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Countdown is over ... it's time to build Kids' Zone

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

The countdown is over and it's now time to launch the Kids' Zone Creative Playground.

A variety of tools are still being collected for the build, but starting at 8 a.m. Wednesday, dozens of volunteers will begin to build what was just a dream several months ago.

Several hundred volunteers will be needed each day to complete the playground.

Representatives from New York-based Leathers and Associates, the architectural firm from Ithaca, N.Y. hired to build the playground will be in town all week to oversee the building of the park.

Kids' Zone Coordinator Katy McAteer said Leathers is the best in the business and has built 1,000 playgrounds in the last 10 years.

She added, "They specialize in a community-built approach to playgrounds because they are aware that during the same 10 years, rising costs and shrinking tax bases have made it impossible for city governments to hire professional playground companies to come in and build playgrounds for their citizens.

The building of the Kids' Zone also represents the implementation part of the city's master plan. The parks and recreation section of the master plan calls for more neighborhood parks and recreation areas in Big Spring.

The Kids' Zone Committee is still seeking as many volunteers as possible to watch tools overnight and to help build the park.

Volunteers will be needed all day today and night; and Wed. through Sun. from 9 p.m. through the night.

Tools that have been loaned for the build may be picked up Sunday after



the build or Monday at the site.

Anyone who can lend tools to the building effort is asked to contact Pete Sanderson at 263-4526 or 267-7424. Sanderson will provide details of the

exact type of tools needed.

Some of the tools needed at the site include several of the following: brooms, paint brushes one-quarter inch to three inches, scrub brushes, five gallon buckets, C-Clamps larger than four inches, carpenter's protractors, drills, drop lights, electric cords 50-foot to 100-foot long, electric gang boxes, electric impact wrenches, electric splitters 2-way and 3-way, fire extinguishers, and several other tools.

During this week's build, child care will be provided free of charge at the following locations: Wednesday through Friday at Jack and Jill from 7:30 a.m. until the close of the build and Saturday and Sunday at Immaculate Heart Catholic Church from 8 a.m. until the close of the build.

Child care at Jack and Jill and Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church will be for children ages 2-9. Jack and Jill will transport children

ages 5-9 to the build site to help build the playground from 4:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. and from 6:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday through Friday. For more information, call Mary Petrie at 267-8411.

A raffle has also begun to benefit the Kids' Zone as well.

Kids' Zone Coordinator Katy McAteer said during the build several prizes will be given away as a result of the raffle.

Tickets are being sold by McAteer and members of the committee.

McAteer said the goal is to sell 3,000 tickets. Prizes include a dinner donated by K.C. Steakhouse; a movie package donated by the Ritz; a \$30 gift certificate donated by Al's Barbeque; a Moss Berg 600 AT 12-Gauge shotgun valued at \$200, donated by Chuck Cawthon; and a Knolten Weatherby 270 Deer Rifle valued at \$2,000, donated by John Paul Anderson.

Kersh learning ropes of Master Plan Coordinator's job

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

The task at hand for Master Plan Coordinator Tara Kersh is to become acquainted with the various entities around town she will encounter as she begins to work with the city's master plan.

Kersh spent much of Monday, her first day on the job, meeting with City Manager Gary Fuqua discussing the plan and getting acquainted with what the city is already involved in.

"Right now we're going to be contacting entities like the Big Spring Independent School District, Moore Development, the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, Howard County and Howard College to let them know that Tara is on board," Fuqua said.

He added, "We will also be contacting Tommy Churchwell and the master plan committee. We plan to work closely with the committee, but right now we're not sure what their input will be. We will sit down with the committee and work on what some of our priorities should be."

Kersh, a 26-year-old native of Silvertown, moved to Big Spring from LaGrange, added she is looking forward to getting to know the Big Spring Community.

Accepting the position allows her to be closer to the Texas Panhandle where she was

raised. She added, "I also wanted to work with city management and get a broad perspective of city government. I think the main thing now is to get familiar with what's going on and then take a look at what needs to be done."

The other half of Kersh's title, administrative assistant, will more than guarantee the broad perspective she mentioned, according to Fuqua.

Fuqua said the administrative assistant duties Kersh will perform should fall right in line with what she'll be doing as master plan coordinator.

"One of our first priorities will be to continue the cleanup of the town," Fuqua said.

He added continuing the city-wide cleaning will involve the Colorado City inmate work program here in town, and working with code enforcement officers.

Fuqua said another important aspect of having Kersh on board is to keep the City Council and the residents of Big Spring informed as to what's being done with the master plan.

"It's important that Tara comes to us at this time as we're developing next year's budget. We can show her what we've done in the past and how we compare to other cities our size," Fuqua said.

Another immediate priority as the budget is being formulated will be the city's water quality, something Fuqua hopes he



HERALD photo/Carlton Johnson
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and Kersh will be able to work on soon.

Fuqua said he hopes the city will be able to fund the replacement of the final two filters at the water treatment plant in next year's budget, a process that could cost about \$500,000. Phases I has been completed

and Phase II is about to be completed.

The water treatment plant is mentioned in the master plan and if Phase III of the project is budgeted, the plant will have the capacity of producing 14 million gallons of treated drinking water per day, according to Fuqua.

Is Old Settlers headed for cancellation again?

By JOHN MOSELEY
Assistant News Editor

It survived the Great Depression and World War II.

It made it through the Korean conflict and the drought of the 1950s.

Now, Mack Underwood wants to know what happened in 1995 that was strong enough to kill

the Howard-Glasscock Old Settlers Reunion.

"We had it for 71 years and for some reason, they just dropped it," said Underwood.

"Last year, whoever was in charge said it was cancelled and the only reason given was 'beyond our control.' And so far, I haven't heard anything about it this year."

Underwood, a past vice-president of the Old Settlers Association, says he wants the group's current officers to know there's too much interest in the event to cancel again.

The reunion isn't dead, according to Pat Porter, president of the Old Settlers Association, but there is a possibility the event may well be cancelled for a second consecutive year.

"Our main problem is money," Porter said Tuesday morning, adding that organizers will "probably make a decision later this week on whether we'll have it (this year) or not."

Currently scheduled for the first weekend in August, the reunion will also have to compete with at least two other events already set for that weekend — the annual boat races at Moss Lake and an Antique Show organized by Mel Prather.

Prather has indicated a willingness to have the reunion held in conjunction with the show, and associate Wade Choate said Tuesday that he plans to meet with Mrs. Porter and her group to discuss that possibility.

That could very well be just what the association needs to

keep from cancelling the reunion for another year.

"We've lost our funding mechanism, and it may be difficult to get enough interest in the community," Porter said, noting that Kids' Zone and the Hangar 25 Project are currently two high-profile efforts seeking private sector donations.

"It's not that these projects don't need money, or even that they shouldn't take precedence. We're just trying not to compete with them."

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Pat Porter
President
Old Settlers Assn.

not be considered competition for the reunion. "It seems to me that the young people can go out to the lake for the races, and let us older folks stay here at the reunion. That way everybody gets what they want."

She added that the association tried to accommodate some who claimed the reunion should be held later in the year in 1994, moving the event into September. "That really hurt us, because our attendance was way down ... probably because school had already started."

"When it's held in August, people can plan their vacations and make sure that they can get their parents and grandparents and bring them out to the reunion," Porter explained. "Many of them simply can't do that when school's in session."

Last year's death of Travis Mulder, who had in recent years catered the reunion's barbecue dinner, presents additional questions to answer.

"Travis did the barbecuing basically at cost, and we don't know what it's going to take to have another caterer provide the meal," Porter said.

"Once upon a time, we had people who volunteered to spend a day or so doing the cooking, but people can't take off from their jobs or businesses to do that anymore."

Council to canvass votes; runoff set for May 18

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Every incumbent seeking reelection to the Howard College Board of Trustees or the Big Spring City Council in last Saturday's elections won another term in office except District 3 City Councilman Chuck Cawthon, who fell one vote short of the 50 percent plus one vote requirement needed to avoid a runoff.

But since Cawthon got exactly 50 percent of the votes cast in District 3, a runoff election has been scheduled for Saturday, May 18 pitting him and political newcomer Greg Biddison. Votes will cast at the Big Spring High School Cafeteria. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m. Cawthon was challenged for

his council seat by Biddison and Jeff Gunselman.

Cawthon received 90 votes of 180 total votes cast for 50 percent; Biddison received 65 votes for 36.1 percent; and G unselman received 25 votes for 13.89 percent.

After last Saturday's results were in, Cawthon said if he'd had one more vote, there wouldn't have to be a runoff.

He added he'll work hard in the runoff because he loves serving the Big Spring community.



CAWTHON

"I love serving the community. I'm kind of a community minded person," Cawthon said.

"I've been going to council meetings for 20 years. I've got children and grandchildren here in Big Spring, I'd like to see this town be a progressive, good place to live, and I think it is."

Biddison was disheartened with the low voter turnout but, pleased with the results.

"I think people are ready for a change," he said.

Biddison indicated he'll campaign harder for the runoff.

"I'll have to work a little harder this time," he said.

The city council will canvass the votes from the May 4 election at tonight's council meeting and officially call for the runoff election on May 18.

Assistant City Secretary Shanna Young said early voting for the runoff election will be in person at City Hall and will begin Thursday at 8 a.m. and run through 5 p.m. and continue through May 14.

Residents who reside in District 3 are the only voters eligible to participate in the runoff.

District 3 residents interested in casting a ballot by mail must contact City Secretary Tom Ferguson. Applications for early voting by mail must be received no later than 5 p.m. May 10.



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94	63
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Sunny and hot. Highs in lower 90s with gusty winds. Lows tonight low 60s.	

Big Spring man freed after being pinned 12 hours

By SARA SOLIS
Staff Writer

Boyce Kemper, 42, of Big Spring, is in stable condition at Scenic Mountain Medical Center after being freed from an oil field pump jack around 1:30 a.m. this morning. Kemper was stuck for 12 hours with his leg wedged between a pump jack weight and some channel iron on Cole Ranch, located off of

FM 821.

