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Big Spring's "Kids' Zone" gaining momentum

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

The Kids' Zone is almost here! The May 8 start date for building the Kids' Zone playground is just around the corner and Kids' Zone committee members have spent the last five months planning and preparing for the community building project to take place May 8 through May 12.

Architects from Leathers and Associates came to Big Spring November 2 and talked to elementary school children in Big Spring, Forsan and Coahoma.

Kids' Zone Coordinator Katy McA-

teer said, "From their input the architect designed a playground the children thought possible only in their dreams. Imagine for a moment being told you could have anything your heart desired in a playground built just for you. This is what our children were told and this is what they said they wanted."

Kids wanted a big park and Kids' Zone will be 10,000 square feet and will easily hold 200 children at a time.

McAteer said kids wanted all sorts of jungle gym equipment, they wanted to run, jump, swing and slide on everything imaginable.

"They wanted to have places where they could dream about being heroes,

pirates and explorers. And some just wanted places to read, think and dream. Kids' Zone will allow them to be and do the things their hearts desire most," she added.

Right now, the Kids' Zone dream is only on paper.

McAteer said making it a reality on May 8 will depend on the entire community.

"This playground could be the most fun area Big Spring has ever seen. It could be the place where birthdays are held, where families gather with friends go on quiet Sunday picnics, but everyone must get involved," McAteer said.

She added \$75,000 to \$100,000 has to be raised for the playground.

"If we hired a company to come in, design and build a playground for us we would never be able to raise the money they would charge. The structure we are trying to build would probably cost us close to \$200,000," McAteer said.

Since the Kids Committee will be gathering materials from local merchants and building the playground with volunteer labor, McAteer said raising a lot of money would not be necessary.

"We have already received donations from several clubs, the Dora Roberts Foundation and some businesses. Others have told us they will help also. Now we are in the process of raising money through city wide

fundraisers.

Perhaps the biggest fundraiser of all, Koins for Kids, will hopefully raise \$10,000 or more.

"We are asking everyone to find their spare change and bring it to Trinity Baptist Church Saturday from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. We are going to try to cover the gymnasium floor with coins," McAteer said.

Anyone wanting to participate in the Koins for Kids project should contact McAteer at 263-5289 or John Richard Sparks 263-8527.

McAteer said anyone not able to bring their coins to Trinity Baptist Church should call her or Sparks so that someone can pick them up.

Fish kill result of natural causes

By SARA SOLIS
Staff Writer

The recent fish kill at Comanche Trail Lake is apparently the result of natural causes.

Bobby Farquar, district fisheries biologist located in San Angelo, said he visited the lake Wednesday morning and determined the fish kill is probably the result of a naturally occurring bacterial disease. "I counted about 30 to 40 (dead) blue gill sunfish this morning," he said. Farquar said perch is the common name for blue gill sunfish. If primarily one species is dying, the cause of death can usually be attributed to a disease organism. "Most likely the fish got stressed (from the cold weather) and the stress allowed the disease to take over the population." He said disease organisms are always present in the water, but when fish are stressed their disease resistance is lowered.

Farquar said, "You can't treat a lake for disease," because most of the fish that are going to die will have already died by the time any treatment could become effective.

"Usually if it's a contamination problem you see all the different species dying and it occurs more suddenly," he said. The fact that the fish at Comanche Trail Lake have been dying at a pretty steady rate over the last couple of weeks is another indication of disease causes. He said, Wednesday morning "there were still some (fish) struggling there on the surface (of the lake)." He said he also noticed a few bass dead at the lake, but bass and blue gill sunfish belong to the same family, so Farquar reasons that some bass could have been affected by the disease as well.

Farquar said he took several fish back to San Angelo with him for further examination and he may ship them to the regional chemist in San Marcos if she tests it necessary.

He emphasized that none of the diseases fish contract are transmittable to people and that eating is the sign of a healthy fish. Therefore, "Any that are healthy enough to bite a lure, should be alright to eat," Farquar said. One thing to remember is that fish kills occur to some extent in all bodies of water, he said. "Fish kills are a natural occurrence, a very small percentage are caused by contamination."

CLEARING OUT



IGA workers guide a large freezer unit from the former Don's IGA Grocery onto a trailer Wednesday. Among the rumors circulating around town is one that the building will be remodeled into a medical facility.

Primary season getting busier

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

In an election year where there seems to be more interest than normal, local residents are asking more questions than ever to make sure they are on the right track when it comes to casting their ballots.

Both Republicans and Democrats must vote in the March 12 primary.

The Republican ballot is as follows:

President - Alan L. Keyes
Lamar Alexander
Richard G. Lugar
Patrick J. "Pat" Buchanan
Morry Taylor
Bob Dole
Charles E. Collins
Steve Forbes
Mary "Frances" LeTulle
Susan Ducey
United States Senator - Henry C. (Hank) Grover
Phil Gramm
David Young
United States Representa-

tive, District 17 - Rudy Izard
Business Commissioner - Robert A. (Bob) Wood
Carole Keeton Rylander
Chief Justice, Supreme Court - Tom Phillips
Justice, Supreme Court, Place 1 - John Cornyn
Justice, Supreme Court, Place 2 - James A. Baker
Justice, Supreme Court, Place 3, Unexpired Term - Greg Abbott
Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 1 - Jeffrey B. Keck
Sue Holland
Matthew Paul
Glen Beaman
Susan Baetz Brown
James (Daniel) Boone
Janice Law
Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 2 - Ray J. McQuary
Mike Keasler
Pat Barber

Brad Wisel
Paul Womack
Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 3 - Tom Price
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State Representative, District 70 - Carl Willingham
Scott McLaughlin
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District Attorney, 118th Judicial District - Hardy L. Wilkerson
County Attorney - C.E. (Mike) Thomas, III
Sheriff - Woodie Howell
W.B. "Bill" Jennings
County Commissioner, Precinct No. 3 - Maxwell D. (Max) Green
W.B. "Bill" Crooker
Constable, Precinct No. 1 - Stan Hughes
Constable, Precinct No. 3 - Joseph "Butch" Lesueur

Stenholm tells of 17th District contest

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Congressman Charles Stenholm recently announced plans for the fifteenth annual Congressional Art Competition for high school students in the 17th Congressional District.

Since the competition first began in 1981, the nationwide competition has generated thousands of local competitions, involving more than 200,000 high school students.

"One winning entry from each Congressional District will be displayed in the annual exhibition in a corridor of the U.S. Capitol, an area dedicated to the artistic talents of today's youth.

All high school students, grades nine through 12, from Borden, Howard, Dawson and Martin Counties interested in the competition will enter a preliminary contest to be held at Big Spring's Goliad Middle School on March 26.

All entries for the prelimi-

nary contest must be turned in to Goliad Middle School by 2:30 p.m. March 26.

Other regional shows in the 17th District will be in Abilene, Brownwood, Colorado City, Graham, Mineral Wells, San Angelo and Stephenville.

Winners from the entire 32-county 17th District will be announced at an awards brunch in Abilene on April 20, hosted by Congressman Stenholm and his wife.

Artwork submitted for the contest should be no larger than 32" by 32" framed (framing is not required) and two-dimensional. Eligible categories are paintings, prints, drawings or collages.

Artwork must also capture the flavor or depict the heritage of the West Texas area and 17th District in any category, which may include but is not limited to landscapes.

Last year's contest attracted more than 600 entries and the top 10 finalists received certificates, as did the top five entries in each

area contest.

The 1995 winner from the 17th District was Jim Ned High School student Will Rennels, who won with his colored pencil drawing entitled "Better Times."

Rennels entry remains in the U.S. Capitol.

For more information on the contest, interested young artists may contact Stenholm's San Angelo office at (915) 655-7994 or Tom Adams at (915) 264-4111.

Elbow's Light puts his hair on the line

By SARA SOLIS
Staff Writer

The Elbow Elementary School principal, Richard Light, has offered an unusual challenge to his student body.

Light has offered to cut his hair at a special school assembly on Mar. 8, if the students can earn 4,350 points in the Accelerated Reading program in a one-month period of time. The challenge, which runs from Feb. 1 to Feb. 29, may sound extraordinary, but for Light it's just business as usual.

This is the third year Light has employed the hair cut ploy as a motivation to get students to read more and in each past challenge the students prevailed. Light said, this year as well as cutting his hair he will have his hair painted in camouflage for a week and will grow a beard and mustache for one month. He said the last time he wore a mustache was when he was in college and he has never grown a beard before.

Light said in past years after having lost a challenge he has cut his hair in a side-spike, had lightning stripes shaved on the sides of his head, and one year he even had the number of accelerated reading points earned engraved on the back of his head. Light said last year he sat in a dunking booth at a carnival held at the end of the school year and students, who earned two carnival tickets per 25 individual reading points, spent the majority of their tickets at his booth. "They could hit that target pretty good, they wore me out," he said.

Light said on an annual basis the school polls the student body during the second six week period of school. He said they ask the students, "What kind of hair cut would you read for?" Light said the hair cut seems to motivate students. He said there are good readers at Elbow, but the hair cut incentive makes reading more fun for the children. "It puts a little pizzazz in life," Light said.

He said students earn reading points by reading books they find interesting and then taking a computer test over the book's content. "They choose a book in their interest and reading level, each book is assigned a certain number of points according to reading level." After reading a book, the student takes a test on the computer, if they get 100 percent correct they earn the total number of points assigned to the book, however, as their errors on the test increase, the points they earn decrease on a graduated basis, he said.

Light said currently the students are a little over the half-way mark towards their goal of 4,350 points, with around 2,500 points. Usually that last week they'll put forth the extra effort and reach the desired number of points, Light said. "They're a little bit behind right now ... We just don't know what's going to happen."

Howard Co. Trivia

How did Sig Peak get his name?
Out of the belief that Comanches used the peak to send smoke signals.

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NATION/WORLD

Coma cop speaks again

The brain-damaged police officer who suddenly spoke after a 7 1/2-year silence talked for the first time since an operation that had risked returning him to a coma-like state.

Gary Dochtery spoke on three separate occasions Wednesday night at Columbia Partridge Medical Center, giving doctors and family hope he might fully regain his ability to speak. Page 3A.

STATE

Grass fires

As Georgia Ferguson stood at the window of her rural Denton County home Wednesday, she witnessed firsthand why thousands of acres of dry Texas grassland turned into sprawling infernos across the state. Page 3A.

SA finds new suspect

Five years after an 11-year-old girl was abducted and slain, prompting a far-reaching search for her by thousands of people, investigators are questioning a new suspect. Page 3A.

TODAY'S WEATHER

Today **93** ▲ Highs **46**
▲ Highs **46**
▼ Lows

Clear

Today, fair and warmer still. Tonight, fair with lows near 50. West to northwesterly wind 5-15 mph and gusty.

Permian Basin Forecast

Fridays: Cooler temperatures as cold front moves through. Highs in low 70s, lows in upper 30s.
Saturdays: Cooler temperatures as cold front moves through. Highs in low 70s.

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OBITUARIES

Patricia Mann

Funeral service for Patricia Mann, 67, Big Spring, will be 4 p.m. Friday, Feb. 23, 1996, at the Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel with the Rev. Ken McMeans, pastor of College Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Trinity Memorial Park.

Ms. Mann died Wednesday, Feb. 21, in Scenic Mountain Medical Center following a sudden illness.

She was born Nov. 19, 1928, in Big Spring. She married Eddie Mann on Nov. 19, 1946, in Coahoma. She spent her lifetime in Big Spring and was a member of the Vincent Baptist Church. She was employed at Scenic Mountain Medical Center as an ER registrar for 18 years. She was still employed at the time of her death.

Survivors include two daughters: Charlotte Burson, Big Spring, and Nancy Rich, Coahoma; one son: Eddie Mann, Jr., Fort Worth; her mother: Dorothy Knight, Sand Springs; 10 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one brother and her father, George Knight. The family will receive friends at Myers & Smith Funeral Home Thursday evening from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel.

Wallace Napper

Funeral service for Wallace Napper, 73, Big Spring, will be 10 a.m. Friday, Feb. 23, 1996, at Myers & Smith Chapel with the Rev. James Mantooth, pastor of East Fourth Street Baptist Church, officiating. Interment will follow at Mount Olive Memorial Park.



NAPPER

Mr. Wallace died Wednesday, Feb. 21, in a local hospital. He was born on Aug. 18, 1922, in Lubbock County. He had lived in the Dawson County area before moving to Big Spring in 1942. He was a veteran of the 2509th Army Air Force Base Unit serving during World War II. He received the American Theater Medal, Victory Medal and Good Conduct Medal. He served from Sept. 1942 until Dec. 1945 and was stationed at Webb Air Force Base. He married Mary E. Smith on June 17, 1944, in Big Spring. He worked for Cosden Pipeline as a welder for 35 years before retiring. He retired on Feb. 28, 1982, from

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL
24th & Johnson 267-8288
Wallace Napper, 73, died Wednesday. Services 10 AM Friday. Myers & Smith Chapel with interment at Mount Olive Memorial Park.
Patricia Mann, 67, died Wednesday. Services 4 PM Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel with interment at Trinity Memorial Park. Family will receive friends Thursday evening at Funeral Home from 7-8:30 PM.

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Cosden. He had also owned and operated Napper Welding and Trim for 30 years. Wallace was a founding member of Phillips Memorial Baptist Church and served as a deacon in the church for 40 years before moving to East Fourth Street Baptist.

Survivors include his wife: Mary Napper, Big Spring; two sons: Roy E. Napper, Richmond, and Terry Napper, Kerrville; one daughter: Sherry West, Dublin; two brothers: W.J. Napper, Lubbock, and Billy Bob Napper, Brady; two sisters: Suvee Morton, Lubbock, and Belle Smith, Odessa; and four grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by four brothers, four sisters and parents Willie and Evie Napper. Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel.

