getting back in it."

Johnson, 52, was expected to sign a four- or five-year deal that will average less than \$3 million per season in salary and other inducements, enough to make him the highest-paid coach in the NFL. The Miami Herald reported.

A Dolphins representative and a source close to Huizenga would not confirm the hiring, and said they knew of no news conference scheduled for today.

Huizenga and Johnson talked for four hours Wednesday at the team's training complex. Two forces hastened the negotiations: the job is the one Johnson wants, and Johnson is the coach Huizenga wants.

Johnson has long coveted the post Shula held until retiring last week. Shula, 66, was widely criticized by fans for the team's disappointing 9-7 record in what he said was the toughest

est of his 33 NFL seasons.

Johnson replaced another coaching great, Landry, when he became coach of the Cowboys in 1989, and was undaunted by the challenge of succeeding Shula, who holds the league record for victories with 347.

Coaching the Dolphins will allow Johnson to work near his home in the Florida Keys. And by inheriting a team that many — including Johnson — picked to reach the Super Bowl this season, he becomes an immediate threat to capture another NFL title.

"This makes the Dolphins a very dangerous team," Cowboys running back Emmitt Smith said. "It's also going to make them a very lean team. Jimmy's going to go in there and trim out all the fat — the guys just sitting around collecting checks. If I were some of those guys, I'd be a little worried."

Johnson, after coaching Dallas to a 1-15 record in his first season, won the Super Bowl with the Cowboys in 1993 and 1994, then left coaching to become a TV analyst.

"The only way I'd ever go back into coaching was if I looked into the future and saw a Super Bowl," Johnson said following his meeting with Huizenga. "There's no question the opportunity is here. When you have an owner like Wayne

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FEELING FINE

Smith says past injuries nothing but a memory

IRVING, Texas (AP) — When owner Jerry Jones engaged in a contract dispute with Emmitt Smith two years ago, he discovered how valuable Smith was to the team.

Smith held out for two games and the Dallas Cowboys lost both of them. Jones capitulated on the salary talks, signed Smith, and the Cowboys went on to win the Super Bowl.

A year ago, Smith was so banged up he was playing on a hand and one good leg.

He limped his way through the Cowboys' NFC championship loss to the San Francisco 49ers on a pulled hamstring that would have felled a lesser man.

The bad news for the Green Bay Packers on Sunday in the NFC Championship game is that Smith, save for some bruised ribs courtesy of the Philadelphia Eagles, is feeling as good as he has all season.

"There's no comparison to where I am now to where I was last year," Smith said. "I was hurt so bad I couldn't even smile. You see me smiling now."

Smith gained only 74 yards in the 38-28 loss to the 49ers on the treacherous footing of Candlestick Park. It was not good turf for anyone with hamstring problems.

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Dallas' Deion Sanders (21) celebrates after scoring a touchdown against the Philadelphia Eagles last Sunday in Texas Stadium. Looking on are Kevin Williams (85) and Michael Irvin.

Please give us a Super Super Bowl

As the possibility is approaching.

Finally, the world has a decent chance of not witnessing another NFC blowout in Super Bowl XXX.

I don't know about the rest of the world, but I am tired of wasting my time, munchies, soda and beer on a dragged-out slaughter.

The worst part is I wouldn't put up with it if it wasn't the Super Bowl and the last football game until August. The Pro Bowl don't count as a game in my eyes.



Roderick Richardson
Sportswriter

For the past eight years (not including Super Bowl XXV, Giants vs. Buffalo), I did put up with it. There was no biting of nails in my part, no swearing at bad plays, no name calling at officials and no bouncing on the couch. The duty of a couch potato is left unfulfilled.

I know people will ask, "What about the Dallas wins?"

What about them? The first

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All together now: Teamwork key to Packers' playoff run

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) — Brett Favre says Green Bay's surprisingly successful season has been sweeter because Sterling Sharpe is analyzing games on television instead of mouthing off in the huddle.

Yet, he denies there's a rift between him and his former favorite receiver.

"There's no friction between

me and Sterling," Favre said as he prepared for Sunday's NFC Championship at Dallas. "I just thought that when he was here, sometimes when you have a great player on your team, you concentrate too much of your offensive strategy on him."

Just look at Detroit and how the Lions finally jelled after they quit relying on Barry

Sanders so much, Favre said.

"Now they've realized that they have other weapons, and you see how better their offense is," Favre said. "With Sterling gone now, it gave me a chance to open this offense up, spread it around to other guys."

Many Packers players and coaches contend it's no coincidence that they've gone farther

without Sharpe than they ever went with him.

"I think it's an unselfish huddle," said Robert Brooks, who took over Sharpe's flanker spot after the perennial All-Pro was released following neck surgery last winter. "We don't care who's going to make the play. We just know somebody's got to make the play, and nobody

cares who it's going to be."

Sharpe's achievements on the field will never be disputed — in seven seasons he averaged 85 catches and 1,162 yards as the centerpiece of Green Bay's attack. But his haughty and menacing personality often drove teammates and coaches

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Friday

Basketball

Monahans at Big Spring (B/G), 6/7:30
Foran at Coahoma (B/G), 6:30/8
Stanton at Jim Ned (B/G), 6:30/8
Southland at Sands (B/G), 6:30/8
Loop at Grady (B/G), 6:30/8
Klondike at Lazbuddie (B/G), 6:30/8

Saturday

Swimming

Big Spring at Monahans meet (B/G)

STATE/NATION

Stars drop coach's debut

DALLAS (AP) — Ken Hitchcock's NHL coaching debut with the Dallas Stars had Scotty Bowman feeling nervous on the other side of the ice.

Bowman, the NHL leader in victories and games, said he is always apprehensive when he faces a new coach, figuring the opposition will respond with a spirited effort.

It turned out the Red Wings coach had no reason for concern as All-Star goalie Chris Osgood stopped 25 shots Wednesday night for his fourth shutout of the season as Detroit cruised to a 4-0 victory.

While Hitchcock was being initiated into the NHL, Bowman picked up his 943rd victory in his 1,613rd game.

Haley works out

IRVING (AP) — Defensive end Charles Haley, who underwent back surgery five weeks ago, practiced with the Dallas Cowboys for the first time and could be ready for limited action in Sunday's NFC championship.

Haley is expected to be used in passing situations against Green Bay.

Another honor for Barnett

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Gary Barnett, who led Northwestern to a Big Ten title and its first Rose Bowl since 1949, was selected coach of the year by the American Football Coaches Association.

