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USO show set for Saturday to benefit Hangar 25 restoration project

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Last fall, Hangar 25 at McMahon/Wrinkle Airpark was declared as an historical structure by the Texas Historical Commission, making it eligible for listing in the National Register of Historical Places.

At the time of the designation, Airpark Manager Nelda Reagan said, "Some of the comments from the Historical Commission emphasized that the Hangar was associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history, and they also noted the distinctive method of construction of the hangar."

In its findings, the commission also noted Hangar 25 is a

remarkably intact example of a World War II era hangar, adding Hangar 25 is one of the tangible remains of the Big Spring Army Air Force Bombardier School during that era.

Efforts to restore the hangar to WWII condition have been ongoing for several months and one of the big events planned by the Hangar 25 Citizen's Advisory Committee, to help fund restoration efforts, is a United Service Organization (USO) Show and dance to celebrate Armed Forces Day.

The show and dance is set for Saturday at the hangar and will provide musical entertainment spanning WWII through the Webb Air Force Base era.

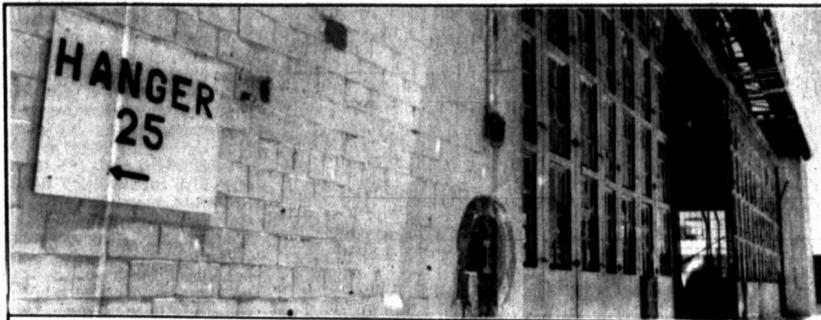
According to the committee, vintage aircraft and other memorabilia will be on display during the event.

The show will include a lot of the history of the hangar. Reagan said the first sight to greet an assignee to the West Texas Bombardier School at the former Big Spring Army Air Field was the main gate.

"Mesquite, cactus and tumbleweed covered the 1,260 acre flying field which was contractually approved on April 28, 1942 for construction two miles southwest of the West Texas prairie town known as Big Spring," Reagan said.

Approximately 6,000 bombardiers were trained at Big Spring, with more than one-third of them receiving warrants as flight officers.

Tickets for the USO Show are \$25 a couple or \$15 a person and can be purchased at the hangar



Hangar 25, misspelled in the sign on the building, will be the site of a Saturday night USO Show and benefit to raise funds for the facility's restoration.

that night. Tinker Bell, a vintage WWII aircraft, will be flying in from

the Confederate Air Force Museum at Midland International Airport along with a

WWII German Messerschmidt to participate and authenticate the USO show.

GIDDY-UP STICK HORSE!



A trio of students from the Kindergarten Center run their steeds around the turn as they head toward the finish line during the school's annual Field Day Thursday morning.

District 3 council runoff set for Saturday

HERALD Staff Report

The runoff election for the District 3 City Council seat between incumbent Chuck Cawthon and challenger Greg Biddison is less than 24 hours away and both candidates are waiting for the voters of District 3 to make their choices at the ballot box.

Early voting for the runoff

began May 9 and concluded Tuesday at 5 p.m. with 90 total ballots, including 10 by mail, being cast during the early voting period.

Saturday's runoff will be at the city's central voting location at the Big Spring High School Cafeteria and eligible voters from District 3 will be able to cast ballots between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Cawthon received 90 of the total 180 votes cast during the

May 4 city council election and Biddison received 65 votes for 36.11 percent.

Cawthon's 90 votes was 50 percent of the total ballots cast in the District 3 race, but had he received one more vote a runoff election would have been avoided.

The incumbent is finishing his first term on the council while Biddison is a political newcomer.

Both candidates have

expressed concern over the lack of turnout in the May 4 election, which was below 15 percent of the registered eligible voters, and both have been working to find ways to get their supporters to the polls.

The seat is one of two that was up for re-election this year. District 1 incumbent Stephanie Horton defeated three challengers on May 4 to retain her seat on the council and begin her second term.

Local auto glass dealers swamped

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Local auto glass dealers are up to their necks in windshield and other auto glass repair jobs as a result of the hailstorm that swept through Big Spring one week ago, but are they being given the opportunity to serve the citizens of Big Spring before out-of-town dealers are?

According to City Manager Gary Fuqua, the answer is yes.

Fuqua said some local glass and auto glass dealers are so swamped with work that they aren't able to take everything that comes their way.

Several dealers' phones are so busy that it's difficult to get through unless you continue to call every few minutes.

Fuqua said early last Saturday morning the city began calling local glass dealers seeking bids to repair the city's emergency vehicles.

"Our first priority was to get our emergency vehicles up and running again because we didn't know if the storm would turn around and come back," Fuqua said.

He said a total of 55 windshields (front and back), including 31 from police units, had to be replaced because of the storm.

Because the city needed to get emergency vehicles repaired quickly, the city was able to

contract with a Midland firm to start on the vehicles right away.

Of the bids that came in, the city had two similarly low bids; one from a local company and one from the Midland firm, but Fuqua said the local company was swamped and the Midland firm could start right away.

"After we got our emergency vehicles back up, we began concentrating on getting our other priority vehicles repaired as well," Fuqua said.

The Big Spring Police Department is the agency in charge of issuing permits to auto glass dealers and has issued eight permits to out-of-town dealers, who have to pay a \$125 fee for the 30-day permit that covers two people. Additional workers or sales people wanting to operate under the permit are required to pay an additional \$10 each.

When vendors apply for the permit they must also show a state sales tax permit and an insurance bond.

A check into local glass prices shows Big Spring residents are in good hands with local glass dealers because prices for glass repairs to several vehicle models are within a few dollars of what they were two months ago. Rumors on the street were that local dealers had raised their prices to take advantage of the damage done by the storm.

Relay for Life, monastery rededication top weekend

HERALD staff report

Looking for something to do this weekend? Here's your ticket to weekend activities in and around Big Spring.

This feature is published each Friday and will include a variety of activities. It is limited to activities of a general nature, community fund-raisers, community functions, free performances, etc. It is not available to commercial ventures or for such events as dances where admission is charged.

To submit your activity, send it to "Weekend Ticket," Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, 79720.

If you wish, you may fax your listing to 264-7205 or bring it by



What's happening this weekend in the Crossroads Country

the Herald offices at 710 Scurry St. No information will be taken by phone.

• Relay for Life, today and Saturday, Blakenship Field, Big

Spring High School.

This American Cancer Society benefit, sponsored by the Howard/Glasscock Chapter, gets under way at 6 p.m. today with a survivor's walk and features a luncheon ceremony at 10 p.m. Survivors should gather at 5:30.

• United Girls Softball Association ragball tournament, today and Saturday, Roy Anderson Complex. Entry fee for this 13-and-over tournament is \$10 per person. For more information, call 267-1993, 263-7206, 263-0778, 263-3623 or 267-4657.

• Heritage Museum, today and Saturday. Hours today are 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. and Saturday hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Heritage Museum includes a number of displays that are unique to Big Spring —

including the world's largest collection of longhorns and the Doll Museum.

Additionally, the museum includes displays that trace the roots and history of Big Spring and Howard County.

• Senior Citizens Dance, tonight at 7:30 at Spring City Senior Center. Music by CW & Co.

• Election, Saturday, 7 a.m.-7 p.m., Big Spring High School cafeteria. Runoff election for all voters in Big Spring City Council District 3.

• Re-dedication of historic Carmelite Monastery and Our Lady of Mercy Academy, Sunday, 2 p.m. Stanton. Tours of the circa 1884 adobe building will begin at 11:30 a.m. at 200 E. Carpenter St.



Persons seeking to have the glass in the respective vehicles replaced swamped the service counter at Big Spring Auto Glass last Saturday following the hailstorm.

USPS food drive continuing after hailstorm

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Assistant News Editor

The hailstorm that devastated the city a week ago proved to be somewhat disastrous for the Big Spring Post Office's food drive.

The drive, sponsored by the National Association of Letter Carriers and the U.S. Postal Service, the drive netted more than 8,000 pounds of food for the Permian Basin Food Bank last year and organizers hoped to top the 10,000-pound mark this year. However, most residents'

thoughts last Saturday were tuned to repairing homes and storm-damaged vehicles.

"There's no question the storm hurt us," said Patsy Blevins, the local USPS customer service supervisor. "We had about 3,000 pounds turned in Saturday, and here's still some coming just about every day."

Blevins noted that postal carriers will still collect canned goods and the like left at customers' mail boxes and the food will be added to the total donated to the regional food bank.



Linda Huffman, a highway contractor for the U.S. Postal Service in Big Spring for Garden City, helps wheel in some of the food donated to the NALC/USPS Food Drive.

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TODAY'S WEATHER

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Saturday, a bit cooler with high near 100 and lows near 65. Sunday, mostly sunny and hot with highs near 100.

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OBITUARIES

Barbara Jean Sample

Funeral service for Barbara Jean "Constant" Sample, 69, Kelso, Mo., was 1 p.m. Saturday, April 27, 1996, at the Ford and Sons Sprigg Street Chapel with the Rev. S.S. Borum officiating. Burial was in the Hobbs Chapel Cemetery.

Sample died Thursday, April 25, 1996, at St. Francis Medical Center in Cape Girardeau, Mo.

She was born on Nov. 24, 1926, in Denver, Colo. She was a secretary at IBEW Local #1 for 32 years. She was raised in Big Spring and was a graduate of Big Spring High School in 1944.

Survivors include one son: Robert Sample, Cape Girardeau, Mo.; a sister: Marilyn Moore, Smithville, Okla.; four grandchildren; and a great-grandson.

Arrangements under the direction of Ford and Sons Funeral Home, Cape Girardeau, Mo.

Crescencio G. Padilla

Rosary for Crescencio G. Padilla, 74, Big Spring, will be said 8 p.m. tonight at the Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral mass will be 11 a.m. Saturday, May 18, 1996, at St. Thomas Catholic Church with Rev. Robert Vreteau, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Mr. Padilla died Wednesday, May 15, in a local hospital. He was born on Sept. 22, 1921, in Charlotte. He married Guadalupe Herrera on May 12, 1946, in Charlotte. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army serving in the World War II. He served in the 40th Combat Engineers serving in Africa, Sicily, Italy, Rhineland, Southern France and Central Europe. He had served in combat for 567 days.