Mark Settles, EMT Intermediate for the Big Spring Fire Department, said Kemper had removed the guard off the belt of the pump jack while he was repairing it Monday afternoon. Settles said, "Evidently, while he was working on the pump jack the guard fell and released the brake. When it released the brake he (Kemper) slid between two pieces of metal (a weight and some channel iron)."

He said Kemper suffered only minor blood loss. "There was a little blood but not much," Settles said. However, the leg was "extremely swollen" from the knee down, he said. "It looked like a big four-inch dent on the top of his tibia."

The tibia is the inner, and usually larger, of the two bones that run between the knee and ankle.

Settles said Kemper also suffered second-degree burns on

the backside of his leg from the cutting torch rescue workers used to remove the channel iron. He said the weight was about eight-inches thick, and would have taken longer to cut.

The Howard County Volunteer Fire Department also responded and were putting water on Kemper's leg while the cutting was taking place, Settles said. He said Kemper was conscious throughout the ordeal.

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OBITUARIES

Alpha Otwell

Service for Alpha Otwell, 83, Big Spring, is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel.

She died Monday, May 6, 1996, in a local hospital.

Rafael DeLaRosa

Service for Rafael DeLaRosa, 62, Big Spring, is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel.

He died Tuesday, May 7, 1996, at the VA Medical Center.

Sylvia Ruth Welch

Service for Sylvia Ruth Welch, 61, Midland, will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 8, 1996, at the First Baptist Church in Stanton with Elders Troy and J.E. Barrington officiating. Burial will be in Resthaven Memorial Park in Midland.

Mrs. Welch died Sunday, May 5, in San Angelo.

She was born on Oct. 20, 1934, in Tarzan. She lived in Farmersville for 23 years and moved to the Midland area in 1979. She married L.V. Welch on July 21, 1986, in Lenorah. She worked as a sales representative at Sears for many years.

Survivors include her husband: L.V. Welch, Midland; one daughter: Rebekah Rohr, Farmersville; two sons: Rodney Brown and Ronald Brown, both of Andrews; two stepsons: Mike Welch, Midland, and Jerry Welch, Tarzan; three brothers: Elton Holloway, Midland, Gleen Holloway, Tarzan, and Norwood Holloway, Stanton; four grandchildren; and four step-grandchildren.

Arrangements under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home, Stanton.

Guide to films for the family

Scrrips Howard News Service

Recommended for family viewing: **HOMEBOUND** (G) - Nothing objectionable here for children, unless they get grossed out by a couple of puppy-piddle jokes. The film isn't as marvelous to behold as "Babe," with its animals "speaking" with closed mouths and celebrity-dubbed voices. That may be a disappointment to some children, but the film's buoyant good spirits make "Homebound 2" a decent distraction for youngsters.

JAMES AND THE GIANT PEACH (PG) - Road Dahl's beloved bedtime story becomes an eye-catching collage of animation techniques without sacrificing a bit of its old-fashioned emotional punch. Violent scenes - a mechanical shark attack, an underwater battle with ghost ship pirates - may need to be discussed with small kids. Mature themes (death of parents, careless caretakers, self-empowerment) are handled with kid gloves.

OLIVER AND CO. (G) - Disney's strategy of cartoon counterstrikes continues. Filly Joie's songs are bouncy, then bound out of memory, like most of this movie. Minor restless alert since, after all, this isn't "The Lion King."

IN BRIEF

THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE KIDS' ZONE PLAYGROUND is scheduled for Wednesday through Sunday from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Childcare is available for ages two through nine, Wednesday through Friday at Jack and Jill and Saturday and Sunday at Immaculate Heart Catholic Church. For more information call 263-5289.

THE OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS of the Caprock Peace Officers Association have announced its 48th Annual Meeting will be held May 9 at the Clairmont 4-H Barn, 16 miles west of Jayton on Highway 380 in Kent County.

Several events are scheduled during the meeting; a pistol shoot; shooting groups; riot gun trap shooting; horse shoe pitching; and a P.P.C. jackpot shoot. Registration is \$7 and begins at 9 a.m. The registration fee covers membership and a steak barbecue lunch.

THE ANDERSON KINDERGARTEN CENTER will host their annual "Preview" on Thursday beginning at 6:30 p.m. The evening will be filled with activities for prospective students for the 1996-97 school year and their parents.

6:30 p.m. - a Parent Teacher Association (PTA) meeting will be held to introduce and induct the new officers for next year.

7 p.m. to 8 p.m. - parents may visit classrooms during the open house segment of the preview. Teachers and aides will be stationed throughout the school for guests to talk with and ask questions about the early childhood program at Anderson.

If parents have any questions they may call the school principal, Suzanne Madero, at 264-4151.

THE RE-DEDICATION OF THE HISTORIC CARMELITE MONASTERY and Our Lady of Mercy Academy will be 2 p.m. Sunday, May 19, 1996, at 200 East Carpenter Street in Stanton.

The Martin County Board of directors invites you to a re-dedication ceremony of the historic 1884 adobe building and grounds. Carmelite historian John Benedict Weber, O.Carm. and several Mercy Sisters will be attending. Ex-students of the Academy years will also be present. Plans for the restoration of the exterior have already begun and soon the grounds will be closed to visitors.

Ice cream and punch will be available for sale after the program by the Senior Citizens of Stanton. The building will be open for tours at 11:30 a.m. prior to the program.

Sponsored by the Martin County Convent, Inc.

For more information call 915-459-2686 or 915-756-3316.

THE COAHOMA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT is accepting applications for transfer students for the 1996-97 school year. Applications can be picked up and filed from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. through this Thursday at the Coahoma ISD Administration Office.

THE HOWARD COLLEGE BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER in conjunction with First Bank of West Texas will be sponsoring a "How to get an SBA Loan" Workshop. The workshop will be held in the Howard College Tumbleweed Room at 7 p.m. Thursday. The guest speaker will be Armando Garcia, supervisory loan specialist for the Small Business Administration in Lubbock. The workshop is designed to

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introduce businesses to the 7(a) Program. The program is SBA's primary loan program and includes a number of options.

All start-up businesses or business owners interested in getting a business loan are invited to attend. The seminar is free of charge. For more information or to make a reservation call Delia Barraza at 264-5164.

BIG SPRING RAINBOW ASSEMBLY is having a 50-year birthday celebration. We are seeking names and addresses of former Rainbow Girls. Please call 267-2269 or 264-9455.

NATIONAL NURSES WEEK is Monday through Thursday. On Thursday, the VAMC will have an awards ceremony to honor former VA Nursing employees and incumbents in room 212 starting at 2 p.m.

THE HERALD IS CURRENTLY SEEKING INPUT from readers concerning their memories, good or bad, of attending Runnels Junior High.

Please submit the information in writing to the Herald office, 710 Scurry, or drop in the mail to: Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431; Big Spring, Texas; 79721.

On May 12, the Life! cover page will be devoted to the reader response along with photos of the school.

THE DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS Chapter #47 is going to have a rummage sale at the VFW Hall on Driver Road and needs donations of usable and saleable items. Call 263-1625 or 267-7773 for pick up.

THE MOBILE MEALS PROGRAM, also known as Meals on Wheels, needs volunteers to deliver meals.

If you can spare one hour per week to deliver eight or 10 meals, we need you. About 85 to 90 meals are prepared, packaged and delivered within the city limits of Big Spring. If you can volunteer, please call 267-4508 or 263-4016.

HERE IS A LIST OF UPCOMING EVENTS in Big Spring and Howard County:

•May - Kids' Zone Playground construction May 8-12; and American Cancer Society's Relay for Life at Big Spring High School May 17 and 18.

•June - Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo at the Howard County Fairgrounds and Rodeo Bowl June 26-29.

•July - Howard County 4-H Junior Rodeo at the Rodeo Bowl July 19-20; Comanche Warrior Triathlon at Dora Roberts Community Center and Comanche Trail Park July 27-28 and Dora Roberts Pro Am Summerfest at Big Spring Country Club on July 28 and 29.

•August - Big Spring Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Music by CW & Co. Area seniors invited.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. Big Book Study.

•Kids' Zone Playground construction, 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Childcare available for ages 2-9, Thursday and Friday at Jack and Jill and Saturday and Sunday at Immaculate Heart Catholic Church. For more information call 263-5289.

•Signal Mountain Quilting Guild, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281. Bring a lunch.

to us one week in advance. Mail to: Springboard, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas 79720; or bring it by the office at 710 Scurry.

TODAY
•Comanche Lake Duplicate, 1 p.m., Dora Roberts Civic Center.

•Most Excellent Way, a chemical dependency support group, 7 p.m., Living Water Church, 1008 Birdwell Lane. Call 267-1424 after 5 p.m. or 263-3168 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. closed meeting at the VA Medical Center on fourth floor.

•Encouragers support group (for widows and widowers), 5:30 p.m. at Herman's Restaurant. Call 398-5522 or 399-4369.

WEDNESDAY
•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. 12&12 Study.

•Relay for Life committee will meet at noon at the First United Methodist Church.

•Kids' Zone Playground construction, 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Childcare available for ages 2-9, Thursday and Friday at Jack and Jill and Saturday and Sunday at Immaculate Heart Catholic Church. For more information call 263-5289.

THURSDAY
•Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, has services 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

•Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright, has free food for area needy, 10 a.m. to noon.

•Big Spring Senior Citizens Center art classed, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., 55 and older.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting, 615 Settles, 8 to 9 p.m. closed meeting at Scenic Mountain Medical Center cafeteria.

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•Christmas in April, noon, 1607 E. Third. Call Theresa Hodnet, 263-0147.

•West Texas Republican Women's Club, noon, Big Spring Country Club.