ON THE AIR

Basketball

College

Nicholls State at SW Texas St. (women), 5 p.m., PRIME (ch. 29).
Minnesota at Penn. State, 6:30 p.m., ESPN (ch. 30).
Nicholls State at SW Texas St. (men), 7:30 p.m., PRIME.
Kansas at Florida, 8:30 p.m., ESPN.
Stanford at UCLA, 9:30 p.m., PRIME.
S. Illinois at Utah State, 11 p.m., ESPN.

GEE, WHAT A CUT



Associated Press photo
Hair Stylist Marco Carrasquillo puts the finishing touches on a trim for customer Carlo Griguolo after he had a Green Bay Packers' logo sculpted into his hair Monday in Milwaukee.

Super

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quarters were exciting but after that, I was waiting for the next entertaining commercial.
I'm positive that I won't be disappointed this year. I'm just excited about the possibilities. If Dallas and Pittsburgh win their conference titles, I'm doing cartwheels. The game will take the world back to Super Bowls XXI and XXII. That's when the game had close scores. Hopefully, the championship will go the Cowboys' way.
My dream for Super Bowl XXX is for the score to be 17-17 going into overtime. Just think, America's Team colliding with the reemergence of the Iron Curtain. At the midpoint of overtime, Delon Sanders takes a 100-yard touchdown interception. He dances, the team's happy, Jerry Jones' happy, the sponsors are happy and Dallas fans are happy.
Wait! What if Green Bay and Indianapolis make it to Jan. 28? They would change the name to the "Cinderella Bowl." Look at what we'll have. The lightning unpredictability as Jim "Captain Comeback" Harbaugh tries to escape the grasp of defensive war horse Reggie White.
My dream for this game is 23-24 Colts trailing with :03 on the clock, and the Colts go for a two-point conversion.
And they fail. I'll be cheering for Green Bay.
The thought of these scenarios makes me want to call in sick for the rest of the month, put the beer and everything else in the refrigerator and sit on the couch without sleeping, eating and doing other things that require me to get up and miss the game.
Of course, there is a chance that things won't go my way, and it will be a Cowboys/Colts or a Packers/Steelers Super Bowl. I'm sorry, but I won't waste my time gearing up for those games (though the Packer/Steelers game sound interesting).
In fact, I won't even bother with the cheese dip.

Packers

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to distraction.
"Last year, having Sterling in the huddle, it was so loud: 'I need to do this. They got a 43 Front,'" split end Anthony Morgan recalled. "Now you got 11 guys that look at each other and say, 'Togetherness.'"
"I've had more fun coaching this team this year than any team I've ever been around because they're so unselfish," coach Mike Holmgren said.
At first, Sharpe's release, coupled with the team's inability to lure a free agent to replace him, looked disastrous. But Holmgren just told everybody to step it up a notch to compensate, and they did.
"We've gotten this far because we've taken the team concept to the edge," Holmgren said.
"The thing about losing Sterling was that he was such a great player that you couldn't replace him with just one guy, but a bunch of guys," defensive end Reggie White said.
Without Sharpe commanding all the attention and demanding all the passes, the refreshed Packers won their first NFC Central title in 23 years. Last week, they dethroned the San Francisco 49ers in one of the all-time playoff shockers.
Favre set an NFC record by throwing for 38 touchdowns. He hooked up with 12 receivers during the season, nine of them for touchdowns, and has thrown for five TDs in the playoffs.
He said his success has been especially sweet without Sharpe around.
"I heard all the talk about how Brett Favre without Sterling Sharpe will fall flat on his face, really that Sterling carried him through his first three years," Favre said. "We've proved them wrong."
Not only did Favre thrive and the offense diversify without Sharpe, but the Packers were a looser bunch all year.
Holmgren said Sharpe, for all his immense talents, sometimes hurt team chemistry: "There

was no oxygen left in the locker room. There's no one like that now," he said earlier this year.
Favre got into a couple of confrontations with Sharpe at practice after signing a five-year, \$19 million deal in the summer of 1994.
When Favre overthrew him, Sharpe made sarcastic remarks about how a man making that much money man ought to be able to throw on target. Favre retorted that Sharpe was paid millions to catch it, so catch it.
Favre drew Sharpe's ire after publicly chastising him for walking out on his teammates the day before the 1994 opener and returning only after general manager Ron Wolf agreed to make him the richest receiver in the NFL.
When Favre was asked about restructuring his contract after winning the MVP award last week, he said: "I'm not going to pull a Sterling."
Brooks, who caught 102 passes and broke Sharpe's team record with 1,497 receiving yards, said Sharpe's feud with Favre was based on jealousy, something that's absent with this year's team.

Johnson

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Huizenga, who is going to go out and do whatever it takes to be the very best, that gives you the opportunity as a coach.
"Not only can it be a very productive relationship, I think it can be very exciting and a lot of fun."
Johnson coached the Miami Hurricanes from 1984 to 1988 and kept a home in South Florida even after becoming coach of the Cowboys.
"I have a strong emotional feeling toward South Florida," Johnson said. "People here have been fantastic to me. Some of the greatest times I ever had in my life were when I was at the University of Miami and the success we had there. This is a place where I

wanted to be for a long time. That was one of the reasons I left the Dallas Cowboys — because I have that kind of affection for the people and area of South Florida."
His mother said Johnson made a joking phone call to her home in Port Arthur, disguising his voice and pretending to be a radio reporter from Miami.
"He was asking me a lot of questions about Johnson and other things," his mother said. "But I knew he was just kidding me because I recognized his voice."
Johnson's hiring means a shakeup in the Dolphins staff.
Personnel director Tom Heckles may be replaced with Bob Ackles of the Philadelphia

Eagles, the Herald reported. Ackles is reportedly having trouble with Eagles coach Ray Rhodes.
General manager Eddie Jones and assistant GM Bryan Wiedmeier will likely be retained.
Johnson will travel to Mobile, Ala., on Monday, where the Senior Bowl will be played the following weekend.
Next season, the Cowboys play the Dolphins, a meeting that is certain to be the most-hyped game of the year.
"It won't be a big deal to me," Cowboys owner Jerry Jones said earlier in the week, "because Jimmy Johnson has no effect whatsoever on the direction our team is going."