Mr. Padilla received seven battle stars and two bronze invasion arrowheads. He moved to Big Spring in 1950 and was a member of St. Thomas Catholic Church. Mr. Padilla was employed at the VA Medical Center from 1950 to 1979, when he retired as the chief electrician.

Survivors include his wife: Guadalupe Padilla, Big Spring; two sons: Thomas R. Padilla, Big Spring, and Jose H. Padilla,

Midland; two daughters: Maria Y. Rodriguez, Lawton, Okla., and Leticia A. Torres, Big Spring; two brothers: Jose G. Padilla, Midland, and Humberto G. Padilla, Big Spring; two sisters: Dominga Maldonado, San Antonio, and Sulema Gonzalez, Midland; and nine grandchildren.

Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Mil Caperton

Service for Mil Caperton, 69, Big Spring, will be 2 p.m. Saturday, May 18, 1996, at the First Baptist Church in Bronte. Burial will be in the Fairview Cemetery.

Mrs. Caperton died Wednesday, May 15, in a local hospital.

She was born on April 12, 1927, in Slaton. She had been a long time resident of Big Spring. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband: Matt Caperton, Big Spring; a son: Mark Anthony Caperton, Plainview; two daughters: Janet Hickman, Fort Pierre, S.D., and Savannah Jo Caperton, Big Spring; a sister: Thelma Jo McDonald, Fort Worth; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Arrangements under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home, Bronte.

IN BRIEF

THE RE-DEDICATION OF THE HISTORIC CARMELITE MONASTERY and Our Lady of Mercy Academy will be 2 p.m. Sunday, May 19 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 TEXAS STATE LIBRARY and Archives Commission is soliciting input and ideas for the adoption of statewide standards in developing, implementing or expanding library services from all persons affected by school library service. This group includes school librarians, classroom teachers, school administrators, parents, public librarians, etc. Interested individuals are invited to attend a public meeting to discuss the standards.

A meeting will be held in Lubbock at 9 a.m. Tuesday, May 21 at the Education Service Center, Region 17 and in Midland at 1 p.m., Monday, May 20 at the Education Service Center, Region 18.

If you are unable to attend a meeting, input may also be submitted in writing to Jeanette Larson, Texas State Library, P.O. Box 12927, Austin, TX 78711, e-mail jlarson@tenet.edu, or fax 512-463-5436. For additional information about these or other meetings call 512-463-5456.

REGISTER YOUR CHILD NOW for the summer reading instruction beginning May 28. Limited space available. Call 263-1533.

WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY WILL PRESENT achievement awards to students on May 21. All assemblies will be held in the cafeteria and family members are invited to attend. Students will be honored at the following times: first grade, 9 a.m.; second grade, 9:40 a.m.; third

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grade, 10:20 a.m.; fourth grade, 1:15 p.m.; and fifth grade, 2 p.m.

CAUBLE SCHOOL FRIENDS and alumni will meet at the Elbow School cafeteria on June 1 at 10 a.m. Guests are encouraged to bring covered dish lunch to be served at 12 p.m.

Gifts and door prizes will be awarded and gifts will be accepted for these drawings.

All alumni are encouraged to meet with the group.

Contact Mildred Callihan (reporter) at 267-6023 for more information.

THE HERALD IS CURRENTLY SEEKING SUBMISSIONS to its monthly "Readers Corner" that runs the last Wednesday of each month.

Readers are encouraged to submit stories or poems should be about a page and a half in length. Photos should be in focus and not too light or too dark. Make sure you identify who or what is in the picture and who took the photograph.

When space is limited, submissions will be held over for the next month.

The next "Readers Corner" is scheduled for May 29 and the deadline to turn in your submissions is May 20. If you have any questions, contact Kellie Jones, 263-7331 ext. 112.

THE 1976 CLASS OF BIG SPRING HIGH SCHOOL will be having a 20 year reunion August 9-11. Reunion organizers are needing assistance with locating old classmates. If you have an address of an ex who moves frequently or had a name change or is otherwise difficult to locate, please call 263-7219 and leave a message.

Organizers are also in need of suggestions, ideas and monetary donations. Please send to: Class of '76; c/o Les White; General Delivery; Big Spring, TX; 79720.

ELBOW ELEMENTARY WILL HOST their second annual end of the year Reading Carnival at the elementary school from 11:15 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., May 23.

Students will cash in the Accelerated Reader Points they earned throughout the year for tickets to use at the various booths; dunking; basketball toss; woodcarving; paperback/cake walk; football throw; and hot air "Moonwalk." Cold drinks, cotton candy will be available and special guest, "Cliffie the Clown" will be on-hand.

ANY DESCENDANTS OF HARVEY BOURNE HALE (1849-1901) or Milley Ann Dickerson (1850-1927) or friends are invited to attend a reunion on Sept. 7, 1996, in the VFW Hall in Gordon, Texas, starting at 9:30 a.m. The dress is casual and there will be a pot luck/covered dish and donations welcome.

Any questions, call Boyce Hale, HC 76, Box 157-F, Big Spring, Texas 79720 or 267-6957.

The Thurber video has been updated and is available at the New York Hill Restaurant or you may contact Janis Mills at 1-817-769-3564 for further information.

The Thurber Historical Association annual reunion will be 9:30 a.m. on June 8.

HOWARD COLLEGE HAS STARTED its summer office hours. Offices will open at 7 a.m. and close at 5:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday (open during lunch). All offices will be closed on Fridays. These hours will be effective through Monday, Aug. 12.

DISABLED VETERANS AND PERSONS RECEIVING

DISABLED designations upon retirement are eligible for substantial property tax reductions. In November, a Constitutional amendment passed by voters increasing benefits for disabled veterans to \$5,000 for 10 to 30 percent disability; \$7,000 for 40 to 50 percent disability; \$10,000 for 60 to 70 percent disability and \$12,000 for 80 to 100 percent disability.

Persons who are over 65 years of age on January 1 receive an automatic \$12,000 regardless of the level of disability. These amounts reduce the taxable value of the veteran's home or other property that he owns by the amounts previously noted.

To claim the exemption, vets are encouraged to file their letters of designation from VA with the Central Appraisal District of their local county. An application can be filled out in less than five minutes. If vets have questions, they may call the Central Appraisal District in Big Spring at 263-7361 or go by the office at 300 Veterans Blvd.

SPRINGBOARD

IF YOU HAVE ANY CHANGES IN A SPRINGBOARD ITEM OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT GINA GARZA, 263-7331, BETWEEN 8 A.M. AND 2 P.M. To submit an item to the Springboard, put it in writing and mail or deliver it to us one week in advance. Mail to: Springboard, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas 79720; or bring it by the office at 710 Scurry.

TODAY

•Spring City 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.

•Relay for Life, 6 p.m., Blankenship Field. 38 teams are registered and ready to begin their 24-hour camp-out to fight cancer. 10 p.m., walking will cease for a few minutes for the Luminarias Ceremony in honor of those currently battling cancer and in memory of those who lost.

•A "May Day" for all children ages 3, 4, and 5 by September 1, will be from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal School, 118 Cedar, in the cafeteria. Children and parents are encouraged to come.

SATURDAY

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open meetings at noon, 8 p.m. and 10 p.m.

•Relay for Life continues at Blankenship Field.

•Canterbury rummage sale, 1700 Lancaster, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Ceramics, craft items, men and women clothes, baked goods and lots of miscellaneous things. Call Pat Johnston at 263-1265 for more information.

SUNDAY

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

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, 11 a.m. closed meeting and 7 p.m. open meeting.

•Re-dedication of the Historic Carmelite Monastery and Our Lady of Mercy Academy, 2 p.m., 200 East Carpenter Street, Stanton. The building will be open for tours at 11:30 a.m. For more information call 915-459-2686 or 915-756-3316.

MONDAY

•Big Spring Evening Lion's Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 E. Third. Call Jan Noyes, 267-5811.

•Project Freedom, Christian support group, 7 p.m. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241.

TEXAS LOTTERY

PICK 3: 6, 7, 9

POLICE

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

•**JESSE ADAM HERNANDEZ**, 18, of 1202 W. Second, was arrested for outstanding local and Ector County warrants.

•**DANNY GENE PRIEST**, 37, of HC 69 Box A19B, was arrested for criminal trespass.

•**THEFTS** in the 1200 block of Lindbergh, 100 block of East 15th, 1800 block of Gregg, 1100 block of North Lamesa, 1000 block of NW Second, 1500 block of Lincoln, 400 block of East 10th and 100 block of East 15th.

•**INVESTIGATING SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITIES** in the 700 block of East Interstate 20, at Highway 350 and Interstate 20, Ridgela and State, 900 block of East 11th, 700 block of Wyoming, 800 block of Goliad and 1800 block of Gregg.

•**LOUD PARTIES** in the 800 block of East 14th, 2300 block of Thrope, 700 block of Douglas and at 14th and Princeton.

•**MINOR ACCIDENTS** at 17th and Gregg, 16th and Scurry and in the 3800 block of Hamilton.

•**MAJOR ACCIDENT** at 18th and Lancaster.

•**ASSAULT** at Circle and Vines.

•**JUVENILE PROBLEM** in the 3300 block of West 80.

•**DRAG RACING/RECKLESS DRIVING** in the 1700 block of Alabama.

•**DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** in the 1300 block of Lexington.

•**WELFARE CONCERN** at Randolph and Simlar.

•**DISTURBANCES/FIGHTS** in the 500 block of Douglas and 200 block of Lockhart.

•**BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** in the 500 block of Westover.

•**CRIMINAL TRESPASS** in the 3500 block of West 80.

•**RECKLESS DAMAGE** in the 1000 block of North Main.

•**POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA** in the 2000 block of West Third.

•**HARASSMENT** in the 1200 block of Buena Vista.

SHERIFF

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

•**CHRISTOPHER SCOTT HOLMES**, 23, of Lorraine, was arrested by the Mitchell County Sheriff's Department on a 118th District Court grand jury indictment for forgery. He was later released on \$3,500 preset bond.

•**KENNETH SUE CALDERON**, 40, of Amarillo, was arrested for contempt of court for non-payment of child support. He was sentenced to 10 days in jail.