MARKETS

March cotton futures 82.60 cents a pound, down 85 points; April crude oil 19.70, down 1 point; Cash hog steady at 50 cents lower at 47 cents even; slaughter steers steady at 50 cents higher at 62.50 cents even; Feb. live hog futures steady at 49 cents, down 10 points; Feb. live cattle futures steady at 63.82 cents, nc.

Table with market data including ATT, Amoco, Atlantic Richfield, Atmos, Boston Chicken, Cabot, Chevron, Chrysler, Cifra, Coca-Cola, De Beers, DuPont, Exxon, Fina Inc., Ford Motors, Halliburton, IBM, Laser Indus LTD, Mesa Ltd. Prt, Mobile, NUV, Pepsi Cola, Phillips Petroleum, Rural/Metro, Sears, Southwestern Bell, Sun, Texaco, Texas Instruments, Texas Utilities, Unocal Corp., Wal-Mart, Amcap, Euro Pacific, I.C.A., New Economy, New Perspective, Van Kampen, Prime Rate, Gold, Silver.

IN BRIEF

Water shutoff set for Friday
Special to the Herald

The city of Big Spring's Distribution and Collection Department will interrupt water service for several local residents Friday, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., due to maintenance activity.

The department will be replacing three main waterline valves and the following areas will experience no water pressure during the interruption:
-3300-4000 block of West Hwy 80 (south side).
-1200-1300 block of Wright (odd numbers).
-1300 block of Kindle Road (even numbers).
-1200-1300 block of Utah Road.
-1200 block of Mesquite Street.

-1200 block of Frazier.
-1200-1300 block of Harding.
For more information about the service interruption, contact Distribution and Collection Supervisor Rick Boiles at 264-2395 or 264-2392.

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SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriffs Department reported the following incidents during a 24-hour period ending at 8 a.m. Thursday.

RICHARD M. HARO, 36, of 310 W. Seventh St., was found guilty in the 118th District Court by jury for aggravated sexual assault of a child. He was sentenced to 20 years at the Texas Department of Criminal Justice and fined \$10,000 plus court costs.

JUAN CARLOS CORDOVA, 19, 307 San Jacinto, was transferred from the Big Spring Police Department and arrested for possession of marijuana under two ounces. A \$1,500 bond was set but Cordova is being held for Immigration and Naturalization Service.

JAVIER CEBALLOS, 18, of 501 Union, was transferred from the Big Spring Police Department and arrested for possession of marijuana under two ounces. A \$1,000 bond was set but Ceballos is being held for INS.

DOUGLAS WALTER BAILEY, 33, of Roscoe, who was found guilty in the 118th District Court for a driving while intoxicated felony charge, was released from county jail having served his time.

JANIE AGUILAR, 29, of 709 Johnson, pleaded guilty to assault, was fined \$297 and sentenced to 15 days jail time. She was transferred to Mitchell County Sheriffs Office to serve her time.

WALKAWAY from the Big Spring State Hospital.

VANDALISM at East Fourth Street.

LOOSE LIVESTOCK five miles south on U.S. Highway 87.

CLARIFICATION

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following portion of Tuesday's report on the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation's performance review was inadvertently left out of the Herald.

Strengthen financial sanctions on outside contractors who fail to provide promised services and increase agency's oversight of contracts.

Providing consumers with greater control over the services they receive through the use of vouchers for community services.

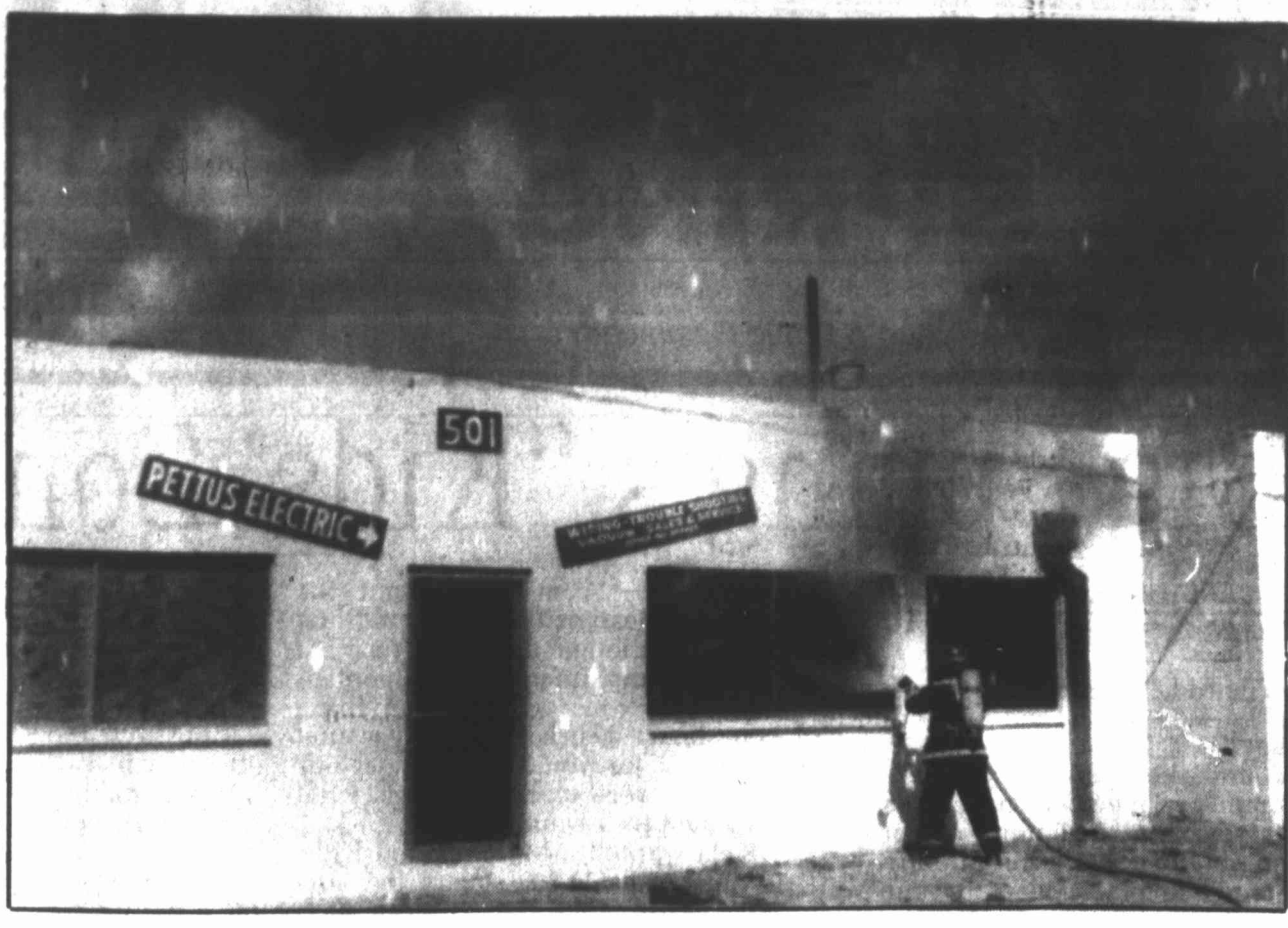
Expanding supported employment and supported housing programs.

Saving taxpayer dollars and improving efficiency by eliminating more than 2,000 full-time mostly administrative positions over the next seven years.

Studying the pros and cons of merging the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse with TXMHMR to improve efficiency in serving overlapping client populations. According to Sharp, every large bureaucracy can stand a little shaking up now and then. "There is much we can do to reduce administrative overlap, encourage local control and increase accountability and performance measures in our state's mental health system," Sharp said.

FIRE

The Big Spring Fire Department reported the following incidents during a 24-hour period ending 8 a.m. Thursday:
-NEON SIGN ON FIRE at East Interstate 20, \$100 damage loss.
-STRUCTURE FIRE in the 8000 block of West F.M. 846.



Firefighters battle a blaze at Pettus Electric on East Second Street Wednesday. The fire, apparently caused by a small appliance, caused about \$12,000 damage, authorities said.

Explosion rocks Pettus Electric

By SARA SOLIS
Staff Writer

A Wednesday afternoon fire at Pettus Electric, located at 501 East Second, shattered the front windows of the building and created a lot of smoke.

Randy Robertson, part owner of Morris Robertson Body Shop Inc. which faces Pettus Electric on the other side of Second Street, said, "I heard the explosion as I was driving up. I looked over there and the glass was already blown out and smoke was coming out the window." He said he saw no flames

coming from the building, just a lot of smoke. "Something got awful hot in there to blow that glass out," he said.

Burr Lea Settles, Big Spring Fire Marshal, said the windows breaking were not the result of an explosion, per se, but instead the results of what fire fighters term a "flash over." He said a flash over results when there is a lot of smoke from a fire in a closed environment. "Smoke is unburned by-products ... when it reignites with the flame it creates an explosive atmosphere." Settles said they found the remains of an electrical appliance on a work bench in the

shop and apparently it had been left on and overheated. "It burned enough and created enough smoke that it created a flash over," he said.

Settles said no one was hurt by the fire. He said Pettus is retired and the shop is not used on a regular basis. Apparently Pettus came in the shop Wednesday morning and left a small appliance on, he said.

Settles said the shop contained a number of aerosols which created subsequent exploding sounds after the initial flash over. An estimated \$12,000 in damages resulted from the fire.

Big Spring ON THE RUN

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POLICE

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

ROBERT WILBANKS, III, 25, of 1206 Harding, was arrested for outstanding local warrants. He was later released after paying a fine.

CHERRIE DORTON, 50, of 1405 Stanford, was arrested for outstanding local warrants. She was later released on bond.

ROBERT MARVIN CARSON, 28, of 1612 Cardinal, previously arrested for public intoxication, was released after paying a fine.

MINERVA JIMENEZ, 30, of 4109 Dixon, was arrested for outstanding local warrants. She was later released on bond.

DEBRA REID, 41, of 1012 Baylor, was arrested for outstanding local warrants. She was later released after paying a fine.

MARTINA GONZALES, 29, of 411 N.W. Eighth, was arrested for outstanding local warrants. She was later released on bond.

LEONARD LEE HILL, 27, of 908 N.W. Second, previously arrested for assault and family violence, was released on bond.

CHRIS GONZALES, 23, of 1200 Nolan, was arrested for

outstanding local warrants. He was later released after paying a fine.

LUCIANO RUBEN RODRIGUEZ, JR., 27, no address given, was arrested for driving without a license and insurance. He was later released on bond.

CHRISTY RAINS, 18, of 1504 Wood, was arrested for outstanding local warrants. She was later released on bond.

ROSA CUELLAR, 20, of 702 Douglas, was arrested for driving without a license and expired registration.

RICKY RAY WINTERS, 43, of 309 N.W. Ninth, was arrested for failure to identify to a police officer, criminal mischief, driving while intoxicated and outstanding local warrants.

RITA PIERCE BRUMLEY, 40, of 309 N.W. Ninth, was arrested for public intoxication.

PAMELA GUIDRY, 38, of 1610 Bluebird, was arrested for public intoxication.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF in the 400 block of East Fourth and 200 block of Northeast Sixth.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS in the 2000 block of Gregg, 400 block of Edwards and 500 block of Nolan.

THEFTS in the 1800 block of Gregg, 1900 block of North Lamesa, 100 block of East

Third, 1500 block of East Fourth, 1800 block of Gregg, 1100 block of North Lamesa, 900 block of North Benton, and at the Big Spring State Hospital.

DISTURBANCES/FIGHTS in the 2000 block of Goliad, 200 block of East 10th, 600 block of Lamesa Highway and 1600 block of Martin Luther King.

INVESTIGATING SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITIES in the 1900 block of Gregg, on Courtney Place, 1200 block of College, 3300 block of West 80, 2300 block of Morrison, 1100 block of College, 1100 block of North Lamesa and 1000 block of Gregg.

MINOR ACCIDENTS at 19th and Runnels, in the 700 block of West Interstate 20, and on South Goliad.

JUVENILE ARRESTED at Creighton and Orlole.

DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE in the 2900 block of Cherokee and 1800 block of Hearn.

LOUD PARTIES in the 700 block of South Bell, 1000 block of North Main, 3300 block of West 80 and 100 block of East 16th.

ASSAULTS in the 3300 block of West 80 and 2000 block of South Gregg.

WELFARE CONCERNS in the 200 block of West Third and 1700 block of South Monticello.

BURGLARY OF A BUILDING in the 200 block of Northeast Sixth.

DRAG RACING at Alabama and Birdwell.

JUVENILE PROBLEM in the 1800 block of Johnson.

Public Notice
Pursuant to HB 2128, Section 3.455, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company has filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) to provide interim number portability to holders of certificates of convenience and necessity, certificates of operating authority, and service provider certificates of operating authority. This filing has been assigned Docket No. 14940. Interim number portability is provided to allow customers to retain the use of their telephone number if they change their provider of local telephone service within the same exchange.
Persons who wish to comment on this application should notify the commission by March 22, 1996. Requests for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Suite 400N, Austin, Texas 78757, or you may call the Public Utility Commission Public Information Office at (512) 458-0256 or (512) 458-0221 teletypewriter for the deaf.
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Aviso Público
Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, según el HB 2128, Sección 3.455, han hecho una petición de tarifas con la Comisión de Servicio Público de Texas para proveer números portátiles provisionales a los que tengan certificados de necesidad y conveniencia, certificados de autoridad operacional y certificados de proveedores de servicio con autoridad operacional. A esa petición le ha sido asignado el número de causa No. 14940. Estos números serán proveído para permitir a esos clientes que lo deseen, retener el uso de su número de teléfono, en caso de que decidan cambiar su proveedor de servicio local telefónico dentro de la misma central telefónica.
Las personas que deseen hacer comentarios acerca de esta aplicación, deben notificar a la comisión antes del 22 de Marzo de 1996. Más información puede ser pedida por correo a la Comisión de Servicios Públicos de Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Suite 400N, Austin, Texas 78757 o usted puede llamar a la Oficina de Información al Público de la Comisión de Servicios Públicos, teléfono (512) 458-0256, or al número (512) 458-0221 de la máquina de escribir telefónica para las personas con discapacidad.