Smith

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But Smith worked diligently in the offseason to get his hamstrings to behave.
"I'm just fortunate I haven't had any main injury this year since training camp in July," Smith said. "I'm definitely where I want to be. I feel great."
Smith felt pretty good the last time the Cowboys met the Packers in a 34-24 win on Oct. 8 in Texas Stadium.
He rushed 31 times for 106 yards and two touchdowns as Dallas defeated Green Bay for the sixth consecutive time.
But Smith is quick to acknowledge the Packers have improved dramatically in three months.
"They have a much better defense," Smith said. "This will be a dogfight from the start to

the finish. Anybody who has seen us play this year knows we don't own anybody. You saw what kind of trouble the Packers gave to the 49ers last week. Nobody has stopped San Francisco like that in a long, long time."
Smith, who scored an NFL season record 25 touchdowns and led the league in rushing during the regular season, said he figures the Packers will double wide receiver Michael Irvin and try to stop the run.
"I'm sure they figure if they can stop the run they can win," Smith said. "They sure disassembled the 49ers. They stopped their main gun (Steve Young)."
Smith, who rushed 21 times for 99 yards and a touchdown in a 30-11 win over Philadelphia last week, has been a prime

time playoff performer.
He's a 1,000-yard playoff rusher with 226 carries for 1,018 yards. Smith has scored 13 playoff touchdowns, 11 of them rushing, in the postseason.
"Now's the time when you turn it up a notch," Smith said. "You forget about bruises and bumps. But I'm just happy that's all I have. Last year at this time I could barely run."
Smith is feeling so feisty he even challenged defensive end Charles Haley in the locker room on Wednesday.
"Hey what you doing in my corner of the locker giving interviews?" Haley asked.
A big smile on his face, Smith said, "You want some of me? Come on."
A smile crossed Haley's lips. "Naw, I love you man," Haley said.

Hawks

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of the game quickened. The Hawks were making their shots, and Howard's post man Ronnie DeGray took control of the key. The score was 58-49 Howard when Grayson called a time-out. Howard was on the verge of putting the game away.
But the Hawks fell back into their rut of the first half. Mistakes gave the Vikings the chance they needed to creep past Howard. The Hawks' efforts were hurt more when Grayson guard Jason Jones dropped three consecutive three-pointers. Midway through the second half, the score was 66-60 Grayson.
Howard soon closed to within 75-71. However, the Hawk's morale was shook when Blackmon injured his ankle with only 3:59 left in the game.
Howard caught the Vikings sleeping on defense in the final two minutes. DeGray continued to pound the boards, and point guard James Fry picked his game up a level to sink a clutch jumper from the free-throw line. The shot

from Fry gave Howard the lead at 81-79 with 41 seconds remaining. Howard held off Grayson until the end of the game.
"We had to show what we're made of," said Fry about the closing seconds of the game. "We had to show our talents."
Howard starts conference action Monday in Big Spring against New Mexico Junior College. Collins is not sure that the Hawks are ready.
"I wish we had another week, but we don't so we just have to get ready and go against New Mexico on Monday," said Collins.
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Bulls make amends for defeat

In addition to being the league's best team, the Chicago Bulls are proving remarkably adept at correcting their mistakes.

"They've lost only three times this season — to Orlando, Indiana and Seattle — and have beaten each one in their next meeting.

Chicago, which blew an 18-point lead at Seattle on Nov. 26, made no such mistake Wednesday night, taking a 19-point lead early in the second half and rolling to a 113-87 victory over the SuperSonics behind Michael Jordan's 35 points and 14 rebounds.

"We remember," Jordan said. The New Jersey Nets also got a measure of revenge against the New York Knicks with a 92-79 home victory six days after losing at Madison Square Garden. In the loss, the Nets broke down in the fourth quarter, but this time pulled away down the stretch.

"This may have been the best 48 minutes we played all year," Nets guard Chris Childs said.

In other NBA games, it was Boston 113, Sacramento 104; Washington 98, Philadelphia 93; San Antonio 92, Cleveland 86; Denver 91, Vancouver 85; and Portland 90, Miami 89.

Chicago needed Jordan's rebounds to overcome the loss of Dennis Rodman, the Bulls'

top rebounder in 18 of his first 19 games. Rodman was ejected late in the third quarter after getting two technical fouls.

It was his first ejection since coming to Chicago, and he made the most of it, first going after referee Terry Durham and then tossing his jersey into the stands as he ran off the court.

"The crowd got a real kick out of it," Jordan said. "Have you ever been to a race-car event? Everyone wants to see the race, but they want to see an accident at some point. Well, everybody wants to see the Bulls but they want to see Dennis go crazy."

Scottie Pippen had 29 for the Bulls, who are 18-0 at home.

Shawn Kemp had 17 points and 13 rebounds for the SuperSonics, who absorbed their most decisive loss this season.

Nets 92, Knicks 79
Childs scored 10 of his career-high 21 points in a 14-6 run to open the fourth quarter as New Jersey snapped a five-game losing streak against New York.

Patrick Ewing finished with 23 points for the Knicks, but missed five of six shots in the fourth quarter.

Armon Gilliam had 22 points to lead New Jersey, which won for only the fourth time in 14 games. P.J. Brown added 20.

Celtics 113, Kings 104
Dino Radja scored 25 points as Boston rallied in the fourth quarter to hand Sacramento its fifth straight road loss.

Mitch Richmond led the Kings with 31 points.

Dana Barros, who had 22 points, started the Celtics on a 17-0 run that brought Boston back from 11 points down late in the final period.

Bullets 98, 76ers 93
In a matchup of two top rookies and former North Carolina teammates, Rasheed Wallace outshone Jerry Stackhouse.

Wallace had a season-high 22 points and 10 rebounds in Washington's victory at Philadelphia. Stackhouse, taken third overall in the draft and one pick ahead of Wallace, finished with 12 points and no rebounds.

Mark Price made his Bulls and season debut after returning from an injury to his left foot. He had five points in 20 minutes.

Spurs 92, Cavaliers 86
David Robinson had 24 points and 20 rebounds to lead San Antonio over visiting Cleveland.

Sean Elliott scored 26 points and hit six 3-pointers, and Chuck Person had 23 in the Spurs' 11th victory in 13 games.

Cleveland, which had a two-game winning streak snapped, was led by Michael Cage, who

had 20 points and season-high 20 rebounds. Terrell Brandon added 19 points, while Dan Majerle scored 18.

Trail Blazers 90, Heat 89
Arvydas Sabonis tipped in the tying basket with five seconds to play and Rod Strickland made a free throw with 2.2 seconds remaining to lift Portland over Miami.

The Blazers, the NBA's worst foul shooting team at 63.3 percent, had missed their five previous free throws — two each by Sabonis and Clifford Robinson and one by Strickland. But he made the second to give host Portland its fourth victory in the last five games.

Alonzo Mourning had 33 points and 10 rebounds for the Heat.