•**CHRISTOPHER WREN HAMBY**, 19, of #13 Village Road, was transferred from the Big Spring Police Department and arrested for possession of marijuana under two ounces. He was later released on \$1,500 bond.

•**JERRY CLINTON PIERCE**, 28, of Odessa, was arrested for

contempt of court. He was sentenced in 118th District Court to 30 days in jail.

•**MARILYN MARIE MORCE AKA MENDEZ**, 25, of 1613 Bluebird, was arrested for violating probation for being in possession of marijuana. She pleaded guilty in 118th District Court and was sentenced to 6 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

•**WELFARE CONCERN** on Collins Road.

•**JUVENILE PROBLEM** on North Birdwell Lane.

•**DRAG RACING/RECKLESS DRIVING** on Midway Road.

•**ANIMAL PROBLEMS** on North Tubb Loop in Sand Springs and in Coahoma.

•**LOOSE LIVESTOCK** on South U.S. Highway 87 and FM 461, Rosco Road and North Birdwell Lane.

MARKETS

July cotton futures 81.40 cents a pound, up 34 points; June crude oil 20.84, up 6 points; Cash hog steady at 61 cents even; slaughter steers steady at \$1 lower at 60 cents even; June live hog futures 65.35, up 67 points; June live cattle futures 59, up 17 points. Courtesy: Delta Corporation.

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Amoco	72 1/2 + 1/2
Atlantic Richfield	118 1/2 + 1/2
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Boston Chicken	32 1/2 - 1/2
Cabot	26 1/2 - 1/2
Chevron	58 1/2 + 1/2
Chrysler	68 1/2 + 1/2
Cifra	1.50 - 1.54
Coca-Cola	46 1/2 + 1/2
De Beers	32 1/2 - 1/2
DuPont	81 1/2 + 1/2
Exxon	84 1/2 + 1/2
Fina	59 1/2 + 1/2
Ford Motors	37 1/2 + 1/2
Halliburton	53 1/2 - 1/2
IBM	109 1/2 + 1/2
Laser Indus LTD	18 1/2 + 1/2
Mesa Ltd. Prt	3 1/2 - 1/2
Mobile	112 1/2 + 1/2
Norwest	36 1/2 + 1/2
NUV	9 1/2 - 1/2
Pepsi Cola	68 1/2 + 1/2
Phillips Petroleum	40 1/2 + 1/2
Polaris	34 1/2 nc
Rural/Metro	31 1/2 nc
Sears	50 1/2 + 1/2
Southwestern Bell	49 1/2 + 1/2
Sun	31 1/2 + 1/2
Texaco	83 1/2 + 1/2
Texas Instruments	54 1/2 + 1/2
Texas Utils. Co	41 1/2 nc
Unocal Corp	32 1/2 + 1/2
Wal Mart	24 1/2 + 1/2
Amcap	14.56 - 15.45
Euro Pacific	24.91 - 26.43
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Big Spring, Tx. (915) 267-6331
Wanda Carstensen, 56, died Wednesday. Services were at 4:00 PM Friday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment followed at Westbrook Cemetery.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL
24th & Johnson 267-8288
Crescencio G. Padilla, 74, died Wednesday. Rosary will be 8:00 PM, Friday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home Chapel. Funeral Mass will be 11:00 AM, Saturday at St. Thomas Catholic Church, with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

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Stanton declares emergency water conditions, looks for back-up source

By SARA SOLIS
Staff Writer

The Stanton City Council has declared an emergency water situation and approved the drilling of back-up city water wells at their May 13 meeting. City manager Danny Fryar said the city's water is supplied by the Colorado River Municipal Water District (CRMWD). However, the city's only back-up system exists in the form of four water wells, one of which recently caved-in.

He said CRMWD frequently is forced to stop water delivery to the city for maintenance purposes. "It doesn't matter whether it's the city or CRMWD, if you've got (water) lines you're going to have to do maintenance on them," Fryar said.

According to Fryar, CRMWD generally conducts repairs once every two to three months for approximately six to eight hours at a time. During this time the city is forced to rely upon their back-up system. "The city wells are the only back-up system we have." It's so dry in the area, if water got

scarce, the city would need a larger supply from which to draw, he said. "We need to drill two or three more wells," Fryar said. He said the council approved the drilling of two more water wells within the city limits. "It's going to run \$19.90 a foot to drill," and the wells will be approximately 160 to 198 feet deep, he said. Fryar said they

awarded the bid to Straub Enterprises of Stanton and the total cost for the completion of both wells will be \$10,400. According to Jean Straub, of Straub Enterprises, drilling should begin within the next two weeks and the wells should be completed within a week of the ground-breaking. Fryar also mentioned the city recently annexed 50 acres north

of town to include within their limits a new Town and Country Convenience Store and Truck Stop, the Dairy Queen and Stanton National Bank. "They didn't have any water or sewer in that area, so the Town and Country requested they be annexed," Fryar said. Water and sewer line installation began in January and was completed in April, he said.

BSHS to get new police officer on campus in '96

By SARA SOLIS
Staff Writer

Big Spring High School will have a new police officer on campus next year when Cpl. Marc Couch, of the Big Spring Police Department, assumes the role of criminal justice instructor. Couch is replacing Officer Javier Becerra, school resource officer for the last two years. Becerra will be resuming



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patrol duties with the police department.

Sgt. Mike Pearson, supervisor of the community services division of the Big Spring Police Department, said a vocational law enforcement class has been taught by a police officer at the high school since 1988. He said the class curriculum is established by the vocational department of Howard Junior College.

Cpl. Couch said he has begun to acclimate himself to the classroom setting but will officially take-charge in August. Although the curriculum is set by the college, Couch said what is done with the curriculum and how it is taught is a matter of personal interpretation. He said

he will use case studies as a teaching tool. "We will take an in-depth look at some types of well-known (criminal) cases," Couch said. The students will be required to research the case and report on it, he said.

Couch said he will also emphasize preparation for the annual vocational contest. "Next year we really want to make a good showing" at the contest, he said.

Among his future plans at the high school campus, Couch said he wants to re-activate the Drug Free Youth In Texas (D-FY-IT) program. He and Pearson agreed that the program needs to be community-based and operated. Couch said they were

in the process of establishing a parent committee to run it. "It's going to be very important that the people involved take ownership of it," he said.

Couch said he will stress discipline and respect in the classroom. "There's got to be a line in getting to be buddies with everybody and being the teacher. There's a line that cannot be crossed, that's the main key," he said.

Couch is not new to the classroom, he served as a substitute teacher prior to joining the police department. He said he substituted at the high school as well as at College Heights Elementary and Runnels Junior High in 1990.

PARTY TIME



Roger Bryan, a resident of the Big Spring VA Medical Center nursing home care unit, attempts to break open a piñata with a cane Thursday. The party was to honor National Nursing Home Week.

AWARDS CEREMONY



Officials from Lawrence IGA were on hand at Bauer Magnet School this week to present awards to students based on tree essays they wrote. A total of 10 awards were presented.

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EDITORIAL

Quote of the Day

"The computer is a moron."

-Peter Drucker

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OUR VIEWS

We salute:

Each Friday the Herald salutes individuals and groups from our community and area who have been recognized for special achievements or accomplishments.

We recognize these special people for working to help make our region a better place to live, work and play.

This week we salute:

- Big Spring Independent School Superintendent Bill McQuary on being nominated for Superintendent of the Year for the Region 18 Education Service Center.
- The 161 Howard College graduates who had to overcome broken skylights, a power outage and flooding in receiving their diplomas and certificates last Friday.
- Sandra Buchanan and Kaye Richardson who were named LVN of the Year and RN of the Year at the Big Spring State Hospital.
- Sharon Paul and Edmund Scott who were named LVN of the Year and RN of the Year at the Big Spring VA Medical Center.
- The Coahoma Bulldogs on winning their third consecutive District 6-2A baseball championship.
- Big Spring High School freshman Tory Mitchell on winning bronze medals with third-place finishes in the 100 and 200 meters at the UIL state track meet in Austin.
- The 10 Forsan High School and 12 Coahoma High School students who combined for 26 best of state awards at the Technology Student's Association State Convention and Project Competition in Waco.

Is there an individual or organization in our community that should be saluted? If so, please send their name and why you think they should be recognized. We must have your name and telephone number and you must provide it in writing — no phone calls.

OTHER VIEWS

Taped confessions

Wayne Hale was in an Oregon jail awaiting trial on charges of murder and theft. He asked whether he could receive a statement of reconciliation — colloquially known as a "taped confession." Believing that the suspect may also have been involved in the December murder of three teen-agers in Springfield, prosecutor Doug Harclerod bugged the room and recorded the conversation. This conduct is an astonishing violation of the privileged communications ... between doctors and patients, husbands and wives and clergy and penitents (that a confessor accepts). Mr. Hale ... has not been indicted or formally charged with these murders ... His confession contains no information at all ... But even if he were to be indicted and walking into the gas chamber, he should be permitted to receive the sacraments and make his peace with God ...

The Washington Post

President Clinton's handling of health care reform nearly reached the second year of his administration. Then the issue faded from public consciousness. It resurfaced recently when Congress debated, then passed, a bill that allows workers to carry their health insurance from one job to the next. The portability measure helps already-insured workers, but does not enlarge the population able to buy coverage. So the need for health care reform remains. About three years ago, 34 million Americans lacked health coverage. The number of uninsured jumped 41 million this year. "These are the working poor," emphasized former U.S. Surgeon General C. Everett Koop. "None has a health plan. They don't have the money. This is a great issue." Sen. Bob Dole, who needs some meaty issues to energize his stalled presidential campaign, should give Dr. Koop a ...