•Masonic Lodge #598, 7:30 p.m., 219 Main.

•Awards ceremony for VA nursing services employees, former and incumbents, 2 p.m., VAMC room 212.

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POLICE

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

•LEHEBRON FARR, 40, of no known address, was arrested for outstanding local warrants. He was later released after paying a fine.

•THEODORE DIAZ, 23, of 1304 Colby, was arrested for outstanding local warrants.

•LLOYD ALLEN MAULDIN, 24, of 2004 Scurry, was arrested for outstanding local warrants. He was later released on bond.

•JOHNNY GUTIERREZ, JR., 21, of 1002 N. Main Apt. # 11, was arrested for outstanding local warrants.

•ROBERT SIMS, 20, of Howard Junior College, was arrested for being a minor in possession.

•ASSAULTS in the 1000 block of North Marcy, 1000 block of North Main and 1600 block of West Marcy.

•FAILURE TO IDENTIFY in the 1000 block of North Main.

•CRIMINAL MISCHIEF in the 1600 block of Wood and 2000 block of South Birdwell.

•THEFTS in the 2700 block of Carol, 2300 block of Wason, 1100 block of North Lamesa, 400 block of East Fourth, 800 block of East Interstate 20 and 900 block of Willia.

•THEFT OF A FIREARM at FM 700 and Virginia.

•DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE in the 500 block of North Gollad.

•MAJOR ACCIDENT at Fourth and Owens.

•MINOR ACCIDENTS at Third and Galveston, 800 block of West Interstate 20 and Fourth and Lancaster.

•INVESTIGATING SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITIES at Marcy

and Virginia, in the 3400 block of East Interstate 20, 14th and Dixie, 10th and Runnels, 2600 block of Crestline and 300 block of Northwest Third.

•ANIMAL PROBLEM in the 600 block of San Jacinto.

•ANIMAL BITE in the 600 block of East 18th.

•DISTURBANCES/FIGHTS in the 1400 block of Tucson and 1000 block of North Main.

•LOUD PARTY in the 1100 block of East 13th.

•FIREWORKS in the 2600 block of Langley.

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

•DAVID LEVAN HUMPHREY, III, 31, of 1607 Lark, was arrested for driving while intoxicated and pleaded guilty in County Court. He was sentenced to 90 days in County Jail and fined \$805.

•PHONE HARASSMENT on East Robinson Road.

•DISTURBANCE on Miller B Road.

•UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE on Tubb Loop Road.

FIRE
The Big Spring Fire Department reported the following incidents from Friday to 8 a.m. Tuesday:

•TREE FIRES in the 100 block of Jefferson and the 3900 block of West Highway 80.

•VEHICLE STUCK IN HIGH WATER on East Midway Road.

•CONTROLLED BURN at Comanche Trail Park.

•CELL LOCKER ON FIRE in the 2000 block of West Airpark Drive, estimated loss \$450.

MARKETS

May cotton futures 85 cents a pound, down 10 points; June crude oil 21.05, up 1 point; Cash hog steady at 54.50 cents even; slaughter steers steady at 60 cents even; June live hog futures 61.45, up 65 points; June live cattle futures 61.12, up 32 points. Courtesy: Delta Corporation.

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Amoco	70 1/2
Atlantic Richfield	114 1/2
Atmos Energy	24 1/2
Boston Chicken	33 1/2
Cabot	26 1/2
Chevron	55 1/2
Chrysler	63 1/2
Cifra	1.26-1.30
Coca-Cola	81 1/2
De Beers	32 1/2
DuPont	78 1/2
Exxon	82 1/2
Fina	52 nc
Ford Motors	35 1/2
Halliburton	52 1/2
IBM	106 1/2
Laser Indus LTD	18 1/2
Mesa Ltd. Prt	3 1/2 nc
Mobile	110 1/2

Norwest	3 1/2
NUV	9 1/2
Pepsi Cola	62 1/2
Phillips Petroleum	38 1/2
Rural/Metro	30 nc
Sears	51 1/2
Southwestern Bell	49 1/2
Sun	30 1/2
Texaco	79 1/2
Texas Instruments	55 1/2
Texas Utils. Co	39 1/2
Unocal Corp	30 1/2
Wal Mart	23 1/2
Amcap	14.11-14.97
Euro Pacific	24.84-26.36
I.C.A.	22.43-23.80
New Economy	17.43-18.49
New Perspective	17.35-18.41

RECORDS

Monday's high 92
Monday's low 65
Average high 85
Average low 56
Record high 103 in 1947
Record low 31 in 1917
Rainfall Monday 0.00
Month to date 0.20
Month's normal 0.40
Year to date 1.61
Normal for the year 3.94
**Statistics not available

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24th & Johnson 267-8288
Merced J. Escobedo, 76, died Saturday. Funeral Mass was 10 AM Tuesday at St. Thomas Catholic Church with interment at Trinity Memorial Park.
Alpha Otwell, 83, died Monday. Services are pending.
Rafael DeLa Rosa, 62, died Tuesday morning. Services pending.

Dakota's Flowers and Gifts
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Perot seeks OK for development that may include arena
FORT WORTH — Officials in a community 10 miles northwest of DFW Airport have confirmed that Ross Perot Jr. is seeking their OK for a development that could possibly contain a sports arena.
Perot is the new majority owner of the Dallas Mavericks basketball franchise and has expressed interest in ownership of the Dallas Stars hockey team as well.
Discussions have been going on with the City of Dallas for a new arena in the downtown area, but both the Mavericks and the Stars have admitted they would consider an arena in a DFW suburb.
The Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported today that it obtained documents revealing Perot's plans for a massive rezoning of the 2,000-acre Circle T Ranch along Texas 114 in Westlake.
The development also could contain more than 10,000 apartments, hundreds of homes and a large shopping district.

Mexican official warns of confrontation after beatings
MEXICO CITY — Mexican concern about the safety of migrants in the United States produced a warning from Mexican Foreign Minister Jose Angel Gurría that the two countries may be heading for a confrontation.
Gurría used a high-level meeting Monday with visiting American officials to call attention to the beatings of two migrants by California police and the deaths of 10 others in two separate California police pursuits. All three events occurred within the past five weeks.

With Secretary of State Warren Christopher standing at his side, Gurría said Mexico has a duty "to protect the integrity and the human and labor rights of our citizens."
"Their migratory status does not by any means alter their inalienable rights as human beings, nor denies their important contributions to the U.S. economy," he said.
At another point, in an apparent reference to the same issue, Gurría expressed deep concern over the emergence of trends that "could jeopardize our relations and lead us down the road of confrontation."

Report: Irvin's attorney wants hidden-camera videos
DALLAS — Michael Irvin's attorney said he would try again to subpoena videotapes in a television report showing the Dallas Cowboys' star receiver purportedly discussing his use of cocaine.
Kevin Clancy said he has obtained subpoenas for all tapes made for reports that aired Sunday and Monday nights on Fort Worth television station KXAS.
Monday night, the station showed excerpts from the second straight night from secretly recorded tape filmed by a camera hidden in the back seat of the vehicle in which Irvin was riding.
As Irvin and a former confidant turned informer drove away from an apartment complex after making what the driver told KXAS was a cocaine buy, Irvin was heard to say:
"Here, you want some? ... A couple lines will help you."

Study: Milk may lower stroke risk for middle-age men
DALLAS — A new study suggests that middle-age men who drink milk may be less vulnerable to the most common type of stroke than their non-milk-drinking brethren.
The study does not make clear, however, whether the stroke risk was minimized by the milk or the lifestyles of those who drank it.
The results of the 22-year study, which traced the medical histories of 3,150 Honolulu-area men of Japanese ancestry from middle age to old age, were published in the May issue of the American Heart Association journal Stroke.
Men who didn't drink milk were twice as likely to have a thromboembolic stroke as men who drank at least 16 ounces a day. Thromboembolic strokes account for 70 percent to 80 percent of all strokes.

Immigration, drugs topped agenda for U.S.-Mexico meeting
WASHINGTON — Although Mexican officials were sharply critical of the United States' push to tighten its borders, both countries gained a better understanding of each other's position at a weekend summit, says Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison.
The Texas Republican and Rep. Jim Kolbe, R-Ariz., led the 24-member U.S. delegation to the weekend meeting of the 1996 Mexico-U.S. Interparliamentary Conference in Zacatecas, Mexico.
While immigration reform weighed heavily on Mexican leaders' minds, drug trafficking was the prime concern of U.S. officials, Mrs. Hutchison said Monday.

Report confirms Meredith desalinization project won't work due to granite bedrock

LUBBOCK (AP) — It's back to the drawing board for Lake Meredith.
Officials responsible for maintaining the quality of one of West Texas' largest water sources are searching for new ways to desalinate the Panhandle lake after a report confirmed current brine disposal plans won't work.
Re-Spec Inc., a Rapid City, S.D., contractor, reported to the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation Monday that the granite basement it hit after drilling about 3,200 feet ruined plans to divert naturally occurring saltwater into a deeper well.
The brine, located in a massive aquifer, has flowed into the lake via the Canadian River for generations, possibly centuries. Lake Meredith, about 35 miles north of Amarillo, is the primary source of drinking water for 450,000 residents of 11 West Texas cities, including Lubbock and Amarillo.
The projected cost for the injection project, based near Logan, N.M., was about \$11.5 million, said John Williams, general manager of the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority. But the rock barrier makes the planned, mile-deep injection wells impossible.
"There were no surprises or different conclusions from what we thought they would be," said Williams, adding he hadn't had a chance to read the draft report thoroughly. "We'll need to step back and take a close look at all the alternatives and see."
Even if the plan had proceeded as expected, Williams said no salt reduction was expected for 10-12 years after injection began.
Project consultant Lee Wilson, based in Santa Fe, N.M., believes a reduced injection program coupled with other brine disposal methods could prevent

saltwater from seeping into the river, and the cost could be less.
But he added that the margin of error in a scaled back-program would be narrower as well.
Shirley Shaddix, project director for the Bureau of Reclamation, said officials would explore all possible options, but Williams and the authority cities have the final say in the matter.
"The report is very poor as far as injection wells," said Ms. Shaddix, whose agency is charged with the design and construction management of the salt removal efforts. "It's definitely doable, but it would take more money."
Williams said about \$2 million of mostly federal money has been spent so far. The federal government is responsible for design and construction management of a saltwater removal facility, while local authorities must pay for construction.
The state has agreed to spend \$3 million, with the rest coming from the authority and its member cities. Unless the state approves more project money in the next Legislature, West Texas will have to share most of the load if construction costs increase.
Deep injection was considered the most cost-effective way to solve saltwater contamination, which has worsened in recent years.
A larger-scale project to mix Roberts County groundwater into Lake Meredith is slated for completion in 1999. That will increase water quality and quantity, but Williams said that Lake Meredith's salt levels will continue to rise if nothing is done.
The lake water by itself currently is potable but too salty to pass federal safety guidelines.