Nuggets 91, Grizzlies 85
Mahmoud Abdul-Rauf scored 25 points and Dale Ellis 20 as Denver held off Vancouver.

Abdul-Rauf, who had 21 points in the first half, hit 11 of 18 shots from the field and half of his six 3-point attempts. Dikembe Mutombo had 14 points and 15 rebounds, contributing to the Nuggets' 58-41 rebounding advantage.

The host Grizzlies got 20 points from Blue Edwards and 19 from Greg Anthony.

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FORECAST FOR JAN. 12

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Be more forthright as you deal with loved ones, partners and associates. This is a time of merriment, so let go. A friend comes t rough for you in an odd way. The unexpected starts becoming a constant in your daily life. Tonight: Go for what you want.*****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You accomplish a lot easily. Examine what is happening at work. Your creativity flows there because of unusual developments. Learn to deal with technology in a more open way because innovations may be around the corner. You open doors. Tonight: Go to the gym.***

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your imagination knows no limits in the face of interesting situations. Take on a new task, change gears and head in a new direction. Delightful opportunities pop up on your doorstep. Be willing to take a risk. Tonight: Something exciting appeals to you.*****

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You have a solid point of view. Share your ideas with a partner, but be ready for an uncommon reaction. Recognize your limits; know too that there may be ways around them. Open up to dynamic ideas and different approaches. Tonight: Be homebound.*****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) A light touch helps you understand what is going on with someone and try to be more empathetic. This person's behavior startles you. Enjoy the day, and choose not to let someone trigger your emotions. Tonight: Go out for dinner and a chat.*****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Work dominates today, and you plan to get a lot done quickly. Understand what is happening in a relationship, but recognize that work needs to take priority. Innovative thinking becomes more a part of your daily life. Tonight: Relax in a hot tub.***

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Go for the bottom line as you deal with loved ones. Your innovation sparks the day. You will be untowing a wildly imaginative, enormous period. If you have a friend, keep your eyes open because the unexpected can occur at any time. Tonight: Strut your stuff.*****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Much is going on behind the scenes. Rethink a decision or a rule in your life when facts do not agree with it. A family member has a wild idea. Flow with the unanticipated, espe-

cially regarding real estate.

Tonight: Take a night off.***
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Focus on friendship and unforeseen developments. You are opening new doors, though you might not feel totally comfortable about it. Something drops into your lap - this could even be a new friend. Tonight: Be with the gang.***

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You are in the limelight and make a difference where it counts. Examine choices with care. A money investment may not be all it is cracked up to be. Touch base with someone who understands more about this subject than you do. Tonight: Be out and about.***

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) News from a distance creates opportunities, and you jump at them. You are entering a seven-year period when you will never be the same. Be open to positive feedback. Excitement becomes part of your life. Tonight: Start going for magic.*****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) One-to-one relating is important. A realization causes you to change directions and move in new ways. A partner is likely to present opportunities. Listen to someone's point of view; at the moment, this person is holding the trump card. Tonight: Be a love.*****

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR FRIDAY, JAN. 12, 1996: This could be one of the most exciting years of your life. You begin a new luck cycle during which the unpredictable happens almost daily. Be open to positive energy. Use special care when handling finances and personal possessions. You will adopt n w values. You might be concerned with commitment and your public image. If you are single, this is a very romantic year; you have many choices regarding relationships. You will change a lot because of whom you choose to relate to. If attached, romance buds because of a newfound vitality and excitement. LIBRA is proud of you.

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Ripken named AP male athlete of year

Breaking a record once considered unapproachable lifted Cal Ripken Jr. to yet another honor.

The Baltimore Orioles shortstop was an overwhelming choice as The Associated Press Male Athlete of the Year for 1995.

Ripken, who broke Lou Gehrig's mark of 2,130 consecutive games on Sept. 6, received 193 of 331 first-place ballots in voting by a nationwide panel of sports writers and broadcasters. He easily outdistanced Atlanta Braves pitcher Greg Maddux, who received 47 first-place votes.

Houston Rockets center

Hakeem Olajuwon was third with 19 first-place votes, followed by race car driver Jeff Gordon with seven and Green Bay quarterback Brett Favre with six. Cigar, the thoroughbred who won all 10 of his races in 1995, also got a first-place vote.

Ripken finished 20th in voting for the American League Most Valuable Player award last season after batting .262 with 17 home runs and 88 RBIs. But he earned the AP award for breaking a record that stood for more than a half-century, and the way he carried himself while doing it.

In a season in which baseball

attendance dropped 19 percent and fans complained that too many players were selfish, Ripken was hailed by some as the sport's savior.

"It's a flattering thing to say, but I hope I'm smart enough to realize that that's not a true statement," Ripken said.

Ripken never boasted or bragged about the accomplishments that put him in the spotlight. Instead, while the stadium lights dimmed, he often stayed more than an hour after game in his uniform to sign autographs.

Ripken, named Sports Illustrated's Sportsman of the Year last month, literally had

to be pulled out of the dugout after breaking Gehrig's record at Camden Yards. Two teammates pushed Ripken on his way to a celebratory lap around the ballpark while the sellout crowd responded with a standing ovation that lasted 27 minutes, 15 seconds.

"I'd like to think that was more for the game of baseball than for me," Ripken said.

Ripken, 35, is a two-time AL MVP. He holds the major league record for career home runs by a shortstop, and has several fielding marks.

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Connecticut's Lobo named top female athlete

Rebecca Lobo, who helped take women's basketball to new heights of popularity with her playing skill and charm, today was named The Associated Press Female Athlete of the Year for 1995.

Lobo beat out tennis stars Monica Seles and Steffi Graf to win the award after leading Connecticut to an unbeaten season and the NCAA championship — a magical ride that captured the fancy of the nation's college basketball fans.

She received 94 first-place votes and 774 points in balloting by a nationwide panel of sports writers and broadcasters. It essentially was a two-person contest as Seles had 600 points and 86 votes for first.

Graf was the top choice on 43 ballots and had 379 points. Speed skater Bonnie Blair, the 1994 winner, was fourth with 34 first-place votes and 282 points.

Connecticut became a media sensation during its championship run, which ended with a

70-64 victory over Tennessee in the NCAA finals, and Lobo never faltered under the glare.

She gave the same steady effort in every game, handled the demands of reporters and adoring fans with aplomb and accepted her accolades modestly.

Lobo's popularity brought unprecedented attention to the women's game, and she's still at it. She now plays for the national women's team, which will form the core of the 1996 Olympic team. She and her teammates have been touring the country playing top college teams, giving U.S. audiences a look at a skill level in women's basketball never seen before on this side of the globe.

