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Thunderstorms replenish stock tanks in northeastern Howard County

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

The thunderstorms that rolled through the Big Spring/Howard County Area Sunday night provided some much needed relief from the current drought in the area, but not all that resulted from the storm was positive. About 1,700 TU Electric customers were without power Sunday night as a result of the severe thunderstorms that

moved through. The north side of Big Spring, the downtown area and areas along Interstate 20 were without power for approximately 2 hours.

More than two and a half inches of rain, along with golf ball size hail, was reported in Sand Springs. More than four inches of rain was reported around Moss Creek Lake Road.

A portion of Texas Highway 350 (Snyder Highway) was also closed off due to

the storms. A spokesman with the Texas Department of Transportation said the highway was not closed, but because of the water the traffic flow cones were put out.

As far as the positive effects of the rain, reported to be as much as eight inches in some areas, Howard County Extension Agent Don Richardson said the rain was welcomed.

"This was a very localized rain primarily in the northeastern part of the

county. There was a lot of flooding and several livestock producers were able to replenish their water supply. They had been hauling water out to their livestock," Richardson said.

"The rain will revive the grasses for livestock producers, but we still need a general widespread rain throughout the county," Richardson added.

Richardson said the southern and western parts of the county received very little rainfall if any at all.

The U.S. Agricultural Research Service reported only two-tenths of an inch of rain from the storm.

Big Spring resident Boyce Hale said he received about three-quarters of an inch at his property just north of town, but barley a trace at his residence on Wasson Road.

Colorado River Municipal Water District officials said no runoff made its way into either Lake Thomas or Lake Spence.

CRMWD's 'rain makers' waiting for clouds

By SARA SOLIS
Staff Writer

The Colorado River Municipal Water District (CRMWD) is ready and willing to seed clouds, they're just waiting for the right type of cloud formations to appear.

The focus of the cloud seeding program is to produce more rainfall for lakes J.B. Thomas and E.V. Spence, creating, in turn, more available drinking water for the water district's client cities.

Ray Jones, CRMWD district meteorologist, said the district's cloud seeding program began in 1971. He said they are permitted to seed cloud systems falling in a 15-county operational area. In order to be seeded, clouds must be over the watersheds of the reservoirs, lakes Spence and Thomas. This watershed, or target area, encompasses parts of Howard, Dawson, Scurry, Sterling, Glasscock, Coke, Nolan and all of Mitchell and Borden counties.

Jones said they are looking for clouds that are going to go through the freezing process, those that reach at least 20,000 feet in elevation.

He said the seeding process involves injecting Silver Iodide particles into the updrafts of the clouds. Silver Iodide acts as a freezing contact nuclei, Jones said. In layman's terms, the iodide particles cause water molecules, already present in the cloud, to freeze at a lower elevation than they would normally, he said. "It works like dry ice," it condenses more particles of ice, releasing more heat in the process and the cloud expands. The ice particles become larger and heavier and fall to the ground. They then melt into rain as they



CRMWD meteorologist Ray Jones checks the radar at the district's weather station, located at the old Howard County Airport.

come in contact with the warmer air in the lower elevations, Jones said. With the introduction of Silver Iodide, lots of particles will freeze that normally wouldn't, resulting in more rainfall, he said. The goal of the cloud seeding program is to create more rain. "It's going to rain anyway,

what we're trying to do is create more rainfall," Jones said.

He said Silver Iodide is an inert substance, common in soil in small amounts, and does not harm or alter the composition of the rain water.

Jones said he monitors potential rain-producing clouds and storm systems with a radar,

located northeast of Big Spring. Upon sighting a favorable cloud cluster, he directs CRMWD pilot, Mike Douglas, to that area. "Most pilots are taught to fly away from clouds, he flies to them," Jones said.

An electronic control in the plane activates any one of 24 flares installed in a 12-flare rack, mounted on the trailing edge of each wing of the 1970 Piper Aztec plane, Jones said. He said it takes about six minutes for each 30 gram flare to burn. Each burning gram in turn releases approximately 13 trillion particles of Silver Iodide, he said. "It varies from cloud to cloud how many flares are released," he said.