Cops find missing New Mexico vehicle at motel in Pecos

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — A Jeep Wagoneer found in Pecos, Texas, may aid a New Mexico State Police search for the killers of a young couple in a cabin with two small children who died of starvation and dehydration.
State police said Monday the charcoal-gray Jeep Wagoneer was found a week ago in a Holiday Inn parking lot in Pecos. The vehicle had been abandoned at the hotel for at least two months, said Capt. David Osuna.
State police have returned the Jeep to New Mexico and searched it for forensic evidence.
"We're not going to be commenting on what was found in the Jeep," said Osuna.
The bodies of Johnny Ray Garcia, 4, and his 3-year-old brother, Matthew Gene, were found with those of their mother Cassandra Sedillo, 23, and her boyfriend, Ben Anaya Jr., 17, on April 14 at a cabin in Torreon owned by Anaya's father.
Medical examiners said the bodies had been in the cabin for at least a month, and investigators already had extended that to as many as two months. Autopsies found that Anaya and Sedillo died of gunshot wounds, and the children died of starvation and dehydration.
Osuna said finding the Jeep provided investigators with important evidence about where the suspects might be.
Asked if they might have gone to Mexico, he replied: "There's a straight shot through there to Mexico, but we can't comment on where we're looking."

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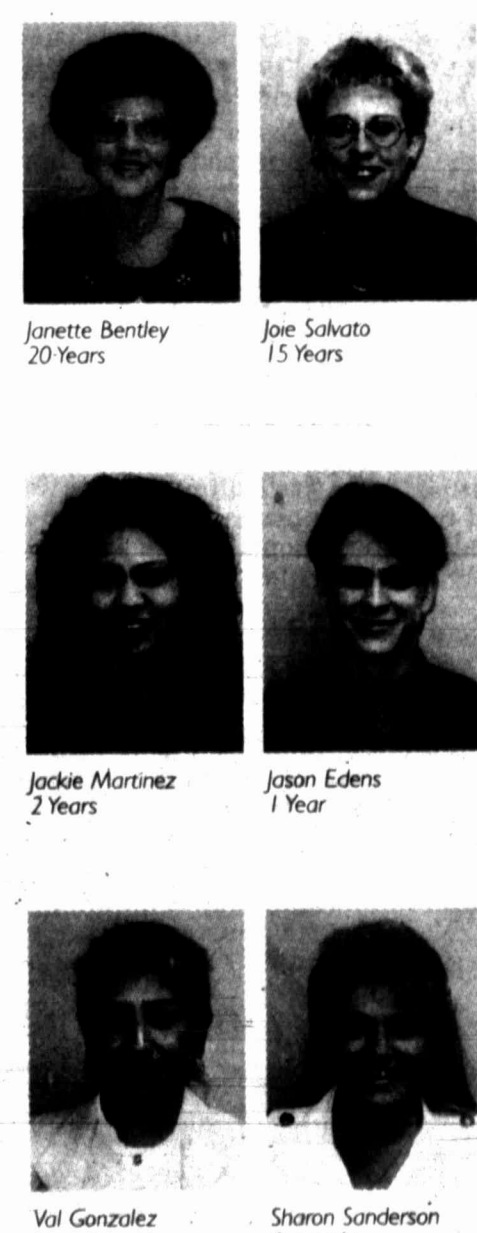
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EDITORIAL

Quote of the Day

"If you don't say anything, you won't be called on to repeat it."
-Calvin Coolidge

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OUR VIEWS

State academic title very special

When young Lucas Phinney arrived back home after competing in the state University Interscholastic League academic competitions, there weren't any streamers or parades.

Perhaps there should have been, for Lucas, competing in UIL competition for the first year, won the state Class 2A title in Computer Applications.

Lucas finished second in his first meet of the year — then never lost again.

If Lucas had won the state title in an individual athletic event, or if he had been part of a team title, you can bet there would be some special celebration.

The purpose of this editorial is not to belittle those students who successfully compete in athletic competitions, but to remind us of the primary purpose of our educational system.

School's purpose is to allow our students the opportunity to gain an education that will position them where they can be competitive once they leave the classroom.

We believe that well-rounded preparation, mixing classroom and extracurricular activities does that best of all.

We're proud to be able to say that Lucas Phinney is toward County ... just as we will be proud of any of our student athletes who bring home state championships.

And when you realize that Class 2A is the largest in the state, being one of just 22 state champions makes Lucas Phinney's accomplishments even that much more impressive.

YOUR VIEWS

Emergency training pays off in Anderson situation

To the Editor:
This letter is in regard to a situation that happened at Anderson Kindergarten Center recently. All staff are trained yearly in CPR and First Aid, and we also have a "Code Blue" team trained to respond and act accordingly in any emergency situation. A recent emergency situation required activation of "Code Blue." I, the nurse, was at my other campus of assignment. I was notified of the situation and went to Anderson. When I arrived, every team member was performing as trained. The team members present consisted of Vickey Bloodworth, Janette James, Patsy Rodriguez, Virginia Natividad, and Cynthia Casillas. They handled the situation in a calm and timely manner. 911 was activated and the response time was more than appropriate. Scenic Mountain Medical Center ER personnel treated the patient in a professional and timely manner. Sometimes we forget to acknowledge times like these so I would like to take this opportunity to thank the people involved for a job well done.
Glenda Low
BSISD Nurse

Roads are worse now than during pony drag days

To the Editor:
In regard to the commissioners court action on Monday, April 22, 1996.
I would like to say thanks to Mrs. Emma Brown for saying the only sensible thing at that meeting.
It doesn't matter how petty the grievance, it should be handled in a proper way and looked into from top to bottom and if the road and bridge department is out of line, Mr. Jameson should take proper action to set them straight.
If Mr. Jameson is not doing his job, the court should take action and set him straight.
With the kind of money we are paying our commissioners, judge and Mr. Jameson, I think we deserve better.
As for the roads in Precinct 4, I would like for you to try driving down N. Salem Road to E CR 30 turn west to CR 41 north to Snyder Road 350 and

keep in mind this is a school bus route. Then come out to the Gail Road to the old Colorado Road, turn east to N CR 29 and go north across Center Point Road to E CR 30.

Do not try this road unless you have a 4-wheel drive.

I can remember when we hauled our cotton and maze over the roads with iron-wheel wagons and maintained them with pony drags and they were in better shape than they are now.

Carl Dale Reid
Coahoma

School volunteer offers kudos to Washington school staff

To the Editor:
As a volunteer for some years, I would like to say just a few words about Washington Elementary staff.

Principal Bill Tarleton is an outstanding educator who is also concerned and fair. He always has an open mind.

Having worked with just about every teacher, I can say we have some of the best. They have always gone the extra mile for our children. Kids love to go to Washington Elementary. Everyone on the staff combines real education with making learning fun.

We also have a very competent coach, Byron Seal. Because of him, our children are learning about physical education in a fun way. And as always, Betty Downey, our music teacher, has put together a great whole-school program. I am sure everyone enjoyed at the high school auditorium.

Last but not least, I would like to congratulate all of our students for participating in the fundraisers we have had over the years. They went out and raised money to make it possible for Washington Elementary to get new equipment for the school's playground, and lots of other things the school can use for years to come.

Our children deserve all the credit for that, also the parents who gave their support.

All children are wonderful and if given the chance and are credited with their accomplishments, can achieve great things in life.

Erika Vela
Big Spring



Food store's crime policy put victim in checkout line

If you've ever been robbed by a stranger who pointed a gun at your head, it's an experience you never forget. You know that you were a mere twitch of a finger away from suddenly being dead. And you always remember the feeling of almost childish helplessness and fear.



Mike Royko
Syndicated Columnist

Jim Williams, 26, remembers it well. It happened only last November, when he was manager of an Aldi food market in the Chicago suburb of Streamwood.

It was just before the store closed on a busy Saturday. Williams was alone in one of the food aisles when a tall guy wearing a ski cap tapped his shoulder with a pistol, jammed it against his spine and ordered him back to the store office.

No one could see them. The two cashiers were busy with the last few customers. And his assistant manager was already doing paperwork in the office.

When they got there, the gunman told the assistant manager to flatten out on the floor. Then he told Williams to open the store safe and give him all the money or he'd blow his brains out.

Williams did exactly as he was told, which was the sensible thing to do.

But Williams' assistant made a mistake. He twisted his head around as if trying to get a look at the gunman. The gunman didn't like that and stomped on his face, knocking out two front teeth.

Then he told the bloody-mouthed assistant that if he didn't remain quietly on the floor, he'd put a bullet in Williams' head.

Fortunately for both of them, there was a lot of money in the safe — more than \$25,000. That's because the no-frills Aldi food marts deal strictly in cash or food stamps.

Obviously the gunman knew this. Just as he knew that Aldi stores have no security people or cameras and few employees.