"I marvel at how things have fallen into place for me," Lobo said. "My junior and senior year, especially my senior year the way our season went, and then for this team to come about — it's timing. And I

thank God every day for it. It's just been a perfect situation for me."

Perfect described Connecticut's 1994-95 season. Lobo averaged 17.1 points, 9.8 rebounds and 3.5 blocks as the Huskies went 35-0 to become just the second Division I team to go unbeaten in NCAA play.

Lobo's value to her team was never more evident than in the

national finals against Tennessee at Minneapolis.

She sat out much of the first half after getting in foul trouble, and Connecticut trailed 33-32 at halftime. But Lobo returned for the second half and hit four baskets during a four-minute stretch to start the Huskies' game-winning charge. She finished with 17 points, 11 in the second half.

The Associated Press

Father, daughter stay close despite distance between them

DEAR ABBY: You recently published a letter praising divorced fathers who sent child support checks faithfully. Then I saw a letter in your column saying that those fathers were merely doing their legal duty.

Well, Abby, what about divorced fathers who do everything possible to stay in their child's life?

I am 13 years old, and my parents have been divorced for 10 years. Dad still lives in Chicago, but he calls me every Saturday morning just to talk. He has done this as far back as I can remember.

He never forgets cards for all the holidays, and in between, he writes friendly letters. I visit him almost every holiday and in the summer, too.

He never says anything mean about Mom.

One letter in your column seemed to say that the only thing divorced fathers do is fill out the check every month. That simply is not true. — JANET REECE IN CINCINNATI

DEAR JANET: Here's a round of applause for all those fathers who keep a loving relationship with their children. And another round of applause for a mature and gracious 13-year-old who is undoubtedly a credit to both her parents.

DEAR ABBY: I have a friend who calls me occasionally, and I have found out that every time we talk, her husband lis-

tens in on the conversation. She doesn't think there is anything wrong with this, but I think it is rude and inconsiderate. When I sense that he is on the phone, I will usually say something like, "Has Tom hung up, or is he still on the line?"

For that reason, I have stopped calling her unless it is something very important. Perhaps I am being overly sensitive, but if I wanted to talk to the husband, I would ask for him. What do you think of grown people who act this way?

We have read your column for many years and I feel that if you respond in the paper, they would certainly read it. Sometimes it is the little things that ruin a wonderful friendship. — OVERHEARD AND HATING IT

DEAR OVERHEARD: Grown people who listen in on the conversations of others are childish, nosy and rude. Please write again and let me know if Tom and his wife recognize themselves.

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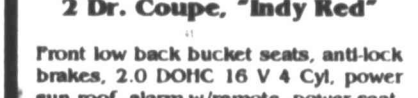
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THURSDAY

JAN. 11

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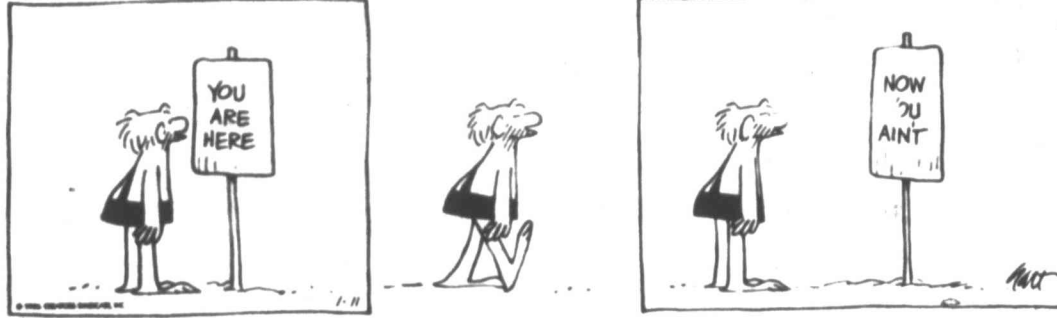
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

Today is Thursday, Jan. 11, the 11th day of 1996. There are 355 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On Jan. 11, 1964, U.S. Surgeon General Luther Terry issued the first government report saying smoking may be hazardous to health.

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THE Daily Crossword by Raymond Hamel

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down words.

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LOS ANGELES (AP) — The producer behind O.J. Simpson's mail-order videotape has launched a promotional blitz aimed at an audience of trial watchers who never heard the acquitted murder defendant tell his own story.

Becker, a former Emmy-winning TV newscaster who was paid to quiz Simpson on the video, told "Dateline NBC" in a segment broadcast Wednesday night that he believed Simpson lied during some of their interview and his explanations of specific murder evidence "may not fit very well."

But Simpson "doesn't reveal the real killer nor does he admit he did it." "If he revealed the real killer," Hoffman said, "this video wouldn't be selling for only \$29.95."

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Pickups 027
1980 CHEVY Cargo van \$1250. Call 263-6514.
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1988 FORD RANGER 8/C XLT, V-6, auto, 4 wheel drive, \$3500. Call after 5:00pm 267-2107.
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EMPLOYMENT

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\$200-\$500/Week, assemble products. No selling, paid direct. Fully guaranteed, no experience. 7-days, 407-875-2022 ext. 3515-H51.
Are you tired of the same old drag everyday? Are you computer literate? Interested in holistic concepts of health and healing? Looking for a really fun and rewarding job with new business in town? If this sounds like heaven to you- come by and see **Lynda Akin, RN**, at New Concepts Wellness Center, 612 Gregg, for an interview. It could change your life!

Help Wanted 085

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Responsibilities include directing, coordinating & administering economic development efforts including targeting new business & retaining & expanding existing business; research, marketing & site facilitation programs. Education & experience in business & marketing with knowledge of real estate sales procedures & construction & development finance. Salary depends on qualifications & experience. Send resume to: **Mrs. Joyce Crocker, Moore Development For Big Spring, Inc., P.O. Box 3359, Big Spring, TX 79721.**

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Position performs technical support work assisting a Rehabilitation Counselor provide client services. Work involves handling and safeguarding of confidential information; providing information regarding rehabilitation and administrative support services; assistance to Counselor in service delivery, budget management, purchasing of equipment and supplies, caseload management and use of automated systems. Travel is required. Sign language skills are desired. Graduation from high school or GED and 1 year experience in a secretarial support position using a personal computer, word processing and database software is required. A typing test on a personal computer is required with a score of 80 NWP/M. Applications may be obtained at the Big Spring TRC office located at 501 Birdwell Lane, Suite C (TEL: 263-3716) or by calling (806)763-0376. Position closes at 5:00pm on January 22, 1995. EOE/AA Employer.

