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Woman still hospitalized after Monday accident

By KELLIE JONES

Staff Writer

One person remains hospitalized after a two-vehicle accident Monday morning.

The wreck happened at the intersection of 10th and Gregg around 10 a.m. when Melissa Dawn Burney, 24, of Snyder, ran a red light. She was headed north on Gregg when she went through the intersection, striking an automobile driven by William Timothy Sutton, 19, of 4211 Parkway.

Sutton was westbound in the 300 block of West 10th. His car

was hit in the left rear panel. He was not injured, but his passenger, Charity Stewart, 22, of 1110 Mulberry, was admitted to Scenic Mountain Medical Center and is listed in stable condi-

Burney and her passenger, Tim Tompkins, 25, of Snyder, were also taken to the emergency room, treated and released. Burney was ticketed for disobeying a red light and for not

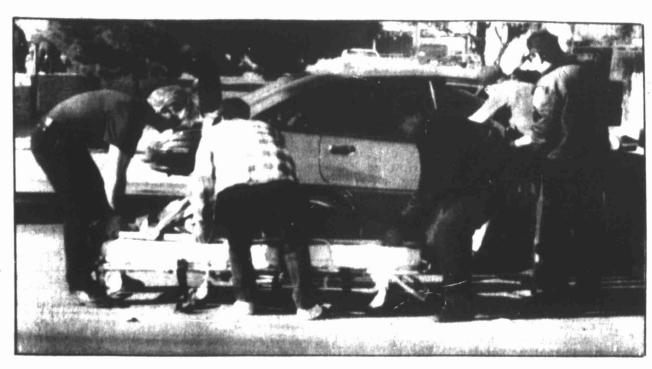
having any liability insurance. In an unrelated accident, Department of Public Safety troopers are awaiting test results to determine if Randy Alan Moore, 44, was drunk when he struck a parked 18wheeler late Saturday night.

Moore was eastbound on Interstate 20 when he drifted onto the off ramp at mile marker 180 and struck the semi-trail-

Donna Lynn Kinley, 28, of Thomasville, N.C., had pulled the 18-wheeler over so she could change drivers with her passenger. They were not injured.

The DPS report stated because Moore took no evasive action to avoid hitting the truck, it was suspected he was intoxicated.

A blood sample was taken from Moore. Test results have not come back yet.



Rescue workers get ready to load Tim Tompkins into the ambulance after a two-vehicle accident at 10th and Gregg Monday morning. Tompkins was the passenger in a car driven by Melissa Burney. Burney was cited for running a red light. The other car is seen in the far left background where emergency personnel are tending to Charity Stewart.

Campaigning candidates should know where, how to post campaign signs

Staff Writer

Political candidates need to be aware of where they can and can't place campaign signs.

It is against the law to place signs on highway right-of-ways and to place portable signs too close to the roadway where they

block sight distance for drivers.
It is a safety muserd for these signs to be stapled to telephone poles or attached to permanent

traffic signs. John Allred, acting Howard County maintenance section supervisor for the Texas Department of Transportation, said most of the problems are with signs placed on FM 700.

A right-of-way is a property line that defines ownership of land between what the state can and cannot be placed.

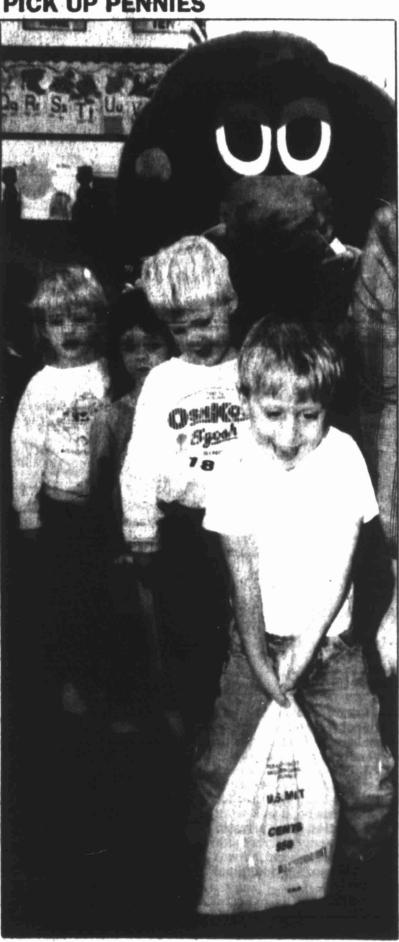
owns and what an individual owns. Placing signs on right-ofways without a license and permit is a Class C misdemeanor.

It is also illegal to put signs along a majority of the major state highways without a license and permit. To do so would result in being charged with a Class B misdemeanor.

Candidates are allowed to place signs on private property with the owner's permission on

The sign cannot be more than 50 square feet in size. Signs may be put up 90 days before the election but must be removed within 10 days afterwards.

The TxDOT has copies of a flyer entitled "How You and Your Campaign can Help Keep Texas Beautiful." It describes the laws as well as where signs



Cody Smith tries his luck at picking up \$50 worth of pennies as the Moolah Man from Cosden Federal Credit Union was at St. Mary's Episcopal School to teach the prekinder-garteners about money. Watching and waiting for their turn are Cole Carruthers, Emily Bradshaw and Abby Lloyd.

Clinton ordered to testify at Whitewater trial

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LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) President Clinton has already called the Whitewater accusations against him "a bunck of bull." Now he has the chance to say it in court.

A judge on Monday ordered Clinton to testify at next month's trial of his partners in the failed Arkansas land deal.

pushed for an appearance on video, lawyers for James and Susan McDougal said a personal appearance by Mr. Hale's testithe president would make his testimony more

A White House source, speaking on condition of anonymity, said, "We expect that decide who to discussions Mrs.

credible.

believe. with McDougal's James McDougal lawyers will result in the president providing videotaped

testimony." David E. Kendall, Clinton's personal lawyer, said that the to believe." president would cooperate "in

an appropriate fashion." In the order approving the subpoena, U.S. District Judge George Howard Jr. directed the lawyers to proceed in a way that does not interfere with the president's official duties, perhaps by using videotape or even satellite. Howard ruled that Clinton's testimony was vital to giving the McDougals a fair trial.

The McDougals and Gov. Jim Guy Tucker, who had other business dealings with the McDougals, face trial March 4 on conspiracy and fraud charges. Whitewater prosecutor Kenneth Starr says the three got \$3 million in loans from federally backed lenders to benefit Please see TRIAL page 2

themselves illegally

Mrs. McDougal is accused of receiving a \$300,000 loan that David Hale, a former municipal judge who ran a small business investment firm, contends Clinton pressured him to make.

Clinton's testimony would afford him an opportunity to confront under oath Hale's While White House lawyers claim — the single most serious

allegation made against the presi-

Clinton, charged, called the allegation "a bunch of bull" and said he doesn't them listen to Mr. recall talking to money

> "The government case is built on the accusations of Mr. Hale.' James McDougal said. "We'll let

the jury listen to Mr. Hale's testimony and let them listen to Mr. Clinton's testimony and let them decide who

If Clinton appears in person, he would be subject to crossexamination by Starr, who was appointed to investigate Clinton's land deal and campaign finances. Prosecutors would be allowed to introduce evidence or testimony to challenge the president's veracity.

Just last month, Hillary Rodham Clinton became the first presidential spouse to be subpoenaed to testify before a federal grand jury.

The first lady appeared Jan. 26 before the Whitewater grand jury in Washington to answer questions about billing documents from her former Little Rock law firm that showed up

added solids for milk WASHINGTON (AP) - Milk appeal of low-fat and nonfat drinkers could end up with extra ingredients in each glassful - and paying more for them

Dairy bill would require

- under an overhaul of dairy programs making its way through Congress.

A gallon of low-fat milk would

cost manufacturers' 15 cents more to produce because of extra dairy solids required by the measure, the Agriculture Department says, adding that consumers would probably bear the brunt. Other cost estimates are lower.

Prices could rise even higher because of other changes, the department added. As a result, the bill would raise the cost of food stamps, school lunches and other federal feeding programs by more than \$1 billion over seven years, the department

says.

The largest group representing dairy farmers counters that the proposal would improve the

milks, while adding even more healthful ingredients to milk than are already there. The group, the National Milk Producers Federation, says the requirement will add a few pennies at most to the cost of a gal-

The disagreement stems from a requirement in legislation approved by the House Agriculture Committee last week that all drinking milk nationwide follow the higher California standard for nonfat dairy solids

Milk is made of fat, water and nonfat solids, consisting largely of protein, calcium and lactose. The federal standard now is 8.25 percent. The dairy industry says milk naturally has a higher content reflected in the California standard, closer to 8.7 percent, which falls during extremely hot weather. Please see MILK, page 2

NATION/WORLD

Simpson denies abuse

An exasperated O.J. Simpson asserted Monday night in a surprise TV interview that he fought vio-lently with his ex-wife only once and that she made up allegations of abuse to get out of a prenuptial agreement. See page 5.

Bosnians arrest Serb general

in a move likely to infuriate its Serb rivals, the

STATE

Site yields clues

Clues at the scene of a double slaying may lead to a possible suspect in the teen-agers' fatal shootings in woods near a busy highway. Preliminary autopsy results showed that Lynette Bibbs, 14, and 15-year-old Tamara Fisher died in the wooded area where their bodies were found Saturday. See page 3.

inmates injured in escape attempt

Three convicted killers serving time in a Texas jail gled on braided bedsheets during an escape mpt, then plummeted several stories after the rand was mysteriously severed. See page 3.

TONIGHT'S WEATHER **Tonight**



Tonight, fair. Low 35-40. Light **Permian Basin Forecast**



Wednesday: Sunny. High around 75. Southwest wind 5 15

Thursday: Fair, high near 80, Low in the 40s. Priday: Partly cloudy with high near 80 and low in the 40s.

Norma Murdock

Norma Murdock, 92, of Big Spring, died on Sunday, Feb. 4, 1996, in a Stanton nursing home. Services will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 7, 1996, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Rev. Jack Abend-



Memorial She was Aug. 1903

Scranton, Texas and married Lewis C. Murdock on Dec. 16, 1922, in Trent, Texas. He preceded her in death on Dec. 5, 1982.

She graduated from Trent High School and came to Big Spring in 1923 from Trent. She was a homemaker.

She had been a member of in the White House two years First United Methodist Church after Whitewater prosecutors for many years and was a member of the Philathea Sunday School Class. She was a member Firm showed how much the of the Sew and Chatter Club and first lady worked on land transshe enjoyed playing bridge.

Survivors include one son: Guaranty Savings & Loan, Horace Murdock, Big Spring; two granddaughters: Robbie Brunson and Dena Smith, both of Big Spring; two grandsons: Robert Lewis Murdock, Raleigh, N.C., and Richard David Murdock, Boise, Idaho; and eight great-grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by three brothers, Dave Ford testified by videotape in Boyd, Fenton Boyd and Dick the 1975 trial of Lynette Boyd and one sister, Mae Boyd. The family suggests memori-

als to: The American Cancer nate him, and President Carter Society; c/o Lucy Bonner; P.O. Box 2121; Big Spring, Texas; criminal trial of financier 79721-2121.