After taping their wrists, the gunman told them not to move for 10 minutes or they'd be killed. Then he left with the money.

Three days later, Williams was fired. The higher-ups in the big Aldi chain blamed him for the loss of the \$25,000. They said it should have been locked in an inner compartment of the safe so the gunman wouldn't have known about it.

To which Williams says: "If the money hadn't been there, and he had only gotten \$500, I don't know what he would have done. He had already kicked out my assistant's teeth."

What might the gunman have

done if his efforts brought him only \$500, when he almost certainly knew that Aldi had a big cash flow?

Well, he might have been angry and frustrated enough to beat Williams to a pulp or maybe shoot both men. Such things happen all the time. Some young or goofy gunmen kill just for kicks even when they are satisfied with the loot.

There are people in Chicago and other big cities who always carry a hefty roll of cash in case they are robbed.

"I never have less than \$300," a salesman friend who lives on the Near North side once told me. "It's life insurance. If all I have is a couple of five-spots, the guy might get mad and kill me."

So after six years of working for Aldi, a giant multibillion-dollar food corporation with headquarters in Germany, Williams was fired for having had the misfortune of being robbed and scared half to death.

"I started there as a cashier and eventually got my college degree and became an assistant manager and then manager for the last three years.

"It's a tough environment to work in because it's a low-cost operation with few employees. I worked 60 to 70 hours a week, whatever they expected. I made about \$50,000 a year and never had a performance problem. I ran one of the highest productivity stores in Illinois.

"For what I've done in the past for the company, I didn't

think I was treated fairly. I'm sure they had insurance for the money that was lost. Basically, they didn't care what might have happened to me."

Last week, I wrote about a female cashier in another Aldi store who was recently fired because she was robbed of less than \$1,000 by a guy who put a knife to her back. They said she neglected to wrap the money and give it to her manager for safekeeping.

This is a remarkably tight-fisted company. Their position seems to be that if you have the bum luck to be robbed while working for them, it is your fault.

They are also remarkably tight-lipped and refuse to discuss why they blame their own workers for crime losses when they are too frugal to install security systems — no guards, no alarms, no cameras or anything that might discourage stickups.

In Williams' case, Aldi officials tell us only that Williams knew that the money should have been concealed from the robber.

That might be a smart business approach.

But what if the mean mug with his finger on the trigger or the knife in his hand doesn't know or doesn't give a hoot about Aldi corporate policies?

Apparently the people at Aldi's German headquarters don't know this, so I have news for them: The average American stickup man is not an MBA.

Prep sports should be fun and games - what happened?

By DALE HOFMANN
Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

John Burke coaches the 13th-best girls high school team in the country, according to the people who make soccer shorts. His kids at Waukesha (Wis.) Catholic Memorial feel the strain of national prestige every day, but at least nobody has asked them to go pro.

Kobe Bryant, a 17-year-old from Ardmore, Pa., declared last week that he's proceeding directly from high school gym class to the National Basketball Association, following the example of the Minnesota Timberwolves' Kevin Garnett. Jermaine O'Neal, another 17-year-old from Columbia, S.C., is on the same detour.

The Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association voted Thursday to split its members into two divisions: those that provide financial aid to student athletes and those that don't.

Is there something wrong with our picture here, or are they having technical problems at the station? Something's fuzzy.

Maybe it's the difference between kids playing with their friends and teenagers becoming media stars. Maybe it's the modern distinction between fun and games.

The NBA is getting to the point where it will have to

schedule the draft so it doesn't conflict with the prom. The colleges are weeping, and the pros are expressing sincere regrets. Only the agents are happy.

In sports, the expression "Boys will be boys" threatens to go the way of other quaint notions like, "It's not whether you win or lose; it's how you play the game."

In a growing number of cases, it's neither of those things. It's "What's in it for me?" Too many players, coaches, parents and parasites on a percentage pose that question before the first ball is tipped off, kicked off or tossed out.

Kids are being encouraged and frequently coerced to specialize in one sport all year long by coaches with an eye on their records, or families with a nose for college scholarships. Sometimes the families don't need the money, just

the attention.

There is talk of televising high school sports coast-to-coast, and there are national polls for every prep sport that people pay to watch and some they can get into for free. It's not enough for youngsters to perform for their friends and neighbors, they have to entertain the nation.

Burke's Catholic Memorial soccer team knows about the polls. His girls are 13th in the Umbro rankings, which he sees as both a matter of pride and a source for concern.

"We try to de-emphasize it as much as possible," he said. "It only increases the pressure on the kids, and it's entirely outside their control. What we want to stress is the enjoyment the kids get of playing their games, rather than what winning will get them."

"With the basketball players (who went to the pros), I'm afraid everything is presented

in terms of what's in it for them, instead of what they can do for the team. When you start talking to kids about that, they feel a lot of pressure. And it's even worse if you talk about what losing will cost them."

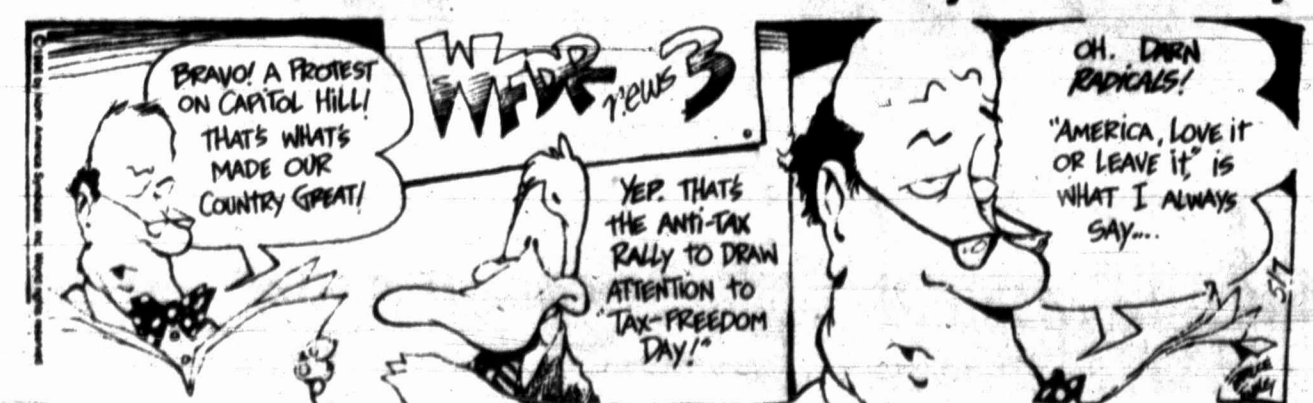
Burke thinks the athletes at Catholic Memorial have handled the heat well, but he doesn't deny for a second that they're feeling it every time they play.

"I don't know if I'd prefer that kids in general not have those opportunities to be recognized," he said. "They work so hard to get to this level, and the recognition is a nice thing for them as long as the coaches and the parents help them feel that their happiness doesn't depend on it."

"It's very nice, as long as you keep it in perspective." That's true of all kids' sports. But we seem to be forgetting it.

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By Bruce Tinsley



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First international war crimes trial since World War II opens at The Hague

THE HAGUE, Netherlands (AP) — A Bosnian Serb bar owner went on trial today on murder and torture charges in the first international war crimes trial since World War II.

Dusan Tadic, 40, has pleaded innocent to crimes against humanity, claiming he is a victim of mistaken identity. He faces a maximum penalty of life in prison if convicted.

"Through this trial we will embark on an examination of offenses of unspeakable horror," the chief prosecutor, Grant Niemann of Australia, said in an opening statement detailing Tadic's alleged crimes.

Niemann accused Tadic of killing more than 30 detainees and torturing more than a dozen female inmates in and around Serb-run prison camps in northwestern Bosnia.

The prosecutor said Tadic participated in several gang rapes and described one incident in which the defendant allegedly helped beat prisoners to death with karate kicks.

Looking pale and drawn after 14 months in custody, Tadic sat impassively in the prisoner's dock, listening to a translation of the prosecutor's words over a headset. Occasionally he took notes.

At one point, Tadic waved to a spectator. He, the judges and the lawyers are separated from the rest of the courtroom by bulletproof glass.

Judge Gabrielle Kirk McDonald of Texas and two colleagues will rule on the case, which is expected to last up to four months and hear as many as 150 witnesses.

"This trial has certain his-

toric dimensions," Kirk McDonald told the court. "Nevertheless, we should all remember first and foremost that this is a criminal trial of an accused who ... pleaded not guilty. He is entitled to a fair trial and to ensure he receives one is our paramount purpose for being here."

After World War II, the Nuremberg and Tokyo war crimes courts became the first to recognize crimes against humanity. But in the half-century since, those laws have never been tested in an international forum.

Crimes against humanity are the primary charge against Tadic, who prosecutors say killed and tortured Muslims in and around the notorious Serb-run Omarska prison camp in northwestern Bosnia in 1992.

Tadic allegedly acted as a roving thug at three camps in Bosnia's northwestern Prijedor region from May through December 1992. He also is accused of rounding up Muslims and Croats in the region, killing or assaulting some, and driving others into the camps.

In one incident, Tadic allegedly forced a prisoner to castrate another using his teeth.

Prosecutors will provide witnesses who claim to have survived beatings at the hands of Tadic. Some of the witnesses are so terrified of being in the same room as the defendant that they will be allowed to testify from outside the courtroom via a video link.

Tadic's three-man, court-appointed defense team plans to claim that his is a case of mistaken identity. His lawyers say

they will call witnesses to testify that Tadic was in the Bosnian Serb stronghold of Banja Luka when the atrocities were committed.

Tadic originally had been charged with rape in addition to his other alleged crimes, but in the opening minutes of the trial, the court dropped the rape charges at the request of prosecutors, who said the victim was too frightened to testify.

If Tadic is found guilty of the other crimes, the tribunal's maximum sentence would be life imprisonment — unlike the post-World War II military courts at Nuremberg and Tokyo, which sent 17 Axis war criminals to the gallows.