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COMMACHE TRAIL NURSING CENTER-3200 Parkway, a Long Term Care Facility, is interviewing for weekend RN position, 8 hour shifts per day. Please apply in person. EOE

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HELP WANTED

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FOR RENT: 3-bedroom, 2-bath, garage. \$425/monthly. \$150/Deposit. 3219 11th Place; 2-bedroom, 1-bath Mobile Home, Coahoma school district. \$325/monthly. \$100/Deposit; 1-bedroom furnished efficiency. \$150/monthly. \$100/Deposit. 263-5808.

FOR SALE: 1990 CHEVROLET, 4-Wheel drive pick-up. Fully loaded, excellent condition. \$12,500. 267-9872.

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GRADUATE RN SEEKING employment who willing for license experienced "personal care attenders" will be paid too. Excellent references. Call Gretchen at 263-1992.

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HELP WANTED: In home care for elderly. Assisting with home management and personal care. Call 1-800-639-1512.

LOST: Visibility of Gall Hwy. area. Male Blue-beater, answers to "George", wearing blue collar. **REWARD!** 267-2050-Jody H.

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IMMEDIATE OPENING, payroll and bookkeeping, computer experience required, knowledge in Lotus and Word Perfect helpful. Send resume to **P.O. Box 511, Big Spring, TX 79721** or bring by 807 Main, Resume is required.

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Help Wanted 085

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR for the PERMIAN BASIN PRIVATE INDUSTRY COUNCIL

The Permian Basin Private Industry Council, a non-profit volunteer board that has responsibility for the policy guidance and oversight of the federally funded Job Training Partnership Act in the 17-county region of the Permian Basin, is seeking and Executive Director. This position will report to the chair of the board of directors and will work with the Board's executive committee to design and implement board initiatives.

REQUIRED: strong background in multi-funded non-profit agency environment; thoroughly knowledgeable of federal and state regulations and requirements of Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA). Three year's prior experience in implementing the activities (including public relations/public education) of a non-profit board.

Graduation from an accredited four-year college or university. Three years' closely related work experience may be substituted for each year of college up to two years. Ability to work flexible schedule with occasional weekend and evening hours, personal transportation, valid Texas Driver's License.

DESIRED: background in human service delivery programs and systems with at least six years progressively increasing responsibility for strategic planning, grant writing, management, supervision, budgeting, implementation, and evaluation of program operations; ability to implement customer satisfaction concepts, excellent oral and written communications skills.

PREFERRED: Residence in the Permian Basin for at least three prior years.

HOW TO APPLY: Send resume, including salary history, with three references (including telephone numbers) to Executive Director Position, Attn: John M. Kuhn, P.O. Box 60660, Midland, TX 79711-0660. CLOSING DATE: NOON, THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 1995.

REGISTERED NURSE PRACTITIONER

for the Midland/Odessa area. Registered Nurse, registered in Texas, certification as a Women's Health Care Nurse Practitioner preferred and has met state requirement for licensing and certification as an advanced Practice Nurse. Must maintain continuing education as required by State and National Certification Board. Family Planning, prenatal and OB experience required. Ability to teach and relate well to patients, staff members and representatives of the community. Willingness to work flexible hours and conduct clinics at several locations. Bilingual a plus. Requires a high degree of integrity to ensure maximum confidentiality. Good interpersonal communication skills. Must be in agreement with goals and objectives of Planned Parenthood of West Texas, Inc. Please submit resume to the Personnel Department at the Executive Offices, 910-B South Grant, Odessa, TX 79761.

EOE/M-F/D/V

ROUTE 147: E. 15th-E. 19th-Stettles to Virginia. Approx. profit \$170/monthly. Call Scott, 263-7331 ext. 153.

ROUTE 305: Oriole/Lark area. Approx. 30min/day. Approx. profit \$170/monthly. Call Scott, 263-7331 ext. 153.

SCENIC MOUNTAIN MEDICAL CENTER

A 155-bed acute care hospital with specialty units has immediate openings for:

- MEDICAL/SURGICAL/ICU experience**
- LVN's:** All Shifts Available
2 years experience preferred
- RN's:** All Shifts Available
2 years experience preferred

Submit your resume in confidence to the Personnel Department or apply in person at:

Scenic Mountain Medical Center
1601 W. 11th Place
Big Spring, Texas 79720
An Equal Opportunity Employer

NEED MATURE GENTLEMAN to work in laundry evenings. Between 9:00pm-1:00am. Pickup applications at 1208 Gregg.

NEED MATURE LADY to work part-time in laundry. Must have good health and good car. Must work well with public. Call 267-3014 after 5:00pm.

NOW hiring good pay for hard workers. Must be dependable. No experience required. Yale E. Key, Call 267-5291.

HOME TYPISTS

PC users needed. \$45,000 income potential. Call 1-800-513-4343 Ext. B-8423.

PART-TIME SALES ASSOCIATE needed. Must work evenings and weekends. Experience preferred. Apply at Super Market in Big Spring Mall.

PIZZA INN

Now hiring delivery drivers. Apply in person. Must be 18. 1702 Gregg St. Excellent part-time job!

AM INTERESTED IN BECOMING RNP WE PROVIDE CREDENTIALING TRAINING

Clinic setting. Surgical and recovery room experience helpful. Must be willing and able to attend the Women's Health Care Advance Nurse Practitioner Program at The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas for 16 weeks. Bilingual a plus. Requires a high degree of integrity to ensure maximum confidentiality. Must be in agreement with goals and objectives of Planned Parenthood of West Texas, Inc. Submit letter of interest and resume to Personnel Department, 910-B South Grant, Odessa, TX 79761. Closing date: January 9, 1995.

EOE/M-F/D/V

MITCHELL COUNTY HOSPITAL "80 John" Watson Unit has an opening for a LVN certified nurse. Hours 7:00 pm-7:50 am every other weekend off. Competitive salary and benefits. Contact Beverly Cozzan, D.O.N. for application and interview. (915) 729-2162 ext. 255.

NEED CHILD CARE worker, must have 2 years experience with Qualified director or AA or AB in Child Development. Apply at 801 Owens.

Help Wanted 085

NEEDED: Route Salesman. Must have Class A CDL & clean driving record. Must pass physical & drug screen. Apply at 1602 Young St. after 2:00pm.

SINGERS

Country, Easy Listening & Gospel! Crystal Image Talent Agency of Nashville, making "FREE" one song audition recording for Record Producers.