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Large grass fires burning out of control across Texas

AUBREY (AP) — As Georgia Ferguson stood at the window of her rural Denton County home Wednesday, she witnessed firsthand why thousands of acres of dry Texas grassland turned into sprawling infernos across the state.

"It was just a little grass fire at first," said Mrs. Ferguson, a 47-year-old nurse, as she waited at twilight to return home. "Then the wind got up really bad. Then you could see wind carrying, like, fireballs. You could hear ... crackling and wood popping," Mrs. Ferguson said.

"As soon as it got close to the fence line, I was gone."

Tinder-like conditions and unseasonably hot weather fueled an Ash Wednesday fire crisis that saw dozens of homes destroyed and some 28,500 acres charred across the state.

"Things are at crisis levels as far as fire danger across the state," said Mahlon Hammetter, fire prevention specialist for the Texas Forest Service in Lufkin.

Gov. George W. Bush exhorted public safety officials to be on alert and made state help

available. "It is a dangerous situation right now," Bush said, offering graders from the Department of Transportation to clear fire strips, National Guard helicopters to dump water and manpower from the Department of Public Safety.

The worst blaze was near the small Parker County town of Poolville, 35 miles northwest of Fort Worth. What began as a small fire near the Jack and Parker county line erupted into a 23,000-acre inferno that was nowhere under control as of Wednesday night. It was being fueled by 5 to 10 mph wind that pushed it north to the Parker-Wise county line.

About 200 firefighters from 25 fire departments were helping battle the blaze, which had destroyed 41 houses, at least 12 trailer homes and other structures as of late Wednesday. Sixteen firefighters and two civilians were treated for injuries, DPS Cpl. Bobby Hart said from a command post at the Kuntry Diner in southern Wise County.

"We're not talking acres, we're talking miles," said Parker County Sheriff Ben White-

man. "We've lost houses. We've lost trailers. We've lost barns. We've lost deer camps."

Wayne Richardson, 72, soaked his yard with buckets of water as the fire approached his home north of Poolville. Firefighters sprayed homes in the neighborhood with water, but his was the only one spared of nine in a quarter-mile area.

"I don't know why I was so lucky," Richardson said. "I guess I just got picked."

Neighbor Sandra McCamon, a retired insurance adjuster who had just moved to Poolville, lost everything. She was gone when the fire started.

"I guess I won't be putting my mailbox out anytime soon," McCamon said.

The governor was due to visit the scene of the Poolville fire Thursday morning.

As of Wednesday, 72 counties had instituted outdoor burning bans. But Hammetter, of the Forest Service, advised that all Texans postpone outdoor burning, which seems to be causing the majority of the blazes. Other sources have been sparks from cutting torches, hot catalytic

converters hitting dry grass, motorists tossing cigarettes or matches from their vehicles, and arson.

Forest Service fire crews handled 18,500 acres of burning in 1995. Before Wednesday, 35,000 acres — 25,000 since Feb. 1 — had burned.

Record heat — with temperatures reaching the high-90s — and arid winds from the west and southwest accelerated the flames as they swept through dry grass and homes.

Hammetter had reports of fires Wednesday in Parker, Callahan, Eastland, Clay, Denton, Coryell and Bastrop counties.

In Denton County, wildfire destroyed five houses and three outbuildings near Aubrey. Three different homes within one family compound were destroyed, said Aubrey Fire Chief Garland Wilson.

Three firefighters were treated for smoke inhalation and heat exhaustion, Wilson said.

Strong winds complicated the firefighters' task, he said. "They had put the fire out and went to a secondary fire, when the wind

gusted up and reignited this one," Wilson said.

About 300 acres were charred. As darkness fell, firefighters were still putting out hot spots.

The fire caused an estimated \$500,000 damage, Wilson said. But 80 firefighters from 23 North Texas departments helped limit the damage on the outskirts of Aubrey, a town of about 1,300 residents 37 miles north of Dallas.

"We didn't lose anything that can't be replaced — our lives," Wilson said. "We won."

The Aubrey-area fire was one of three reported in Denton County.

Bernadette Lambert, spokeswoman for the Denton County Sheriff's Department, said firefighting efforts were hindered by the remoteness of the rural area, where fire hydrants are not available and water must be trucked in.

In Colleyville, a 40-acre grass fire fueled by dry brush swept across acres of fenced pasture and backyards Wednesday afternoon but apparently missed nearby homes, Colleyville police said.

The blaze in the suburbs northeast of Fort Worth was under control around 2 p.m. after burning about 90 minutes, police said.

"It was very close to being a big disaster," said Colleyville City Manager Bob Stripling.

Firefighters also were battling more than 300 acres on a ranch owned by former Gov. Dolph Briscoe 30 miles north of Uvalde. Crop-dusting planes were called in to drop fire retardant to help prevent the flames from spreading.

"It ain't getting any better," a spokesman at the Uvalde fire department said late Wednesday.

Uvalde is 80 miles west of San Antonio. About 50 grass fires were burning in San Antonio.

Only a slight chance of rain exists for North Texas on Friday and nothing else until next week — not nearly enough to heal several months of dry conditions.

The statewide dry spell, which began in September in North Texas, continues to abet dozens of range fires across Texas.

No fluke

Brain-damaged police officer speaks first words since surgery

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. (AP) — It wasn't a fluke after all.

The brain-damaged police officer who suddenly spoke after a 7 1/2-year silence talked for the first time since an operation that had risked returning him to a comalike state.

Gary Dockery spoke on three separate occasions Wednesday, giving doctors and family hope he might fully regain his ability to speak.

Family members visited Dockery on Wednesday night at Columbia Parkridge Medical Center in hopes of getting him to talk more. Doctors said his physical condition was improving, but they warned family members against asking too many questions since he is still quite ill.

At the urging of a nurse, Dockery repeated his name twice in the morning. And later, on two separate occasions, he was able to reply when asked the time.

Dockery "simply and quietly uttered a single word, 'night,' as clearly as you or I would say it," Dr. James Folkening said. It was 10:30 a.m.

Neurologist Bruce Kaplan later asked Dockery the same

question and he replied, "3 o'clock." It was 12:45 p.m., an inversion of the clock's big and little hands.

"I am going to give him nearly full credit," said Kaplan, who called the experience "a tremendous rush."

The words were Dockery's first since undergoing life-saving surgery a week ago to remove infectious fluid from a lung.

On Feb. 12, three days before surgery, Dockery broke his 7-year silence by speaking over an 18-hour period, stunning family members and doctors. He recalled camping trips with his buddies and the names of his friends and horses, and also talked with his two sons.

Dockery was shot in the head in September 1988 by a drunk man who had called 911 in Walden, a mountain community 10 miles northwest of Chattanooga.

Dockery, 42, was moved from a nursing home to the medical center on Feb. 11 for treatment of pneumonia.

The family had visited him often at the nursing home, where Dockery was taken soon after the shooting, but he was

able to communicate only occasionally, by blinking his eyes, nodding his head, grimacing or moaning.

Folkening said family members were "beside themselves with joy" over the latest development but they were "very cautious and not taking anything for granted."

Kaplan said he hasn't yet determined why Dockery spoke after so many years of silence. He said the ability was most likely always there, but something unexplained triggered it.

Doctors were still assessing Dockery's mental abilities. Kaplan said Dockery's level of thinking would not be the same as before he was shot, but there may be enough ability where he could, at the least, communicate with doctors and family.

"We're taking it one step at a time," Folkening said.

EDITORS NOTE: Mail to Dockery can be addressed to Gary Dockery, P.O. Box 22592, Chattanooga, Tenn., 37422. Financial contributions may be sent to The Gary Dockery Fund, c/o Baxle Corena Thompson, Rossville Bank 677435, P.O. Box 638, Rossville, Ga. 30741.

SA police have new suspect in abduction

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Five years after an 11-year-old girl was abducted and slain, prompting a far-reaching search for her by thousands of people, investigators are questioning a new suspect.

The man suspected in the death of Heidi Seeman now is in the Dominguez State Jail in Bexar County on unrelated drug charges, according to television and newspaper reports Wednesday night and today.

He is described by investigators as a heavy user and dealer of methamphetamines, according to a San Antonio police affidavit filed in connection with a search warrant.

The affidavit states a witness saw a young girl just inside a rear door to the suspect's apartment about the time of Heidi's abduction and that the girl's legs were tied to a chair.

Her mouth was covered with

something like a bandana, and she appeared to be crying, the affidavit quotes a witness as saying. When the man was asked who the girl was, a witness quoted him as saying, "She's just a little meth whore I found somewhere," according to the affidavit.

Investigators have not filed charges against the imprisoned man. Police are awaiting DNA test results on the suspect's hair and blood samples.

She disappeared Aug. 4, 1990, while walking home after staying the night at a friend's.

The daughter of Air Force Senior Master Sgt. Curt Seeman and his wife Theresa, Heidi became the focus of an intense search for three weeks before her bound body was found along a rural road in Wimberley.

One Saturday before she was found, about 300,000 volunteers combed the San Antonio area

looking for the missing girl.

The man who headed the search effort, Air Force Maj. Robert Eric Duncan, a psychologist, became a prime suspect.

The Air Force Office of Special Investigations searched Duncan's home in 1992 in connection with the killing. An affidavit filed with that 1992 search warrant request alleged Duncan's motive was revenge for Curt Seeman's causing Duncan's removal from his supervisory job at Randolph AFB.

Duncan has maintained his innocence. He never has been charged.

"I really don't know why I was considered the prime suspect. The only thing I can think of is that I led the search and that Curt (Seeman) worked for me when I was at Randolph," Duncan said.

Curt and Theresa Seeman moved to the Panama City, Fla.

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EDITORIAL

Quote of the Day

"Laughter is a tranquilizer with no side effects."
-Arnold Glasow

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Dry weather calls for extra caution

As the period without appreciable precipitation continues to grow, the heat continues to mount and the wind picks up even more velocity, we urge caution.

Our area is a tinderbox waiting to explode. Thankfully, we're not into the summer season when the chance of dry lightning fires increase even more.

Statewide, the conditions are the same. More than 60 counties have now instituted burn bans in an effort to reduce the possibility of a roaring fire in a raging wind, such as we experienced near the Capehart Addition several weeks ago.

There are several things we, as concerned citizens can do to protect ourselves and our property:

- Do not leave fires unattended.
- When you have the need to burn, make certain you have adequate water on-hand to help contain the fire should you need to bring it under control.
- Ask yourself if it is absolutely necessary that you start a fire. Can it wait, or can the materials you are planning to burn be bagged or otherwise carted away?
- And smokers ... when you're finished with your cigar or cigarette, don't flick the butt out of your vehicle window.

Err on the side of caution. Don't take a chance, especially in the tinderbox in which we live.

OTHER VIEWS

Amid growing public and political discontent over the amount of sex and violence on television, the four broadcast networks are now moving to establish their own ratings system, much as the Motion Picture Association of America years ago developed one for movies. This new willingness on the part of the networks to help guide parents in choosing shows for their children is welcome. ... If the networks proceed carefully, they should be able to devise a system that serves the public interest without violating the free speech safeguards of the constitution. ... The new bill also requires new television sets to come equipped with a V-chip that will allow viewers to block programs bearing codes indicating potentially offensive material. But (the F.C.C.) should not rush to embrace still-evolving technology that limits parents to zapping all shows with the same code. The best approach would enable distinctions between, say, the historically accurate violence of "Schindler's List" and wanton mayhem.

THE NEW YORK TIMES

One would think the GOP candidates for president are running for the job of heading up a supermarket chain. How else can one explain the flap over whether Lamar Alexander knows the price of a gallon of milk or a dozen eggs? To put this little bit of political farce into context, it must be remembered that four years ago President Bush was ridiculed when it appeared he had no idea of the mechanics of supermarket checkout counters. ... He was thought to lack the common touch — which should have been fairly obvious, anyway. Mr. Alexander's opponents jumped on this (latest) episode to charge that he, too, lacks the common touch. It might save time to stipulate most presidential candidates are wealthy enough to avoid having to do the family grocery shopping. ... When's the last time you saw Pat or Bob or Steve or Lamar or Bill in the family supermarket unless they happened to be there to shake hands with voters ... or check on the price of milk?

THE TOLEDO BLADE

Boxer Tommy Morrison could beat heavyweight George Foreman, but the virus that causes AIDS was an opponent he couldn't shake. He learned he was HIV-positive before a bout scheduled last weekend in Las Vegas. On Thursday, he had good advice for anyone else who might think he is immune. Once called a "bimbo magnet," Mr. Morrison candidly talked of his "permissive, fast, reckless lifestyle." He never considered AIDS: "I thought this would be contracted by addicts who shared needles, and homosexuals. I was sure I had a better chance of winning the lottery than contracting this disease. I've never been so wrong in my life." He urged his young fans to see him not as a role model but as someone "who had the opportunity to be a role model, but blew it. Blew it with irresponsible, irrational, immature decisions." If he can get that message across, he may yet be a winner.

ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH

The Republican presidential candidates spent much of their debate last week deploring one another's negative advertising. In the process, of course, they continued to describe one another in negative terms. "You're a negative fellow for having said negative things about me," one of the candidates would more or less charge, to which the response would be something like, "I'm not that kind of a guy, so I didn't do it and, besides, you started it." It's not just that this kind of non-discussion full of fake hurt is petty and condescending and tiresome and doesn't have much to do with being president. It is campaign apparatus babble that blurs more than it illuminates. There are ... a lot of hurting workers in the country. They are not going to be rescued by a flat tax, or by bashing the business sector, or by bashing the federal government or by demonizing foreign competition. ... It seems pretty obvious to us that none of the candidates, certainly none who was up there (in New Hampshire), even remotely knows the answer

THE WASHINGTON POST



If the economy stays strong, Clinton wins again

By DAN THOMASSON
Scripps Howard News Service

WASHINGTON — If the American economy remains strong into next fall — unemployment low, interest rates low, inflation low, growth even moderate, the market strong — odds are excellent that the Republican presidential nomination will be as John Nance Garner once said about the vice presidency, "not worth a pitcher of warm spit."

The one abiding axiom of this nation's politics is that people vote their pocketbooks. If America is economically healthy, the benefit always accrues to the incumbent president. And that has held true through history with little exception.

While the current occupant of the White House has had very little, if anything, to do with the present economic well-being, he, nevertheless, will receive the credit because it happened on his watch.

Conversely, of course, periods of downturn damage an incumbent's re-election chances and, if it's a major depression as in 1932, the chances of his party for years to come.

The mild economic downturn that preceded George Bush's defeat in 1992 is a perfect example. Bush's insensitivity to this basic issue and political consultant James Carville's simple slogan, "It's the economy, stupid," were enough to do Bush in. Even a record of womanizing and draft-dodging — which would have made an utterly unacceptable candidate 50 years ago — wasn't enough to turn voters away from Bill Clinton.

It is ironic that Bush perceived the 1992 dip as short-lived and had done the right thing by doing little or nothing. What he forgot, however, was that he needed to appear to be doing something, to acknowledge that there were Americans who were suffering economically.

Herbert Hoover, through inaction, appeared to be uncaring when in reality he was a kind and generous humanitarian. The beneficiary was Franklin Roosevelt, whose questionable legislative maneuvers still hadn't ended the depression by 1939, but whose sometimes unconstitutional gyrations made him appear to have done something.

Democrats successfully ran

against Hoover for the next 25 years.

There are longtime observers of the American political scene who are convinced that Richard Nixon could have survived Watergate had the economy been good. But discommodation of the oil embargo and administration imposed wage and price controls to dampen inflation helped force him out.

An improving economy and Gerald Ford's successful effort to hold down inflation almost saw him through a terrible election year for Republicans forced to carry on their shoulders the burden of the nation's worst constitutional scandal.

Then there's the case of the hapless James Earl Carter who inherited a decent 4.5 percent inflation rate from Ford and, through overstimulation, turned it into double digits in less than three years.

Carter, an utterly inept political accident, coined the endearing phrase, "Misery Index." It was designed to show what combination of high interest rates and inflation would cause serious grief to a majority of Americans.

The problem was, it soared to nearly 30 points, higher than at

any time in history, and brought about another one-term worder.

Although the economy appears to be flattening out, most experts believe that it will begin showing decent growth again by fall and that all the key rates will remain down.

The soaring stock market could correct, but is expected to bounce back again if interest rates on conventional investments, money markets, etc., remain low.

Under these circumstances, it would be difficult for even Colin Powell to beat Clinton. ... that matter, his wife's ethically questionable behavior as a practicing attorney while in Arkansas.

Whatever he isn't, Clinton is a superb campaigner. Combine that with the likelihood that the Republicans will nominate an uninspiring candidate like Bob Dole who isn't good on the stump and this could be one of those years that is over before it starts.

(Dan Thomasson is vice president/news for Scripps Howard and editor of Scripps Howard News Service.)

When media coverage fans political flames

By MARTIN SCHRAM
Scripps Howard News Service

Pat Buchanan is making the rounds of the TV network newssets, grinning his neo-populist grin and flashing his latest and most effective campaign prop.

It came courtesy of "Time" magazine — in a glorious cover that could well have been a Buchanan campaign poster. It was just the latest in a campaign season of media misjudgments that began a half-year ago when Phil Gramm's manipulators bought Iowa's meaningless GOP straw poll, and TV and print journalists (who never seem to learn) rushed to us with news that Gramm had scored a great triumph that had to be a major step toward winning the GOP-presidential nomination.

Now this: One crucial day before the New Hampshire primary voting, "Time" blanketed the newsstands with a cover illustration that might as well have been special-ordered by the old image-maker, Buchanan, himself.

It was an oil painting in the style of Norman Rockwell-joins-FDR's-WPA. It featured a large, visionary-looking Buchanan, with all of his jut-jaw but none of his jowl, wearing a construction worker's hard hat and boldly leading a pack that includes miniatures of Bob and Lamar and Steve and a horde of all-American workers.

"Grand Old Populists," proclaimed the cover line. The magazine's idea was to show that this year's Republican presidential pack is suddenly talking a very non-Republican

populist line.

Yet, as New Hampshire's undecideds were trying to make up their minds, only Buchanan was depicted as grand. The cover ended up only as a compelling image that seemed to offer visual proof that Buchanan could indeed lead his campaign to glory — exactly what he needed to counter the rap that he is too extreme and too hardline to ever lead the Grand Old Party to victory.

All Buchanan had to do for two days was flash his "Time" cover toward the TV cameras — and let the cover's positive image speak for him.

Of course, it was no political campaign manipulator that made "Time" run that cover. The newsmag didn't intend to be used — and surely didn't mean to be a tool of Buchanan and the hard right. (Side note to conservative conspiracy theorists: Imagine what you'd be saying now about the "liberal media conspiracy" if "Time" had, in an equally short-sighted but equally non-malevolent gesture, given a similar primary

eve image boost to Bill Clinton or any real liberal lefty?)

"Time" is but the latest to embrace the misguided notion that what Buchanan and the GOP pack are saying is really "populism." It isn't. It is populist-sounding only when they define our problems. But they offer no true populist prescriptions for their solutions or helping out middle- and lower-income populists.

Which brings us right back to Iowa. In the heat wave of last August, Phil Gramm and his masterminds baited the trap and waited for the media to partake in a news feast. Gramm's campaign spent somewhere between \$200,000 and \$500,000 to buy tickets and bus in non-Iowans to a GOP straw poll. When Gramm tied frontrunner Bob Dole (who spent just \$75,000 or so), the major media rushed the news — never mind this was only a test of how much money a campaign was willing to waste to get some too-early media hype. We were assured it was very important because it was proof that Gramm had the

best "organization," and that "organization" is the key to winning a caucus, and blah blah blah.

CNN anchor Ralph Wenge declared: "The direction of the Republican presidential campaign has changed course after last night's straw poll in Ames, Iowa." ABC News anchor Carol Simpson reported Iowa's straw poll gave Gramm an "unexpected boost." And The Washington Post's Paul Taylor wrote: "Activist Republicans dealt front-running GOP presidential hopeful Sen. Robert J. Dole ... the first setback of his campaign and gave Sen. Phil Gramm ... a boost when the two tied for first in a straw poll of 10,598 voters tonight."

A half-year later, when real voters finally started focusing on the candidates, Gramm and his mighty organization finished a barely noticed fifth. Over and out.

Too often, we in the media set out to fanning a fire — but can't help fanning the flames in the process.

By Bruce Tinsley

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QUICK HISTORY

◆ The first successful parachute jump was made from a tower in 1783 by the French physicist Sebastien Lenormand.

◆ Kites, the oldest form of aircraft, probably originated in China about 3,000 years ago.

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Big Spring Herald

Thursday, February 22, 1996

Local elementary students open their eyes to the arts

by KELLIE JONES
Features Editor

Painters, poets and photographers are plentiful in Big Spring. Just look no further than the elementary school students who recently competed in the National PTA Reflections Program "Just Open Your Eyes and See."

Two dozen entries were taken to the state competition Feb. 15. The results have not been announced yet.

Students could enter as often as they wished in one or all four art areas including literature, visual arts, photography or music. They had an opportunity to express themselves through the arts by taking photographs, make paintings, drawings, or prints, or write songs, sonnets, poems, plays or short stories.

There was a city competition Jan. 11 and more than 200 entries were judged.

From there, the best 40 were chosen to go on to the district competition earlier this month. Those entries were judged along with ones from Midland and Odessa in the PTA's 17th District.

The next step was to choose the ones who would represent the district at the state level and those included the following entries (their placement at district follows their school):

PRIMARY LITERATURE (preschool to second grade)

•Bradley Foster, Marcy, honorable mention

•Dannon Ramey, Marcy, honorable mention

•Shyam Mehta, Bauer, honorable mention

INTERMEDIATE LITERATURE (third to sixth grade)

•Breck Simmons, Bauer, first place

•Jennifer Lopez, Marcy, second place

•Jacob Jones, Kentwood, honorable mention

•Katie Strain, Bauer, honorable mention

•Tanya Adusumilli, Bauer, honorable mention

•Gaby Sifuentes, Marcy, honorable mention

•Corey Green, Bauer, honorable mention

PRIMARY VISUAL ARTS

•Oscar Natividad, Marcy, honorable mention

•Chance Cain, Bauer, honorable mention

INTERMEDIATE VISUAL ARTS

•Crystal Sturm, Kentwood, second place

•Nathan Yee, Bauer, honorable mention

•Andrea Torres, Kentwood, honorable mention

•Breck Simmons, Bauer, honorable mention

•Cambrie Cook, Kentwood, honorable mention

INTERMEDIATE MUSIC

•Tanya Adusumilli, Bauer, honorable mention

•Jessica Ray, Bauer, honorable mention

•Cliff Green, Kentwood, honorable mention

•Sharissa McMeans, Bauer, honorable mention

•Veronica Villarreal, Marcy, honorable mention

INTERMEDIATE PHOTOGRAPHY

•Paige Gainey, Kentwood, third

•Breck Simmons, Bauer, honorable mention

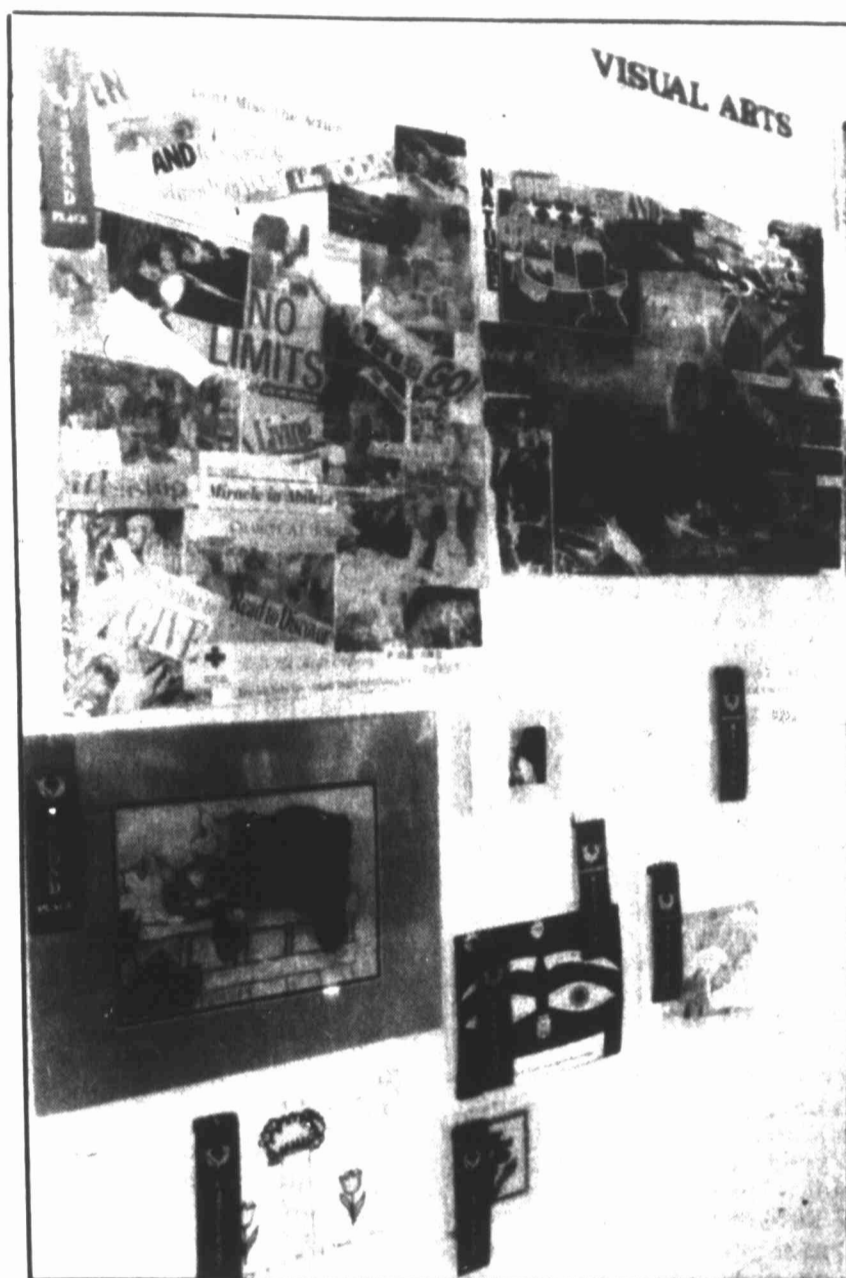
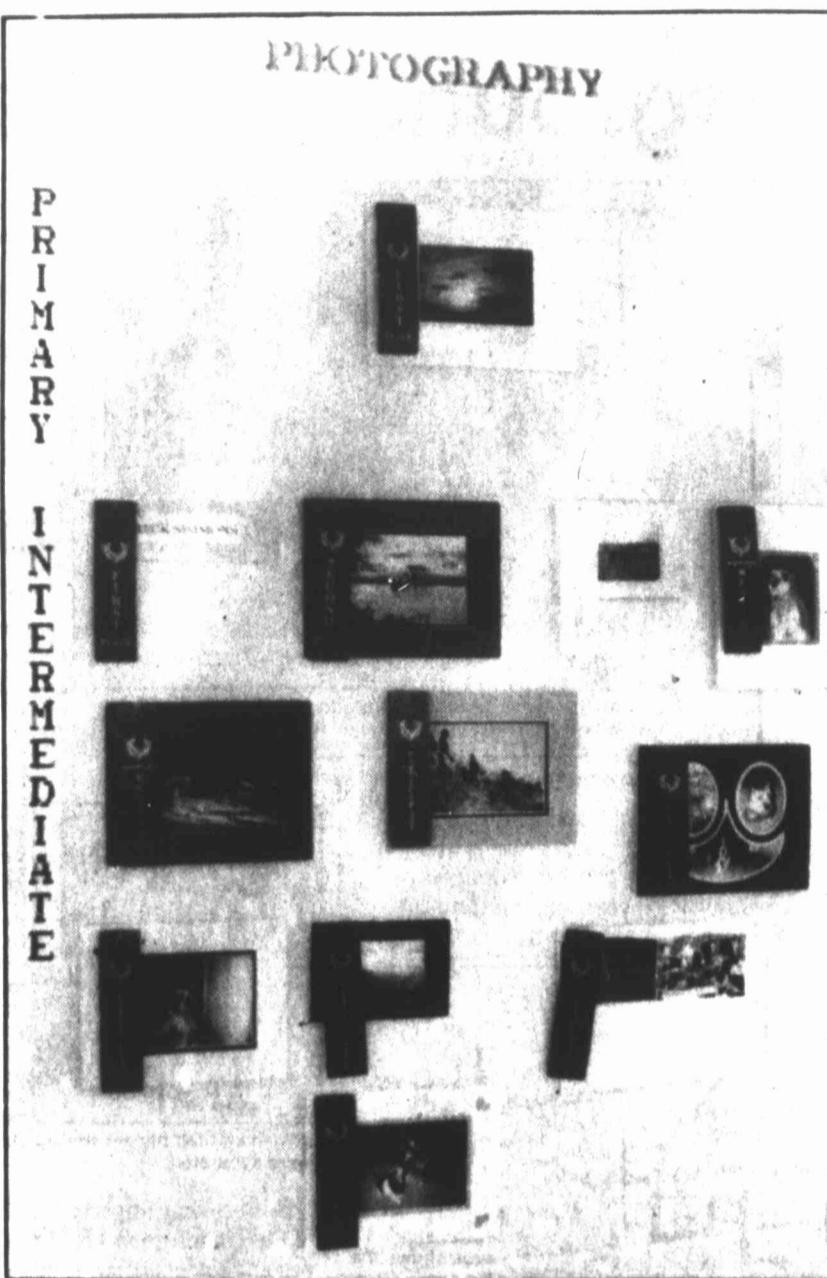
"Just Open Your Eyes and See"