The U.N. court has indicted 57 suspects, among them Bosnian Serb leaders Radovan Karadzic and Gen. Ratko Mladic, but the

highest-profile suspects have not been arrested.

The accused architects of the mass slaughter and torture that were so much a part of the Bosnian war are being shielded by both Serbia and the Bosnian Serbs, who reject the court's authority.

Including Tadic, only three indicted suspects are in custody here. Four more — two being held in Germany and two in Bosnia — are expected to be transferred to The Hague within weeks.

NATION BRIEFS

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Senate Democrats are conceding they can't block an election-year push by Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole and other Republicans to temporarily cut the federal gasoline tax.

"They're in the majority. They have the votes," Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., said Monday.

Democrats are forgoing a fight even though many are criticizing the reduction, saying it could amount to a windfall for oil companies if they don't pass along the cut to consumers. And environmentalists maintain the tax cut would encourage more energy consumption and hurt the environment.

Republicans were hoping to unveil details of the bill today and, in the Senate, possibly vote on it. Dole, the presumptive GOP presidential nominee, said he would discuss the timing of the vote with Daschle as well as the possibility of voting on the minimum-wage increase long sought by Democrats.

WASHINGTON — Telephone companies are proposing that the cost of the most basic level of local phone service be allowed to rise \$10 a month over the next five years for most Americans, a coalition of consumer groups says.

In a filing to be made today to the Federal Communications Commission, the Consumer Federation of America and the American Association of Retired Persons projected the increase after examining 13 "universal service" filings nationwide.

The proposals were submitted by seven regional Bell telephone companies, four long-distance companies, the United States Telephone Association and Pacific Telesis and Pacific Bell, which filed jointly.

The phone companies acknowledge the basic service rates would rise but contend that for most consumers the total bills would not go up. They contend that fees for other services, such as caller ID or call waiting, would go down.

QUESTA, N.M. — Airplanes bombarded a raging wildfire with water and fire retardant, slowing the march of a blaze that headed toward a ski resort after charring at least 27 buildings and forcing hundreds of residents to flee.

The fire, which has burned across more than 7,500 acres of tinder-dry ponderosa pine in northern New Mexico's steep mountains and canyons, was also slowed Monday by light winds.

"In some areas it's kind of creeping," said Carson National Forest spokesman Gary Schiff.

The fire was about seven miles southwest of Red River, which sits at the base of a ski area at an elevation of nearly 8,700 feet. Most of the 450 residents packed up and fled the approaching fire.

WASHINGTON — It's not talked about openly, but at least a dozen special interests maintain getaways in the shadow of the Capitol where they can entertain and lobby members of Congress while raising thousands of dollars in campaign contributions for them.

Companies like United Parcel Service and prominent lobbyists like Tommy Boggs increase their clout by maintaining private town houses where they can conveniently and discreetly host fund-raisers, and lobby lawmakers away from office distractions.

"It reinforces the fact that you're helping the incumbent, and other lobbyists come," said one well-known lobbyist, who discussed the subject only on condition of anonymity. "It increases the perception of being more of a player."

The list includes UPS, whose political action committee doled out \$3.5 million to federal candidates over the past three years — more than any other. UPS hosts two or three events a week at its gray, two-story brick townhouse three blocks from the Capitol.

Tobacco company says whistleblower retracted claims

WASHINGTON (AP) — Philip Morris Co. is claiming victory in the latest tobacco skirmish, claiming a whistleblower had retracted allegations the company reprocessed tobacco that didn't contain enough nicotine.

But in the 500-page deposition released by a Mississippi court Monday, retired Philip Morris shift manager Jerome Rivers concluded that he needed to review some documents before deciding whether to change his earlier government testimony.

He testified in the deposition that Philip Morris adds ammonia to tobacco to help smokers' bodies more easily absorb addictive nicotine, a charge the industry vehemently denies.

"I don't think Jerome did anything other than tell the truth," said Mississippi A.G. Michael Moore, who will use Rivers' testimony in his lawsuit seeking to force the tobacco industry to refund state funds spent treating sick smokers.

"What Jerome was able to confirm for us is Philip Morris is using ammonia to free-base nicotine almost the way a cocaine dealer uses chemicals in baking powder to free-base cocaine, to make crack," he said.

Rivers' initial allegations supported the Food and Drug Administration's contention that tobacco makers manipulate nicotine to hook smokers. The FDA found Rivers' affidavit serious enough to halt, temporarily, the writing of new federal regulations for tobacco until Philip Morris had a chance to respond.

But Philip Morris on Monday released portions of Rivers' deposition in the Mississippi lawsuit where he acknowledged that he meant to discuss ammonia in tobacco, not nicotine, in his FDA testimony.

"I think it's fair to say he basically retracted his charges," Philip Morris attorney Peter Grossi said.

Grossi wrote the FDA demanding the agency turn over — within 24 hours — its how the discrepancy occurred. "These documents will pre-

sumably show either that Mr. Rivers consistently made false statements to the FDA ... or that the FDA investigators knew, or should have known, from their meetings with Mr. Rivers that those statements were false," the letter says.

FDA spokesman Jim O'Hara said the agency considered its investigators' notes private.

Mississippi attorneys denied that Rivers had retracted his statement, instead suggesting he was confused by Philip Morris' technical questioning.

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	Big Spring vs. El Paso (baseball), 6 p.m., Alpine	Hockey	Teams TBA, 8:30 p.m., ESPN (ch. 30)
	Coshoma vs. Albany (softball), 6 p.m., Hawley	Basketball	Teams TBA, 7 p.m., TNT (ch. 28)

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Li falls in semis; HC cowgirls take TSU rodeo title

HERALD Staff Report

The state semifinals again proved to be too high a wall for Hsiao-Hsuan Li to scale. Li, Big Spring's sophomore tennis wizard, was eliminated in the semifinal round for the second year in a row at the state UIL tennis tournament in Austin. Li opened play at the tournament with a 6-2, 6-4 victory

over Scooter Gillen of Wichita Falls before losing 6-2, 6-2 to Kevin Hargrove of New Braunfels Canyon. BSHS coach Ralph Davis said Hargrove controlled the match from the start. "This guy was just a level above us," Davis said. "He just controlled the match at the net; he came in on every opportunity ... We were fighting an uphill battle the whole way."

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Davis said it was a shame the match didn't happen one day later. "That match should have been the finals; it was just a crummy draw," he said. "(Hargrove) should win the title today handily ... On the positive side, his game showed Hsiao-Hsuan where he needs to go with his

HC cowgirls win rodeo

The Howard College women's rodeo team won their division at last weekend's Tarleton State University Rodeo in Stephenville. The event marked the end of the 1996 regular season. Both

the women's and men's teams finished third in their region, just missing a berth in the National Intercollegiate Finals Rodeo. Four Howard athletes, however, qualified individually for the NIFR: Tina Sherrod, break-away roping and goat tying; Shawn Te Wise, break-away roping; Ben Clements, team roping; and Mike White, bull riding. The national collegiate rodeo

will be held in June in Bozeman, Mont. At Tarleton this weekend, Sherrod finished first in average in both break-away roping and goat tying, then team with Todd Virden to finish fourth in team roping. Doug Pharr teamed with TSU's Chase Warden to win the event on average and in the short go. In bull riding, Brett Bertinot finished first in the first go.

Mendez breaks new ground at Texas Tech

By STEVE REAGAN
Sports Editor

If Sandra Mendez doesn't achieve her lifelong dream of coaching, it won't be because she lacks background knowledge. Mendez, a Big Spring native now a sophomore at Howard College, made a bit of history recently when she signed a scholarship to become the first female equipment manager in the history of Texas Tech football. Hauling shoulder pads and jerseys around may sound like a weird approach to becoming a coach, but it's all a part of Mendez's master plan. "I've always been involved in athletics ... and I've always watched athletic events, either on TV or in person," said Mendez, currently a trainer at Howard. "What I really want to be is a coach, and if I'm not going to be directly involved in athletics, then I'd be a trainer. Now, I'm going into something else. Hopefully, I'll be able to put all these things together

and be a coach someday." After spending the past five years as a student trainer - both at Howard and Big Spring High School - Mendez decided to try something new, so she applied and interviewed for the Tech equipment manager job late last year before receiving a partial scholarship offer in February. Her new job will definitely be a change from tending to athletes' various hurts. As an equipment manager, she'll be working under Tech defensive tackle coach Dean Slaton and will be responsible for taking care of equipment during practices and all games. "I'm very excited," she said. "It's just one of my many dreams come true - I'm going to Tech and I'll still be involved in athletics." A part of her, however, will miss the student trainer days. "I'll still be involved in athletics, but when they get hurt, I won't be dealing with any of that stuff," she said. "I'll miss it, but I think I'll enjoy this a lot, too."



HERALD photo/Steve Reagan
Sandra Mendez, a student trainer at Howard College, will become the first female equipment manager for the Texas Tech football team this autumn.

Sidewinder duo qualifies for Junior Olympic meet

By STEVE REAGAN
Sports Editor

Achieving milestones is nothing new for the Big Spring YMCA Sidewinders, but even the most callous fan must have been impressed last weekend. Two members of the local gymnastics club - Stephanie Stewart and H a y l e y Whiteside - were selected as alternates to the national USA Gymnastics Junior Olympics team and competed in the national JO meet last weekend in Atlanta. It marked the first time any Sidewinders - or any West Texas gymnasts, for that matter - had qualified for the Junior Olympic meet. "I'm just thrilled to death," Sidewinders coach Russ McEwen said. "The kids

worked hard for two years at this level, and to qualify for JO nationals is just a tremendous honor." Stewart and Whiteside competed against 109 other gymnasts in their respective age groups, and both posted middle-of-the-pack results: Stewart finished with an all-around score of 35.6, while Whiteside had a 35.675 all-around score. "They struggled in their first event, but they eventually settled in," McEwen said. "For kids competing for the first time at nationals, they finished almost exactly where we expected them to." "There might have been a little bit of (nervousness)," he said. "But after they got past the first event, they settled in and did extremely well. They performed as well as they have all year."