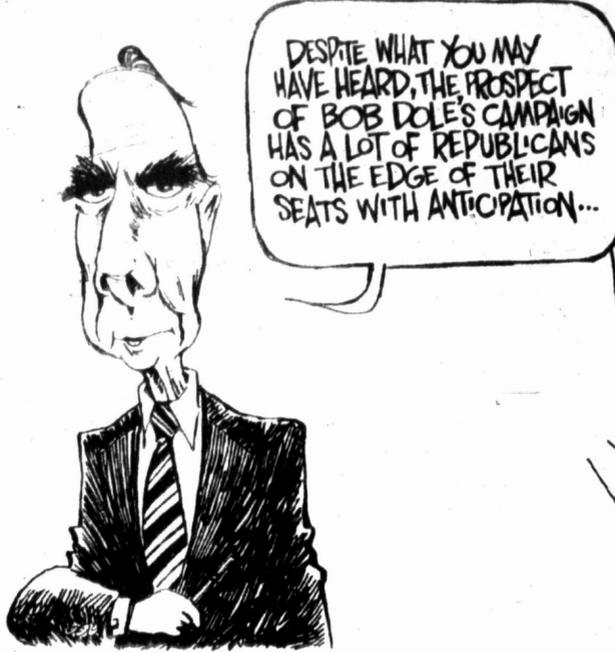
The Dallas Morning News

With the movie maker George Lucas working on a new "Star Wars" trilogy, it somehow seems fitting that Washington is locked in a new round of debate about building a missile defense system. Like the last time this fantasy seized the capital under President Reagan, (the plan) is technologically unrealistic ... As a political maneuver, the plan has great appeal for its Republican sponsors. If President Clinton vetoes the project, which is dressed up in patriotic bunting ... Bob Dole will accuse him of being weak on defense. But as a military ... matter, the plan is flawed ... a transparent effort to manufacture an issue to help re-ignite the Dole campaign. Election-year pressures are no excuse for spending billions of dollars to produce a missile system that is likely to be out of date the day it is completed.

New York Times

Since 40 people were killed in the crash of a ValuJet passenger plane in the Florida Everglades, Transportation Secretary Federico Pena has tried to reassure nervous travelers that America's airlines and federal regulators are doing all they can to put safety first. But a series of mishaps involving ValuJet planes and other no-frills airlines is raising hard questions about the ability of start-up companies to deliver maximum safety with minimum fares ... Whatever the outcome of the investigation into the ValuJet tragedy, the problems at (no-frills airlines) will present the FAA with a serious challenge in the near term.

Los Angeles Times



Big tobacco making grandstand play

We smokers best get ready. If cancer, heart disease or any of the other myriad ailments we all know smoking can cause or aggravate doesn't kill us first, we'll see the day when our nicotine fix is a controlled substance.

And in my heart of hearts, I know it should be.

Does that mean Big John plans to quit smoking? No, not in the near future. I am, after all, one of those people who swore and oath that if a pack of cigarettes ever got to costing a dollar, I'd quit.

Seems I said the same about them costing \$2 a pack, but it wasn't but a couple of months ago I found myself paying \$3.60 a pack for them in a Dallas hotel gift shop.

It's insanity. But at least I admit my malaise. What's more, I can honestly say I'm not all that frustrated by those would save me from myself. I need all the help I can get.

That above-mentioned insanity, any alcohol and drug abuse counselor will tell you, is simply addiction. That's A-D-D-I-C-T-I-O-N.

Being so afflicted... Now, hack-hack, where was I? Oh, yeah! Realizing full well that some would question the rotund one's quotient of gray matter after taking a smoke break in the middle of writing this piece, the tobacco companies insult what little intelligence that's left.

Remember those congressional hearings in which the presidents of the major tobacco companies all deadpanned for the cameras as they opined that nicotine is not an addictive drug?

In the West Texas vernacular, that's like spitting on somebody's boots and telling them it's raining.

And this week, Philip Morris USA refused to back a ban on cigarette vending machines and curb advertising.

There was, of course, a big condition attached: the nation's largest tobacco company would only follow through if the FDA backs off any attempt to regulate cigarettes.

Philip Morris announced Wednesday that it would support a proposed ban on permanent brand-name advertising in virtually all sports stadiums and the use of corporate logos and characters on non-tobacco items.

despite loud cries to the contrary. Certainly, all black Americans are free to speak their minds. But woe unto the errant fool who bucks prevailing thought, who dares to think unblack, as it were. Blacks wanting to enjoy an unmolested life must conform to the tenets of the unwritten manifesto of the Soul Patrol, the group to which the three men who walked out on my speeches belong.

What is the Soul Patrol? What are its tenets? And, of course, how do the patrol and its manifesto affect black society in general? The Soul Patrol is not an organized body. Rather, it consists of loosely connected opinion leaders — elected and appointed officials, preachers, journalists, gangsta rappers, business owners, teachers, school administrators and others.

These mind cops, practicing the ancient art of saving face for their ethnic group, are said to think black. They include the likes of O. J. Simpson attorney Johnny Cochran, U.S. Rep. Maxine Waters, former NAACP Executive Director Benjamin Chavis, Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan. The list does not include O.J. prosecutor Christopher Darden, Harvard

intellectual Henry Louis Gates Jr., English professor Shelby Steele or retired Gen. Colin Powell.

In the broadest sense, the manifesto of the Soul Patrol is the centuries-old prohibition against saying or writing anything negative about fellow blacks in the presence of whites or for their consideration. Its rationale, framed by the instinct of self-preservation, is that negative observations by blacks about other blacks only aid and abet the enemy by justifying racism and other forms of malevolence and by validating ugly stereotypes.

True brethren of color, therefore, do not air the race's dirty linen in public, a stricture that has created the pseudonegitude — false consciousness of and false pride in the cultural and physical aspects of our African heritage — that diminishes the quality of black life. Negritude itself, genuine consciousness and pride, is desirable, undergirding the positive aspects of African-American society.

Genuine negritude realistically assesses our heritage, actively makes our own personal behavior a shining example of the positive and publicly rejects self-immolation.

It also would ban all outdoor advertising of tobacco products within 1,000 feet of a school or a playground, and the plan would make it a federal crime to sell cigarettes to anyone under 18.

"We offer this comprehensive plan in the hope that all sides in the debate will set aside the hostility of the past and work together so that kids will not use tobacco products," a Philip Morris spokesman said.

In return, however, the tobacco company said the Food and Drug Administration would have to be precluded from regulating tobacco products.

The FDA is considering whether to regulate tobacco as a drug, and the Justice Department is investigating whether Philip Morris and other tobacco executives lied to Congress and the FDA when they denied manipulating nicotine content to hook smokers.

In addition, the tobacco industry is flooded with litigation over smoking-related illnesses, with eight states suing to recover the cost of Medicaid treatment for smokers, and as many as a dozen lining up to do the same.

Isn't it interesting that Philip Morris now wants to outlaw the sales of cigarettes in vending machines? For that matter, how many cigarette vending machines are left? When was

the last time you saw one? As a heavy smoker, I can't even remember the last time I bought cigarettes from a machine. Come to think of it, there never seems to be one around when I need one.

That just won't wash in this corner. And as much as I hate to agree with a Massachusetts Democrat, Rep. Martin Meehan was dead on target, calling the announcement "the epitome of doublespeak."

"For decades, Philip Morris has targeted kids with its deceptive advertising and marketing proposals. Now, just before the federal government is finally going to enact regulations that will prevent such advertising, Philip Morris wants us to believe that it has seen the light," he said.

Something tells me the tobacco companies are far from having experienced a spiritual awakening. The only other company that joined Philip Morris was one that produced chewing tobacco.

It's all just posturing by folks that pale only to Congress in "doing it with smoke and mirrors."

Pardon me, I've got to have my boots shined.

(John A. Moseley is assistant news editor of the Herald. His column appears on Fridays.)



John A. Moseley
Asst. News Editor

Black conformity carries much too high a price

By BILL MAXWELL
Scripps Howard News Service

Four weeks ago I spoke to a group in the Tampa Bay area about the need for blacks and whites to cooperate for the good of future generations of young people. A prominent black civil rights activist stormed from the room after I said that blacks must stop seeing racism in the ordinary "comings and goings" of human relations and that "some things are the inescapable hazards of living in a pluralistic society."

A week later I was showing social service professionals how to write effective letters and guest columns to the editor and how to arrange meetings with the editorial board of their local newspaper when a black man interrupted. He demanded, inappropriately for the topic at hand, that I explain why the St. Petersburg Times, the newspaper for which I work, has not employed more black executives and has not appointed a black to the board of directors.

After I said that the paper is slowly changing for the better, that blacks cannot force themselves into executive jobs or onto the board, he stormed out, but not before suggesting that I am an Uncle Tom.

A week ago, as I told a group interested in crime prevention that young blacks — especially males — must learn the practical virtues of citizenship, Perkins T. Shelton, former St. Petersburg NAACP president and one of the self-anointed seers of black esprit, marched out of the auditorium.

Although these acts of rudeness and ugly manners were not directly related, they show that monolithism — the compulsion for sameness and oneness — thrives in black society

So, when I said that young black males often are their own worst enemies, that they should not be permitted to terrorize their neighborhoods, that they must learn to be good citizens, the protectors of negritude saw me as a traitor.

Outsiders would think that because blacks do not discuss their intrarace problems in public, we surely must discuss these problems behind closed doors.

And we see the ugly results of this silence everywhere: in the squalid conditions of our neighborhoods; in the high number of our young men behind bars; in the high incidence of teen pregnancy; in the excessive school dropout rates; in the alarming suspension and expulsion trends; in the crime statistics; in the number of unemployable blacks.

Is the silence of saving face a sensible trade-off for such personal, spiritual and societal carnage? I think not. The real enemies of black life are not the self-critics who speak out publicly, but the blindly loyal soul brothers and sisters who storm out of auditoriums, who bite their tongues even as black life implodes.

(Bill Maxwell is an editorial writer and columnist at the St. Petersburg Times.)

By Bruce Tinsley



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Doctor reunited with family after Everest

GRAPEVINE — Despite the black patches of damaged skin mottling his face, Beck Weathers very nearly beamed as he sat with his wife and two children on a couch at a Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport passenger lounge. "It ain't Kansas, but it's sure home," quipped Weathers, 49, a Dallas pathologist who nearly died a week ago when a vicious blizzard defeated his attempt to conquer Mount Everest. Tired but smiling, Weathers told reporters Thursday that what mattered in the end was not the summit, but survival. Eight other climbers were not so fortunate. They were killed by cold in their attempt to reach the top of the 29,028-foot mountain. Weathers spent the night in snow, suffered severe frostbite injuries and was saved by a daring helicopter rescue. "The doctor said I'll get less ugly over time," said Weathers, who was surrounded by his wife, Peach; his daughter, Meg, 14; and his son, Beck, 17. He said his hiking-booted feet also should heal.