Douglas said he's been a pilot for weather modification since 1979. CRMWD does not allow seeding flights when there is a severe weather, tornado or flood warning in effect, however, Douglas recalled a dangerous mission he worked for another company in Spain. "One year in Spain I had a windshield knocked out and half the size of golf balls was flying around inside the plane," he said. There are moments when it can get a little scary, flying that close to a thunderstorm, Douglas said. He said CRMWD's Aztec plane has endured countless hail damage.

"We're ready to go seed clouds, but if we don't have any there's nothing we can do ... You cannot modify clouds you don't have," Jones said.

CRMWD's cloud seeding program is one of the largest running seeding programs in the nation and the largest of its kind in Texas. "It's (the cloud seeding program) more of a water management program than a drought relief," Cloud seeding is not a quick-fix solution for drought, it is most effective on a long-term basis, Jones said.

factors; rainfall figures; and crop yield. Both indicators are examined during the cloud seeding season, from May through September.

According to Jones, since the program's inception in 1971, an average 23 percent more rainfall has been recorded in seeded areas versus non-seeded areas. He said this is the most conclusive statistic of the program's success.

He said the program has also had a positive effect on crop yields. CRMWD has documented an increase in cotton yields in seeded versus non-seeded areas.

The study consists of examining cotton yields in a target area; mostly Borden, Scurry, Howard and Mitchell counties; upwind and downwind counties. The upwind area includes counties that are west of the

target area, while downwind counties are north and east of the target area, Jones said.

"We only look at non-irrigated cotton," he said. Yield data for the study, expressed in pounds per acre, is provided by the Plains Cotton Growers Association.

CRMWD's 1994 rain enhancement report states, "In 11 of the last 21 seeded years, cotton production for the cloud seeded counties has surpassed cotton production for both upwind and downwind counties." Jones said, on average, the target area has recorded a 46 percent yield increase during seeded years versus years in which seeding did not take place. Upwind counties averaged only a 7 percent increase in yield in the same study. "46 percent compared to 7 percent is quite a difference," he said.

County commissioners call special meeting on Road & Bridge Dept.

By CARLTON JOHNSON
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The Howard County Commissioners' Court has called a special meeting Tuesday at 10 a.m. to discuss the recent problems with the county's Road and Bridge Department.

The agenda lists the meeting as an executive session in which commissioners will have a discussion with County Road and Bridge Administrator Eddy Jameson about road and bridge policies and procedures.

After the executive session, the Commissioners' Court will reconvene in open session to take any needed action regarding the executive session.

Jameson was accused by several road and bridge employees at the April 22 Commissioners' Court meeting of mismanaging the department.

Following a brief exchange between employees and commissioners at the April 22 meeting, Howard County Judge Ben Lockhart called for a vote of confidence or the termination of Jameson as County Road Administrator.

Commissioners voted 4-1 in favor of Jameson.

The one vote against Jameson came from Commissioner Emma Brown, who said, "I can understand two or three people complaining, but look at all of

these people. I don't have anything against Eddy (Jameson), but I think we have a problem and we need to sit down and talk about it."

There were three main grievances employees cited as their reason for wanting to address commissioners:

•Special treatment for certain employees (including the falsification of timesheets).

•Grievances being met with verbal abuse and harassment.

•Removal of seniority within the department and the ethics and motives involved.

The group of road and bridge employees present at the April 22 meeting was accompanied by Texas Public Workers Association Staff Representative Pam Johnson and Permian Basin Central Labor Union President Dally Willis.

On April 26, Johnson formally requested Howard County District Attorney Rick Hamby look into the allegations made against Jameson, specifically that he falsified time sheets.

According to Johnson, under Section 37.10 of the Texas Penal Code, "Tampering with Governmental Record," that allegation, if true, might be a violation of the code. Such a violation carries a penalty of up to a \$4,000 and up to one year imprisonment.

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Emma Brown
Pct. 1 Commissioner

25 years into program, results are generally positive

By SARA SOLIS
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CRMWD's weather modification (cloud seeding) program is entering its 25th year of suc-



CRMWD weather modification pilot Mike Douglas looks at hail damage on the wing of the district's plane. Cloud-seeding flares are attached to the wing.

cessfully generating more rainfall for two of the district's reservoirs, E.V. Spence and J.B. Thomas.