Arrangements are under the Reagan testified by videotape at direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Paid obituary

Bessie Smith

Service for Bessie Smith, 95, Big Spring, will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 7, 1996, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Rev. James Mantooth, pastor of East Fourth St. Baptist Church, officiating. Interment will follow at Mt Olive Memorial Park She was born on Oct. 20, 1900.

in Mt. Vernon, Texas and married Hubert Smith. He preceded her in death. She was a longtime Big Spring resident and came back to Big Spring in 1976 from East Texas. She was a member of East Fourth St. Baptist Church

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288

Richard Deal, 54, of Arlington, formerly of Big Spring, died Monday at Arlington Hospital. Services are pending in Arlington.

Nalley-Pickle & Welch **Funeral Home** and Rosewood Chapel

906 GREGG 267-6331

Bessie Smith, 95, died Monday. Services will be 10:00 AM Wednesday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park The family will receive friends from 7 PM to 9 PM Tuesday at the funeral home.

Norma Murdock, 92, died Sunday. Services will be 2:00 PM Wednesday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

Leslie L. "Red" Lewis, 78, died Monday. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

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Service for Leslie L. "Red"

Lewis, 78, Midland, a former

coach and Dean of Admissions

at Howard College in Big

Spring, is pending with Nalley-

Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

He died Monday, Feb. 5, 1996,

The records from Rose Law

actions on behalf of Madison

which failed in 1989 at a cost to

taxpayers of \$65 million. Mrs.

McDougal's ex-husband, James,

Clinton's testimony would not

be without precedent. President

Jefferson testified in writing in

In modern times, President

"Squeaky" Fromme, who was

convicted of trying to assassi-

testified by videotape in the

After he left office, President

the Iran-Contra trial of John

The McDougals were partners

of Clinton and the first lady in

the Whitewater land develop-

ment from 1989-92, when Clin-

ton was governor of Arkansas.

were named in a 21-count

indictment handed up last

August, alleging that transac-

tions they made through

McDougal's savings and loan

and Hale's Capital Management

Services were designed to

McDougals relate specifically to

the \$300,000 loan made to Mrs.

When you account for fat -

about 3.5 percent of milk solids

whole milk is about 12 per-

The bill would require all

reduced-fat milk but skim to

have 12 percent solids. Skim

would have 9 percent, compared

with 8.25 percent by federal

standards. Even whole milk

would have to add some solids,

What that means is that dairy

farmers would use condensed

fresh milk or powdered milk to

Skim milk, 2 percent, 1 per-

cent and half-percent milk

would wind up with more non-

"But you're getting more

nutrition and probably a better-

tasting product," said James C.

Barr, chief executive officer of

the milk producers group,

which represents dairy farmers'

co-operatives. "It's not blue, it's

not watery, and it's a more full-

bodied milk even though it

At most, shoppers will pay 5

cents or 7 cents additional for a

gallon of milk, he said Monday.

"if all the costs were transferred

back to the consumer. That's a

The farm price accounts for

little more than one-third of the

store cost of milk, figures from

the Agriculture Department

show, down from 50 percent in

The Congressional Budget

Office puts the cost at \$400 mil-

lion to \$600 million, or about 7

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McDougal in 1986 by Hale.

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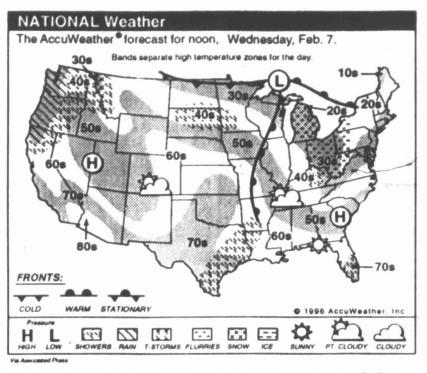
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NATIONAL SUMMARY

Milder air will continue pushing eastward across the Plains into the Midwest tomorrow. As cold air retreats from the Northeast, a band of snow and flurries will develop from the Great Lakes into the central Appalachians. A few showers will pop up from eastern Texas to Arkans...s. High winds and heavy rain will lash the Northwest coast

■ Police

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

·SHEILA RENEA WHIT-TON, 32, of 1513 Main, was arrested on outstanding local warrants ·LORENZO FLOREZ, 25, of

205 Lockhart, was arrested on outstanding local warrants. •GARY EDWARD ABBOTT,

37, of New Orleans, La., was arrested for having defective equipment on his vehicle. DONALD RAY VANDER-BILT, 20, of 1002 North Main

#52, was arrested for revoking his probation. He was later transferred to the county jail and bond has not been set yet. ·UNAUTHORIZED USE OF

A VEHICLE in the 500 block of

Birdwell and 800 block of East ·INVESTIGATING SUSPI-

CIOUS ACTIVITY in the 500 block of Birdwell, 3300 block of Fordham, 1600 block of Indian Hills, 1500 block of Main, 800 block of Birdwell, 1000 block of Johnson and 2400 block of Alamesa ·ASSAULT in the 2000 block

of Gregg. •THEFTS in the 200 block of

West Marcy and 900 block of Willia •LOUD PARTY in the 1400 block of Princeton.

DISTUR-DOMESTIC

BANCE in the 1700 block of ·CRIMINAL MISCHIEF in

the 800 block of Creighton. ·BURGLARY OF A VEHI-CLE in the 1000 block of Wood.

mail on an outstanding capias warrant for not paying child support. A \$500 cash bond was mailed to the district attorney's office from the Tom Green County Sheriff's Department. •MISSING PERSON report

•RAFAEL RODRIQUEZ, no

address given, was arrested by

taken from the southeast part of the county •RECKLESS DRIVER on the

interstate. •GRASS FIRE near Rockhouse Road.

FIRE

The Big Spring Fire Department reported the following incidents during a time period from 8 a.m. Feb. 2 to 8 a.m. Tuesday:

•STRUCTURE FIRE in the 1900 block of North Highway 87. The call turned out to be exhaust coming from a motor.

DUMPSTER FIRE in the alley behind #1 Courtney Hand. the 1000 block of North Lamesa. •ACCIDENTS on Interstate 20

at mile marker 180 and at intersection of Circle and Tucson. •SMOKE ALARM in the 900 block of Scurry.

•GAS LEAKS in the 300 block of S.E. Seventh and 1500 block of Bluebird.

•SMOKE IN THE AREA in the 500 block of North Lamesa.

There was a small fire in a cel-•STRUCTURE FIRE in the 1400 block of South Nolan. The

firefighters were told to return to the station before arriving because the call had been canceled.

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

■SHERIFF

•ROBERTO SAIZ, no address given, was transferred from the city jail after being arrested for forgery and his bond was set at \$2,000. Deputies then arrested him on two county warrants for forgery by passing and he was released after posting additional bonds of \$7,000.

■ RECORDS

Monday's temp. 69 Monday's low 24 Average high 59 Average low 30 Record high 82 in 1942 Record low 3 in 1923 Rainfall Monday 0.00 Month to date 0.00 Month's normal 0.23 Year to date 0.24 Normal for the year 0.74 **Statistics not available

MARKETS

March cotton futures 84.40 cents a pound, down 146 points; March crude oil 17.50, down 4 points; Cash hog steady at 46.50 cents even; slaughter steers steady at 63 cents even; Feb. live hog futures 46.67, down 5 points; Feb. live cattle futures 64.25, up 15 points. Courtesy: Delta

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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 •VFW Post #2013, 7 p.m., VFW Hall.

·Compassionate Friends, support group for parents who have experienced the death of a child, 7:30 pm., Family Life Center Building of the First Baptist Church, room 113. Enter by SE door. Call 267-2769.

•Coahoma Senior Center project group, 11 a.m., Coahoma Community Center, 306 North Ave. Call 394-4439. •Cancer Support Group, 12

noon to 1 p.m., VA Medical Center room 213 and from 7 to 8 p.m., VA Medical Center. •Encouragers Support Group

will meet 5:30 p.m. at the Golden Corral Restaurant. •Al-Anon, 8 p.m., 615 Settles.

•Voices support group, 3:45 p.m. Call Rape Crisis/Victim Services, 263-3312. Spring City Senior Citizen

Center, ceramics classes from 9:30-11:30 a.m. 55 and older invited. ·Pastoral counseling by

Samaritan Counseling Center, First Christian Church, 10th and Goliad. For appointment call 1-800-329-4144. Comanche Lake Duplicate Weekly, Dora Roberts Civic

Center, 1 p.m. Come early at 12:15 for mini-lessons. Seniors' diabetic support group, 2 p.m., Canterbury

South. Call 263-1265. ·Most Excellent Way chemical dependency support group, p.m., Cornerstone Bookstore. Call 267-1424 after 5 p.m., or 263-3168 before 8 p.m.

 Alcoholics Anonymous noon open meeting and 8 p.m. closed Spring City Sent Citizens, meeting, 515 Sentes.

•West Texas Legal Services offers legal help on civil matters for those unable to afford their own attorney, Northside Community Center. Call 1-686-

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

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

THURSDAY ·Permian Basin A1ds 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.

·Parent/Teacher Attention Deficit Disorder meeting, 7 to 8:30 p.m., Cerebral Palsy building, 802 Ventura, Midland. Guest speaker will be Dr. Jim May. For more information call 915-520-9955

 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, 308 Aylford.

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

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

267-3626. •Good Shepherd Fellowship, 610 Abrams, has services at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to

•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 Goliad. Open to all substance abusers.

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

p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Music by the Triple Fire. Area seniors invit-

SATURDAY

•The Midland County Chapter American Red Cross will be offering a community first aid and safety course from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. For more information on fees and registration please call The American Red Cross in Midland at 915-684-

IN BRIEF

TxDOT to discuss grants for airports

The Texas Department of Transportation will host a meeting Thursday, Feb. 15, for general aviation managers. The meeting is scheduled for

1:30 p.m. in TxDOT's Sweetwater maintenance office located on Interstate 20 north frontage road (exit #246-Alabama Street). The purpose of the meeting is

to discuss TxDOT's new grant

program directed at public general service airports. McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark is one airport eligible for this grant.

The program offers matching state funds on a 50/50 basis up to \$10,000 a year for runway maintenance. The grant is intended to assist airport managers with pavement maintenance, pavement stripping and vegetation management.

For more information, contact David Casteel at (915) 676-6800.

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Kerri Plumiee and daughter Samantha Plumiee look at the new internet software on a computer at the Howard County Library Wednesday. The computer was linking into the Internet Monday. A tour of the Internet session will begin every Tuesday at 7 p.m. with a limit of five people per session. Currently, library patrons can ask about information on the internet, with plans for actual hands-on usage in the future.

Clues may lead to slaying suspect

CLEVELAND (AP) — Clues at day, said the autopsy shows the the scene of a double slaying may lead to a possible suspect in the teen-agers' fatal shootings in woods near a busy highway.

Justice of the Peace Fred Dishongh Jr. said Monday preliminary autopsy results showed that Lynette Bibbs, 14, and 15year-old Tamara Fisher died in the wooded area where Liberty County residents found their bodies Saturday.

Both teen-agers were shot in the head after having sexual intercourse, Dishongh said.