Thursday, January 25, 2:00-10:00pm
Days Inn, 300 Tulane Ave.
Big Spring, Tx.

Bring backup cassette, acappella or guitar. NO BANDS, NO CALLS. Ask for Lannie Johnson.

STATE PARK RANGER, \$1421/monthly. Closing 1-12-95. Drivers license and liability insurance required. 263-4931 or TEC.

TEMPORARY CLERK TYPIST I SALARY \$1089.00 PER MONTH PLUS EXCELLENT BENEFIT PACKAGE

POS. #2499-01, We are looking for a Clerk Typist to perform routine clerical duties, prefer typing skills of 35 WPM, and working knowledge of WordPerfect 5.1 and Dictaphone, with the ability to learn Windows Software. Must qualify as a driver.

CONTACT: RECRUITMENT: Human Resource Services

Big Spring State Hospital
Big Spring, TX 79720
915-268-7256

915-263-9759
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The City of Big Spring is accepting applications for the position of Accounts Payable clerk. Qualified applicants must be a high school graduate with specialized course work in general office practices such as typing, accounting, or data processing and at least two years of progressively responsible related experience. Applications will be accepted until Friday, January 5, 1995 5:00pm at City Hall Personnel located at 310 Nolan or call 915-264-2346 for further information. Excellent benefits provided. THE CITY OF BIG SPRING IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER.

WANTED! Retired, equal senior citizen interested in supplementing his S.S. Income. Regular work with a solid Big Spring company. Counter help. Call me at 267-6401.

WORK AT HOME. Earn up to \$500 a week selling long distance over the phone. Paid weekly, monthly bonus. Call 1-800-842-1408.

Jobs Wanted 090

LOTS moved, cleaned, and small acre tracts plowed and cultivated. Bill Lovelace, 267-3241.

JOBS WANTED

"Remodel work" Patios decks trash hauling painting roofing yard work. Call 267-5478.

METAL WORK

Barns, carpools, sheds, fences, etc. Call Shawn Justiss at 915-573-8230 or 915-338-4881.

MOW YARDS. Remove & haul trees, stumps, trash. Odd jobs and clearing. 267-5975.

MOW YARDS and alleys, haul trash, trim trees, remove tree stumps, paint and odd jobs. 267-5460.

WILL DO baking, baby-sitting, house cleaning and house-sitting. Call 263-2235.

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FARMERS COLUMN

Farm Building 100

CATTLE BARN with Hay Loft to be moved; Horse barn-four horse stall to be moved. Call 398-5234.

Farm Land 199

LONGSHORE ROAD: 136 acres total. 40 acres cultivated remaining in pasture. Water well, cattle pens and barns. Owner financing possible. 263-6135 after 8:00pm.

Grain Hay Feed 220

HYBRID Sudan Hay. Round Bales. Call 915-459-2341.

MISCELLANEOUS

Antiques 290

ANTIQUES & FINE FURNITURE, over 450 clocks, lamps, old phonograph players, and telephones. We also repair & refinish all of the above. Call or bring to House of Antiques, 4008 College, Snyder, Texas. 915-573-4422. 9am-8:30pm.

Appliances 299

FOR SALE: Whirlpool washer, Kenmore Slide-by-slide freezer & refrigerator; Kenmore dryer. Call 263-2870.

RENT-TO-OWN

REBUILT APPLIANCES Easy terms, guaranteed, delivery and connect. 264-0510 and/or 1811 Scurry.

Auctions 325

SPRING CITY AUCTION-Robert Pruitt Auctioneer, TXS-079-007759. Call 263-1831/263-0914. We do all types of auctions!

Computer 370

FOR SALE: Tandy 286 Computer, Color Monitor, Keyboard and Dot Matrix Printer. \$350.00. Call 398-6522.

Dogs, Pets, Etc 375

5 Week old golden Labrador puppies, \$50 each. Call 264-0650 after 5:00 week days, and on weekends anytime.

FREE KENNEL CLUB BREEDER REFERRAL SERVICE: Helps you find reputable breeders/quality puppies. Puppies rescue information. 263-3404 daytime.

Pure bred AKC certified German Shepherd puppies. Call 915-264-2425.

Garage Sale 380

LIQUID SALE: 1218 W. 9th. Fri.-Sat. 264-0642. Washer, dryer, refrigerators, gas stoves, heaters, electric water heater, clothes, kitchen-utensils, etc.

Lost & Found Misc. 393

REWARD
Lost male Pitbulls in the vicinity of Carlton and Alamosa. Call 263-1938 or 267-1530.

ADVERTISING WORKS WITH BIG TYPE YOU JUST PROVED IT!

Arachnid Electronic Dart Machines for Sale. 2 years old in excellent condition. \$600 each. Call 264-1124.

FOR SALE: BRAND NEW SONY PLAYSTATION INCLUDES 1 GAME. \$220.00. CALL 264-1124.

ODYSSEY HONDA 250. \$800 OBO. Also Treadmill and Stepper. 3 puppies to give away. Call 263-2232.

PURE SYSTEMS

Purified water vending machine, R/O, UV, stainless steel, lighted marquee, Coin Co. Mechanism. \$2250. 512-251-0281.

Musical

Instruments 420

KERZWEIL 1000 GX guitar and HX Horn rack mount sound modules. \$400 each. Also Roland W-220. Rack mount sound module \$425. Call 263-0313 for info or demo.

Portable Building 422

One Used Building!
12x24 w/ 1/2 bath, a/c & heater. Finished. Sierra Mercantile 263-1460

1-20 East S. Service Road

SPAS 431

5 display ones- reduces up to 40% free red-wood cabinet cover-delivery and financing available. 550-5225 or 563-1807.

Sporting Goods 435

ATTENTION ARCHERS!
Four bows, two hunting, two target. Below dealer. For more information call 264-1309.

Telephone Service 445

TELEPHONE JACKS installed for \$32.50

Business and Residential Sales and Service
J-Dean Communications. 399-4384

TV/VCR Repair 502

SERVICE ON all makes and models. Fully equipped and reasonably priced. Used VCR's for sale. Phone 267-8918.

REAL ESTATE

Buildings For Sale 506

12x20 Shop, storage-shed damage-financing and delivery available. 550-5225 or 563-1807.

Houses For Sale 513

2-BEDROOM HOUSE on 10-acre, Forsan ISD. Totally fenced, barn, corral, new septic system, fresh paint. \$37,000. Possible owner finance with \$4,000. down. 263-9813.

3-2 BRICK, KENTWOOD area. Remodeled, including new A/C. \$42,500. Call 267-7884.