Ray Jones, CRMWD meteorologist, analyzes the success of the program by looking at two

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Sunny and hot. Highs in lower 90s with gusty winds. Lows tonight low 60s.



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Coahoma's Lucas Phinney wins UIL state championship

HERALD Staff Report

Coahoma High School's Lucas Phinney and Colorado City's Kelly Younger brought home state championships from the University Interscholastic League state academic meet completed Saturday in Austin.



PHINNEY

Phinney and Younger both won state titles in Computer Applications.

Phinney, in his first year of

UIL competition, finished second in his first meet of the year before winning out to take the state title.

A third West Texas student, Will Crockett of Colorado City, finished third in the state in Prose Interpretation.

Howard County Sheriff's Department using Crimestoppers to develop leads in Humane Society break-in and theft

The Howard County Sheriff's Department is currently investigating the break-in and theft from the Humane Society, located west of Big Spring. Person(s) unknown entered the building and removed

approximately \$100 from the building.

Anyone having any information concerning this theft and break-in, is urged to contact the Howard County Sheriff's Department at 264-2244, or by

calling crimestoppers at 263-TIPS. Crimestoppers will pay up to \$1,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and/or conviction of person responsible for this offense. All callers remain anonymous.

KIDS' ZONE CHECK



Gregg McAteer and Ruben DeVelasco of Nalco/Exxon Energy Chemicals present a \$5,000 check to Katy McAteer for the Kids Zone project. This is construction week.

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'Republic of Texas' ambassador jailed in West Texas

MONAHANS (AP) — Facing a federal contempt citation, an anti-government group's leader remained jailed today for a third day after his arrest in West Texas.

Richard L. McLaren of the Republic of Texas movement was held at the Ward County Jail in Monahans, Sheriff Ben Keele and a spokeswoman for the San Antonio-based group said Sunday.

"We are holding him for the U.S. marshal," Keele said. He said no bond information was available on McLaren, who describes himself as an ambassador and chief legal counsel for the sovereign republic. A Midland television station McLaren was jailed without bond. Federal officials declined comment today to The Associated Press.

Deputy U.S. marshals arrested McLaren Saturday as he drove a tractor on his property in Jeff Davis County, about 100 miles southwest of Monahans, said Jeanette Kinman, the Republic spokeswoman. She said U.S. District Judge Lucius Bunton had held McLaren in contempt. Bunton had heard complaints about the republic's practice of issuing liens against property.

Bunton did not immediately return a telephone call from The Associated Press. Using a so-called Common Law Court of Pleas, convened at an Arlington, Texas, motel, the Republic movement has issued trillions of dollars in purported judgments against the United States, Federal Reserve Board and other government entities. The movement's leaders, who contend that Texas was illegally

annexed by the U.S. in 1845, are in a secession movement. Texas Attorney General Darrell Morales told county and district clerks last week not to accept or file property liens issued by any courts that are not established by the constitution or state law. Various anti-government groups, such as the Freeman who are in the seventh week of a standoff with federal officials in Montana, subscribe to common law courts. They say they are not subject to state or federal laws. On Friday, a van with "Republic of Texas" license tags was stopped in Houston and a man professing to be a member of the group was charged with traffic violations. A Harris County deputy constable said plastic pipe, wires and detonation devices were found in the van.

Video shows Israeli plane and repeated shelling of U.N. camp

JERUSALEM (AP) — An amateur video aired today shows that, contrary to Israeli claims, repeated Israeli shelling hit a U.N. camp where at least 91 civilians died last month, and that an Israeli reconnaissance plane was in the area. Israel until Sunday had denied that a low-flying drone, or remotely piloted aircraft, was in the area of the U.N. camp in southern Lebanon. Officials maintained that the camp was hit by only one or two stray rounds. "The importance of the tape is that it shows the shelling is not one or two rounds that overshoot, as we've been told for the past two weeks," said Timor Goksel, spokesman for the U.N. peacekeeping force. Taken from a mile away, the videotape shows puffs of smoke emerging from the base, indicating when shells hit. A preliminary report by U.N. investigators found the remains of 15 shells in the Fijian peacekeepers camp — evidence of a heavy bombardment and not an accidental misfiring. A U.N. official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said Israeli gunners had "switched