He said Liberty County sheriff's deputies and Texas Rangers may have identified a suspect in the La Porte teens' slayings. No arrests had been made as of Monday, a sheriff's spokeswoman said.

Dishongh, who received a preliminary report from the Harris County Medical Examiner's Office by telephone late Mongirls apparently had sexual intercourse shortly before their deaths

Officials thought at first the two girls could have been sexually assaulted. But Dishongh said the coroner's office told him there were no signs of forcible rape.

Detectives found shell casings or bullets in the woods off U.S. 59 south of Cleveland where the teen-agers, who had been missing since Thursday, were found by a woman who lives in the

Evidence recovered at the scene led authorities to a possible suspect, Dishongh said.

He said Miss Fisher, who had been shot in the forehead and below the left ear, wore only a cotton blouse and clear plastic sandals.

Miss Bibbs, who was shot in the back of the head, was fully

clothed but missing one tennis

Dishongh said the girls could have been shot late Friday or early Saturday. He said the bodies showed no other injuries

other than the gunshot wounds. A trail of blood led from the dirt road to Miss Fisher's body as if she had been dragged. But no blood led away from Miss Bibbs' body.

Dishongh said the two were discovered about 150 yards apart.

Investigators told family members Miss Bibbs was killed first, and Miss Fisher tried to run away before being caught. beaten and shot.

The teen-agers, who were friends, had planned to go to Houston-area nightclubs.

Relatives last heard from them Friday night when they called from a motel in Harris

Inmates fall five stories in escape attempt

DALLAS (AP) — Three convicted killers serving time in a Texas jail dangled on braided bedsheets during an escape attempt, then plummeted several stories after the strand was mysteriously severed.

One of the recently transferred New Mexico prisoners suffered broken vertebra in the fall and was hospitalized. The Justice Center

Officials don't know who cut the make-do escape rope.

"We found the razor blade near where they anchored the bedsheet. It was a clean cut," said Dallas County Sheriff's are allowed to have the blades to

Ewell speculated that other

Investigators continued to question inmates and guards Monday to find out who may have cut the rope and why, other inmates sharing the same 20s overnight in Dallas. The eight-man cellblock, he said.

The injured men, Russell Nichols, Ralph Hernandez and Michael Contreras, were discovlate Sunday at about 11:30 p.m. by a woman arriving at the jail to post bond for a prisoner.

She heard the three inmates, who were wearing white jail coveralls, yelling for help and

"They certainly found themselves in the bitter cold, in the darkness," Ewell said. "One was so injured he couldn't stand up. We think they could have easily frozen to death within minutes if she hadn't seen them.

men were "found huddled together," Ewell said.

They apparently had broken through a security wall on the ered in an outside courtyard fifth floor and were lowering themselves down the wall when they fell onto the dirt ground, then were trapped by 15-foot walls topped with razor wire.

"The initial reaction (by investigators and guards) was the stupidity," Ewell said. "But they did manage to weave together the bedsheets. It was done as if braiding a woman's long hair; neatly done.'

Ewell said the razor wire, which in the last three months was added to walls at jails all over Dallas County, "paid off in The temperature was in the this particular episode.

tank car into a bulk tank at Pan-

handle Agri-Tex on the western

edge of Stratford around 6:30

p.m., said Texas Department of

Public Safety spokesman Jerry

Trooper Wayne Beighle said

authorities were able to turn off

the anhydrous ammonia valve

Santa Fe Railway officials

sent a technical crew to the

scene late Monday to measure

the amount of chemicals that

had escaped, said L.B. Snider,

about two hours later.

State briefs

Report: Prosecutors hawked drug tracking device

HOUSTON (AP) — Two federal prosecutors have helped distribute so-called drug detection devices labeled by the FBI as fraudulent, according to a published report today.

A government source told the Houston Chronicle that Assistant U.S. Attorneys Guy Womack and John Wagner, along with two other men, bought the rights to sell the Quadro Tracker in Alaba

ma, Arkansas, New Mexico and Wyoming. The source, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the two prosecutors had received permission from the Executive Office of the Attorney General in Washington, D.C., to become involved

with the enterprise. The newspaper said the men effectively were distributors for the device, supplying the Quadro Tracker to school districts and law enforcement agencies through dealers.

The prosecutors' supervisors in Houston also were aware of the activity, the source said. The prosecutors did not immediately return telephone calls today from The Associated Press.

Sheep owners to vote on industry promotion tax

SAN ANGELO (AP) - Sheep owners across the country were headed to vote today on whether to tax themselves to pay for promoting lambs and wool.

The stakes are huge in Texas, which accounts for 20 percent of the sheep in America and where 7,600 sheep producers work in central and west Texas.

Pierce Miller of San Angelo, president of the American Sheep Industry Association, considers the so-called "checkoff" a do-or-"I want this thing to pass, and I want it to pass big," Miller

look strong" to the U.S. Department of Agriculture Anyone who owned a sheep for at least 30 days in 1995 including participants in 4-H youth projects — is eligible to vote

said. "I want it to pass with an 80 percent 'yes' vote so we will

at county extension offices.

Richards hopes portrait inspires young people

AUSTIN (AP) — Former Gov. Ann Richards says she hopes her official state portrait will inspire young people to aim for their highest goals.

The portrait was hung in the Capitol Monday. It shows the former governor seated in a wooden chair against a bluish gray background wearing a royal blue suit and a double strand of Richards served as governor in 1991-95. She was defeated in a

re-election campaign by current Gov. George W. Bush

"I hope very much that young children get the message that all of us can aspire to be the chief executive officer of this state,"

Richards, clad in a similar blue suit on Monday, opened the portrait-hanging ceremony by declaring, "It's not every day you get to come to a hanging.

two other prisoners were treatescapees may have been angry ed for rope burns or lacerations, they were not included in Sunnotified deputies and returned to the Lew Sterrett day's attempt or thought they might have been held responsi-

ELGIN (AP) — Police in this

small town outside of Austin

had two people in custody Mon-

day in the shooting deaths of

three Mexican nationals who

The three men killed in a

shooting incident early Sunday

were identified by Elgin police

as brothers Ubaldo Sanchez

Lares, 19; Geraldo Fernandez

Lares, 25; and their cousin,

"We haven't made any

arrests," Elgin Police Chief

Aristeo Marquez Hinojosa, 19.

Monday.

Depart-

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Steve Huckabay

"We've got a cou-

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ment and the

Texas Rangers are

backwards to help

us by interrogat-

ing these people."

had been drinking

at a bar in Elgin

before going to a

Witnesses told

said

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"There was one (prisoner) near the top, one at the middle and one near the bottom," Ewell said, adding that it was a miracle that the two inmates highest on the rope survived.

inmates who share the same cellblock as the thwarted ble if the break had been suc-

spokesman Jim Ewell. Inmates Ewell said. There were four

Police investigate murder Ammonia leak forces

Huckabay said police believe one person is responsible for the shootings.

people we have in custody right now, they probably know who it is," Huckabay said. "We questioned them at length last night and today and we haven't

They (the victims) there and got in

argument fight. over and what? Over Nobody police the victims Said.

way 290 where a gathering was taking place. Huckabay said the shooting

occurred around 1:24 a.m. Sunday after an argument in front of the house with the gathering. Elgin is a town of 5,500 roughly 35 miles east of Austin.

One of the victims was shot five times, one was shot three times and one was shot twice, Huckabay said.

"They (the victims) went there and got in an argument and a fight. Over what? Nobody has said," Huckabay said.

"There was an argument in the house and then they took it out-

"If the shooter's not one of the reached any conclusions. We will probably put a polygraph test on them.

> The victims were residents of Austin but citizens of Mexico, and their bodies were being sent to the Central Mexican state of Zacatecas, according to officials at the Mission Funeral Home, which was handling arrange-

Steve Huckabay

has ments. People living in

the neighborhood where the shooting neighborhood near U.S. High- took place said they had seen a group of young men frequently hanging out by the house.

"We have been called out here on gunshots before," said Elgin Police Officer Paul Hernandez.

"This is unfortunate and very tragic," said Officer Michael Schnautz. The last homicide in Elgin happened in 1992 and police

could not recall a triple murder

in the town's past. "There is a great concern in the community about it," Huckabay said. "It's a pretty peaceful town. This is a rare incident."

of three Mexican nationals evacuation of town

STRATFORD (AP) - Five people are hospitalized today and another 25 were treated following an anhydrous ammonia leak that forced the evacuation of nearly all this northern Panhandle town's population.

The gas, which health workers said is poisonous in large concentrations, formed a dense cloud late Monday after a twoinch line ruptured. School basketball games and meetings were called off and the evacuations of about 1,800 people ordered.

Five people, including one firefighter, were in stable condition at Dumas Memorial Hospital after they inhaled the gas, said Wanda Clark, director of

Another firefighter was treated for symptoms and released, Ms. Clark said. She said he and others complained of chest pains and breathing difficulties as well as nausea and vomiting.

"Some people say they have lost their animals," she said. "But it could have been a lot worse.' Shortly after midnight today,

the Sherman County Sheriff's Office began allowing Stratford residents to return to their homes after the gas dissipated, said dispatcher Carla Jones. The nonflammable gas leaked

as workers tried to transfer it

from a 17,000-gallon railroad

another DPS trooper. "It was enough to leave a visible cloud," said Snider. Those suffering adverse

Hatley

effects from the gas, which is used as a fertilizer, were taken to the Dumas hospital, 35 miles south of Stratford, for treatment. "It can cause a burning sensation and can irritate the skin," said Ms. Clark

A Stratford High sophomore was at school attending a night class for the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills test when the gas cloud arrived.

"All the sophomore class was there and they were having basketball games for the seventhand eighth-grade and freshman teams," said Ashlie Lasley. "One of our teachers is an EMT (emergency medical technician), so he helped start the evacuation. About 20 people ran right out the door.'

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Quote of the Day

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"Liberty is the one thing you can't have unless you give it to others."

William Allen White

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Welcome neighbors: Lone Star Council, Boy Scouts of America

elcome to the neighborhood, Boy Scouts of

On Sunday, the Lone Star District of the Boy Scouts of America officially dedicated what they are now calling their East Area Scout Service Center, located in the former River-Welch Funeral Home at 610 Scurry

We're proud to have the Scouts as our neighbors on Scurry Street, and we're prouder still to have a family like that of Ernest Welch, who donated the facility

For people like Joe Pickle, a 72-year veteran of the Scout movement, the Sunday dedication was a highwater mark in the organization's illustrious local his-

"We've been here for 85 years, just one year short of when Scouting first came to this country, and for the first time ... can you believe it, for the very first time we have a permanent home," Pickle told those in

attendance at the dedication.

We look forward to our new neighbors because of the life, the enthusiasm and commitment the organization

will bring to the neighborhood.
Yes, we're proud to have an organization whose oath includes words such as honor, duty and country whose 12 points of law address trustworthiness, loyalty, helpfulness, friendliness, courtesy, kindness, obedience, cheerfulness, thrift, bravery, cleanliness and reverence ... and whose members are committed to their duty to God ... as our neighbors.
Congratulations on your new home, and welcome to the neighborhood!

Your views

Pandering to misguided patriots.

Right-wing radio commentators, leaders of the fringe militia movement and conservative members of Congress have minted a new "American hero." He is Army Spec. Michael New.