*Just open your eyes and see...
Unhappiness between parents when they disagree*

*Selfishness of uncaring friends,
Too much cancer that never ends.*

*Open your eyes and see war.
People alone near and far.
Everybody stops to stare,
No one seems to really care.*

*You open your eyes and see special memories
Of good times with our loving families.
Understanding the feelings of others,
Running freely with our brothers.*



Visual artwork and photography entries have been displayed at Bauer Magnet Elementary School. More than 200 students from all six elementary campuses in Big Spring entered the PTA's city competition. Forty students were then selected to represent the city in the district competition against bigger school districts. The winners of the state contest will be announced soon.

*Every animal has a home that is good.
Young people learning all that they should.
Equality, liberty, happiness and love—
See the wonders of nature and the stars above.*

by Breck Simmons

*"Just Open Your Eyes..."
Just open your eyes and you will see
the things that life offers you and me.
There's books to read and things to do and people to see.
There's games to play and people and*

*animals to feed.
There's places to go and things to grow.
There's work to be done and a time to have fun.
So, JUST OPEN YOUR EYES...
and imagine all the things life has for you and me.*

by Jacoby Jones

*"Just Open Your Eyes and See,
Earth Needs You and Me"
Just open your eyes and see
How our planet needs you and me.*

Please see ARTS, page A6

WATCH IT, MISTER



Tom Rodden, left, of Chatham, Kent, the fastest barber who shaved 278 people in 60 minutes holds a straight edge razor as he poses with Ted Sedman, of St. Albans, Herts, who sports the longest mustache in the U.K. at 63 inches. The two men recently made an appearance in London for the launch of the 1996 Guinness Book of World Records.

High school students work to save planet

Special to the Herald

Students at Big Spring High School are learning new ways to save the planet with the help from Wal-Mart.

Associates from the supercenter recently presented a \$300 check to the student council earmarked for environmental education projects.

The Arkansas-based business is supporting environmental education programs in schools throughout the country. The money has funded tree plantings, recycling efforts, the purchase of educational literature and other projects.

To date, the retailer has contributed more than \$7 million to community, non-profit environmental education and recycling programs.

Sharion Richardson, student council sponsor, said the group will donate a portion of the money to the Kids' Zone playground project.

The money will probably also be used to plant more trees around the campus.



Courtesy photo
Big Spring High School Kent Bowerman, left, hands over a \$300 check to Student Council President Molly Smith. The money was donated by the associates of the Wal-Mart Supercenter and will be used to fund the council's environmental projects.

The council has been involved in environmental projects for several years and have planted trees at the high school in the past.

CITY WINNERS

Here is a list of the students who won at the city competition of the PTA's Reflections Program. Their name is followed by the school they attend and how they placed at the city level:

VISUAL ARTS - PRIMARY

•RoChelle McMeans, Bauer, first

•Chance Cain, Bauer, second and honorable mention

•Diana Barraza, Bauer, third

•Rudy Rodriguez, Marcy, honorable mention

•Oscar Natividad, Marcy, honorable mention

PHOTOGRAPHY - PRIMARY

•Denise Burns, Bauer, first

•Jonathan McGregor, Kentwood, second

LITERATURE - PRIMARY

•Laura Fitzgibbons, Marcy, first

•Bradley Foster, Marcy, second

•Britney Spooner, Marcy, third

•Shyam Mehta, Bauer, honorable mention

•Dannon Ramey, Marcy, honorable mention

VISUAL ARTS - INTERMEDIATE

•Crystal Sturm, Kentwood, first

•Breck Simmons, Bauer, second and third

•Cambrie Cook, Kentwood, honorable mention

•Nathan Yee, Bauer, honorable mention

•Heather Knappe, Kentwood, honorable mention

•Andrea Torres, Kentwood, honorable mention

•Ryan Boyd, Washington, honorable mention

PHOTOGRAPHY - INTERMEDIATE

•Crystal Sturm, Kentwood, first

•Jessica Ray, Bauer, second

•Paige Gainey, Kentwood, third

•Breck Simmons, Bauer, two honorable mentions

LITERATURE - INTERMEDIATE

•Breck Simmons, Bauer, first

•Gaby Sifuentes, Marcy, second

•Jacob Jones, Kentwood, third

•Jennifer Lopez, Marcy, honorable mention

•Corey Green, Bauer, honorable mention

•Gabriel Moreno, Bauer, honorable mention

•Katie Strain, Bauer, honorable mention

•Tanya Adusumilli, Bauer, honorable mention

MUSIC - INTERMEDIATE

•Cliff Green, Kentwood, first

•Sharissa McMeans, Bauer, second

•Jessica Ray, Bauer, third

•Veronica Villarreal, Marcy, honorable mention

•Tanya Adusumilli, Bauer, honorable mention

•Hollie Harris, Bauer, honorable mention

TIPS 'N' TRIVIA

Curbing cavities

(NAPS)— Guidelines for cavity-free teeth:

- Help child brush twice a day with a fluoride toothpaste.
- Floss child's teeth once a day until they can do it by themselves.
- Visit dentist regularly.
- Parents should begin brushing child's teeth with a soft bristle brush as soon as the first tooth comes in.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Pick up pictures

Anyone who has had an engagement, wedding or anniversary announcement run in the Big Spring Herald needs to pick up their pictures no later than March 15.

If you, a friend or relative has had an announcement published since 1980, please come by the Herald at 710 Scurry to pick up the picture.

Any picture not picked up by March 15 will be discarded. This does not apply to recent announcements as those people have 30 days after the date of publication to pick up their photographs.

Baseball and softball

There will be Little League Baseball and Softball sign-ups Saturday, Feb. 24, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Big Spring Mall (next to Bealls). Bring your birth certificate.

Community blood drive

A community blood drive will be Saturday, March 9, at the mall from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Big Spring Mall. The drive will be conducted by United Blood Services of San Angelo.

Donors are asked to bring proper identification such as a driver's license, social security card or UBS blood donor card. Donors should also know the specific names of any medication they are currently taking.

UBS needs to collect approximately 300 units of blood a week to many hospitals across West Texas, including Scenic Mountain Medical and the VA Hospital.

UBS representatives urge anyone with O blood to donate. O Negative blood is universal and can be transfused to anyone.

For more information, contact United Blood Services of San Angelo at (800)756-0024.

THE LAST WORD

There are only two or three human stories, and they go on repeating themselves as fiercely as if they had never happened before.

—Willa Cather

I've known what it is to be hungry, but I always went right to a restaurant.

—Ring Lardner

There's nothing wrong with teenagers that reasoning with them won't aggravate.

—Unknown

**EXTRA!
EXTRA!**

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

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

Fish are dying at Comanche Trail Lake

The district fisheries biologist will be examining Comanche Trail Lake this week in order to determine the cause of a recent fish kill. Bobby Farquar, district fisheries biologist located in San Angelo, said he was contacted a couple weeks ago concerning the number of dead fish surfacing at Comanche Trail Lake.

He said he suspected the deaths were caused by the effects of temperature stress from the cold weather experienced in early-February. "We had a fish kill down here at about the same time at Lake Nasworthy ... Here, it was the cold weather that stressed the fish."

He said at Lake Nasworthy it was primarily the red fish that were affected. However, after hearing reports that several different species of fish are dying at Comanche Trail Lake, Farquar has decided to further investigate the deaths. "All species dying usually is an indication of poor water quality," he said. Poor water quality can be attributed to a lot of different things, he said. One example of poor water quality is a decrease in the amount of oxygen in the water, Farquar said. The natural occurrence of low-levels of oxygen can be caused by an increase in underwater plant growth, he said.

Farquar still suspects that the recent fish kill is a result of temperature shock from a couple of weeks ago. "It may take them a week or two or three to die ... most (fish kills) are naturally occurring," he said.

He said the state has only five regional chemists and the one assigned to Big Spring area lakes is located in San Marcus. Because of the difficulty of dispatching the chemist from San Marcus he said he has contacted a stream biologist for the Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission in nearby Odessa, who should be examining the lake water in the next couple of days.

Use information from the story to answer the following questions:

1. District fisheries biologist Bobby Farquar will be examining Comanche Trail Lake this week. True or False
2. Farquar is based in Midland. True or False
3. Only one species of fish has died at Comanche Trail Lake. True or False
4. Farquar said the deaths can be linked to good water quality. True or False
5. The deaths could also be a result of temperature shock from a couple of weeks ago. True or False
6. The state has five regional chemists. True or False.

- Answer Key:
1. True
2. False
3. False
4. False
5. True
6. True

Arts

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We should be nice instead of mean.

We can keep our planet very clean.

We can recycle paper and cans But we need to have helping hands.

Just open your eyes and see

A great place our planet can be.

If we help our planet be the best,

It can pass every hard test.

There are many things we can do

To make our planet better for me and you.

by Corey Green

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By BETTY DEBNAM

The Secret Routes to Freedom

The Underground Railroad

The legend



To some of us who live in cities, the Underground Railroad might mean the subway. In this case, the railroad really does run underground.

More than 150 years ago, there were no subways. However, there was something called the Underground Railroad. Its story has become one of our country's most famous legends.

The name

One day, in about 1831 in Kentucky, a runaway slave named Trice escaped with his master chasing right behind him.

Trice got as far as the Ohio River, which separated the slave states from the free states.

He jumped into the river, swam across and disappeared. On this far side was Ohio and freedom.

His master, following in a boat, could not find him. The story is that the master said Trice "must have gone off (on) an underground railroad."



A fugitive family on its way north arrives at an Underground Railroad "station." "Agents" who helped along the way risked fines and jail.

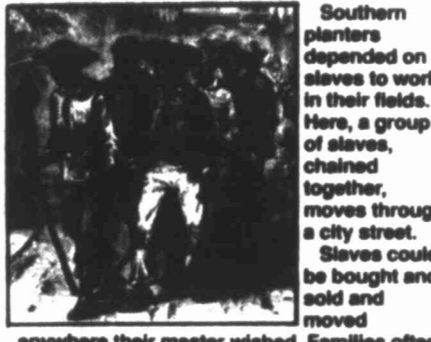
The Underground Railroad

The Underground Railroad is the name given to secret routes and hiding places taken by fugitives or runaway slaves escaping from the South to freedom in the North.