Bishops urged curbs, end to prelate's influence

CORPUS CHRISTI — A former lawyer for a wealthy South Texas charitable foundation says he prompted efforts to remove the Roman Catholic bishop of Corpus Christi as the foundation board's president. "I brought the matter to the attention of the (Texas) attorney general," Richard Hatch of Corpus Christi, former attorney for the John G. and Marie Stella Kenedy Memorial Foundation, told The Dallas Morning News for today's editions. Earlier this month, Texas Attorney General Dan Morales sued to remove all board members, including Corpus Christi Bishop Rene Gracida, whom the suit accuses of a conflict of interest. The bishop has denied any wrongdoing and has filed a countersuit against Morales. Also, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported today that Fort Worth Bishop Joseph Delaney informed an assistant attorney general of a 1993 meeting between five Texas bishops, including himself, and the Kenedy foundation board. Delaney and fellow bishops say the foundation should be spending more money on the poorer Texas dioceses outside Corpus Christi.

U.S. teen may be among bodies found Juarez
CIUDAD JUAREZ, Mexico — A DNA test will be needed to determine if a Texas 15-year-old missing since July is indeed among the 17 slain young women whose bodies have been found here over the last eight months, a medical examiner says.

Dr. Cesar del Hierro said he believes he has an 80 percent match based on an examination of skeletal remains found Aug. 22 and a physical description of Nadine Mendoza of El Paso, just across the Rio Grande.

But a positive identification cannot be made until a DNA test is performed, said del Hierro, chief of forensic medicine for the Chihuahua Attorney General's Office in Juarez.

Authorities say they don't know when the girl's parents, Eduardo and Maria Mendoza, will go to Juarez to participate in the testing.

The teen-ager's name and background were on a list of about 15 missing young women given by El Paso police to Juarez authorities investigating the killings, said El Paso police spokesman Sgt. Bill Pfeil.

RRC head wants to trim regs for Texas oil wells

HOUSTON — Texas Railroad Commission Chairman Carole Keeton Rylander says it's time to update and streamline oil production regulations that have been on the books for more than half a century. "Although the energy arena has changed a

great deal, the regulations haven't," Rylander said Thursday, holding up a pocket-size manual of commission rules published in 1934. "My proposal is to partially deregulate oil. It's been over 60 years since many of these regulations have been put into place, and I believe it's time to change."

Rylander said her panel, which oversees oil and gas regulation in the state, will review her proposed overhaul of regulations in the next three months.

She hoped to have all the new rules in place within a year, estimating they would save the commission \$300,000 a year in administrative costs and producers some \$40 million annually.

"That \$40 million, instead of being plowed into paperwork and red tape, can be put into secondary recovery and going back after that two-thirds of the oil that's still in the ground," she said.

Study: Anti-cholesterol medicine saves thousands

DALLAS — One of the nation's first anti-cholesterol drugs, which reduces the risk of death from coronary disease among heart patients, also may help them save thousands of dollars in hospital costs, according to a Scandinavian doctors' study.

By reducing hospitalizations for acute cardiovascular disease, simvastatin therapy almost pays for itself, the doctors wrote in a *American Heart Association journal* published this week.

That could be good news for tens of millions of Americans who annually fill prescriptions of drugs to lower cholesterol and other fats.

"In the United States, the resulting reduction in hospitalization costs over the 5.4 years of the trial would be \$3,872 per patient, reducing the effective cost of simvastatin by 88 percent to (28 cents) per day," the team headed by Dr. Terje R. Pedersen of Oslo, Norway wrote.

Tobacco companies, Morales fight over suit

AUSTIN — Nothing in the Texas Constitution or state law gives Attorney General Dan Morales the authority to file much of his \$4 billion lawsuit against the tobacco industry, lawyers told a Travis County district judge.

Attorneys for Philip Morris USA, several other tobacco companies and industry groups asked District Judge Joe Hart on Thursday to rule that Morales could not file most of the federal lawsuit the way he did.

The companies, all defendants in Texas' lawsuit, sued Morales in Travis County district court in December trying to block the lawsuit he filed in March in a federal court in Texarkana.

Philip Morris attorneys Mike Hull of Austin and Jim Scarboro of Denver argued that the way Morales filed the largest sections of the lawsuit — seeking reimbursement of billions of dollars in Medicaid money spent by the state on treatment of smoking-related illnesses — is not allowed under the Texas Constitution or state laws.

Solons urge board to control books despite law

AUSTIN — More than 20 lawmakers are urging the State Board of Education to exercise control over textbook content despite a law they passed curtailing the panel's power to make book decisions.

"When we voted for Senate Bill 1 (the 1995 education overhaul), we did not believe that our vote would, in any way, remove the SBOE's authority to establish and enforce textbook content requirements," said a letter to State Board of Education members.

The letter said that, had the board in the past not controlled content when considering health texts, "our children would be calling toll-free homosexual hotlines and assigned to read Dr. Kervorkian's book and write their own obituary."

Man gets 35 years for day-care molestations

FORT WORTH (AP) — A convicted sex offender has been sentenced to 35 years in prison for molesting at least six children at his wife's Arlington child-care service while on probation.

James Harley, 28, was accused of abuse in March, one month shy of completing a 10-year probation term. Had he completed the term, a previous child molestation conviction would have been erased from his record.

In addition to having the probation revoked Thursday, Harley was assessed two 35-year sentences for aggravated sexual assault of a child and two 20-year sentences for indecency-fondling, to be served concurrently. The sentences were part of a plea bargain.

Harley will be required to serve at least 17 years before becoming eligible for release, said Tarrant County assistant district attorney Robert Foran.

"I think it's a good resolution," Foran said. "Naturally, we always want to get these guys the maximum we can, but due to the fact that his victims were infants or unable to make an outcry, this was probably an appropriate resolution."

Three mothers of Harley's victims said they were relieved by the sentences but outraged by the probation system.

"I feel betrayed," said a mother whose child was cared for by

Harley's wife from age 6 weeks to 11 months. "Where was the probation system? Why didn't they inform the parents?"

Harley was convicted in 1986 of aggravated sexual assault of a child and was given a 10-year deferred sentence. As a condition of his probation, he was ordered not to have unsupervised contact with children younger than 18.

His wife, Patty Harley, has said that she was unaware until September of the circumstances behind her husband's prior con-

viction and was not told that he was not allowed to be around children unsupervised.

Twice in 1994, Harley sexually molested a girl who was younger than 1, according to court documents. He also sexually molested three other children, all younger than 2, the documents state.

Harley also told police that he molested two other children, but their parents declined to have them examined and declined to prosecute, police said.

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Top Navy officer kills self, Vietnam decorations had been in question

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's top Navy officer, distraught after some of his military awards were called into question, died Thursday from an apparently self-inflicted gunshot wound.

Adm. Jeremy Boorda was to have met about the time of the shooting with the Washington bureau chief of Newsweek magazine, which was working on a story concerning his medals.

Administration officials, speaking on condition of anonymity, said there was no evidence the shooting was accidental and no suspicion of foul play. Two notes were found at Boorda's residence; they were sealed by investigating police.

Colleagues and lawmakers who had spoken with him in recent days expressed shock and dismay. Several referred to the 57-year-old admiral as "a sailor's sailor."

At the White House, President Clinton praised Boorda, the first enlisted sailor in the history of the Navy to rise to its top position, as a man of "extraordinary energy, dedication and good humor."

Navy Secretary John Dalton said he

had met with Boorda a day earlier. "He was in great spirits," Dalton said. "He was in excellent spirits."

Rear Adm. Kendall Pease, who was with Boorda a little over an hour before the shooting, said Boorda was to have met with Newsweek's bureau chief in his Pentagon office at 2:30 p.m. to discuss questions about his Vietnam combat medals. The implication was that Newsweek was investigating whether Boorda had worn a combat "V" decoration that he was never officially awarded.

Pease said that when he told Boorda, at about 12:30 p.m., what the subject of the interview was, the admiral abruptly announced he was going home for lunch instead of eating the meal that had been brought to his office.

"Admiral Boorda was obviously concerned," said Pease, the Navy's top public affairs officer.

He said that Boorda had asked him how they should handle the Newsweek questions, then without waiting for a reply had answered his own question: "We'll just tell him the truth."

In a statement, Newsweek Editor Maynard Parker said the magazine

"had not reached any conclusions" about the medal controversy.

Boorda's body was found about 2:05 p.m. in a side yard next to his quarters at the Washington Navy Yard. People nearby heard the gunshot and rushed to his aid. But he was pronounced dead at D.C. General Hospital a few minutes later.

Pease, the Navy information officer, said he learned after Boorda's death that the admiral had become aware about a year ago that someone was looking into his Vietnam medal awards. Pease said he had no indication of how Boorda had reacted except that the admiral had stopped wearing a combat "V" on his Vietnam campaign medals.

Boorda was awarded commendation and meritorious service awards for his duty in Vietnam, which included combat operations. But copies of the citations released Thursday by the Navy did not mention that Boorda qualified for wearing a combat "V."

Boorda was known as a gregarious, hard-working admiral.

Sen. William Cohen, R-Maine, expressed the thoughts of many: "I

don't think any of us had any indication."

Defense Secretary William Perry called Boorda "a sailor's sailor. At every stage of his career, he put the interests of sailors and their families first." Dalton, too, referred to Boorda as "a sailor's sailor."

Boorda was to have joined Clinton and other members of the Joint Chiefs of Staff at the White House on Thursday for announcement of an initiative seeking a permanent worldwide ban on land mines. Clinton asked the chiefs if he should go ahead with the announcement after Boorda's death, and they recommended that he do so, aides said.

Clinton opened the session by asking for a moment of silence in Boorda's memory, as grim-faced military officers stood behind him. He bowed his head, prayed silently, then whispered, "Amen."

The president praised Boorda for his work in Bosnia and for showing "unwavering concern for the men and women" of the U.S. military.

Stunned lawmakers took to the Senate floor to praise Boorda.

Sen. Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, chair-

man of the Senate Appropriations defense subcommittee, said he was "in a state of shock." He called Boorda "one of the bright stars" of the Navy.

Sen. Trent Lott, R-Miss., the Senate majority whip, noted he had met many top Navy admirals over the years. "I've never known one better than Mike Boorda. The men and women of the Navy loved him," Lott said.

As commander of NATO forces in southern Europe, Boorda was in charge of a NATO air strike against four Bosnian Serb aircraft flying in violation of the U.N. ban.

It was the first time a NATO commander had ordered alliance forces on an offensive mission in its 44-year history.

Clinton appointed Boorda as chief of Navy operations, the Navy's top job, in 1994 after Adm. Frank Kelso II resigned. His first mission: to try to restore the service's reputation following the Tailhook sexual assault scandal involving Navy aviators.