And for what act of courage and patriotism is the nation to lionize New? For refusing to wear a blue United Nations insignia along muttering foul words. The with his Army greens on a peacekeeping mission to Macedonia. New says he took this action to uphold the Constitution. Appar-

ently, New is reading a different Constitution. Article II, Section 2. says, "The President shall be Commander in Chief of the Army and Navy." That obliges New to obey the command that he wear the United Nations blue insignia and blue beret when ordered to wear them. A military court acted properly in giving him a badconduct discharge.

The making of this tin patriot is a modern American tale. When New's father, Daniel, heard about his son's disobedience, he called for help to radio host G. Gordon Liddy, the convicted Watergate conspirator who has made a career out of perverting patriotism. The right-wing militia movement was the next to climb aboard. For them, New's case was a natural; many think a United Nations force with black helicopters is about to attack. Finally, about 100 conservative members of Congress, led by Rep. Tom DeLay, the Republican whip, signed onto a bill to permit soldiers to refuse to wear the United Nations blue. Senate Majority leader Bob Dole and Sen. Phil Gramm, both of whom would be president, joined as sponsors

Now the elder New is running for Congress on his son's coattails. He would fit in well with Republican freshmen. New told The Wall Street Journal that he wasn't conspiratorial. "It's not a conspiracy, it's stated (government) policy to reduce American sovereignty and replace it with a New World Order. It's bipartisan; it's George Bush, too."

There is an issue behind his bizarre worldview. Is an American president unconstitutionally delegating his authority as commander-in-chief by permitting American troops to serve under United Nations commanders? As a practical matter, limiting the power of the president to assign troops doesn't make sense, given the modern demand for U.S. participation in U.N. peacekeeping. Nor does it make sense as a constitutional matter. The Constitution confers broad power on the president as commander-in-chief. The courts shouldn't interfere in how the president deploys them.

One would think New's conservative supporters would agree with this proposition were they not so eagerly pandering to misguided patriots.

— St. Louis Post-Dispatch

IO OUR READERS

Beginning today in the Herald, you will find "Mallard Filmore" on the opinion page six days a week.

Filmore is a conservative journalist out to ruffle a few feath ers in Washington. By the way, did we mention he's a duck?

Based on reader feedback and the conservative nature of West

Malaro Remembers:

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Texans, we believe you'll enjoy "Mallard" as much as we do. We begin publication with the strips for both Monday and

today. "Mallard" replaces "Thaddeus & Weez."

Thank you, JOHN H. WALKER **Managing Editor**

By Bruce Tinsley





WHICH IS ALL THE BETTER FOR THE HEALTH AND SAFETY...



OF HER PAUGHTER.



New Hampshire offers something you can sleep on

Do you have a sleep disorder? Maybe you're one of those redeyed people who has trouble dropping off at night? Or maybe one of those who wakes up too early and can't get back

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to sleep? Then maybe I can help you. No guarantees, but it might be worth a try

Just clip today's column and keep it on a night stand or some other handy place. Then when you want to fall asleep, just grab it and read to the next paragraph.

This is going to be about the New Hampshire primary.

There. Don't you feel drowsy already? I'll say it again. New Hampshire primary. How about it, are those eyelids drooping? Say it to yourself: New Hampshire pryyyy-mary.

If it doesn't work, maybe you are a politics nut or a policy wonk. If so, you deserve your

But if you are at all normal, your breathing should be getting slow and steady.

Of course, it's possible that your teeth are grinding, your fists are clenching, and you're dreaded phrase — New Hampshire pryyyy-mary — affects some people that way.

So why am I writing about it? Besides trying to help insomniacs, I want to vent my own disgust at what I suspect is a conspiracy between the state of New Hampshire and the major media to turn a political molehill of a state into a voting mountain.

How did this country ever let itself get into this stupid posi-

There are well over 200 million of us. So why must we lis-

ten to the TV babblers, the Washington pundits and every other selfimportant yapper tell us that it is of monumental importance how

Syndicated columnist the vote turns out in a state that represents less than one-half of 1 percent of the American popu-

Mike Royko

lation? You could drop all of the registered voters in the entire state of New Hampshire into New York City and lose them. Oh, I wish we could.

We aren't even talk! all of the register who will primary. And they are less than the number of people who vote in a rubber stamp election for Chicago's mayor. At this point, the media yap-

pers aren't even talking about all of New Hampshire's primary voters. No, they are now dealing in that most ridiculous of political

and media tools — The Poll. How many people does a poll in New Hampshire represent? A few hundred? With a plus or minus error potential of 5 percent?

But with this pathetically skimpy set of numbers, some network anchorcreature goes on the air and solemnly tells us that Bob Dole's support is dwindling. Some Ivy League pundit jumps in and says it looks like curtains for Dole.

Are they nuts? And are we just as nuts for paying attention? Maybe we are all nuts. except those of you who have fallen into a deep sleep. Imagine. Whether or not you

like Bob Dole, you have to concede that he has not been dozing on the sidelines of American life. He has what some would consider to be a distinguished public record.

Here in Illinois, where we have several million registered voters, Dole is the overwhelming favorite of Republicans Don't they count?

Not if you believe the babbling coming out of New Hampshire. There, the shifting opinions of a few hundred people are being peddled to the entire country as instant history. Is this the way to go about

picking presidential candidates? Or even a constable? Of course not. And this

wacky primary system is one of the reasons we keep winding up with so many stiffs as our presidential candidates. Before we reformed ourselves

into the primary system, the party's political pros used to hold conventions and choose the party's candidates. They gave us people like Abe Lincoln, Teddy and Franklin D. Roosevelt, Woodrow Wilson,

The primaries give us the likes of Carter, Bush and Dukakis. It's the primary system that has empowered the special interests, the one-issue fanatics, the hired political

guns, spin artists, truthtwisters, media-manipulators and pimple-picking-pollsters.

It's turned the serious busi ness of picking presidential candidates into a battle of TV commercials. And we've reached the point where the alleged experts now analyze the latest commercials, rather than what a candidate says. Then they rush off to analyze the opinions of the 500 people who are polled after they have glimpsed the commercials.

Then some studio-locked producer pushes this tripe at an anchorman who wouldn't know a live voter if it sat on him, and he goes on the air and says that this is the big news tonight in little New Hampshire.

Enough of this madness. Because a tiny state has this weird craving for attention, and the Media Monster tries to force-feed us this nonsense biogram doesn't mean we have to act like wimps and take it.......

It's too late to expel New Hampshire from the Union or sell it to Canada. And who'd notice?

But if you are as fed up as I am, then say so. Call ABC, CBS, NBC, CNN, Fox, and the rest of the networks or your local stations and tell them to take their New Hampshire polls and instant analysis and shove them where they belong. Bury them in phone calls and faxes. Don't be rude, but you might say you really hate their

And we haven't got to the Iowa caucuses yet. Anyone for anarchy? (C) TRIBUNE MEDIA SERVICES

Female politicos experience relationship breakdown

By BONNIE ERBE

Scripps Howard News Service

I recently met Elizabeth Fox-Genovese, and I was prepared quite frankly, to dislike her. What I encountered was an extremely intelligent, well-edu-

cated, rational person of the highest caliber.

I was prepared to disfavor her because of her new book, "Feminism is Not the Story of My Life: How Today's Feminist Elite Has Lost Touch with the Real Concerns of Women." But the difference between what she says in print (or in the media) and what she says in person is emblematic of a much larger societal breakdown in relations between women of differing political stripes. And it is a clash that will cost women on both sides dearly.

Let's start with her title. My reaction is, OK, feminism is not the story of my life, either. So what? The title is a gratuitous putdown of a movement that,

while clearly flawed, has produced for women (including Fox-Genovese and me) a wealth of social progress and newfound rights we would not have otherwise enjoyed. Her title is designed to grab headlines, stir up resentment and (probably) to sell books. But it has another insidious side-effect: to catalyze women into two brittle and warring camps (feminists and antifeminists). This will cause untold and needless problems for all of us.

Next, her subtitle: What irks me most is use of the term 'elite." Hidden in the fine print, she refers to herself inside the book as part of the academic 'elite." But "elite" is an adjective currently in vogue among conservatives, most of whom make well into the six-figures and live in mini-mansions. Yet they fling the term "elite" with invective against people on the left who earn considerably less. Professor Fox-Genovese

describes her own life: Teaching at prestigious (read that, elite)

Emory University, traveling of cutting-edge political movearound the country giving lectures (to "elite" audiences) and publishing an occasional (elitist) book. Is that the life of the average American woman who earns less than \$16,000 per year? Hardly. Let us be more thoughtful when tossing out the adjective "elite."

Finally, throughout her book

she attacks feminism as if it were some kind of all-important movement with extended political clout and influence. Most American women now see feminism as some vague, amorphous concept that helped improve their lot, but as something past its prime. Let's face it: feminism thrived in the '60s and '70s, perhaps into the early '80s. But as women gain equality (thanks to the efforts of feminist activists) and move into the mainstream, the movement becomes less powerful. My mother, who took me to

women's rights marches when I was in a stroller, lives in New York City and is active in a lot

ments there, thinks feminism is passe

For Fox-Genovese to admit that feminism is no longer the power it once was would give her no "target of opportunity" and no reason to write books. Instead, she attacks feminist principles that were prevalent 15 years ago, but have since been moderated.

Her tactics remind me of Senate Republican leader Bob Dole's response to President Clinton's State of the Union Address last month. Clinton moved decidedly to the right in his speech, citing an end to "big government" and touting family values. But Dole retorted by calling Clinton a liberal friend of "big government." Dole's speech may have been a valid response to Clinton's 1993 State of the Union address, not the 1996 version.

These observations come not from a "feminist," as some readers might imagine. I eschew all labels except "reasonable."

MALLARD FILMORE

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Surprise TV interview

Simpson asserts Nicole made up abuse claims

exasperated O.J. Simpson asserted Monday night in a surprise TV interview that he fought violently with his exwife only once and that she made up allegations of abuse to get out of a prenuptial agree-

In his most detailed defense yet of allegations in the case, he also denied he degraded Nicole Brown Simpson, and he expressed suspicions that police planted evidence.

Simpson made his comments in an hourlong telephone call to the CNN legal show "Burden of Proof," responding to a week's worth of leaks from his deposition testimony in a wrongful death lawsuit against him. He confirmed many of the details but disputed interpretations that the testimony will hurt him.

Ms. Simpson and her friend Ronald Goldman were knifed to death June 12, 1994. Simpson was acquitted last October but still faces civil suits filed by Goldman's family and Ms.

Simpson's estate. In the interview, Simpson revealed for the first time that he armed himself two days after the murders, saying it was for his protection. He said he placed a gun in the bag that wound up in friend Al "A.C." Cowlings' Bronco the day of the slowspeed chase later that same week.

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"I had a woman killed. I had a guy, Kato Kaelin, at the time telling me about noises at my house. When I left my house Tuesday (June 14) I had the gun with me. Tuesday. And at that time I wasn't thinking about suicide or anything,' Simpson said.

Simpson suggested that Ms. Simpson may have been put up to writing untrue allegations of abuse by her divorce lawyers and her therapist, Susan Forward. He said the only time the two of them fought to the point she was injured was an incident in 1989.