The shaded area shows the Southern slave states.

Slavery



Southern planters depended on slaves to work in their fields. Here, a group of slaves, chained together, moves through a city street. Slaves could be bought and sold and moved anywhere their master wished. Families often were separated.

Underground Railroad terms

- **Agents:** people who helped the fugitives.
- **Conductors:** people who led them from one hiding place to another.
- **Stations:** places to hide.

MIGHTY FUNNY'S Mimi Jokes

WHAT STATE DO GOATS LIKE THE BEST?
COLORADO!

THAT'S MIGHTY FUNNY!

Q: What is a fish's favorite country?
A: Finland!

Q: What kind of shoes are dishonest?
A: Sneakers!
(all jokes sent in by Maria Achruk)

MAZE

Help Alpha Mouse find his skates. The ice is perfect for skating!

PETER PENGUIN'S PUZZLE & LE-DO

Fit into the puzzle the names of these pictures that remind us of February.

ACROSS:
1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6.

DOWN:
1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6.

Rookie Cookie's Recipe Green Vegetable Medley

- You'll need:
- 1 10-ounce box frozen broccoli in cheese sauce
 - 1 9-ounce box frozen peas
 - 1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
- What to do:
1. Cook broccoli and peas separately, according to directions on boxes.
 2. Combine cooked broccoli and peas in a bowl. Mix well.
 3. Stir in nutmeg.
- Serves 4.



The Underground Railroad

Danger

In 1850 a law was passed that any fugitive slaves found in the free states must be returned to their masters. The brave people who helped runaway slaves could be fined or sent to jail if they were caught. It took even more courage for a slave to run away. If captured, a slave was often severely punished. Sometimes a slave was branded with the letter "R" for "Runaway."

Canada



Since fugitive slaves were not safe even in the free states, they tried to reach Canada. Even when they reached freedom, they faced many problems. Most could not read and write. They had to find ways to support themselves and their families.

Frederick Douglass



Frederick Douglass (1817-1895) was an outstanding black leader. Frederick Douglass served as an agent for the Underground Railroad in Rochester, N.Y. He hid runaways and also raised money to help them reach Canada.

Douglass had escaped from slavery himself. He once wrote that "the thought of one less slave and one more freeman brought joy."

He was one of the first abolitionists (ab-o-LISH-un-ist), or people who spoke out and worked against slavery. He was an outstanding newspaper editor, author and speaker. He named his newspaper The North Star.

Levi Coffin



Levi Coffin (1790-1877) of Fountain City, Ind., was a Quaker. Many members of his group worked against slavery. Levi Coffin and his wife helped hundreds of slaves escape. He was very proud of the fact that not one of those he helped was recaptured. He was often called the "president of the Underground Railroad."

Travel by night

The fugitives usually traveled on foot by night. Sometimes they wore disguises or rode in false bottoms of wagons. Sometimes they stowed away on Yankee steamships.



Many fugitives used the North Star as their guide.

The North Star

Which way is north and freedom? Many conductors and other fugitives used the North Star as a guide. This star always appears to be in the same spot. The North Star is at the end of the handle of the Little Dipper.



Sleep by day

During the day they might sleep in schools, barns, attics, hay lofts, woodpiles and other hiding places. The agents at the stations offered food and sometimes disguises.

Harriet Tubman



Harriet Tubman (1820? -1913) lived to be more than 90 years old. She died in Albany, N.Y.

Harriet Tubman was known as the "Moses of her people." Moses was a leader from the Bible who led his people out of slavery to freedom.

Harriet Tubman was born in Maryland. She was badly treated. Her master thought her stupid, but she was really very smart. When she grew up, she escaped and became a conductor for the Underground Railroad.

She returned to the South 19 times to bring out more than 200 slaves. She was so successful that a \$40,000 reward was offered for her arrest.

Later, during the Civil War, she served as a soldier, spy and nurse for the Union forces.

Next week, celebrate Music in Our Schools Month with a story about singing.

The Mini Page thanks the National Park Service for help with this issue.

Mini Spy ...

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



- letter A
- banana
- sock
- snake
- lima bean
- number 6
- letter C
- watermelon slice
- arrow
- number 3
- funny face
- bucket
- bell
- comb

- bandage
- word MINI
- letter L

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Today Stanton boys versus Ozona 7:30 at Midland Sands boys versus Dawson 8 p.m. at Lamesa Klondike boys versus Wellman 7:30 p.m. at Lamesa	Today LADY HAWKS at Western Texas, 7:30. HAWKS at NMMI, 8:30.	Dallas 93, Sacramento 91 Phoenix 120, Boston 107 L.A. Lakers 112, L.A. Clippers 108 Golden State 95, San Antonio 92

Got an item?

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

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UIL flip-flops again; sends Stanton out west

By STEVE REAGAN
Sports Editor

Without a doubt, the three dirtiest letters in the alphabet - at least to Stanton residents - are UIL.

Three weeks ago, the University Interscholastic League placed Stanton in the

far West Texas District 6-2A, meaning Stanton student-athletes would have to travel up to 450 miles one way to compete in some games.

The Stanton school district appealed the decision, and was pleasantly surprised when the UIL partially reversed the decision last week, keeping Stanton in far West Texas for football,

but bringing the Buffaloes back to this area for all other sports. Hold the celebration, Stantonites.

The Assignment Appeals Committee of the University Interscholastic League decided Wednesday to overturn the previous decisions by the UIL's District Assignment Review Board, meaning its "wagons

west" for the Buffaloes again.

Needless to say, Stanton residents are very displeased with the UIL.

"I think the major reaction was disappointment in that the UIL is not putting the best interest of the kids at heart," Stanton ISD Athletic Director Mark Cotton said. "I think the major basis for their decision

was that they don't want five-school districts. But if you put the safety of the kids and economic hardships leveled on a school district below the number of teams in a district, then there's something wrong with the system."

When last week's reversal was announced, three West Texas schools - Ozona,

McCamey and Iraan - appealed the decision to the UIL. Their complaint was the basis for Wednesday's announcement.

Although Stanton will face McCamey and Iraan next season, Cotton was hesitant to say there would be any hard feelings.

"Well, this probably won't make us any closer," he said.

To coaches, Big D stands for Defense

I can still remember what my high school basketball coach said to our team my freshmen year. "I don't care about offense! I don't care if we only score two points the whole game. Just as long as we shut them down to zero!"

Defense! That's what every coach wants from their team, and also what spectators want. That's why we have cheerleaders urging us to yell "Defense!!!" every time the opposition has the ball.

People go crazy with it. We yell that word so loud, you'd think it's our mating call. We make signs saying it, do special cheers for it and even create cute designs on the scoreboard pertaining to it. But what happens when we do see a great defensive game? This is how we describe, in a few words, a defense-oriented game: "Boring! Slippy! Poorly performed! Ugh!!!"

I'll be the first one to say

there were cases when I was at fault for name-calling. Indeed, there were times when I couldn't see the entire picture.

An interview with Howard College women's basketball coach Terry Gray set me straight. In that interview, he explained that the team wants an "ugly" game. He said that the Lady Hawks are number one in the nation in defense, and that is why they are winning games.

That is what really counts right?

Not for us. We want action. That means having a football score of 78-70 after overtime (multiply that score by three for six-man football). In basketball, we want triple-digit scores near the 200 mark. I'm surprised I haven't heard anyone asking for a shot clock for high school basketball.

We can have an "exciting" team to support, but at what price? I've seen a collegiate football team average more than 400 yards in offense a game, but finish with a 3-7-1 record. A team solely dedicated to offense can only go so far. If you don't believe me, ask the Houston Oilers or Buffalo Bills.

So I'd like to say that I'm through with calling big defensive games - in any sport - ugly or boring. I'll use more appropriate adjectives for these games.

As soon as I think of some.



Roderick Richardson
Sportswriter



Stanton's Leo McCallister, left, shoots the ball against Forsan in this file photo. The Buffaloes open the state basketball playoffs tonight in Midland against Ozona.

Boys teams begin playoff trek today

By STEVE REAGAN
Sports Editor

High school boys' basketball playoffs kick off tonight, and three area teams are in action.

District 6-2A champion Stanton hosts District 5-2A runner-up Ozona at 7:30 at Chaparral Center in Midland, while Sands and Klondike are involved in doubleheader at Lamesa Middle School. District 14-A runner-up Sands faces District 13-A winner Dawson at 6:30 p.m., with District 14-A champion Klondike following at 8 p.m. with its game against District 13-A runner-up Wellman.

Stanton faces its best chance in the past few years to do some serious damage in the playoffs. The Buffaloes (20-6) have a veteran, playoff-tested team that understands what it takes to win postseason games.

But even though Ozona has a losing record at 14-16, Stanton coach Doug Gordon said his charges are not taking the Lions for granted.

"We played them the first game of the season, and we were behind in the last two minutes before we won (a 60-56 decision)," Gordon said. "Since Christmas, they're 11-2, so obviously they've been playing well lately."

Ozona's biggest threat - literally - is 6-foot-3 post Mel

Tonight's playoff schedule

Boys
Class 2A
Stanton (20-6) vs. Ozona (14-16)
7:30 p.m., Midland

Class 1A
Sands (17-4) vs. Dawson (11-16)
6 p.m., Lamesa
Klondike (19-0) vs. Wellman (15-13)
7:30 p.m., Lamesa

Martinez, who has scored more than 40 points in two games this season. Gordon said the Lions are also blessed with good team quickness.

"They're not all that big - aside from Martinez - but they're just as quick as we are. That takes away any advantage we might have, and they still have the big post-up player to give us trouble."

If the Lions pose a challenge, however, it's a challenge Gordon believes his team is ready to face.

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Expectations on the upswing for BSHS girls' track squad

By RODRICK RICHARDSON
Sportswriter

There wasn't much expected of the Big Spring girls' track team last year.

But sports fans will make up in expectations this year, since the Lady Steers are the reigning District 4-4A champions.

"Last year was kind of a surprising season," said Lady Steer track coach Jay Kennedy. "We had a lot of young players who came through. As a team, we became better and better each week, but the main deal was the young kids."

With a year of varsity competition under their belts, the Lady Steers are confident that they will go farther as a team. The only loss was graduate Kathy Smith, who ran in the

sprint and 800 relay, qualified for the state meet in the long jump, and competed in the triple jump.

Sophomore Keesha Lott, who runs in the sprint, and 800 relays, thinks the loss won't hurt the team.

"We are gaining a lot of good freshmen," said Lott. "This year we're going to be ready."

Junior runner Kandi Cline, who was part of last year's state mile relay team says that the Lady Steers will do a lot better than last year. As a veteran, part of her contribution to the team will be leadership.

"[The upperclassmen] have to show good leadership," said Cline. "The thing that we need to tell the team is to not give up and just do your best."

Experience is good to have, but not as hard to come by as talent, and the Lady Steers

also have that part covered, according to Kennedy.

"The strongest part of our team is the 800 meters on down," said Kennedy. "We have good 100-meter runners - something we didn't have last year."

"We're strong in hurdles, and all of our relays as well. But we're weak in the distance races. Those events we need improvement on."

Kennedy will not have a shortage of participants - this year he has an average of two players in each event. With that depth added to Big Spring's quality, it seems as if there is almost nothing to stop this team.

"We're pretty much solid everywhere except the distance events," said Kennedy. "We're going to have depth -"

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Owners move closer to players as baseball negotiations continue

NEW YORK (AP) - Baseball owners, responding to a union plan received earlier this month, apparently have moved a little closer to the union's proposal in their new offer.

Teams said they would agree to the union's proposal for a 2.5 percent payroll tax in 1996, with each player to give back that percentage of his salary to a fund to be used for, among other things, increased revenue sharing and an industry growth fund.

Owners said that for 1997 they would accept either a 2.5 percent luxury tax to be paid by clubs on the amount of payrolls above \$44 million, or a 5 percent payroll tax to be paid by players.

The union proposed on Feb. 8 that after 1997 there be a 2.5 percent luxury tax on the amount of payrolls above \$50 million. Management negotiator

There were a lot of good, thoughtful questions and discussions. We tried to move, as we perceived, toward (the players).

Randy Levine

Randy Levine wouldn't discuss the substance of his side's new proposal, but said the two-hour meeting at the union's office went well.

"There were a lot of good, thoughtful questions and discussions," Levine said. "We tried to move, as we perceived, toward them."

Details of the proposal were provided by several sources who spoke on the condition

they not be identified. Union head Donald Fehr said only that players received the proposal and would respond shortly.

"The proposals that have been made in a substantive sense don't reflect any progress to speak of," said Tom Reich, a prominent agent. "They show, I think, that both sides are willing to negotiate."

Owners say they want a luxury tax in order to lessen the difference in payrolls among large and small-market teams, and would use the money to fund increased revenue sharing. The union says a high luxury tax would serve only to depress salaries.

Neither side is threatening a work stoppage. Baseball, under a federal court order, continues to operate under the rules of the collective bargaining agreement that expired Dec. 31, 1993.

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Today

Basketball

Howard women at Western Texas, 7:30 p.m.
Howard men at NMMI, 8:30 p.m. (local time)
Stanton boys vs. Ozona, 7:30 p.m., Midland.
Sands boys vs. Dawson, 8 p.m., Lamesa.
Klondike boys vs. Wellman, 7:30 p.m., Lamesa.

Softball

Cochona at West Texas Classic, Midland.

Golf

Big Spring boys at Midland

STATE/NATION

Lady Raiders roast SMU

LUBBOCK (AP) - Texas Tech is two victories away from closing out the history of Southwest Conference women's basketball in style.