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Franks selected for all-star game
Daniel Franks, Big Spring High School's all-state tight end, has been selected to play in this year's McDonald's High School All-Star game July 30 in Houston's Rice Stadium. Franks, one of 66 Texas high school football stars selected for the game, will play for the North squad. The Miami (Fla.) signee is the first Big Spring player selected to play in the game since Nick Roberson in 1991.

Steers schedule practice game
The Big Spring High School baseball team will hold a practice game against Frenship at 5 p.m. today at Jack Barber Field at Howard College. The Steers (15-11), who finished second in District 4-4A, will face El Paso High in the first round of the Class 4A baseball playoffs Thursday at 6 p.m. in Alpine.

Softball touney in Stanton
The Hit & Run softball tournament is scheduled for May 10-12 in Stanton. There is a three home run limit. The entry fee is \$100, and the deadline to enter is Wednesday. For more information, call Darren at 263-4901 during the day or 756-2541 after 6 p.m. Also call George at 264-0636 after 6 p.m.

Hoops touney slated
The Second Annual For Players Only Classic is scheduled for May 11 in San Angelo. The tournament is a five-on-five full-court competition. The deadline to enter is May 8, and the entry fee is \$100 per team. There is a \$300 first place prize with trophies for the second and third place winners. For more information, contact Chris Cardenas at (915) 942-7661 or call (915) 659-0004.

KOC hosts softball touney
The Knights of Columbus will host its second annual men's softball tournament May 17-19 at Hidalgo Park, located on Orchard & Tyler in Midland. The entry fee is \$110 per team the deadline to enter is May 15. Mail entry fee to Knights of Columbus 9215 Attn: softball tournament, P.O. Box 50743 Midland, Texas 79710.

YMCA offering services
The Big Spring YMCA will have a summer swim team league open to boys and girls in grades 1-12. Other services offered by the YMCA this summer include:

- Free swim lessons May 20-23. Classes will be held Monday-Thursday, and space is limited.
- Summer camp program open to children grades K-6.
- Co-ed power sand pit volleyball league. Organizational meeting will be Tuesday, May 14 at the YMCA.
- A recreational sand pit volleyball league also is forming. The organizational meeting will be Monday, May 13 at the YMCA.
- The YMCA's co-ed softball league will hold its organizational meeting Thursday at 7 p.m. at the YMCA.

For more information on these services, contact the YMCA at 267-8234.

NAYB schedules national touney
North American Youth Basketball will hold its 10th annual tournament and championship July 24-28 in the Longview-Tyler-Kilgore-Marshall area. Spaces still remain for the tournament, organizers said. There are 10 brackets of competition. A five-game minimum guarantee is \$275, while a 10-game minimum guarantee is \$425. The tournament is open to the first 200 teams. Entry deadline is May 24. For more information, contact Tommy Aldridge at (903) during the evenings.

Da Brats second at touney
Da Brats, a local UGSA softball team, finished second at last weekend's UGSA Div. III tournament in Odessa. The team opened the tournament with an 8-5 victory over Thriftworld, with Jessica Canales and Monica Rubio combining for the win. Da Brats then suffered their first loss of the tournament, falling 13-3 to Sunshine Laundry. Forced into the loser's bracket, Da Brats responded with a 9-5 win over Dr. Brown, then followed that with a 14-6 victory over Anchor Bolt. The locals then advanced to the championship game with a 7-6 victory over Price Forklift, with Rubio again getting the win. Da Brats' run ended in the title game as Sunshine Laundry earned a measure of revenge with an 11-10 victory.

Correction
In Monday's Herald, it was reported that the Coahoma Bulldogs' baseball team defeated Winters 15-4 last Friday. The Bulldogs defeated Jim Ned in the game.

Record number of three-pointers help Sonics put Houston in a hole

SEATTLE (AP) — Phenomenal long-range shooting helped Seattle lengthen its lead over Houston in their Western Conference playoff series. The SuperSonics hit a playoff-record 20 3-pointers, including 13 in a row, to beat the Rockets 105-101 Monday night and take a 2-0 lead over the two-time defending NBA champions. "We shot the ball unbelievably," Sonics coach George Karl said. "I don't think we can rely on that to win this series. But, thank heavens, tonight it worked." Nate McMillan, who made all five of his 3-point attempts to tie a playoff record, wasn't surprised by the long-range barrage. "The 3-pointer is a part of both teams' offense," he said. "Houston has been winning like this the last two years." Not against the Sonics, though. Seattle got its 11th con-

secutive victory over the Rockets, including six this season. The teams combined for 33 3-pointers, also a playoff record. Seattle made 20 of 27 3-pointers (74 percent), while the Rockets were 13 of 37 (48 percent). "To take a barrage like that was amazing," said Houston coach Rudy Tomjanovich. "If we played any other team in the league, I'm sure we'd win the game and it probably wouldn't even be a close game." Detlef Schrempf led the Sonics with 21 points and Gary Payton, selected the league's Defensive Player of the Year earlier in the day, had 18 points and made a key steal from Hakeem Olajuwon in the closing seconds. Clyde Drexler scored 19 points for Houston. Olajuwon,

held to six points in Seattle's 33-point victory in Game 1, had 17 points and 16 rebounds, but was only 8-for-21 from the field. The Rockets reminded everyone that they overcame 0-2 deficits the past two seasons against Phoenix in the conference semifinals. "They don't give out medals for winning two games," Houston guard Kenny Smith said. "You get medals for winning four games." With 10.1 seconds left, Payton knocked the ball loose from Olajuwon in the corner left after the Houston center rebounded Mario Elie's missed 3-pointer with the Rockets trailing by two. Shawn Kemp got the ball and was fouled by Olajuwon. Kemp then made two free throws to seal Seattle's win. "I knew Hakeem was going to get the ball and try to do something," Payton said of his crucial steal.

Irvin's attorney subpoenas videotapes

DALLAS (AP) — Michael Irvin's attorney said he would try again to subpoena videotapes in a television report showing the Dallas Cowboys' star receiver purportedly discussing his use of cocaine. Kevin Clancy said he has obtained subpoenas for all tapes made for reports that aired Sunday and Monday nights on Fort Worth television station KXAS. Monday night, the station showed excerpts from the second straight night from secretly recorded tape filmed by a camera hidden in the back seat of the vehicle in which Irvin was riding. As Irvin and a former confidant turned informer drove away from an apartment complex after making what the driver told KXAS was a cocaine buy, Irvin was heard to say: "Here, you want some? ... A couple lines will help you." The driver, identified on the tape as "Dennis," declined, saying, "It stunts your growth."

Irvin laughed and said: "I already been stunted, then. If that's the case, I should have been stunted a long time ago." They drove on, with Irvin talking about steps he would take to keep his fingerprints from turning up on the bag with the cocaine in it. "Before I give this to anybody, I'm gonna rip this off. Bam! There you go!" Irvin has insisted he doesn't have a drug problem, and Dennis told KXAS he never saw Irvin use the cocaine he bought while with him. Once, he said, Irvin gave what he bought to two women. The station said it tried to talk to Irvin on several occasions about whether he had bought drugs in the past month, but that Irvin refused to talk to its reporters. KXAS said it would show more excerpts tonight in which Irvin discussed the NFL's drug-testing program and evaluation process and how it involves him. NFL spokesman Greg

Aiello told KXAS on Monday that it was in the process of getting copies of the station's reports on Irvin, although not from KXAS. KXAS, which said it spent three months investigating Irvin, aired video Sunday night that showed Irvin getting back into the vehicle after a purported drug purchase. Dennis told KXAS that Irvin had a small bag of cocaine in his left hand while he talked with a woman and a small boy who recognized him and walked up to visit. While Irvin held the cocaine in his left hand, Dennis said, Irvin chatted with a young fan who said he wanted to be like Irvin. The player told the boy and his mother not to believe what the news media had been saying about him. The first two installments of the series contained little of substance and nothing damaging to Irvin's defense, Irvin's attorney said Monday.

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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) Odd happenings mark this day. It is time to take a stand, and you will. Be careful about an open display of temperance. If you have been internalizing some feelings, they are liable to come out despite yourself. Use caution with your delivery. Tonight: Flying high. ****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Display conservatism mixed with restraint and decorum. You could easily lose your temper with a person you adore. If you have been harboring any ill will, it may come out in a perverse manner. Maintain an emotional balance. Tonight: Stay out of the line of fire. **

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Be direct in response to news. Avoid overreacting, and stay in touch with your feelings. An offer is quite unique, though you might be upset by it at first. Detach, and take a good look at what is what. Tonight: Let your imagination lead you. ****

CANCER (June 21-July 22) A financial upset leaves you wondering. A friend's ideas may backfire on you. Stay on target with the long-run implications of a change. Cutting back will not hurt you. Be aware of your thoughts and feelings. Tonight: Understand your motives in spending. ****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Someone has let you down in a big way. Understand your limits concerning another. Fireworks are a strong possibility if you overreact. Lay low, and choose a response carefully — a smart move given the volatility of the day. Tonight: Chill out with a pal. ***

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Take care of yourself first today. A change in plans could

put additional stress on a situation. Be sensitive to what is happening, and pull back. You could be accident prone if you let events run you. Adopt a snail's pace. Tonight: Take a bubble bath. **

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) The inevitable will occur because you took another person for granted. The greatest defense is a strong offense, but it could be a big mistake. Backtrack, and make long-term changes. You cannot continue as you have been. Tonight: Kiss and make up. ***

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Up roar is more than possible with a roommate or family member. You certainly get to see the results of another's feelings. Reverse course, and apologize. Consider what is happening on a deeper level. The status quo is changing. Tonight: Deep in thought. **

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Communications are active, and you have your hands full negotiating calm when there is an eruption. You have a workable idea to restore the balance, but don't push another too hard. It is up to you if there is peace or war. Tonight: Tread with care. ****

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AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Your own behavior could trigger several different reactions. Don't be surprised if a family member is on the warpath. Be reasonable, but it isn't necessary to walk the path of least resistance. Tonight: A smile eases tensions. ****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Much is going on behind the scenes, and you are surprised by what is coming up. A mix-up is more than likely if you are overly sensitive. Stop before you cause permanent damage. Instincts are right on about money. Tonight: Vanish while you are ahead. **

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Avery shuts down Rockies

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Steve Avery just turned 26 and people are already talking about the old Steve Avery.