"Only one incident in 189 in my attempt to get her out of my bedroom which I was totally wrong for. I take full responsibility. Nicole and I went on with our lives.'

He said she wrote allegations of other abuse "in an attempt to get me to tear up a prenuptial agreement. Now, Nicole told her lawyers that she would never swear to these things."

"Let's get this diary thing straight," he said. "There was no diary. It was a list of things Nicole wrote during our divorce proceedings. She sat down. It even had the cover let-

LOS ANGELES (AP) - An ter on it, the cover on it saying these are some things I remem-

> At one point, he said, Ms. Simpson came to him "after her meeting with a lady named Susan Forward twice where they went over strategy and stuff (and) she said that Susan Forward was crazy," Simpson said. "This lady's trying to make you look like an animal.'

Allegations of domestic violence are expected to be a major part of the civil trial, which is set to begin April 2. Plaintiff lawyers said they intend to contend that Simpson, after years of abusing his wife, committed the ultimate act of abuse by killing

In the interview, he:

•Said he didn't speak at any length to Ms. Simpson when he called her house less than two hours before the murders. He said he wanted to speak with their daughter, Sydney.

 Denied he got a phone message from his then-girlfriend the morning of the murders in which Paula Barbieri broke up with him. He said he had proof that he never got the message from a car phone service, and he downplayed the significance of the call.

·Said he believed he cut his hand twice in the hours surrounding the murders: once while preparing for the Chicago trip the night of the murders, and again after he got to Chicago.

·Said he didn't know how Ms. Simpson's and Goldman's DNA ended up in Simpson's Bronco: "I have absolutely no idea. I think we should be asking the LAPD that."

 Denied there was anything sinister in his calling house guest Brian "Kato" Kaelin from Chicago the day after the murders. Simpson said he was calling everybody he could think of to get information about his ex-wife's death.

·Had harsh words for his trial prosecutors. He said that he initially was impressed with Marcia Clark's passion but as the trial progressed, "I started thinking ... for me personally, I thought she was devious and once that trait is in a person's character I don't see anything else.'

 Suggested he fired his first attorney, Howard Weitzman, who allowed Simpson to speak to police the day after the murders without a lawyer present.

 Denied an allegation from Ms. Simpson's sister Denise Brown that Simpson once grabbed Ms. Simpson's crotch in a restaurant.

NATION BRIEFS

Clinton's sketched out bare-bones budget more campaign manifesto than spending blueprint

WASHINGTON (AP) - The bare-bones budget that President Clinton sketched on Monday is more campaign manifesto than spending blueprint, challenging Republicans for political turf they have long owned outright.

The 20-page pamphlet points the way to zero deficits in 2002 and makes room for a modest tax cut. Yet it also proposes more than the Republicans want for Medicaid, Medicare, education, the environment and other politically popular programs.

"Government should not do for individuals what they can do for themselves," says a three-page introductory essay — an echo of Clinton's widely quoted remark from last month's State of the Union speech that "the era of big government is over."

Beyond laying out broad goals, the material released during the day offered scant details. It avoided any mention, for example, of how to achieve nearly \$300 billion in projected budget savings over seven years in so-called discretionary programs.

Republicans, White House in squabble over Medicare

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republicans and the White House are involved in a new squabble over Medicare, this time over a report that the program's hospital insurance trust fund lost money last year for the first time in 23 years.

Republicans demanded why the Clinton administration took so long to report the \$35.7 million shortfall.

But the White House responded that more than 4,000 copies of the report were sent out last October, including one to each member of Congress.

The news of a shortfall, first reported in Monday's editions of The New York Times, is based on a preliminary analysis of the fund's 1995 activity, which the Clinton administration said is still being reviewed.

Pat Buchanan bidding for upset in Louisiana caucuses

WINNFIELD, La. (AP) — Bidding for an upset in Louisiana's "forbidden caucuses," Pat Buchanan labeled Texas Sen. Phil Gramm a supporter of higher taxes and racial quotas Monday as he tried to drum up interest in the first official voting of the 1996

Twenty-one delegates are at stake today in caucuses to be conducted at just 42 sites across the state, a process designed by Louisiana GOP officials who support Gramm. That made Gramm the heavy favorite, with most other GOP hopefuls boycotting the event in deference to Iowa's traditional role as host of the leadoff

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Bosnia government arrests Serb general for war crimes

Herzegovina (AP) — In a move likely to infuriate its Serb rivals, the Bosnian government has arrested a Serb general and seven others as war crimes suspects or witnesses to the atroci-

The government has furnished the International War Crimes Tribunal with evidence supporting the requested charges and asked the tribunal

to question the arrestees today, said Bosnian Interior Minister Bakir Alispahic. He said those not charged will be released.

Neither Lt. Gen. Michael Walker, commander of ground troops in Bosnia, who through a statement said he learned of the detentions Monday, nor Alispahic elaborated on the evi-

dence or the alleged crimes. The tribunal has so far inc cted 45 Serbs and seven Bosnian

detained in 1993, is in custody. Among those indicted are Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic and Serb military commander Gen. Ratko Mladic.

One of those among the eight arrested by the government NATO officials say none has yet been indicted by the tribunal — is Gen. Djordje Djukic, a close associate of Mladic. They were taken into custody

Croats. Only one, a Serb soldier between Jan. 20 and Feb. 2, and Serb autho ies had been seeking information from NATO

about their whereabouts The Bosnian Serb army headquarters claimed Djukic and a Col. Aleksa Krsmanovic were arrested while traveling to a

meeting with NATO officials. Bringing suspected war criminals to justice is considered a major key to the U.S.-brokered peace plan.

WORLD BRIEFS

Pyromaniac believed caught in French fire mystery; but other blazes remain unsolved

MOIRANS-EN-MONTAGNE, France (AP) - A confessed arsonist is in custody and a French fire mystery appears solved.

The mayor of this Jura Mountain village isn't so sure. Police said Monday evening that they arrested a 35-year-old man who confessed to setting at least seven of the 15 unexplained fires that have struck the 1,500-person village since November.

Mayor Jean Burdeyron is skeptical that this is the end of a case that terrorized residents and drew streams of media and disaster tourists to the southeastern French village.

"Nothing proves tha he set all the fires and that some were not caused by some other phenomenon or an accomplice," said Police identified the man arrested Sunday as Pascal Raffin, a

member of the family most affected by the series of fires. One of the blazes he has confessed to killed his invalid aunt and a firefighter trying to rescue her.

Raffin worked at one of the town's factories and lived with his parents in a house he twice torched. His motives remain a mystery.

Imelda Marcos files complaints against government official MANILA, Philippines (AP) — Saying "enough is enough,"

Imelda Marcos filed criminal complaints today against the head of

a government agency that is trying to recover her family's allegedly ill-gotten wealth.

The former first lady said the complaints are the first of many she will file against government officials for "inhuman and inde-

cent harassment. She accused Magtanggol Gunigundo, chairman of the Presidential Commission on Good Government, of fraud, forgery

and graft for selling one of her family's properties. Mrs. Marcos faces about 100 criminal and civil charges in connection with allegations that her husband, dictator Ferdinand Marcos, illegally amassed \$5 billion during his 20-year rule. Marcos was driven into exile by a 1986 revolt, and died in Hawaii

The commission says it has recovered \$1.2 billion of the assets. including the former home of the Marcoses' eldest daughter, Imee Manotoc.

Thousands keep up rally against Russian troops in Chechnya GROZNY, Russia (AP) — Thousands of people rallied for a third

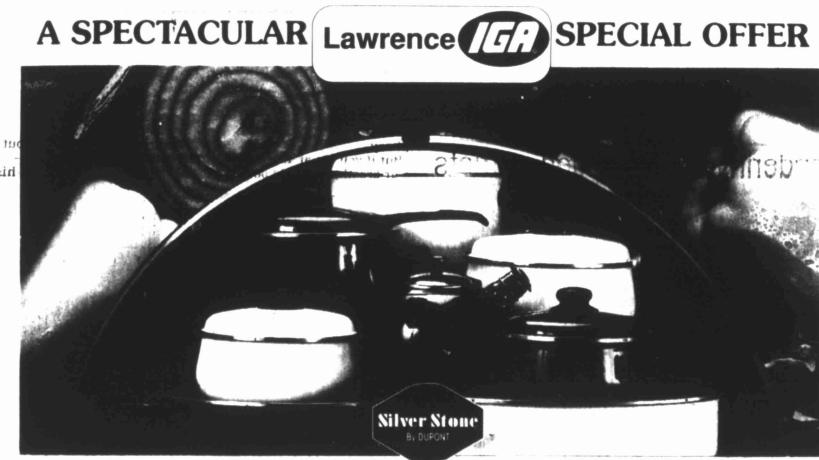
troops leave the secessionist republic. Chechens streamed into Grozny from nearby villages to join the protest, with as many as 10,000 people gathered at the ruins of the

day today in the capital of Chechnya to demand that Russian

presidential palace, the Interfax news agency said. An estimated 10,000 people demonstrated Sunday and about 5,000 Monday

The demonstrations have been peaceful.

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Big Spring: College Park

FPC sweeps **Howard**

Herald staff report

Both Howard College basketball teams went into Monday's game with Frank Phillips ranked at the top of the Western Junior College Athletic Conference rankings.

Both left Borger further down in the standings.

Frank Phillips' women set the tone for the evening as Hazel Taylor and Sherry Louison combined for 50 points to lead the Lady Plainsmen to a 74-67 win over Howard College.

In the nightcap, Frank Phillips rolled to a 72-57 win over Howard's men.

The losses dropped both Howard teams out of the top spot in the WJCAC rankings. Midland College now leads the women's race by a half-game over the Lady Hawks, while Howard is in third place in the men's rankings behind FPC and South Plains.

Louison and Taylor proved to be the big difference in the women's game. Louison carried the load in the first half, scoring 15 of FPC's 37 points. In the second half, Taylor caught fire, scoring 16 of her 22 points in the final 20 minutes.

Louison finished as the leading scorer with 28 points for FPC, which improved to 19-3 overall and 9-2 in the WJCAC standings. La'Tonya Kindle and Toni Westfall led the Lady Hawks (21-2 overall, 9-2 in WJCAC play) with 16 and 14 points, respectively.