The Navy also has suffered a series of serious flying accidents, and the Naval Academy is mired in drug-use and other controversies.

U.S. trade deficit soared to \$8.2 billion in March as imports hit all-time high

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. trade deficit soared to \$8.2 billion in March as imports into the country of both goods and services hit all-time highs.

The Commerce Department reported today that the March deficit was 26.8 percent higher than a revised February imbalance of \$7.04 billion.

The big jump in imports came despite the fact that two of the biggest categories, oil and cars, both showed decreases in March. U.S. purchases of foreign semiconductors, heavy machine tools and chemicals were up.

ry, in a dispute over copyright piracy.

The U.S. deficit with Mexico, America's third biggest export market, narrowed to \$1.13 billion. That is an improvement of 13 percent from February as American exports to Mexico climbed to \$4.5 billion, the highest level since November 1994 — the month before Mexico was forced to devalue its peso and set off an economic crisis in the country that sharply depressed its ability to purchase foreign goods.

America's foreign oil bill fell to \$4.29 billion in March, a drop of 5.4 percent from the \$4.54 billion in petroleum imported in February. Crude oil imports fell to 6.13 million barrels per day, the lowest monthly average in four years. The average price per barrel rose sharply to \$17.33, compared to \$16.18 in February.

Imports of cars and parts dropped 6.9 percent in March to \$10.02 billion. U.S. automotive exports were also down, dropping to \$4.84 billion, a decline of

The various changes left exports of goods and services at

\$68.8 billion, down 0.8 percent.

Imports climbed to a record level of \$77.72 billion, 11.3 percent from February.

While Clinton took office insisting he would make trade a top priority of his foreign policy, Republicans contend the president's strategy is not working.

The March imbalance was much worse than the \$8 billion gap many economists had been anticipating. The February deficit was revised sharply downward from the original estimate of \$8.2 billion.

For the year so far, the U.S. deficit in goods and services is running at an annual rate of \$103 billion, a slight improvement from last year's \$111.5 billion, which had been the worst showing in seven years.

America's international competitiveness has become a major election-year issue. GOP presidential candidate Bob Dole charged last month that President Clinton's policies with Japan represented a "spectacular failure, a fiasco."

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The administration insists that the worsening deficit last year reflected economic forces the government cannot control, such as a steep recession in Mexico and weakness in other major U.S. export markets.

They contend that Clinton's market-opening agreements are beginning to pay off, pointing in particular to a jump in U.S. exports to Japan.

For March, the U.S. deficit with Japan rose by 5.5 percent to \$4.11 billion even though U.S. exports climbed to a record \$6.1 billion. For the first three months of the year, America's deficit with Japan was \$11.8 billion, the lowest quarterly total since the spring of 1992.

America's second largest deficit in March was a \$1.81 billion imbalance with China. This figure, the lowest monthly deficit with China in nearly a year, reflected a 25.5 percent improvement from February as imports of Chinese toys and games, clothing, shoes and telecommunications equipment all fell sharply.

The Clinton administration this week targeted \$3 billion in Chinese products for punitive tariffs, which would be the largest trade sanctions in histo-

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Kasagic in control in Bosnian Serb stronghold despite being fired

BANJA LUKA, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — If appearances matter, then moderate Rajko Kasagic looked firmly in control of the Bosnian Serb government a day after his firing by hard-line leader Radovan Karadzic.

Western leaders rolled up in fancy cars for well-publicized meetings. Serb allies indicated their support. People milled peacefully about on the streets of Banja Luka, chatting and smoking in the midday sun.

In one sign all was not nor-

mal, Kasagic kept foreign journalists waiting a mere 15 minutes before granting them an unscheduled interview, signaling his need for international exposure as he wages an unprecedented battle with Karadzic for post-war leadership of the Bosnian Serbs.

Wearing a crisp green suit and paisley tie, Kasagic calmly discussed the crisis that could split the Bosnian Serb republic in two: an ultranationalist east led by Karadzic and a moderate

west under Kasagic's control.

Under indictment for alleged war crimes during the 43-month war he helped instigate and lead, Karadzic is seen as an obstacle to lasting peace by many in the West. Western powers have courted Kasagic as the Bosnian Serb leader who supports the Dayton peace agreement, and he has courted them.

"We cannot and we should not oppose the world," Kasagic told The Associated Press, making clear his contrast to Karadzic. "We should cooperate with the

world."

Accusing Kasagic of harming Serb interests, Karadzic fired him as prime minister on Wednesday. Within 24 hours, foreign powers including NATO, Britain and Germany condemned the move and supported Kasagic as head of the Bosnian Serb government.

Even the Yugoslav government, dominated by Serbian President Slobodan Milosevic, called Kasagic's firing "worthless" — a significant rebuke of Karadzic indicative of his grow-

ing isolation. Banja Luka's mayor, a former Karadzic supporter, also backed Kasagic in a reversal certain to anger the hard-line leader.

Kasagic looked relaxed in welcoming three U.S. journalists before his meetings with NATO Secretary General Javier Solana, NATO commander in Europe Gen. George Joulwan and Carl Bildt, the former European Union envoy in charge of implementing civilian provisions of the Dayton accord.

Kasagic had the power to fire him, Kasagic said, but the Bosnian Serb Parliament must approve a replacement to abide by the constitution.

"I think the assembly will hardly accept a new prime minister ... except me," he said. Asked if he feared for his safety, he quickly answered no, and said arresting him would be a bigger mistake than firing him.

Kasagic's native Banja Luka, the biggest Serb-held city in Bosnia, has long chafed at dominance by Pale, a former ski resort that is Karadzic's power base in mountains east of Sarajevo.

"I think there is no split among the people," said Kasagic, who sat with hands clasped in front of him for most of the interview. "That split appeared because of individuals."

Dominicans await results of election to choose new leader

SANTO DOMINGO, Dominican Republic (AP) — An opposition candidate took an early lead today for president of the Dominican Republic, in an election that marked a turn toward democracy after a strongman's 22-year rule.

Three candidates vied to succeed President Joaquin Balaguer. Under foreign pressure, Balaguer agreed to cut his seventh term in half and not seek re-election in order to end protests that he won the 1994 election through vote fraud.

Jose Francisco Pena Gomez, a Social Democrat and candidate of the opposition Dominican Revolutionary Party, had almost half the votes in early returns from Thursday's vote. Many believe he was the true winner of the last election.

Centrist Leonel Fernandez of the Dominican Liberation Party was close behind. Trailing was Vice President Jacinto Peynado of Balaguer's Social Christian Reformist Party.

With results from 23 percent of the almost 10,000 polling stations, Pena Gomez led with 47 percent, Fernandez had 33 percent and Peynado had 20 percent. A total count was expected

later today.

If none wins a majority, a June 30 runoff will be held between the top two vote-getters. It is widely believed that Fernandez, with support from the ruling party, would win a second round.

The prospect of another contentious campaign was unsettling to many voters, who spent hours in line to cast their ballots.

"It wouldn't be a good thing for the country, for our economic situation," said Andres Soto. "We need stability."

Voting was generally peaceful, according to domestic and international observers. David Carroll, with a joint delegation from the Carter Center for Democracy and the U.S. National Democratic Institute, said preliminary estimates suggested at least a 70 percent turnout of the 3.75 million eligible voters.

"We are here for a change in our presidency," said Nedra Agramonte, 71, among hundreds of women who waited hours to vote at the Paraguay School in a working class neighborhood of this capital.

"People want to participate on a grand scale. The people are inspired," said former Colombian President Belisario Betan-

cur, an election observer.

Two shootings marred the balloting, police said. A provincial ruling party official killed a rival from Pena Gomez's party in a dispute about voting credentials, and the gun of a soldier guarding a polling station discharged accidentally, grazing the ear of a 9-year-old girl.

And there was confusion as hundreds of people jammed schools and other public buildings, looking for the proper line to vote. In some instances, voters' names were missing from lists, or voters were directed to the wrong polling station. But the irregularities didn't appear to jeopardize the vote count, observers said.

Even Pena Gomez appeared satisfied, telling reporters that early signs suggested "a completely different process" than the disputed 1994 vote.

The election should mark the end of Balaguer's political career. But the man who has been president for 22 of the last 30 years has shown no eagerness to step down Aug. 16, inauguration day. He recently reshuffled his Cabinet and appointed new military and police chiefs.

Though frail and nearly blind, the 89-year-old Balaguer stumped for his party, if not

necessarily for Peynado, who alienated some people by criticizing government corruption.

On election eve, Pena Gomez warned that Balaguer would seize any chance to remain in power, citing Balaguer's appointment Tuesday of a retired general accused of human rights violations in the 1960s and 1970s.

All three candidates promised to combat corruption, privatize state companies, end a severe electricity shortage and reduce the poverty that affects more than half the 8 million people.

Pena Gomez's opponents revived claims — which he denies — that his parents were Haitian. It's a damaging allegation in a country that won independence from Haitian occupiers in 1844.

Some 5,000 Haitians, many sugar cane cutters, were deported before the vote, a move Pena Gomez's supporters claimed was aimed at intimidating Dominicans of Haitian descent from voting.

There was no immediate evidence of that. One poll watcher in Barahona, a town in a sugar-producing region west of Santo Domingo, said the presence of international observers may have reassured voters.

Shots fired as North Koreans enter DMZ

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — North Korean soldiers entered the demilitarized zone separating the two Koreas today and fired shots in the air, the South Korean defense ministry said.

The action was in defiance of a 43-year-old truce, which limits the number of soldiers in the zone, allows them to carry only sidearms and prohibits gunfire.

Seven North Korean soldiers went more than a mile into the zone, going 20 to 30 yards south of the military demarcation line, but retreated after guards fired warning shots.

In early April, North Korean soldiers made similar incursions into the demilitarized zone on three straight nights.

Those incidents prompted President Clinton and South Korean President Kim Young-sam to propose meetings between the two Koreas, the United States and China to discuss permanent peace. The Korean War ended with an armistice but no peace treaty.

None of the incursions sparked military incidents. South Korea put its 650,000-member military on heightened alert after the April incursions.

"We think the latest incursion is part of the North's longstand-

ing scheme to prove that the 1953 Korean Armistice does not work," a defense ministry spokesman said today.

On today's incident, the soldiers went 20 to 30 yards past the demarcation line, meaning that they went more than a mile into the demilitarized zone. They remained there for about an hour, the ministry said.