targets" from an area where Hezbollah guerrillas had launched rockets to the U.N. camp. Israel government spokesman Uri Dromi said Israeli gunners had different coordinates than the officers who approved the April 18 attack near the village of Qana. "There was a mistake, and we admitted the mistake from day one," said Uri Dromi, the Israeli government spokesman. "This is war, and in war things like this happen." He said the drone aircraft was in the area at the time of the shelling but could not at first find the base, which is about 100 yards by 75 yards, because of clouds. Civilians were not visible because they were in huts or buildings, he said. Dromi said the army would not punish officers or soldiers involved in the attack, but had made procedural changes to prevent future accidents. Gunners will be required in the future to get a higher level of approval before opening fire. Goksel said the video, taken by a U.N. soldier and obtained by the Independent newspaper of London, disproved Israel's

initial assertion that no aircraft was overhead. But he said it was not clear from the footage what mission the drone was on. Maj. Gen. Matan Vilnai, Israel's deputy chief of staff, confirmed at a news conference in Tel Aviv on Sunday that a drone was present, but said it had nothing to do with the attack. "We had a drone over the area, but on another mission, and because of bad weather conditions we took it away," Vilnai said. He added that the drone was sent back to Qana after the shelling in order to see what had happened. Vilnai said Israel knew that up to 9,000 refugees were housed in U.N. bases throughout southern Lebanon but had no indication there were any at the base near Qana. The British Broadcasting Corp., which aired the amateur video, said the U.N. investigation was proving embarrassing for the United Nations as well as Israel. The investigation revealed Hezbollah guerrillas were allowed to take shelter in the base shortly after firing on Israeli positions, the BBC said.

Fires rage in Kit Carson National Forest

EAGLE NEST, N.M. (AP) — Firefighters struggled to control a blaze that raged through northern New Mexico early today after destroying several homes and forcing 2,000 people to evacuate. No injuries were reported. The wildfire, believed to have been ignited by burning trash, erupted Sunday afternoon and had spread over 3,000 acres in the Carson National Forest by nightfall. High winds forced firefighters to abandon a ground attack. Instead, 11 air tankers and one helicopter dropped water and fire retardant chemicals on the fire burning in tinder-dry cedar, juniper and ponderosa pine. The flights were to resume today. Hundreds of firefighters also were working around the clock with bulldozers to create fire lines. "It's moving in so many different directions," said U.S. Forest Service dispatcher Demica Vigil. "We're not going to put anybody in anger." Temperatures were in the low 30s overnight, and the wind died down, but more wind was in the forecast for later today. "We're just waiting for daylight and waiting to see if the winds pick up and see where it goes from there," said Cherie Anders, a dispatcher with the

Red River Marshal's Office. The Forest Service Sunday ordered 2,000 residents in the communities of Red River, La Lama and Questa to evacuate. The fire later engulfed a half dozen homes in La Lama, an unincorporated community of 75 about 20 miles north of Taos. Some residents of Questa got the go-ahead to return home early today, but the fire was still a threat in other areas. "We left all our belongings in the house and hope they'll be there when we get back," said Red River resident James Carter. Judy Brunson, Red River municipal clerk, said government records were taken out in a 5-by-8-foot trailer. "We have our computers, we have our ordinances, resolutions and utility billings in here," she said. "We can do business here right now if we have to." Early today, the fire was four to five miles southwest of Red River, a tourist town of about 300, Anders said. Carter said he and his wife, Nora, learned of the fire as they were returning home from a day trip. Police stopped them on the highway into town and told them they had 30 minutes to drive home, get a change of clothes and get out. The fire moved north, to with-

in a quarter of a mile of Questa, before a fire line kept it away from the village of 1,700 people. "It was scary there for a while, it was fortunate the wind died down when it did," said state Sen. Carlos Cisneros of Questa, who helped with evacuation efforts. Officials said winds of up to 20 mph were forecast for this afternoon, but that they hoped calm conditions in the morning would allow them to make some headway with the blaze. "It depends on the fire — we don't know what the behavior is going to be," said Forest Service spokesman Gary Schiff. Bandelier National Monument was reopened for tourists after crews contained the 16,680-acre fire that came within two miles of the Los Alamos National Laboratory and threatened ancient Indian ruins. While the fire was fully surrounded, crews still battled the blaze within the containment lines. In Arizona, about 400 firefighters worked to contain a fire that forced the evacuation of 12 homes outside Flagstaff. The blaze, which began Saturday, was 30 percent contained Sunday by fire lines, said Raquel Romero, a spokeswoman for Coconino National Forest. She said no homes were damaged.