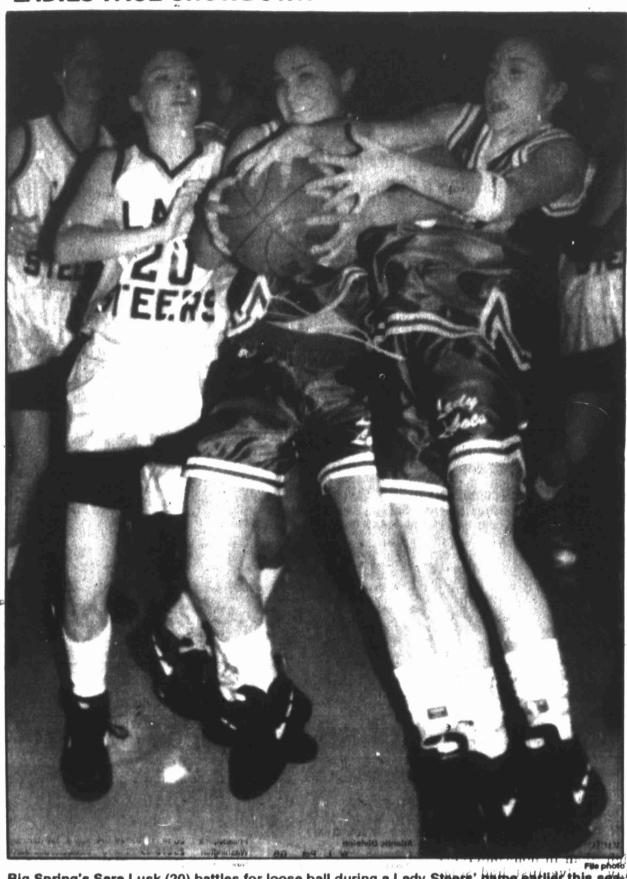
In the men's game, Frank Phillips raced out to a 10-point halftime lead and was never headed as they knocked the Hawks out of the top spot in the WJCAC.

The Plainsmen's defense was the key, as they held 20-point

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son. Big Spring and Andrews, both tied atop the District 4-4A girls' standings, face off tonight in Steer Gym. Game time is 6 p.m. The boys' game between Andrews and Big Spring follows at 7:30 p.m.

Shifflett gives Dogs a win; Bulldogettes fall

Herald staff report

Coahoma's Brandon Shifflett sank a last-second shot to keep the Bulldogs on track for the district title as they slipped past Jim Ned 64-63.

Down by six in the final minutes, the Bulldogs rallied to close the score to 63-62. Shifflett grabbed an offensive rebound off Josh Collom's 25-foot forced shot and laid it back in with one second remaining.

Coahoma coach Kim Nichols said that he knew that Jim Ned would be tough to beat at home, so the Bulldogs had to come out the aggressor.

"We had a 12-point lead in the first half , which dwindled down during the game," said Nichols. "We shot the ball extremely well. We shot a couple of three-pointers early in the game."

Jim Ned caught up to Coahoma with the help of Bobby Warren's 26 points and was on its way to taking the game. However, two of Jim Ned's offensive triplets, Zack Brown and Dwayne Dacus, were taken out of the offense by the Bulldogs' defense.

"It was a ball game of runs," said Nichols. "But we controlled Dacus and took Brown out, but it is hard to stop all three players."

Coahoma is now 3-0 in the second half of district competition. Shifflett led Coahoma in scoring with 20 points, and Collom followed with 16 points. If all goes well for the Bulldogs, they'll face either Stanton or Jim Ned for the second-half district championship. Nichols says that any number

of things can happen. "We just have to take care of

tonight," said Nichols. "And get ready Friday to beat Stanton."

COAHOMA (64) - Collom 16, Ruiz 8, McHugh 6, Ovalle 1, Barr 5, Nichols 3, Shifflett 20, totals

JIM NED (63) - Reeves 10, Thomas 5, Brown 11, Lester 3, Dacus 6, Warren 26, Osborne 2,

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Three-point goals - Coahoma, Collom 4, Ruiz 1, Nichols 1, Shifflett 1; Jim Ned, Reeves 2, Thomas

Girls game

"It was a repeat of the first half of district"

That's what Coahoma goals coach David Cox said when Jim Ned defeated the Bulldogettes 66-47.

Both teams shared heated runs and freezing slumps throughout the game, especially during the second quarter when both teams only scored four points each.

The lead changed hands several times with Coahoma leading 32-30 with the help of a 8-0 run. In the fourth quarter, however, the Bulldogettes "ran out of gas" according to Cox.

We were tired the fourth quarter," said Cox. "We had a lot of turnovers, our shots weren't going in and we could only take one shot because of their rebounds."

For Coahoma, this loss causes concern in the district running now that the race may grow more complicated

"We needed this win to force a playoff for the district championship with Jim Ned," said Cox. "Now we have to beat Winters tonight to prevent a

business against Winters Please see COAHOMA, page 7

NO MORE TERMITES



Mark McClure, president and CEO of Cobra Golf, poses with racks of the company's new titanium driver. McClure predicts 15-20 million titanium woods will be sold in the next three to five years.

Lieberman-Cline shreds one more barrier: Admission to basketball's Hall of Fame

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (AP) — Nancy Lieberman-Cline doesn't mind at all being told that she plays basketball like a man. She even prefers it.

After all, it helped put her in the Basketball Hall of Fame.

Other inductees announced Monday were scoring rivals George Gervin and David Thompson, UCLA and Los Angeles Lakers star Gail Goodrich, high-scoring George Yardley and the late Kresimir Cosic of Croatia.

But the often controversial Jerry Tarkanian, who owns the best winning percentage among college coaches, was passed

At 5-foot-8 and 120 pounds, Lieberman-Cline didn't intimidate with sheer size. But she helped restyle women's basketball into a rougher, hard-charg-

ing, more aggressive game. "Maybe people will associate me with change and changing attitudes in how the game should be played: without it being wrong to say, 'She plays like a guy,'" Lieberman-Cline

said. She broke barriers throughout her career. At 17, she played on the 1976 U.S. team

that won the Olympic silver medal, making her the sport's youngest medalist in history. During two seasons with the Springfield Fame of the United States Basketball League in

fessional league. She also led Old Dominion to two straight national college championships.

1986-87, she was the first

woman to play in a men's pro-

At age 37, Lieberman-Cline, of Dallas, has now added some new lines to her resume. A television analyst, she also runs a sports marketing company. She is married and has an 18-

month-old son. The scoring rivalry between Gervin and Thompson reached its height on April 9, 1978, when each was challenging for the NBA scoring title with one game left. Thompson scored 73 points for Denver to take the lead. But a few hours later, Gervin scored 63 for San Antonio, to win the title by per-

centage points. "It's truly an honor to be

going in with David," Gervin said Monday. "We had quite a few battles.'

Each of them battled in his own life, too. Nicknamed "Iceman," Gervin turned pro after slugging an opponent and losing his college scholarship. Later, while with the Spurs, he entered a drug rehabilitation

Despite his personal problems, Gervin, who also played with Chicago, scored more than 2,000 points in six consecutive seasons. He averaged 26 points during 14 seasons in the ABA and NBA.

Thompson, who led North Carolina State over UCLA and Bill Walton en route to the 1974 NCAA championship, also fell prey to cocaine as a pro. At the height of his drug problems, he did a brief stint at a prison camp for beating his wife. However, Thompson averaged

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Baseball Ranger at Howard College (DH), 1 p.m. **Basketball**

Andrews at Big Spring (B/G), 6/7:30. Winters at Coahoma (B/G), 6:30/8. Forsan at Stanton (B/G), 6:30/8. Rankin at Garden City (B/G), 6:30/8

STATE/NATION

T-wolves down Mavericks

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) - Maybe Minnesota coach Flip Saunders will change his opinion about the home-and-home series

The Timberwolves beat the Dallas Mavericks on Monday night for the second time in three days as four Minnesota players scored 20 or more points in

Minnesota won 105-96 in Dallas on Saturday and completed a sweep of the home-and-home series Monday. The Timberwolves have won all three meetings between the teams this season.

"It's always difficult to play a team back-to-back, especially when you win the first one at their place, Saunders said. "You're in a situation where they can make adjustments and the revenge factor is in

Erhardt joins Jets

HEMPSTEAD, N.Y. (AP) - Ron Erhardt, the offensive coordinator for Pittsburgh the last four years, joined the New York Jets along with former Steelers tight end coach Pat Hodgson.

Erhardt, who will be 65 later this month, and Hodgson were released by the AFC champions last week. Erhardt was the offensive coordinator when the New York Giants won the Super Bowl after the 1986 and 1990 seasons.

Another Shula in NFL

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) - Mike Shula, an assistant with the Chicago Bears for the past three seasons, became the NFL's youngest offensive coordinator when he was hired by the Tampa Bay Bugganeers.

ON THE AIR

Basketball

College Duke at Georgia Tech, 6 p.m., ESPN (ch. 30). Seton Hall at Rutgers, 8 p.m., ESPN. NBA Orlando at Detroit, 7 p.m., TBS (ch. 11).

New Jersey at LA Lakers, 9:30 p.m., TBS.

Hockey

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Chadwick's SFA cracks Top 25

The Associated Press

The alarm sounded early for the Stephen F. Austin women. Expecting a good year, the Ladyjacks strolled confidently into Iowa City for a seasonopening tournament back in November and shuffled back home a couple of days later at

"I think that was a wakeup call for our team," said coach Royce Chadwick, who came to SFA after a stint as the women's coach at Howard College. "We thought we vere pretty good and then we got our eyes opened. We found out we'd better be ready to play or somebody would clean our clock."

They've been ready ever since. Stephen F. Austin has won 16 straight after those losses to Iowa and Maryland. On Monday, the Ladyjacks broke into The Associated Press poll at No. 25.

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It's the first national ranking in Chadwick's two seasons at the school. Stephen F. Austin had not been ranked since the week of Dec. 7, 1993.

"We don't need chairs in our office today," Chadwick said. "Everybody's flying pretty

Georgia remained the No. 1 team for the second consecutive week and with No. 24 Notre Dame also making its Top 25 debut, the poll has newcomers for the first time in four weeks.

With a 16-game winning streak of its own, Georgia (18-2) received 39 of a possible 40 first-place votes from a national media panel and had 998 points.

Louisiana Tech (19-1), which led the poll for 10 weeks before Georgia took over, held the No. 2 spot with 945 points. Connecticut (20-3) climbed one place to third with 910 points and Stanford (16-2) advanced one spot to fourth with 862

No. 5 Iowa also moved up one place, and was followed by Tennessee, Texas Tech. Wisconsin, Virginia and Old Dominion. Tennessee fell three places after losing to Mississippi, but still got one first-place vote.

Vanderbilt slipped four places to 11th after losing two of three games. Only three weeks ago, the Commodores had been second. Then came Penn State, Alabama, Duke and North Carolina State, followed by Oregon State, Mississippi. Clemson, Colorado and Florida.

The final five were Oklahoma State, Auburn, Purdue, Notre Dame and Stephen F. Austin.

tion of potent offense, rebounding and tough defense.

The Ladyjacks have scored 100 or more points a schoolrecord five times and average 84 for the season. They lead the nation in rebounding margin and are giving up only 57 points a game while holding opponents to 37 percent shoot-

"We've adjusted to the type of players we have," Chadwick said. "I used to walk it up the floor, pass it eight times and then bounce it off somebody's foot to reset the shot clock. We

were hung up on being in the top 10 nationally in team defense.

"This team is explosive enough offensively to be in the top 10 in scoring and it so happens we're also in the top 10 in defense.'

Katrina Price, a 5-foot-10 sophomore, leads Stephen F. Austin with a 19.1 scoring average. No player averages more than 29 minutes a game and 10 players are seeing an average of at least 10 minutes of action.

'We're getting big contributions from our bench," Chadwick said. "What is it they say when you're winning? Nothing hurts?

While Stephen F. Austin hasn't been ranked the last couple of years, the Ladyjacks have a strong tradition in The AP poll. They were ranked every year from 1976-84 and again from 1988-93.