They retreated after border guards fired warning shots.

The Korean War devastated the peninsula and killed an esti-

mated 2.5 million people. The border is now the world's most heavily armed, with 2 million battle-ready troops facing each other on both sides.

North Korea, calling the armistice worthless, has taken a series of carefully planned measures to discredit it. It has evicted foreign cease-fire monitors from its territory, closed its offices in the truce village of Panmunjom, and declared it would no longer honor the armistice.

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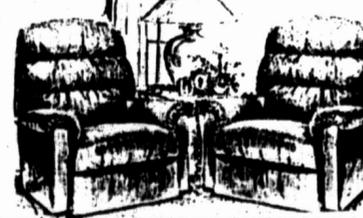
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Illinois lawmakers livid after seeking Richard Speck's prison tapes

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP) — Angry lawmakers demanded answers from prison officials after watching a clandestine video showing mass murderer Richard Speck having sex and snorting what appears to be cocaine in a maximum-security prison.

The tape, first broadcast on WBBM-TV in Chicago, was shown Wednesday in a packed hearing room in the state Capitol after lawmakers asked anyone under age 18 to leave the room.

Lawmakers said they want to know whether complicity between prison guards and inmates enabled the notorious killer to do such things in prison.

"Our emphasis will be looking at the proper witnesses to bring forth... and is that culture really there," said Rep. Tom Johnson, a West Chicago Republican and chairman of the House Judiciary Committee on Criminal Law. "Are gangs in control? Is sex prevalent? Is work and leisure out of sync?"

WBBM anchor Bill Kurtis was the only person to testify at Wednesday's hearing of the House Judiciary Committee.

Kurtis said he paid \$5,000 for broadcast rights on the tape to an attorney, unconnected with Speck. Kurtis said the attorney returned the money because he didn't want to be seen as profiting from such activities. It's unclear how the attorney got the tape. Kurtis said the money is going to a group that helps crime victims.

Kurtis, who also produces and appears as host on documentaries, has made a program about the tapes for his A&E cable series "Investigative Reports." The program is to be shown at 8 p.m. CDT Saturday.

Kurtis said he verified the tape was of Speck by showing it to Speck prosecutor William J. Martin, now a Chicago attorney. Speck was a 24-year-old drifter when he broke into a townhouse near South Chicago Community Hospital School of Nursing late the night of July 14, 1966.

He repeatedly told the young student nurses there that he only wanted money and wasn't going to hurt anyone. He bound them with bed sheets and led eight of them one by one to other rooms, stabbing and strangling them. A ninth woman escaped by hiding under a bed.

Speck died of a heart attack in 1991, one day before his 50th birthday. The tape apparently was made in 1988 after Speck and others sneaked into an area of Stateville Correctional Center in Crest Hill that has video equipment for staff training. "It is absolutely appalling to me the simplicity with which they go about their business," said Rep. Stephen Spangler, who noted the pair showed no fear of being caught.

At some points in the tape, Speck is naked except for a pair of blue women's underpants, and has large breasts. Corrections officials have said Speck was simply flabby and out of shape. Speck is seated next to another male inmate, and they snort what appears to be cocaine and have sex.

The tape comes after the department has been hit by charges that male guards had sex with female inmates at the

Dwight Correctional Center and that members of Chicago street gangs had free rein while imprisoned.

"We need to look at all of the elements that create an environment where this type of conduct is possible," said Rep. Peter Roskam.

State Corrections Director Odie Washington said he couldn't rule out that the same acts still go on behind bars. Washington said more than 80

percent of inmates in the state's maximum security prisons are sharing cells. He said that makes it "almost impossible to avoid behavior that may be inappropriate," but prison officials punish violators when they catch them.

Speck had been sentenced to die, but he escaped the electric chair after the U.S. Supreme Court invalidated all existing death penalty statutes in 1972.

FDA gives quick approval to implanted heart-assist device

WASHINGTON (AP) — Expanded use of an implant device that sends electrical jolts to an ailing heart was approved today by The Food and Drug Administration. The agency moved swiftly after studies showed the device could save thousands of lives.

Acting just six days after receiving a report on the device, the FDA OK'ed the use of a surgically implanted defibrillator for patients who are at high risk of sudden cardiac death because of abnormal rapid heart beats.

Use of the device "could save the lives of thousands of heart attack patients annually," the FDA said.

The defibrillator was previously approved for use in people who had at least one cardiac arrest and whose irregular heart beat resisted treatment with drugs.

The latest approval will be for the 10 percent of heart attack patients who have no obvious symptoms but who have irregular heart beats, called ventricular arrhythmia detected only by electrocardiograph.

About 30 percent of such patients die within two years from an accelerated heart beat, the FDA said.

The FDA acted after evaluating a new study that found the implanted defibrillator was more effective than drugs in preventing death among patients at risk of ventricular arrhythmia.

The study involved 95 patients treated with the implanted defibrillator and 101 treated with drugs. The patient group with the heart device experienced 15 deaths, while 39 patients on drugs died.

The study was halted early because of the significant differences in group outcomes.

CPI Guidant Corp. of St. Paul, Minn., submitted the study results to the FDA last week.

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Who would have thought evil Dr. Holmes would have been forgotten?

EDITOR'S NOTE - In those nether regions of fire and brimstone where the worst among us are shunted after death, Jack the Ripper no doubt confronted Dr. H.H. Holmes. But Jack would have to take a back seat to this evil doctor whose diabolical deeds defy credulity.

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — A century ago, the thought that America would forget the "Monster of 63rd Street" was preposterous.

Dr. H.H. Holmes was a swindler, bigamist, horse thief and pharmacist — not to mention sadistic killer — who died at the end of a hangman's noose in Philadelphia.

Newspaper readers from coast to coast knew of his 100-room Frankenstein-fantasy-come-true castle in Chicago, where authorities believe hundreds may have died amid a maze of trapdoors and trick hallways.

A greedy man, Holmes considered the "Evil One" his constant companion, and one biographer baptized him the "greatest criminal the police have ever handled."

Yet Holmes has disappeared from the American consciousness while another diabolical killer — Jack the Ripper, who gutted five London prostitutes just eight years earlier — remains known even to children.

"Part of the Ripper's appeal, no doubt, derives from the mystery of his identity, which continues to tantalize armchair detectives," says professor Harold Schechter of Queens College, author of the biography "Depraved."

"But the answer to Holmes' current obscurity, I believe, also lies in the nature of his crimes."

The Ripper was a sexual sadist, a stalker who more directly reflects the anxieties of our age, according to Schechter. Holmes was a product of "The Gilded Age," a late 19th-century period of feverish enterprise and gaudy excess — and Chicago was its nucleus.

"He was always seeking to profit from his victims — turn them into cold cash in one way or another," Schechter says. "Getting in the way of Holmes and his lust for wealth wasn't a good idea."

Holmes was hanged for one murder in Philadelphia, but he might have committed hundreds more in Chicago.

Authorities suspected as many as 50 visitors to the World's Fair in 1893 made a tragic choice of lodging and stayed at Holmes' boarding-house, later dubbed Nightmare Castle and The Castle of Horror.

In addition, as many as 100 young, female stenographers who answered Holmes' continual string of newspaper ads disappeared forever after they entered the three-story labyrinth.

The mansion was filled with

doors that opened to brick walls, stairways to nowhere, an elevator without a shaft and a shaft without an elevator.

There was an airtight and soundproof vault, torture chambers, dissecting tables, a crema-

torium, chemical vats, quicklime pits and human-sized greased chutes leading from the living quarters to the cellar.

The bedrooms had peepholes and were equipped with asphyxiating gas pipes connected to a control panel in Holmes' closet.

DR. HOLMES' VICTIMS

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

On April 9, 1896, just weeks before his execution, H.H. Holmes signed a statement of gruesome detail telling how he had murdered 27 people. He retracted the confession just before his hanging May 7, saying he killed only two women. This is a partial list:

- Dr. Robert Leacock of New Baltimore, Mich., a former school-mate Holmes killed in 1886 for \$40,000 in life insurance.
- Dr. Russell, a tenant of the castle, bludgeoned with a chair during an angry rent dispute. With his body, Holmes began the practice of selling corpses to medical schools for \$25 to \$45.
- Julia Conner and her daughter, Pearl, killed Christmas Day 1891, either because they knew too much or for insurance. Julia's skeleton was mounted, then sold to a medical school for \$200.
- Mr. Rodgers of Virginia, struck on the head by an oar during a fishing trip after Holmes learned he had some money.
- A maid named Lizzie, the first one suffocated in the vault. Holmes was afraid his married janitor might run off with her.
- Emeline Cigrand, his stenographer and mistress. He suffocated her on the same day he was supposed to marry her.
- Minnie Williams, poisoned and buried in the basement.
- Nannie Williams, Minnie's sister, died in the vault after being forced to sign over everything she owned to Holmes.
- Benjamin F. Pitezel, burned alive for \$10,000 in life insurance. "The least I can do is spare my reader a recital of the victim's cries for mercy and his prayers, all of which upon me had no effect."
- Howard, Nellie and Alice Pitezel, children of Benjamin Pitezel. Howard was poisoned, dismembered and burned; Nellie and Alice were placed inside a large trunk, gassed through a hole in the lid and buried.

Source: "The Torture Doctor," by David Franke.

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Holmes also had an "elasticity determinator," a curious contraption he claimed could stretch experimental subjects to twice their normal length and produce a race of giants. Those who viewed it — and lived — said it appeared to be a medieval torture rack.

"This monstrous mansion was built in a mystery wrapped inside its architect's psychopathic mind. Unfortunately for historians, much of the knowledge about the man comes from scores of pulp, true-crime books and from Holmes' own story published from prison in 1895.

"Like the man-eating tigers of the tropical jungle, whose appetites for blood have once been aroused, I roamed about this world seeking whom I could destroy," Holmes wrote.

Holmes was born Herman Webster Mudgett on May 16, 1860, in the rural New Hampshire hamlet of Gilmanton.

"I was born with the devil in me," he wrote. "I couldn't help the fact that I was a murderer, no more than a poet can help the inspiration to sing. And I was born with the Evil One standing as my sponsor beside the bed where I was ushered

for killing and maiming stray animals. He finished high school at 16, got married at 18 and finished medical school at the University of Michigan when he was 24.