TEXAS BRIEFS

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Teen-age girl goes on trial for father's murder
FORT WORTH — A teen-age girl whom prosecutors say committed "the perfect crime" insists she did not intend to fatally poison her father, only to sicken him. A daughter of divorced parents, Marie Robards, 19, said she loved her father "very, very much" but desperately wanted to live with her mother. "I never thought anything through," she told a reporter on the eve of her murder trial for the 1993 slaying of Steven Robards, 38, a postal worker. "I didn't realize what I was doing," she said. Her father, although "manic-depressive," was kind and loving and never abused her, she insisted.

Demographics partly responsible for crime drop
HOUSTON — Some criminologists and sociologists are pointing to a recent decline in the number of young people as a factor in a drop in crime in Texas. They say tougher laws and more prisons may be less significant in determining the amount of crime than something as basic as the birth rate. "A demographic dip is clearly responsible for some of the decline in crime," said Timothy Flanagan, dean of the College of Criminal Justice at Sam Houston State University in Huntsville. The Department of Public Safety reported last week that crime fell in Texas for the fourth year in a row.

Posse's former associate moves to West Texas
ABILENE — One of four members of a doomsday religious sect with ties to a militant, anti-government group has relocated to West Texas and the others have visited the state, according to a published report Sunday. All four, now elders or guards in the House of Yahweh, have been associated with Posse Comitatus; Wisconsin law officials told the Abilene Reporter-News. The Abilene-based cult has drawn increasing media and law enforcement attention amid reports that members have begun practicing polygamy and slavery and are flocking to court to change their last names to Hawkins. The newspaper said Andrew Glick is involved in the Yahweh sect's security force in Abilene while David Mrotek, Dave Heimerman and Donald Stenz, operate a House of Yahweh branch in Manitowoc County, Wis., near the Posse's birthplace. Glick, 49, contends he left the Posse in 1985, "never to return to them or their teachings."

Actors re-enact Mexican-American War battles
BROWNSVILLE — Some say the Mexican-American War was the nation's most obscure

war, but a weekend commemoration of two of its battles drew dozens of actors whose specialty is reliving history. The 1846 battles of Palo Alto and Resaca de la Palma, which started the Mexican-American War, were re-enacted by the participants in "Soldados and Doughboys: A Living History Program." Crystal Gattis, squeezing a bellows as a laundress would have done 150 years ago, revived a fire which almost had been extinguished by a relentless wind. Ms. Gattis said that cooking and sleeping on the actual battlefield site gave the event special significance. Laundresses accompanied troops to cook, clean and sew. In her portrayal, the Dallas graphic designer prepared fried chicken and boiled beef in a black iron skillet. To start the flame, she used a flint. No lighters were allowed.

State planes fly into airport controversy
AUSTIN — The city of Austin's decision to move its airport to the former Bergstrom Air Force Base has jeopardized the future of a small airline whose 12 passenger planes fly state officials. The airline's planes, registered to the State Aircraft Pooling Board, are sequestered at the north end of Robert Mueller Municipal Airport. It's a small operation that offers select passengers comfortable and convenient rides across Texas, officials say. Last year, its carried more than 11,000 people across nearly 600,000 miles of terrain. Now, after years of obscurity, the operation risks losing the low profile under which it has thrived.

Woman, son burned after lighter ignites gasoline
PAMPA — A woman remained in critical condition early today at the University Medical Center Burn Unit in Lubbock after she was burned in a weekend accident in front of her home. Alecia Casanova, 42, of Pampa, was burned by gasoline that had been accidentally ignited, said Dan Rose of the Pampa Fire Department. He said Casanova suffered burns to her face and upper body. Casanova's teen-age son, Arthur Botello, was treated and released from a Pampa hospital. Rose said Botello had burns to his legs. A neighbor said the accident happened as a family member tried to put gas in a car parked in front of the house. It was dark at the time, so someone flicked a cigarette lighter so the gas tank could be seen, neighbor Jamie Cruz said. Casanova's clothing as well as the rear of the car caught fire when the gasoline ignited, Cruz said. "She took off running. They didn't realize she was on fire," Cruz said.