That hasn't been the case for the other newcomer. Notre Irish were in the Top 25 for nine weeks in the 1990-91 sea-

Notre Dame got in despite losing at Rutgers on Saturday. But the Irish had won eight of nine before that, with their only loss in that span coming to Connecticut.

Northwestern and Arkansas dropped out of the poll. Northwestern, 23rd last week, has lost six straight after a 15-1 start. Arkansas (16-8), which had been 24th, split two games last week and has lost seven of

Stephen F. Austin is winning Dame has been ranked only with an unbeatable combinaonce prior to this season. The

son, peaking at No. 19.

Iowa State defies preseason predictions

The Associated Press

When the Big Eight preseason poll came out, Iowa State was at the bottom. You couldn't blame the voters because the Cyclones lost 95 percent of their scoring and rebounding from last season's team that won, a school-record 23 games and reached the second round of the NCAA tournament.

On Monday, Iowa State (16-4) joined the ranks of the ranked for the first time this season at

"We wouldn't have dreamed we'd be 16-4 right now," coach Tim Floyd said Monday. "We're very encouraged. We did have a huge turnover in personnel, but fortunately we got some decent players in here. They've grown together, they like each other and they're playing extremely hard right now."

Massachusetts, which needed overtime to beat Xavier of Ohio on Sunday, easily held the No. 1 spot in the rankings for the seventh straight week

The only unbeaten Division I team, the Minutemen (21-0) received 58 first-place votes and 1,641 points from the national media panel, well ahead of the seven first-place votes and 1,586 points garnered by Kentucky

(18-1).Kansas was third, followed by Connecticut, which got the only other first-place vote; Cincinnati, Villanova and Utah as the top seven teams remained the same from last

Georgetown moved up one spot to No. 8 and was followed in the Top Ten by Wake Forest, which jumped three places, and Penn State, which was 10th last

Virginia Tech jumped two spots to lead the Second Ten and was followed by Nurth Carolina, Texas Tech. Purdue. Memphis, Arizona, UCLA, Syracuse, Iowa and Louisville.

The last five teams were Iowa Boston College, State. Michigan, Eastern Michigan and Stanford.

Iowa State's top two scorers this season are New Orleans transfer Dedric Willoughby and junior college transfer Kenny Pratt. Kelvin Cato, a 6-foot-11 transfer from South Alabama, has given Iowa State a shot blocker and rebounder since becoming eligible in mid-December. Junior college transfer Shawn Bankhead is the

defensive stopper. "We didn't know what we had. Kenny Pratt, I hadn't even seen him play. Shawn Bankhead, I didn't have a chance to watch him either.' Floyd said. "Cato and Willoughby were backups in the Sun Belt and they're two of our main cogs. I think I was

just being realistic." Iowa State is 5-1 in the Big Eight after going 6-8 last year. But next on the schedule is Kansas on the road Wednesday, and still to come is Missouri,

Oklahoma and Oklahoma State. "I don't know if we're out of the woods yet," Floyd said. 'We've won five games. Who's

to say we won't end up where everybody picked us. "We're by no means a dominant team. In fact, our margin of victory is bigger in the Big Eight than in non-conference play. We've just had some things happen right for us. We

feel very fortunate at this point." So does Louisville coach Denny Crum whose Cardinals (16-6) have overcome the losses of three starting frontcourt players to find their way back into the Top 25 after being 12th in the preseason poll. They came in on a six-game winning streak that included a win at UCLA and Saturday's 74-56

thrashing of Memphis. "I hope they are right," Crum said Monday of the voters "Our team has been through some tough times, but they are playing remarkably well They're showing great effort As long as they keep that up, I will be happy with them.

Stanford (13-5), the third new comer in this week's poll, was 18th in the preseason voting, but fell out four weeks later. The Cardinal made a one-week return over the next eight weeks and come in having won five of six, the last two impressive victories over California and Seton Hall.

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Miami 103, Sacramento 92

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San Antonio at Charlotte, 6:30

Boston at Cleveland, 6:30 p.m.

Dallas at Milwaukee, 7:30 p.m.

L.A. Lakers at Denver, 8 p.m.

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San Antonio at Boston, 6:30 p.m.

Washington at New York, 6:30

Atlanta at Miami, 6:30 p.m.

Portland at Minnesota, 7 p.r.

Houston at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m.

New Jersey at L.A. Lakers, 9:30

Chicago at Golden State, 9:30

HOCKEY

Orlando at Detroit, 7 p.m.

Vancouver at Utah, 8 p.m.

Chicago at Phoenix, 7 p.m.

Houston at Seattle, 9 p.m.

Wednesday's Games

Minnesota 104, Dallas 92

Utah 92, Vancouver 83

L.A. Lakers 110, Utah 103

Orlando 122, San Antonio 109

Golden State 96, New Jersey 92

Phoenix 123, Washington 115, OT

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St. 88, OT George Mason 92, East Carolina

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Mississippi 106, Houston Baptist

N.C.-Asheville 93, Coastal

Samford 70, Florida Atlantic 66,

Tenn.-Martin 75, Tennessee Tech

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Tampa Bay at Colorado, 8 p.m Washington at Edmonton, 8:30

Hartford at Vancouver, 9:30 p.m. Toronto at Anaheim, 9:30 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

Monday BASEBALL American League

BOSTON RED SOX—Agreed to terms with Wil Cordero, shortstop, on a one-year contract. Indiana at Philadelphia, 6:30 p.m.

CHICAGO CUBS-Invited Brian Barnes, Travis Buckley, Mike Campbell, Bill Krueger, Scott Moten Carlos Pulido, Jeff Schwartz, and Tanyon Sturtze, pitchers, Brian Dorsett, Lance Jennings, Matt Merullo, and Hector Ortiz, catchers and Paul Faries and Tracy Woodson infielders, to spring training as nonroster players.
COLORADO ROCKIES—Agreed

to terms with Roger Bailey and David FLORIDA MARLINS-Signed Brett Roneberg, outlielder, to a minor-

PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES-Agreed to terms with Lenny Webster. SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS-32 146 70 182 142 Agreed to terms with Mark Dewey 30 12 10 70 189 146 and Carlos Valdez, pitchers, Rich

year contracts

JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS-Signed Roger Graham, running back MIAMI DOLPHINS-Released Gary Clark, wide reciever, and Bert Weidner, offensive lineman. Signed

Chico Nelson, safety, and Joe Planansky, tight end. NEW ORLEANS SAINTS-Named Bobby April special teams coach NEW YORK JETS-Named Ron

Erhardt offensive coordinator and Pal Hodgson tight ends coach Promoted Chan Gailey, receivers

coach, to offensive coordinator. TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS-Named Mike Shula offensive coordi

HOCKEY National Hockey League BUFFALO SABRES—Sent Brian

Holzinger, center, to Rochester of the WINNIPEG JETS-Recalled lain

left wing, from Springfield of the AHL

BOWLING

Local leagues

RESULTS - My-Boys tied Nasty Boys, 4-4; Courtyard Apts. over Spare Time.6-2: W.G.A.S. over Texas Finance, 6-2; McMahon Supply over McMahon Concrete, 6-2; Bad Company tied Hank & Jans. 4-4. B S Auto Electric over Just Piddlin, 8-0; Budweiser over Chili Peppers, 8-0. Burgess Automotive over Tough As Nails, 8-0; hi sc. game Mike Elliott, 277, hi sc. series Jeff Dukett, 683, hi hdcp game Steve Matthews, 260: hi hdcp series Jack Acuff, 701; hi sc. team game Bad Company,895; hi so team series B.S. auto Electric, 2558 hi hdcp team game Bad Comapny. 939; hi hdcp team series B.S. Auto

Electric, 2660. STANDINGS - B.S. Auto Electric. 8-0; Budweiser, 8-0; Burgess Automotive, 8-0; Courtyad Apts., 6-2; W.G.A.S., 6-2; McMahon Supply, 6-2 Bad Company, 4-4; Nasty Boys, 4-4; My-Boys, 4-4; Hank & Jans, 4-4; Spare Time, 2-6; Texas Finance, 2-6. McMahon Concrete, 2-6, Just Piddling, 0-8; Chili Peppers, 0-8; Tough As Nails, 0-8

MAN'S CAPROCK **RESULTS - Hughes Auto Sales** ver Team 8, 6-2; Spanky's over Team 2, 6-2; Four Stars, unopposed Our Team over Team 1, 6-2; hi sc. game (man) Joey Herrera, 268; hi sc series (man) J.M. Ringener, 649; hi hcpgame (man) Joey Herrera, 287; hi hdcp series (man) Fred Gutierrez; hi sc. game and series (woman) Evelyn Williams, 210 and 540; hi hdcp game (woman) Evelyn Williams, 223; hi hdcp series (woman) Irene Calvio. 580; hi sc. team game Team 2, 798 hi sc. team series Four Stars, 2146, hi hdcp team game Team 2, 902; hi hdcp team series Four Stars, 2401

STANDINGS - Team 1, 96-64

Team 2, 94-66, Hughes auto Sales,

86-74, Four Stars, 82-70; Spanky's.

76-68; Strike Force, 68-76; Our

"Team," 58-94; "Team 8," 56-104.

Continued from page 6 22 points during a career that brought him to both Denver and Seattle. He once hit 13 field goals in a quarter, an NBA record. He is the only one to be named most valuable player in both ABA and NBA All-Star

Both Thompson and Gervin now work for programs that help disadvantaged children.

"It all has been behind me," Thompson said of his past struggles. "Nobody's perfect, and everybody has skeletons in their closet. But when you're a pro athlete, you're in a position when you can have influence

on people's lives." Goodrich, another NBA marquee name, led UCLA to its first titles under coach John Wooden in 1964 and 1965, before starring with the Lakers. At 6-1, he averaged almost 19 points in his 14 seasons, which included play with Phoenix and New

Goodrich said he would ask Wooden to be a presenter at induction ceremonies May 6. "He had confidence that if

Orleans.

play ... Others didn't think so," Goodrich said.

Yardley earned a place in NBA history during the 1957-58 season, when he broke the 2,000-point ceiling by one point. Around that time, he was earning \$27,000 a year. "It was something that we'd all have done for nothing, but we got paid for it," he said.

Tarkanian, who missed the necessary votes in the hall's Honors Committee, has the No. 1 winning percentage among college coaches at 83 percent.

But he and his teams have sometimes engaged in contentious run-ins with the NCAA over recruiting and other alleged violations. The NCAA placed both Long Beach State and UNLV on probation and, in an unprecedented move, ordered Tarkanian suspended for two years.

Now at Fresno State, he said Monday he was honored to be among the nominees. But he said of his future prospects: "If it happens, fine. It's not something that I'm waiting to see."