The No. 6 Lady Raiders easily defeated Southern Methodist, 88-70, Wednesday night, keeping them undefeated in league play and setting up a Sunday showdown with second-place Texas that could determine the final SWC crown.

Tech rolled to its 28th straight home victory behind 21 points from Alicia Thompson and a solid team effort on the boards. The Lady Raiders (22-2, 12-0 SWC) had a 57-39 rebounding edge, led by 12 from Melinda White and 10 from reserve Rene Hanebutt.

"Our ability to rebound has been a big trait for us all season," Tech coach Marsha Sharp said.

Women's pro league coming

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) - Backed by \$4 million in private funding, Steve Hams said his women's professional league will begin this fall.

The American Basketball League, headquartered in San Jose, Calif., will have teams in Hartford-Springfield, Mass.; Atlanta; Columbus, Ohio; Richmond, Va.; Denver; Portland, Ore.; and San Jose; Seattle.

Agassi upset

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) - Andre Agassi's bid to regain the No. 1 ranking took a sudden nosedive with a 6-2, 6-4 loss to Luke Jensen, the ambidextrous doubles specialist ranked 419th in the world.

ON THE AIR

Basketball

College
Louisville at Cincinnati, 8 p.m., ESPN (ch. 30).
Fordham at St. Bonaventure, 6:30 p.m., PRIME (ch. 29).
Maryland at N. Carolina State, 8 p.m., ESPN.
Washington St. at Stanford, 9:30 p.m., PRIME.
New Mexico St. at Utah St., 11 p.m., ESPN.

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Playoffs

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weak but has come on of late, Gooch said. The Dragons are led by guard Robert Ybarra, who Gooch calls an "excellent shooter. He's a streaky shooter. but he can hit a bunch of points in a row if you leave him open."

Klondike (19-0) appears primed for another trip to the Region I-1A tournament, but coach Jim Kinnear doesn't want the Cougars blindsided before that time, so he doesn't want them looking past 15-13 Wellman.

"There's always that concern, but we saw Wellman play Plains ... within four points, so we know what they're capable of," Kinnear said. "We know they're a very good team, and if they get hot and on a roll, that will make them that much tougher. We definitely have to play up to our capabilities."

"They're ready to play," he said. "The good and bad thing about us winning district is we got a week off to relax and work on some things ... but it also got us out of the mode for playing."

Sands (18-4) heads into its game with 11-16 Dawson fresh off what coach Jerry Gooch calls "our best game of the year, maybe our best game in the past three or four years," an 84-69 practice-game victory over Class A power Lazbuddie.

"Lazbuddie has an excellent team ... and we played the best we've played all year against them," Gooch said.

Like Ozona, Dawson started

Track

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knock on wood - if we don't have injuries or any unforeseen problems."

Reclaiming the district title will not be an easy task. District 4-4A has several other schools which could challenge Big Spring this year.

"This district is strong in girls track," said Kennedy. "Lake View and Fort Stockton have always been good. Andrews and Monahans have improved for this year, but we should be the favorite to win [district]."

Mavericks edge Kings

DALLAS (AP) - Jason Kidd scored 20 points, including a tie-breaking layup with 1.3 seconds left, and the Dallas Mavericks snapped a four-game losing skid with a 93-91 victory over the Sacramento Kings on Wednesday night.

Jim Jackson led the way with 21 points as the Mavericks handed the stumbling Kings their eighth straight defeat. Mitch Richmond had 19 points to lead Sacramento.

Popeye Jones' tip-in with 34.8 left put Dallas ahead 91-89. Walt Williams drew Sacramento even at 91-91 by converting an offensive rebound with 18.2 seconds left, but he blew a chance for the three-point play by missing a free throw.

Sacramento gave a foul with 5.3 seconds left, forcing Dallas to re-set its offense. Kidd took the inbound pass, drove from the top of the key and slashed into the lane for the go-ahead basket.

Tyrone Corbin missed a desperation 3-pointer at the buzzer.

BASKETBALL

Girls playoffs

AUSTIN (AP) - Pairings for girls University Interscholastic League playoffs.

Class 6A
Region I
At Midland College, Friday
Lubbock Montezuma (26-7) vs. Hurst L.D. Bell (26-4), 8 p.m.

Class 4A
Region I
At South Plains College in Levelland, Friday
Allston (19-9) vs. Nazareth (21-2), 1:30 p.m.

Class 3A
Region I
At Baylor University in Waco, Friday
Georgetown (28-2) vs. South Grand Prairie, 6:45 p.m.

Class 2A
Region I
At University of Houston Dan Coleman Coliseum, Friday
Houston Madison (21-1) vs. Aldine Nantz (27-9), 6:30 p.m.

Class 1A
Region I
At Stephen F. Austin University in Nacogdoches, Friday
Coke (28-2) vs. Karnack (29-5), 1 p.m.

Class 1A
Region II
At University of Houston Dan Coleman Coliseum, Friday
Houston Madison (21-1) vs. Aldine Nantz (27-9), 6:30 p.m.

Class 1A
Region III
At Stephen F. Austin University in Nacogdoches, Friday
Coke (28-2) vs. Karnack (29-5), 1 p.m.

Boys playoffs

FORT WORTH (AP) - Pairings for boys University Interscholastic League playoffs.

Class 6A
Region I
El Paso Andress (17-12) vs. Abilene Cooper (22-9), 8 p.m. Friday, Odessa College SportsCenter

Class 4A
Region I
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College Scores

EAST
Caldwell 88, Army 73
Delaware 81, Tennessee 81

SOUTH
American U. 76, Richmond 68
Alabama 66, Mississippi 61
Georgia 77, Vanderbilt 68

MIDWEST
Ball St. 73, Bowling Green 60
Bradley 73, Evansville 69
DePaul 79, Loyola, Ill. 65

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Midwest Division
Utah 35, 16, 896
San Antonio 34, 17, 867

Pacific Division
Seattle 39, 12, 768
L.A. Lakers 32, 19, 627
Phoenix 25, 28, 490

WEDNESDAY
BASEBALL
American League
CALIFORNIA ANGELS - Agreed to terms with Mike James, pitcher, on a one-year contract.

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NFL threatens Seahawks with fine

SEATTLE (AP) - NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue has warned Seattle Seahawks owner Ken Behring that he could be fined as much as half a million dollars if he goes ahead with plans to move the team to Southern California, according to a published report.

The fine would be for conduct detrimental to the league, the Seattle Post-Intelligencer said today.

Behring and Tagliabue met Wednesday in West Palm Beach, Fla., where the NFL's finance committee is also meeting.

Contacted at his hotel room by a P-I reporter, Tagliabue refused to discuss the meeting with Behring and possible fine.

"I'm not going to be making any comment," he said.

Greg Aiello, the league's director of communications, said this morning that the meeting, which also involved David Behring, the owner's son and club president, and lasted for about an hour and a half.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
Texas Utilities Electric Company (TU Electric), in accordance with the rules of the Public Utility Commission of Texas, hereby gives notice of the Company's intent to obtain a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity for the proposed Big Spring West-Air Park 138 kV Line as described below.
The proposed Big Spring West-Air Park 138 kV Line will lie wholly within Howard County. The transmission line will begin at TU Electric's existing Big Spring West 138 kV Substation, approximately 0.4 miles northeast of the intersection of State Highway 402 (Old US 80) and Farm-to-Market (F.M.) 700 in Big Spring, Texas. The proposed line runs in a southeasterly direction from Big Spring West for approximately 0.10 miles. The line then turns in a southwesterly direction for approximately 0.27 miles running along the east side of a distribution line corridor to a point approximately 500 feet north of FM 700. The line then crosses over to the west side of the distribution line corridor and runs in a southerly direction for approximately 0.50 miles along the west side of the distribution line corridor crossing FM 700 and then running along the east side of State Park Drive right-of-way to a point approximately 80 feet north of West 16th Street. The line turns in a southwesterly direction crossing West 16th and runs along the South Parkway of Huddett Memorial Drive for approximately 0.25 miles to a point where Webb Lane deadends on Huddett Memorial. The line continues in a westerly direction along the south right-of-way line of Webb Lane for approximately 0.20 miles to a point where Avion Street deadends into Webb Lane. The line turns in a southwesterly direction and continues for approximately 0.08 miles crossing Simler Drive to a point on the North Parkway of Bethel Drive. The line runs along the North Parkway of Bethel for approximately 0.12 miles to a point where Bethel turns in a northwesterly direction. The line crosses Bethel and continues in a westerly direction for approximately 0.28 miles terminating at the proposed Air Park Substation. The estimated cost of this project is \$2,060,000.
The alternate route for this line is the same as the proposed route except that at the point approximately 500 feet north of FM 700 of the proposed route, the alternate route turns in a southerly direction and continues along the east side of the existing distribution line corridor for approximately 0.50 miles, crossing FM 700 and continuing along the east side of the corridor to a point approximately 80 feet north of West 16th Street. The line turns in a southwesterly direction crossing West 16th Street and again joins the proposed route on the south parkway of Huddett Memorial Drive and follows the proposed route to the proposed Air Park Substation.
Persons with questions about this project should contact Jim Clements at (915) 264-5652. Persons who wish to intervene in the proceeding or comment upon action sought, should contact the Public Utility Commission of Texas at 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Austin, Texas 78757, or call the Public Utility Commission Consumer Affairs Office at (512) 458-0256, or (512) 458-0221 for the text telephone. The deadline for intervention in the proceeding is 70 days after the date the application was filed with the commission.
A complete copy of the application, including maps showing the location of the transmission line, is on file with the Public Utility Commission of Texas in Austin, Texas.
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Raiders set to sign second Cowboy in as many days

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — The Oakland Raiders are expected to make Russell Maryland the second Dallas Cowboys defensive starter in as many days to join the team.

With Dallas' dollars either tied up in its superstars or earmarked to re-sign other players, Maryland agreed Wednesday to a six-year, \$19 million contract with the Raiders.

Agent Leigh Steinberg said the deal, which includes a \$4.3 million signing bonus, would be announced at a news conference today. Maryland flew to California late Wednesday.

"This is another case of the salary cap breaking up a happy marriage," Steinberg said. "Under normal circumstances, Russell would've spent his entire career in Dallas."

"We did have talks through last night with Jerry Jones and Jerry very much wanted to keep him. He was heartbroken, but he didn't have the cap dollars."

Maryland becomes the second defensive starter to leave the defending Super Bowl champions for the Raiders. He'll be joined in Oakland by cornerback Larry Brown, the Super Bowl MVP.

As they did with Brown, the Raiders made an offer so overwhelming that Maryland didn't bother visiting any of the other teams interested in him.

Steinberg said Maryland met Tuesday with coach Mike White, spent part of the day with owner Al Davis and tour the team's facilities.

"He decided then that if he had to leave Dallas, this would be a great place," Steinberg said. "The Raider tradition was exciting to Russell."

Steinberg was on top of the Cowboys' cap status because last week he negotiated Darren Woodson's record contract for a safety. Dallas juggled several deals to make things work for

Woodson. Steinberg realized then there wouldn't be much left to pay Maryland, who counted \$1.82 million against the cap last season.

"When I arrived back in California on Friday, the first day of free agency, I told Russell, 'I know you want to stay in Dallas, but it doesn't appear they can make an attractive offer. We've got to face the reality that they're too squeezed under the cap.'"

"It's no one's fault. It's the consequences of being the Super Bowl champions."

Steinberg said Maryland had seven other suitors and that he considered visiting Carolina, Washington and Seattle.

But Maryland was so pleased with the way things went with the Raiders he decided to join the silver and black.

"Frankly, he's been at the University of Miami and with the Dallas Cowboys ... He's always been with a winner," Steinberg said. "His feeling is that despite a rough second half for the Raiders, they can be a winner, too."

Oakland took that first step Tuesday by signing Brown to a five-year, \$12.5 million deal that includes a \$3.5 million bonus.

Dallas acquired Brown and Maryland in the 1991 draft — Maryland was the first overall pick in the draft, and Brown went in the 12th round.

Maryland was a key contributor on the defensive line as the Cowboys won Super Bowls in his second, third and fifth seasons. He also earned a Pro Bowl berth in 1992.

Chad Hennings is likely to start in Maryland's place. The Cowboys have used Hennings as a key part of their rotation of linemen, and now will have to rely more on backups — Hurvin McCormack and Darren Benson.

HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR FRIDAY, FEB. 23, 1996:

This could be one of your best years ever. By verbalizing your desires, you will learn to make them a reality. Awareness will be important as you expand your goals and your circle of friends. In 1996, you will be in the rare position of making many of your long-term dreams come true. If you are single, romance is a possibility; it may be simply a question of whom to choose. Learn how to accept your popularity. If attached, romance blooms, as long as you keep the lines of communication open. TAURUS helps you define your thoughts.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Be unusually careful about money and your career. Maintain a high profile with the public and at work. You will profit from the unexpected when you get beyond the initial jolt. Communications are strange but interesting. Tonight: It's time to indulge.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Claim your power at last, and make matters more to your liking. Unexpected events open doors. Once you wade through a misunderstanding, you'll know you have hit the jackpot. Charm is most definitely your strong suit. Tonight: Keep up your charismatic ways.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) The less said, the more powerful your position. Listen better to those around you. Visit with a child or loved one who has a bad case of the blues. Review what is happening before leaping into action. If you do act, do so much later. Tonight: Mysteriously vanish.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Focus on achieving success and making life more copacetic. An upset with a partner may have you despondent, but you adjust quickly. Use your moods to your advantage today. Flow with the ups and downs, and know there are many options. Tonight: It's playtime.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Be in the limelight, and take the responsibility of creating more of what you want at work and at play. A partner is rebellious; deal with that person in a hands-on manner. You can use your energy well, combined with an friend's support. Tonight: You're in the limelight.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You are encouraged to use your fine mental acumen and Virgo detachment today. You will

find answers out of the blue. Extend your knowledge through travel or perhaps a seminar. Be your own guiding light. Tonight: Try an exotic form of entertainment.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Defer to someone before you conduct your negotiating today. You are starred for success and change. You know what is right for you; support yourself in making it happen. Deal with a matter involving real estate. Tonight: Be with your favorite person.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You enjoy the natural flow of the day, with the exception of an upset with a family member. Think before you use your Scorpio stinger and say something you might regret later. Try to return all calls; there is a surprise opportunity coming. Tonight: Say yes to an invitation.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Certain realities are inevitable. Important unexpected news changes your plans. Get the job done, and stay in touch with people who make a difference in your daily life. Tonight: Go for one night of the couch potato life!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) A money matter may trigger ingenious and dynamic thoughts. Understand your limitations as you deal with a communication. Allow your ingenuity and imagination to run the day, but channel some of your energy into your work. Tonight: Be ever sensual.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You surprise yourself by the choices you make and the directions in which you head. Your idea of what you can manage is changing. Be willing to say no to a new possibility. Make you and your family your highest priority. Stay centered. Tonight: Be homeward bound.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Your fun side emerges when hanging out and discussing changes. Be aware of how you might be jinxing yourself. Defining an inner agenda with a friend's help may be important to you in the long run. Catch up on someone's news. Tonight: Hang out.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Howard County Auditor will accept sealed bids until 10:00 A.M. on March 8, 1996 for four (4) pickup trucks for the Road and Bridge Department. Specifications may be obtained in the Auditor's Office, 300 S. Main St. or by calling (915) 264-2210. Bids will be presented to the Commissioners' Court on March 11, 1996 at 10:00 A.M. for their consideration. The Court reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Jackie Olson, County Auditor
0736 February 22, 1996

PUBLIC NOTICE

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS ADDING A NEW UNLISTED LAND USE TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS TO PROVIDE FOR THE TYPE USE OF BINGO HALL TO BE ADDED, REQUIRING A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT, IN SEVEN (7) SEPARATE DISTRICTS, TABLE D, RECREATIONAL AND ENTERTAINMENT USES. PASSED AND APPROVED on first reading at regular meeting of the City Council on the 23rd day of January 1996, with all members present voting "aye" for passage of same. PASSED AND APPROVED on second and final reading at a regular meeting of the City Council on the 13th day of February 1996, with all members present voting "aye" for passage of the same. 0740 February 21 & 22, 1996

PUBLIC NOTICE

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS, AMENDING ARTICLE 13-AMBULANCE SERVICE, SECTION 210-AMBULANCE FEES OF THE BIG SPRING CITY ORDINANCE AND PROVIDING PUBLICATION. PASSED AND APPROVED on first reading at regular meeting of the City Council on the 23rd day of January 1996, with all members present voting "aye" for passage of same. PASSED AND APPROVED on second and final reading at a regular meeting of the City Council on the 13th day of February 1996, with all members present voting "aye" for passage of the same. 0741 February 21 & 22, 1996

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Broken-record protest brings same response

DEAR ABBY: "Dorothy in Long Beach, Calif." asked you to stop referring to repetition as a "broken record," and added, "You'll never hear anything from a broken record because it is broken." She said, "Please say well-worn or scratchy instead," and asked you to sign her letter, "A Retired Public School Music Teacher."



You thanked her for writing and said you'd try to change your tune. Abby, I'm a collector of old phonograph records, and I wonder if either one of you knows the origin of "a broken record."

It goes back to the days before tapes and CDs replaced old-fashioned phonograph records, which were made of shellac or plastic and easily broken or damaged. Those records rotated at 78, 45 or 33 1/3 revolutions per minute. Some, especially the hard shellac ones, would crack or break — sometimes on only one side of the surface.

When the needle hit the damaged spot, it would jump backward into a preceding groove, and replay until it hit the same spot again and jumped backward again, etc. In other words, it caused pure monotonous repetition of the same words and music.

A well-worn or scratchy record does not connote the same thing a broken record does. — ROLAND GUERIN, HARVEY, LA.

DEAR ROLAND: Thanks for your supportive letter. Now I'm sorry I didn't respond to "Retired Music Teacher," "You're mistaken, you're mistaken, you're mistaken."

You're not the only reader who commented on that letter. Others also want to go on record: DEAR ABBY: The somewhat caustic note from "Dorothy in Long Beach, Calif.," regarding a "broken record," speaks more of her intolerance and rigid thinking than of the facts.

As you know, a broken record in our generation meant that a groove in the record was "broken," and each revolution caused a duplicate sound over and over (so go ahead and use that idiom if you please). I frequently use figures of speech from my past that cause my children's and grandchildren's eyes to glaze over as they wonder what in the world I mean; e.g. "Cheese it — the cops!" or "You're not just whistlin' Dixie."

They do not need to adopt them, but neither do they have a right to chastise me for doing so. — ROBERT E. SMITH, LITTLETON, COLO.

DEAR ABBY: Why do people take the Lord's name in vain? How come when they smash their finger with a hammer, they don't yell out, "Buddha!" instead of "Jesus Christ!"

My heart breaks every time I hear that. Abby, please give me an answer. I am a 12-year-old boy and I am confused. — SAD IN SACRAMENTO

DEAR SAD: Perhaps they are praying for the Almighty to ease their pain. If it's any comfort to you, I've heard "holy Moses" used as an epithet. ©1996 UNIVERSAL PRESS SYNDICATE

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Travel Trailers 030

1993 ELDORADO MOTORHOME for sale. 28ft., 14,500 miles, twin beds, split bath, awning and generator. 263-2857.

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Gang Pusher wanted. Must be able to pass a drug test and have valid drivers license. Apply in person at 2000 N. Birchwell.

FIBERFLEX has immediate openings in the Quality Control department for the position of Inspector.

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Major carrier has immediate openings at its Big Spring Terminal for experienced truck drivers.

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Applicants can apply at 1-30 & Midway Rd., Big Spring or call 1-800-722-6655.

PIZZA HUT hiring Part-time & Full-time Delivery Drivers. Apply at 2601 Gregg.

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STAFF PHARMACIST needed at Leading National Supermarket Chain. Excellent salary & benefits package. Contact Joe Burkhoffer at Albertson's in Midland, Texas. 915-688-7578 for interview.

THE CITY OF BIG SPRING is accepting applications for the position of Utility Maintenance Repairman in the Utilities Dept. For further information or to apply contact City Hall Personnel at 310 Nolan or call 915-264-2346. Applications will be accepted through Friday, February 23, 1996 at 5:00pm. THE CITY OF BIG SPRING IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER.

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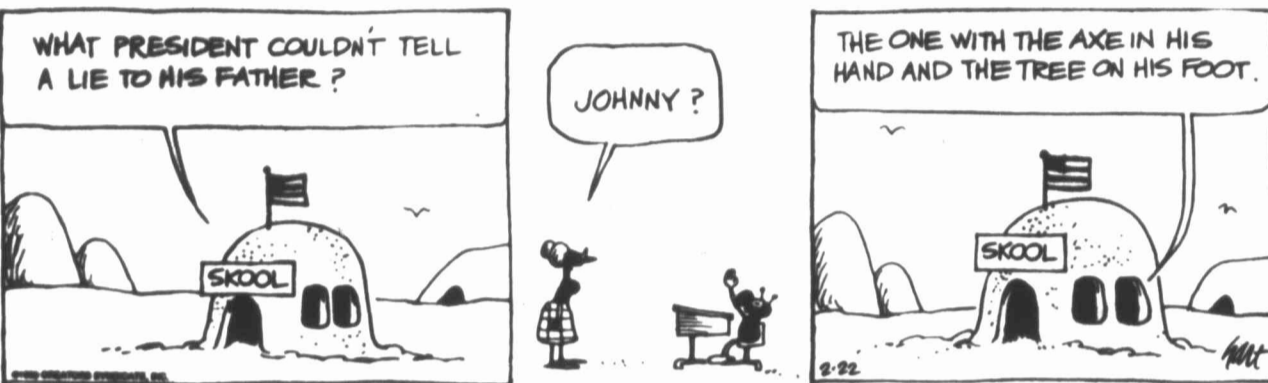
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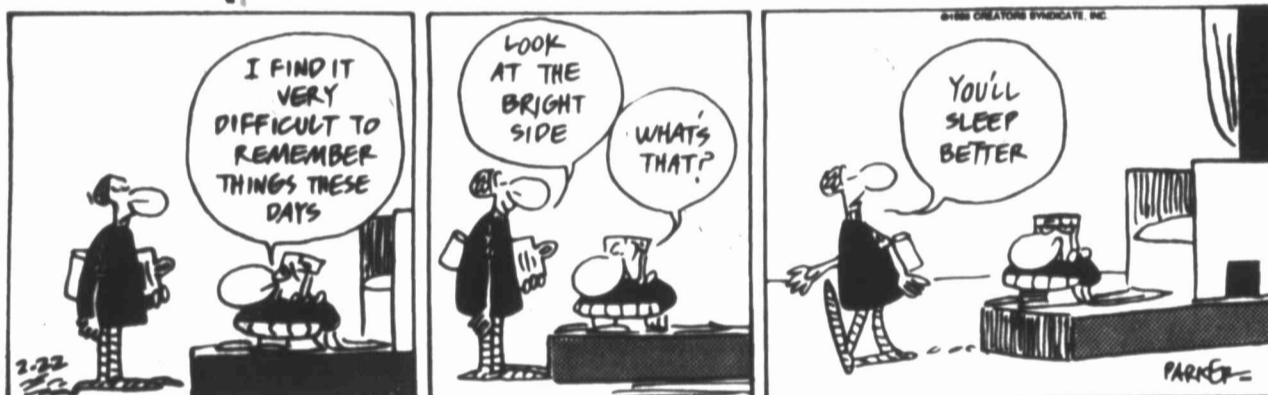
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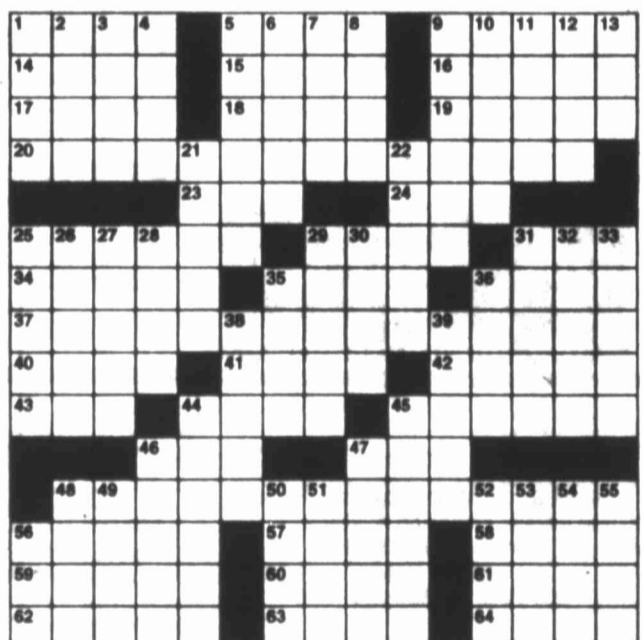
By The Associated Press Today is Thursday, Feb. 22, the 53rd day of 1996. There are 313 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On Feb. 22, 1732, the first president of the United States, George Washington, was born at his parents' plantation in the Virginia Colony. On this date: In 1784, a U.S. merchant ship, the 'Empress of China,' left New York City for the Far East. In 1819, Spain ceded Florida to the United States. In 1865, Tennessee adopted a new constitution abolishing slavery. In 1879, Frank Winfield Wool-

worth opened a five-cent store in Utica, New York. In 1889, President Cleveland signed a bill to admit the Dakotas, Montana and Washington state to the Union. In 1892, the Oscar Wilde play 'Lady Windermere's Fan' was first performed, at London's St. James Theater. In 1924, Calvin Coolidge delivered the first presidential radio broadcast from the White House. In 1935, it became illegal for airplanes to fly over the White House. In 1973, the United States and Communist China agreed to establish liaison offices. In 1980, in a stunning upset, the United States Olympic hockey team defeated the Soviets at Lake Placid, N.Y., by a 4-3 score. (The U.S. team went on to win

the gold medal.) In 1984, a 12-year-old Houston boy known publicly only as 'David,' who'd spent most his life in a plastic bubble because he had no immunity to disease, died 15 days after being removed from the bubble for a bone-marrow transplant. Ten years ago: Two top military leaders in the Philippines, Defense Minister Juan Ponce Enrile and Lt. Gen. Fidel V. Ramos, the deputy armed forces chief, called on President Ferdinand E. Marcos to resign following the recent presidential election. Five years ago: President Bush and America's Gulf War allies gave Iraq 24 hours to begin withdrawing from Kuwait, or face a final all-out attack. Iraq denounced the 'shameful' U.S. ultimatum, aligning itself with a Soviet peace plan the United States had rejected.

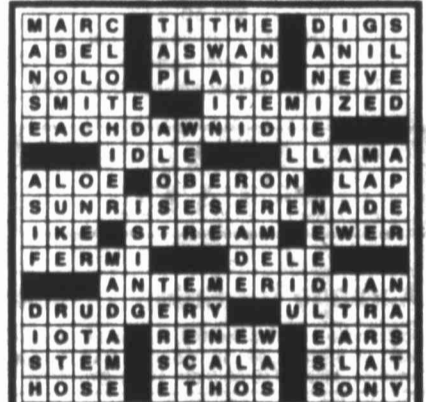
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Wednesday's Puzzle solved:



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