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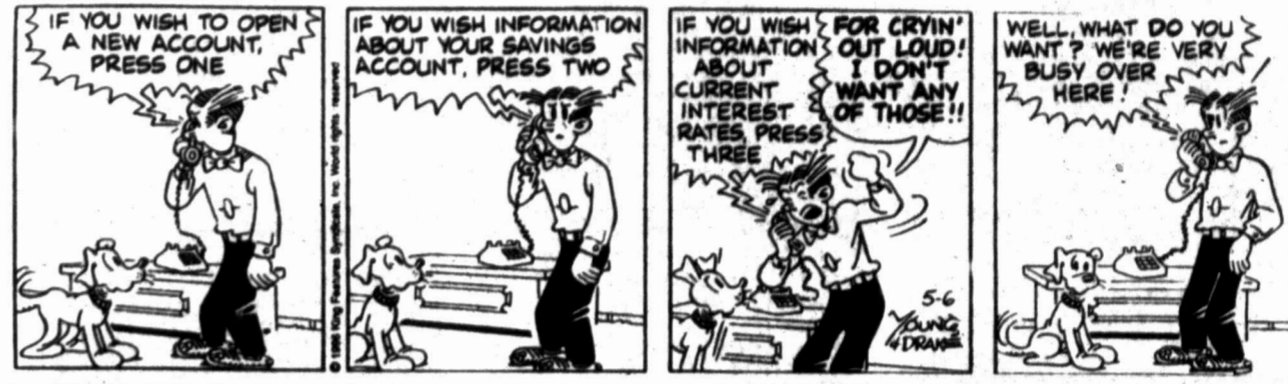
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THE Daily Crossword by Virginia B. Hopewell

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down.

Saturday's Puzzle solved:

Solved crossword puzzle grid with words filled in.

- ACROSS: 1 Name for a dog, 5 Hip or tip ending, 9 Ascot, 14 Roman date, 15 — and hearty, 16 Dravidian language, 17 Chants rhythmically, 18 'Born Free' star, 19 Get the lead out, 20 Jockey Willie, 22 Building addition, 23 Unsteady walk, 24 Half pref., 26 On the briny, 29 Fettering, 33 Dromedary, 37 Crosby, 39 Mishmash, 40 Gemstones, 41 Bikini part, 42 Sports complex, 43 Tricky, 44 Employ, 45 Group of six, 46 Marksman in ambush, 48 Processed info, 50 Assistance, 52 Off-color, 57 Cheekbone, 60 Among other things, 63 Go-between, 64 them's 'dill', 65 Diving bird, 66 Good faith, 67 Ready for publication, 68 Prince Charles' sister, 69 Medicinal plant, 70 Size of paper, 71 Meeting: abbr.

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Chinese Exclusion Act, which barred Chinese immigrants from the United States for 10 years.

In 1889, the Paris Exposition formally opened, featuring the just-completed Eiffel Tower.

In 1895, legendary silent-screen star Rudolph Valentino was born in Castellaneta, Italy.

In 1910, Britain's King Edward VII died.

In 1935, the Works Progress Administration began operating.

In 1941, dictator Josef Stalin assumed the Soviet premiership, replacing Vyacheslav M. Molotov.

In 1942, during World War II, some 15,000 Americans and Filipinos on Corregidor surrendered to the Japanese.

In 1954, medical student Roger Bannister broke the four-minute mile during a track meet at Oxford, England, in 3:59.4.

In 1960, Britain's Princess Margaret married Anthony Armstrong-Jones, a commoner at Westminster Abbey. (They divorced in 1978.)

In 1962, in the first test of its kind, the submerged submarine USS Ethan Allen fired a Polaris missile armed with a nuclear warhead that detonated above the Pacific Ocean.

In 1981, Yale architecture student Maya Ying Lin was named winner of a competition to design the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

Today's Birthdays: Baseball Hall-of-Famer Willie Mays is 65. Sen. Richard Shelby, R-Ala., is 62. Rock singer Bob Seger is 51.

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