PUBLIC

On January 17, 1996, in Public Utility

Commission of Texas (Commission)

Docket No. 13575, Texas Utilities Elec-

tric Company (TU Electric) filed its Petition and Statement of Intent seeking to implement changes to its Rider PCR -Power Cost Recovery that would permit the recovery under said Rider of the cost of purchased power capacity from qualifying facilities pursuant to contracts executed on or before September 12, 1994. the cost of purchased power capacity and energy from qualifying facilities and other entities pursuant to contracts executed after September 12, 1994, as a result of Commission-approved solicitations or as otherwise approved by the Commission or as authorized by Section 2.051(x) of the Public Utility Regulatory Act of 1995 (PURA), including an incentive amount, and the cost of demand-side management resources for such resources approved by the Commission in connection with TU Electric's integrated resource planning process or acquired from Commissionapproved solicitations or as authorized by Section 2.051(x) of PURA, including an incentive amount, in excess of the amount included in TU Electric's base rates for demand-side management resources. All of the revenues recovered under the proposed Rider PCR will be subject to reconciliation by the Commission. While TU Electric does expect that, over time, approval of the proposed changes to its said Rider PCR would increase its revenues, it is impossible to quantify any such increase, although it is reasonably anticipated that the increase would not be a "major change" within the meaning of Section 2.212(b) of PURA. The impossibility of quantifying the increase is because it is unknown at this time what resources or types of resources will be selected in the solicitations to be conducted after the Commission's Order on TU Electric's said filing, the costs of which and the applicable incentives would be eligible to be recovered under said proposed changes to said Rider PCR. TU Electric proposes to implement the proposed changes to its said Rider PCR on February 21, 1996, or as soon thereafter as permitted. All of TU Electric's customers and classes of customers in all territories over which the Commission exercises original jurisdiction will be affected by the proposed changes to said Rider PCR. Persons who wish to intervene in or comment upon these proceedings should notify the Commission as soon as possible, as an intervention deadline will be imposed. A request to intervene or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commiss of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Bouleve Austin, Texas 78757. Further infor tion may also be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission's Consumer Affairs Office at (512) 458-0256 or (512) 458-0221 for text telephone. The dead-line for intervention in the proceeding is 45 days after the date the application was filed with the Commission.

Coahoma

Continued from page 6

COAHOMA - Sterling 9, Reid 1, Elmore 13, Tindol 8, Coleman 9, Kirkpatrick 7, total 20 6-20

Brown 22, totals 23 16-32 66. 23 4 17 22 - 66

Forsan falls

to Winters WINTERS - Forsan came out the locker room the second half with the momentum but without the energy Monday as Winters beat them down by a

score of 68-52. The Buffaloes stood strong against Winters height advantage in the first half by controlling the perimeter. There were no need for offensive rebounds because of Forsan's excellent shooting. Forsan sink six threepointers in the first half, and was trailing by one at halftime, points. But the game was determine in the paint.

cal team," said Forsan coach Terry McDonald. "They got a lot of shots from the inside. "Our shots were not getting Continued from page 6 in. [Winters] did a good job of

taking the shots away from us."

"Their size began to wear us

down. They are a really physi-

FORSAN (52) - Lentz 13, Crow 5, Geston 4, Hilliger 5, Baker 23, Bristow 2, totals 20 4-8 52.

WINTERS (66) - Cruz 4, Mostead 2, Soto 4, K. Conner 21, Biddix 6, Delicell, Grohman 2, Below 19, D. Conner 1, totals 26 16-31 68.

12 17 19 17 - 65 7 12 16 23 - 58

scorer Ronnie DeGray to only 10 points. Andre Blackmon and

Patrick Wrigg led the Hawks (14-9, 4-2) with 11 points each. The Hawks and Lady Hawks return to action Thursday at Hobbs against New Mexico Junior College. Game time is 6:50 p.m. for the women and

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this little kid grows, he can But Winters' size soon seized Three-point goals - Forsan, Lentz 2, Crow 1 Hillger 1, Baker 4; Winters, Cruz 1, Biddix 1. control of the game, and the possible three-way tie with defense chilled the Buffaloes' Winters and Wall. It's another Other Monday scores perimeter run. Once the Forsan big game for us." offense was drained, the point deficit began to spread. Wall 60, Stanton 42 Comfort OFFORT SH 132918-42 The Buffaloes had eight 15 11 15 19 - 60 three-pointers overall. Forsan's Leading Scorers: Stanton, Holland 14, Sims Rusty Baker hit four three-JIM NED - M. McClure 6, Rogers 8, Gates 2, pointers among his 23 points, Boys game and Jason Lentz scored 13

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FORECAST FOR FEB. 7

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Changes knock on your door if you remain positive. You feel as if you are on top the world, if you remain open. Information that comes from a co-worker needs analysis and thought. See what is happening with a child or loved one. Tonight: Ask for a back rub!***

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) A friend may ask for feedback to review what is happening. Do not feed this person's negativity. Push for positiveness and joy. You are on top of an idea. Creativity mixes with fun. Plug some of this wonderful energy into your work. Tonight: Share a good time with a special person.****

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Someone could be inordinately tough on you. Don't let responsibilities get to you. Examine what you want in the long run, and maintain a positive attitude. Changes are likely, if you complain. Be smart, bite the bullet and do what you need to. Tonight: Run home.***

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Listen to your inner voice as you deal with a communication-related upset. You understand a lot more than someone else does about a situation. Be honest about your expectations. A positive attitude triumphs, if you start trusting your abilities and smile. Tonight: Hang out with pals.****

someone else's point of view before acting. Review what is happening to find out why an associate is so negative. A new mutual understanding brings don't lose touch with what you healing. Tonight: Review your need financially. Negativity checkbook balance.***

are personality-plus, but question where you are coming what you want, and stay on a from when talking to a grumpy person. Consider pulling back ing is your strong suit. If you and revamping plans. A smile are single, you flourish in a could make a big difference in relationship, but make sure how an event turns out. this person is suitable for you. Tonight: It's your call.****

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Cut back. You will gain perspective if you detach emotionally and stop reacting. Try to understand more of what is happening with a loved one or coworker. Feedback is important; you need to listen more. Question more, and be open. Tonight: Mull over a deci-

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with your emotions. Communications are active as you express your feelings. Tonight: Don't let a loved one bother you. *****

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Take responsibility, and don't let your insecurity get to you. Review a change, and be more sure of yourself. A family member wears on you, and you see the effect of what is happening. Maintain a positive attitude so you can emerge the victor. Tonight: Be out and about.***

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You perceive a situation differently. Understand someone's unusual point of view. As' questions, and gather information. News is worth sharing. Spread information and opinions. Others appreciate your feedback and caring ways. Tonight: Buy a new cas-

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Money matters may put you in a foul mood. Don't let this happen; instead, stay open and listen to potential offers. Brainstorm with a significant partner. An important discussion helps you view recent events differently. Tonight: Go for closeness.***

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) You are unhappy that you are not in control and that you must kowtow to a partner. You are wise to remember what your objectives are before leap-LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) A moning into an attack. Keep smiletary upset could rock a part- ing, and stay in touch with nership, if you let it. Listen to your feelings. Tonight: Be easygoing.***

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR WEDNESDAY, FEB. 7, 1996: Stay directed this year, and could be your downfall, so keep VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You processing to stay in touch with your feelings. Examine steady course. One-to-one relat-If attached, you need valuable quiet time together to keep the relationship on an even keel. PISCES is hard on you.

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Some of the week's high-

lights: **TUESDAY**

"If Looks Could Kill: From the Files of America's Most Wanted," 7 p.m., Fox. Antonio Sabato Jr., Brad Dourif. Authorities search for an elusive con man whose partner's murder left him \$1 million richer.

"Co-Ed Call Girl," 8 p.m., CBS. Tori Spelling, Susan Blakely. An innocent college student seduced by the world of the rich and famous begins working for an upscale escort

"Frasier," 8 p.m., NBC. Niles

turns to Daphne for dance lessons to prepare himself for a country club function.

"NYPD Blue," 9 p.m., ABC. Tragedy results when the domestic violence in Russell's family escalates; Sipowicz and Medavoy investigate an 8-yearold missing persons case. Parental advisory.

WEDNESDAY "National Geographic," 7 p.m., NBC. "Last Feast of the Crocodiles" - Filmmakers David and Carol Hughes document the plight of wild animals living in a parched region of South Africa.

"Party of Five," 8 p.m., Fox. Julia refuses to bond with her grandfather because he mistreated her mother; Charlie continues to struggle with two new relationships.

"Law & Order," 9 p.m., NBC. A gas attack in a New York subway station leads Briscoe and Curtis to team up with detectives from Baltimore. where a similar crime was

committed. This is a two-part "crossover episode" with "Homicide: Life on the Street" and concludes in the "Homicide" timeslot at 9 p.m.

Friday. THURSDAY

"Friends," 7 p.m., NBC. Ross and Rachel become more than just "Friends" in an episode entitled "The One Where Ross and Rachel ... You Know." In another storyline, Monica caters a party for a dashing older doctor played by Tom Selleck.

"ER," 9 p.m., NBC. On his birthday, Dr. Ross receives a surprise visit from his estranged father, played by James Farentino, and the ER is abuzz with rumors of an affair between Dr. Greene and Dr.

"48 Hours," 9 p.m., CBS. What you need to know about making your home your castle: home improvement do-it-yourself mistakes; home repair

THIS DATE IN HISTORY

By The Associated Press Today is Tuesday, Feb. 6, the 37th day of 1996. There are 329 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: In 1895, baseball legend Babe Ruth was born in Baltimore. On this date:

In 1756, America's third vice president, Aaron Burr, was born in Newark, N.J.

In 1778, the United States won official recognition from France as the two nations signed a pair of treaties in Paris.

In 1788, Massachusetts became the sixth state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

In 1899, a peace treaty between the United States and Spain was ratified by the U.S.

In 1933, the 20th Amendment to the Constitution — the "lame duck" amendment which moved the start of presidential, vice-presidential and congressional terms from March to January - was declared in effect.

In 1943, a Los Angeles jury acquitted actor Errol Flynn of three counts of statutory rape.

In 1952, Britain's King George VI died; he was succeeded to the throne by his daughter, Elizabeth II.

In 1959, the United States successfully test-fired for the first time a Titan intercontinental ballistic missile from Cape Canaveral.

ola 1978, Muriel Humphrey senator from Minnesota, filling the seat of her late husband, fermer Vice President Hubert Humphrey.

Ten years ago: The commission investigating Challenger disaster opened its hearings into the cause of the space shuttle explosion that killed all seven crew members. The Dow Jones industrial average closed above the 1,600 level for the first time, ending the day at 1,669.

Five years ago: Jordan's King Hussein tilted sharply toward Iraq in the Gulf War, describing the conflict as an effort by outsiders to destroy Iraq and carve up the Arab world. Comedian and television performer Danny Thomas died in Los Angeles at age 79.

One year ago: President Clinton unveiled his \$1.61 trillion budget for 1996, mixing mild tax relief and spending reductions. Siddig Ibrahim Siddig Ali, the alleged mastermind of a campaign of violence, pleaded guilty in New York to plotting urban terrorism. The space shuttle Discovery flew to within 37 feet of the Russian space station Mir in the first rendezvous of its kind in two

Today's Birthdays: Former President Ronald Reagan is 85. Actress Zsa Zsa Gabor is 79. Actor Patrick MacNee is 74. Actor Rip Torn is 65. Actress Mamie Van Doren is 63. Actor Mike Farrell is 57. NBC news anchorman Tom Brokaw is 56. Singer Fabian Forteris 58. Actress Gayle Hunnicutt is 53. Singer Natalie Cole is 47. Thought for Today: 'The only

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