3 BEDROOM 1 BATH for sale by owner. New cedar fence, very clean, new central heat/air. No Owner Finance. 1313 Princeton. \$30,500. Call 264-9137.

By owner, no qualifying loan, 1640sq.ft., 3 bedroom, 2 bath, \$12,500 down, \$494.00 month. 3209 Duke. Call for appointment 263-5508.

FOR SALE: 2 bedroom, 1 bath. Possible assumption. Possible No down payment. Call 267-1520.

FOR SALE: 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage, Kentwood, fenced yard, new air conditioning and heating unit, new roof. Call 1-800-333-7210 ext. 8523 or 915-368-0393.

HOUSES FOR SALE

Why pay rent, when you can make payments on a home, that are less than renting. No credit needed. Kerr Management, 263-8899.

HOUSES WANTED

We buy houses! Any condition! All Cash! 1 day service! 806-794-5964.

LIKE NEW 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, large fenced yard. Owner finance. Payments \$345 month. Call 263-1281.

NO DOWN PAYMENT! \$999.00 TOTAL MOVE-IN COST on this NEW HOMES by KEY HOMES, INC., at 708 FOREST, in COAHOMA. Sales price includes home, fence and huge lot (100'x149'). ALSO INCLUDED are NEW STREET PAVING, CURBS AND GUTTERS!!! Open House Saturday & Sunday 1:30-5:30. Call Now!! 1-915-520-9848.

NEW HOME FOR SALE or lease 1850 sq. ft., financing arranged. Reduced price. By Contractor. 4005 Vicki. 263-4548.

NICE 2-BEDROOM, 1 1/2 bath, kitchen, spacious livingroom w/large fireplace, windowed-in gameroom or extra bedroom, carpet, storage building, best house on Lake J. Thomas. \$26,500. Owner will finance 25% down. 1-800-827-4290, 915-684-6801.

FOR SALE BY OWNER
Non-qualifying assumable in Kentwood. 3/2/2, fireplace and dining. \$13,500 equity, balance approximately \$63,000. 10.5 interest, payment \$681.00. Drive by 2716 Central Drive and call for appointment. 1-915-520-9848.

OPEN HOUSE
Saturday & Sunday, 1:00-5:00.

RENT-TO-OWN-HOMES

4 bedroom, 2 bath. \$325. 15 years; 2 bedroom. \$220.; 3 bedroom \$240.; 264-0510.

WAS 27, NOW 16 HOME SITES LEFT in Coronado Hillside!! Very competitive pricing! Don't be fooled by others misleading ads. Know your true bottom loan & payment up front. Call Key Homes Inc. 1-915-520-9848

Mortgages Wanted 515

LOT FOR SALE at 504 Nolan. Any one interested call 505-396-9848 ask for Jeffrey or leave message.

Mobile Homes 517

3 BEDROOM, 2 BATH. 14x60, \$5,900. (915) 853-1850.

CALL MOBILE HOME CREDIT HOTLINE FOR PRE-APPROVAL. 1-800-728-0881

No Payment until March 1996, 2844 doublewide home, A/C, sliding door, refrigerator, insurance, delivered and set. U.S.A Homes, 4818 W. Wall, Midland, 1-800-820-2177, 520-2177.

Mobile Homes 517

ONLY \$215/month will put your family in a beautiful pre-owned lanoer 14x62, 3 bedroom, 2 bath home, Masonite siding, shingle roof, fireplace, new carpet, garden tub, plus lots more. \$1100 down, 9.25%, 180/month U.S.A Homes, 4608 W. Wall, Midland, 1-800-520-2177, 520-2177.

Owner moving, must sell, 14x64-2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath mobile home. Great home currently located on nice lot in Sand Springs. Large screened front porch, screened back porch and storage shed are just a part of what this home has to offer. Call and leave message. 393-5200.

Pre-owned Doublewide, 28x60, 3 or 4 bedroom. A real bargain. U.S.A Homes, 4608 W. Wall, Midland, 1-800-520-2177, 520-2177.

SALE, SALE, SALE!! Stardust Mobile Homes, over two dozen mobile homes, many doublewide, priced to sell, with E2 8.9% financing. Trades welcome. Call 1-800-858-3710.

WELL BEAT ANY DEAL! Guaranteed! Save thousands during our grand opening sale. 1999 doublewide, \$31,900. Will finance. Call 1-800-858-3710.

RENTALS

Business Buildings 520

FOR RENT: Small building or car lot. 810 E. 4th. Call Westex Auto Parts. 263-5000.

GOING INTO BUSINESS or need a better location for your office, gift shop, antique shop, etc? Quaint old home now available for lease. Great location! Must see! Call 263-1533.

RETAIL STORE for lease, approximately 3000sq.ft located at 119 E. 3rd. Call 263-6514.

TWO Fenced yard, one acre with small building. 263-5000.

Furnished Apts. 521

\$99. Move in Plus Deposit. Nice 1,2,3 bedrooms. Electric, water paid. HUD accepted. Some furnished. Limited offer. 263-7811.

CLEAN 1 BEDROOM APARTMENT. 1408 Donley. Furnished, water and gas paid. \$100/dep. \$275/month. Sorry, no pets. 263-4622.

LOVELY NEIGHBORHOOD COMPLEX

CARPORTS • SWIMMING POOL
MOST UTILITIES PAID
UNFURNISHED
DISCOUNT TO SENIOR CITIZENS
1-2 BDRS & 1 OR 2 BATHS
24HR ON PREMISE MANAGER

KENTWOOD APARTMENTS

1904 EAST 25TH STREET
267-5444 263-5000

BEAUTIFUL GARDEN COURTYARD

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CARPORS • BUILT-IN APPLIANCES
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24HR ON PREMISE MANAGER
1 & 2 BEDROOMS
UNFURNISHED

PARKHILL TERRACE APARTMENTS

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263-5555 263-5000

If You Have a Business or Offer a Service

The CLASSIFIED SERVICE DIRECTORY

Is For

YOU!

263-7331

Furnished Apts. 521

ONE-TWO bedroom apartments, houses, or mobile home. Mature adults only, no pets 263-6644-263-2341.

Furnished Houses 522

FURNISHED SMALL 1 bedroom house, carpeted and drapes. Prefer mature single adult. NO PETS! Inquire at 804 Andros.

RENT TO OWN: Small, 2bedroom, 1bath, partly furnished, down payment, references. RENT ONLY: 1bedroom partly furnished, water/paid, references, outside pets only. Small 2bedroom water/paid, references, outside pets only. Call 267-3104.

Unfurnished Apts. 532