The Atlanta Braves left-hander threw a six-hitter in a 4-1 victory over the Colorado Rockies on Monday night.

That was a lot like that old Steve Avery who won 18 games in 1991 and 1993, and a far cry from last season, when he went 7-13 with a 4.67 ERA.

"Obviously, I'm a lot stronger upstairs than I was last year," said Avery, who turned 26 last month. "Success breeds confidence."

In other NL games Monday it was Los Angeles 8, Pittsburgh 4; Florida 4; New York 1; Montreal 6, Chicago 2; and Houston 11, Philadelphia 5.

Astros 11, Phillies 5. James Mouton had a two-run homer and a two-run double and Doug Drabek allowed three hits over seven innings for his first victory over the season.

Drabek (1-2) struck out nine and walked four. The Astros scored four runs in the second off starter Rich Hunter (1-2).

Mouton hit his first homer of the year in the fifth and tied his career high for RBIs with the seventh-inning double. The Phillies scored three runs in the eighth off reliever Jim Dougherty.

Dodgers 8, Pirates 4. Hideo Nomo won for the first time in three road starts this season and Raul Mondesi hit one of three Los Angeles homers.

Mike Piazza added a two-run shot off John Hope (1-2) and Greg Gagne had a three-run shot in the ninth as homers accounted for all the Dodgers' runs.

Nomo (5-2) allowed four runs and eight hits in seven-plus innings, striking out five. He left after Mark Johnson's two-run homer in the eighth made it 5-4.

Nomo is 4-0 at Dodger Stadium, but was 0-2 with an 8.64 ERA in two prior road starts.

Marlins 4, Mets 1. The Marlins didn't exactly sting the ball, but consecutive RBI infield singles, a wild pitch and Gary Sheffield's RBI single were enough to break a five-game losing streak.

Al Leiter (5-2), who has almost half of Florida's 12 wins this season, allowed one run on eight hits, walked two and struck out nine in 6 2-3 innings.

Mark Clark (1-4) allowed nine hits and four runs in 5 1-3 innings and the run visiting New York scored in the sixth was the first it got for him in 14 2-3 innings.

Expos 6, Cubs 2. Pedro Martinez allowed two runs on six hits in seven-plus innings and matched his career-high with 10 strikeouts.

Martinez (4-1) won his fourth straight start and has allowed five runs in 32 innings over that span. The Expos scored four runs in the first inning off Jim Bullinger (1-3) in winning their eighth straight at Olympic Stadium.

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I am now in the advanced stages of emphysema and am currently on the waiting list for a lung transplant.

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I'm sure the same people wouldn't think of asking those suffering with heart disease if they ate bacon and eggs every morning — yet smokers are made to feel that they deserve their suffering.

Abby, your response to Patty's letter was so heartening. Now maybe others will be a little less judgmental to those of us who are living with smoking's legacy. A simple "I'm sorry" is so much kinder.

Thank you for all you have done over the years to put such issues before the public. You may use my name. — JOAN K. TURSO, SEQUIM, WASH.

DEAR JOAN: No need to thank me. That's what I'm here for. Good luck with your surgery when a transplant is available.

DEAR ABBY: My wife and I are in our early 60s, and we

like to travel a lot. My problem is I can't get my wife to set foot on an airplane. Consequently, we travel by car. We were in Florida last October; we just returned from Hilton Head, S.C., and we have a trip to Florida planned for July. I keep telling my wife that these long (10 to 12 hours a day) drives are tiring. I'm still working, so I can't afford to take off more time to allow for more travel time.

My wife suggested I wear pantyhose. She said she remembers reading in your column some years ago that pantyhose massage the pores and thus reduce fatigue. Is there any truth to this, or is she just trying to shut me up? If the answer is yes, I will give them a try. Is there a specific style that should be worn?

I know this is a strange request, but if it works, who cares? — FRED IN SOUTHBOROUGH, MASS.

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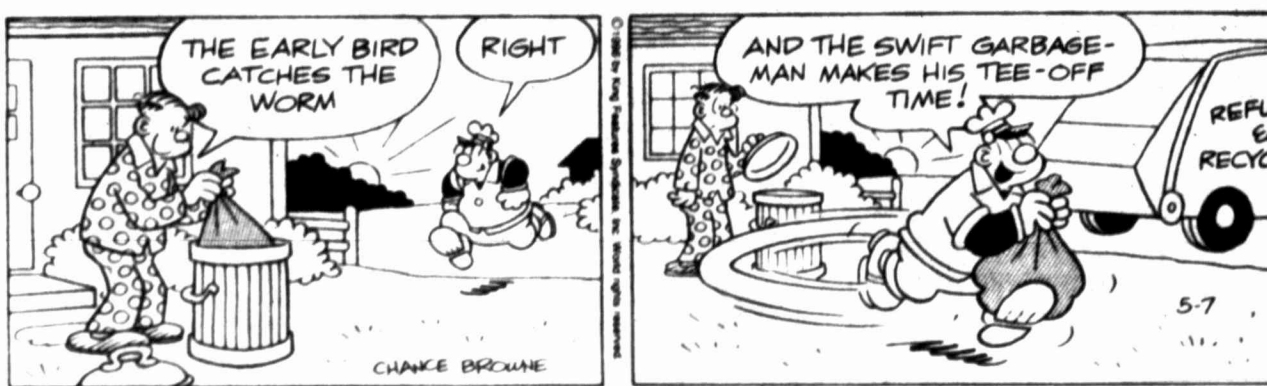
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

Today is Tuesday, May 7, the 128th day of 1996. There are 238 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On May 7, 1945, Germany signed an unconditional surrender at Allied headquarters in Rheims, France, to take effect the following day, ending the European conflict of World War II.

On this date: In 1789, the first inaugural ball was held in New York in honor of President and Mrs. George Washington.

In 1812, poet Robert Browning was born in London.

In 1825, Italian composer Antonio Salieri died in Vienna, Austria.

In 1833, composer Johannes Brahms was born in Hamburg, Germany.

In 1840, composer Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky was born in the Ural region of Russia.

In 1847, the American Medical Association was founded in Philadelphia.

In 1915, nearly 1,200 people died when a German torpedo sank the British liner Lusitania off the coast of Ireland.

In 1939, Germany and Italy announced a military and political alliance known as the Rome-Berlin Axis.

In 1954, the 55-day Battle of Dien Bien Phu in Vietnam ended with Vietnamese insurgents overrunning French forces.

In 1963, the United States launched the Telstar 2 communications satellite.

In 1975, President Ford formally declared an end to the "Vietnam era." In Ho Chi Minh City - formerly Saigon - the Viet Cong staged a rally to celebrate their takeover.

In 1984, a \$180 million out-of-court settlement was announced in the Agent Orange class-action suit brought by Vietnam veterans who charged they had suffered injury from exposure to the defoliant.

Today's Birthdays: Singer Teresa Brewer is 65. Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., is 64.

THE Daily Crossword by William Canine

ACROSS

- Converse
- Young haddock
- Inventer Elias
- Big island town
- New Zealander
- Elipse
- Stravinsky
- Gawks
- Move furtively
- Amerind
- Monkeys
- Before
- Observed secretly
- Transgressors
- Garments
- Ekberg
- Scruggs
- Ivy League member
- Newspaper
- Loiters
- Cretan peak
- Once more
- Star in Lyra
- City on the Warta
- One with controversial opinions
- Ferry (site of John Brown's raid)
- Lasso
- It precedes Sun.
- Chamber group
- Mardi Gras
- Beehive State
- "Mio"
- Hall-of-Famer Johnny
- Slangy negative
- Perch
- English river
- Wood knot
- Locales
- Pelee product

DOWN

- Smart
- Lofly
- Succulent plant
- Flood
- Railroad car
- Imprison
- Functions
- Raw metal
- Follower
- Singer Billie
- Egg
- Distort
- Certain lodge members
- Mountain nymph
- Informed
- Outcast
- Bernhardt
- Vacuous
- Site of Niamey
- Choice
- Elevate
- Senior
- Tilts
- Advanced arith.
- Pilots
- Herring
- Gothe hero
- Most desirable
- Ligature
- Property
- Stirring
- Done for
- Town on the Thames
- Hemingway epithet
- In addition
- Interjection
- Black Sea arm
- Home
- disant (so-called)

Monday's Puzzle solved:

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RAPS	ELSA	ERASE
SHOEMAKER	ANNEX	TOTTER
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CAMEL	BING	OLIO
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MALAR	INTERALIA	
AGENT	NORA	LOON
TROTH	EDIT	ANNE
TANSY	DEMY	SESS

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7:30 P.M.
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7:10 P.M.

THE CRAFT R
7:30 P.M.

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5:00 ALL SHOWS BEFORE 6 PM
\$2.00 SENIORS & CHILDREN - \$4.00 ADULTS
STEREO SURROUND SOUND IN ALL AUDITORIUMS

CELTIC PRIDE (PG-13)
4:15-7:00

THE QUEST (PG-13)
4:30-7:20

THIN LINE BETWEEN LOVE (R)
4:45-7:30

MULHOLLAND FALLS (R)
4:00-7:10

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