In 1886, Holmes moved to the well-to-do Chicago suburb of Englewood, Ill., and took a pharmacist's job at Dr. E.S. Holton's Drugstore. Holmes purchased the shop and began constructing his castle across the street.

The next year, he wed Myrta Z. Belknap without bothering to divorce his first wife, Clara Loving. Pregnant, Belknap left him with a young son, but he didn't divorce her either and got married again in 1894 to Georgiana Yoke.

His charm and good looks wooed countless women — and enhanced his talent as a get-rich-quick schemer.

Holmes once tapped into a city water line in his cellar and flavored the water with vanilla, selling it for 5 cents a glass as an elixir called Linden Grove Mineral Water. He was caught but not charged.

Another time, he purchased a huge safe on credit, then moved it into his castle. Holmes constructed a room around it with only a tiny exit. When the creditors came to haul it away, they couldn't get it out.

Holmes supplied countless cadavers to medical schools, selling them for \$25 to \$50 whenever he needed quick cash.

He also dreamed up the insur-

ance swindle that would become his undoing.

Holmes took out a \$10,000 life insurance policy on a friend, Benjamin F. Pitezel. Their plan was to fake Pitezel's demise, substitute a body and then collect the money. Instead, Holmes burned his pal alive in Philadelphia so he would not have to split the take.

The bloodshed only halted with a tip and the arduous laborings of an intrepid Philadelphia police detective.

Jailed briefly in Missouri, Holmes shared a cell with the infamous train robber Marion C. Hedgepeth, "The Handsome Bandit." Perhaps wanting to brag about his own criminal prowess, Holmes told Hedgepeth about the Pitezel scam. Hedgepeth squealed.

Holmes was arrested in Boston in 1894 and extradited to Philadelphia for Pitezel's murder. It was then that Detective Frank P. Geyer began a futile search for three of Pitezel's missing children.

The bodies of Alice and Nellie Pitezel were found in a cellar in Toronto and Howard Pitezel's remains were found near Indianapolis. The Pitezel girls had been stuffed in a trunk and gassed; Howard was poisoned, burned and then dismembered and buried.

Holmes pleaded not guilty to killing their father and his trial began on Oct. 28, 1895 with Holmes firing his lawyers and questioning the prospective jurors himself. He was convicted of first-degree murder on Nov. 4.

After he was convicted of killing his accomplice in the "trial of the century," Holmes confessed to 26 other murders. He later recanted and several people he said were dismembered, burned and bludgeoned turned up alive and whole.

"The confession is a mixture of truth and falsehood. Holmes never could help lying," said George Graham, Philadelphia's district attorney at the time.

Holmes was executed in a gala public event at Philadelphia's Moyamensing Prison on May 7, 1896. Witnesses said he maintained his cool to the very end, even telling the executioner not to rush. "Take your time. You know I am in no hurry," he

said. It took Holmes more than 15 minutes to die.

Afraid scientists might dig up his corpse to study his brain, Holmes had left specific instructions for his burial.

His body was laid in a pine box and the box was then filled with cement. The coffin was buried 10 feet deep in a subur-

ban Philadelphia cemetery, then covered with another thick layer of cement.

Upon his death, the New York Times reflected, "It takes a very convinced opponent of capital punishment to maintain that any better disposition could have been made of the wretch Holmes."

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Do you have a good story idea for the *life!* section? Call 263-7331, Ext. 112.

Cevallos, Johnson head Coahoma High School 1996 graduating class

By SARA SOLIS
Staff Writer

The valedictorian for the 1995-96 Coahoma High School graduating class is Andrea Cevallos, 18, of Big Spring and the salutatorian is Diane Johnson, 18, of Sand Springs.

Andrea, the daughter of Dominga and Cecil Cevallos, Sr., has been a Coahoma ISD transfer student since Kindergarten. She said her parents attended Coahoma when they were children and wanted her to get her education there as well.

Andrea said she has been active in the National Honor Society, president; the Spanish Club; Business Professionals of America; the high school band, clarinet section leader; D-FY-IT, second vice president and secretary; Future Homemakers of America; the student council;



CEVALLOS

and Who's Who Among American High School Students.

She said she plans on attend-

ing the University of Texas in Austin and majoring in microbiology and ultimately go on to

Iwant to be either an ophthalmologist or an oral surgeon. I really love math and it's (physics) a lot of math ... anything's better than calculus.

Andrea Cevallos
CHS Valedictorian

medical school. "I want to be either an ophthalmologist or an oral surgeon," Andrea said.

She said physics was her favorite class in high school and calculus her least favorite. "I really love math and it's (physics) a lot of math ... anything's better than calculus," Andrea said.

She said becoming valedictorian has been a goal of hers for quite some time. "Ever since I started high school it was a goal of mine," she said.

She said she is ready to graduate. "I'm ready to go some where bigger and experience new things," Andrea said. She said she and salutatorian, Diane Johnson, are best friends.

Diane, the daughter of Mike and Kathy Johnson, said she will also be attending the University of Texas in Austin and will major in biology. Like Andrea, Diane plans on attending medical school after earning her bachelor's degree.

Diane has been active in the National Honor Society, secretary; Business Professionals of America, vice president; the high school band, drum major, reporter and trombone; student council member; Spanish Club; D-FY-IT; Who's Who Among American High School Students; and Future Homemakers of America.

"I was born in Houston, but

we moved here when I was about four-years old, I've always gone to Coahoma."

Diane said. She said her favorite high school classes were chemistry and algebra, while her most challenging classes were physics and calculus.

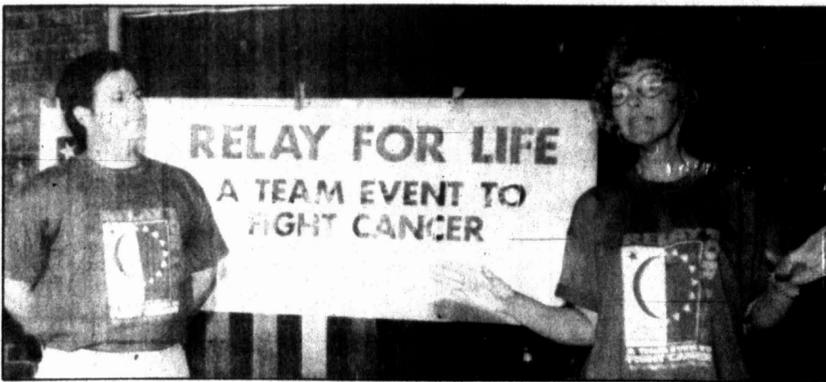
Diane said of her high school experiences, serving as drum major in the band was one of the most memorable. "Being drum major was great, it was hard, but it was fun," she said. "I've always made A's, it's just something I've always done," Diane said.



JOHNSON

Coahoma High School, 1996 commencement exercises will be 7 p.m. Friday, May 24 in the high school auditorium.

RELAY FOR LIFE



Jay Phinney and Diane Wood talk to Relay for Life committee members at their last meeting recently. The Howard-Glasscock Chapter of the American Cancer Society is just about ready to roll with the second Relay for Life on Friday and Saturday at Blankenship Field. It all begins at 6 p.m. on Friday with the Survivors Walk, all those who have survived cancer or are currently in treatment battling the disease are urged to join in on the first lap. Meet at the west gate area by 5:30 p.m.

Advice on working in a home office, nepotism and acting job

Scripps Howard News Service

Dear Dr. Bern: I think it's high time that you put out a warning for readers who are considering a job offer in someone's home office. Even though you've urged us to ask for a job description before accepting a new position, I've discovered all the usual rules go out the window when you're working in someone's home.

Supposedly, I was hired as an administrative assistant, but my first home office employer expected me to take his English mastiff — a 200 pound monster of an animal — out for a half hour stroll each lunchtime. He said, "When you finish walking the dog, then take your 20 minute break." My first reaction was, "Oh wow! Exercise and fresh air in the middle of the day!" However, the dog commenced exercises will walk became a real downer, when the thermometer fell to minus-10 and the snow was up

to my knees.

My second attempt at employment in a home office saw me often changing diapers or giving a 4-month-old her bottle while her mom (my employer) talked on the phone with new customers.

Enough of a home office! Now, I'm back in the real work force and I love it! — Gina, Lawrence, MA

Dear Gina: What an interesting perspective! You have run into a downside to home offices I hadn't considered. It would be interesting to hear from other readers who might have had similar experiences. Or from those who have had good ones, experiences they couldn't have had in a more traditional workplace.

Q: I would happily kill my editor if I could get away with it. I was the star reporter at our newspaper until six months ago when my editor married a woman on the city desk. Since they've said "I do," she's

received all the plum assignments and I get the dregs. I'm sick of the situation, but don't know what to do. How can I change things? Caryl in Florida.

A: You can't ... unless you're willing to wait around to see how the honeymoon ends! No matter what the official word around the office is, you're second banana. So face reality: either ask for a transfer to a different department, look for a new job at another newspaper or be content with the dregs. You're in a no-win situation.

Q: I'm an unemployed actor and my girl friend's boss is planning a fancy dinner party for other corporate bigwigs. She's helping him organize the affair, which will have a Shakespearean motif with all waiters dressed in Elizabethan costumes. As they serve the usual rubber-chicken, the waiters will be asked to spout a few

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RSVP needs volunteers around Big Spring

Special to the HERALD

Senior citizens are needed to volunteer at several places around Big Spring. Retired and Senior Volunteer Program Director Nancy Jones said anyone 55 years of age or older can volunteer. Right now, there are volunteers working in 45 locations throughout the area.

Here is a list of where volunteers are needed:

- RSVP Volunteer Opportunities Caps for Warmth - making stocking caps to be distributed to the homeless during the winter. Donations of yarn are also needed.

- City of Big Spring/Dr. Morgan Park Project - needs someone with construction experience to direct the on-site project for a couple of weeks.

- Howard County Library - needs tutors for the literacy program. Training is provided and you set a schedule of a couple of hours a week.

- Methodist Malone and Hogan Clinic - they need information desk help, retired nurses to take blood pressures

and help in the children's clinic.

- Proud Citizens - need help with recycling, city clean up and Code Enforcement Program.

- Road to Recovery - drivers will transport cancer patients to Allison Cancer Center in Midland.

- Westside Day Care and Jack and Jill Day Care Center - need volunteers to rock babies, read to the children and help with activities.

- Big Spring Police Department - volunteers needed to enter data on the computer, work on ID photo files and other clerical duties. The animal control department also needs assistance at the shelter. Training is available.

- Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce - needs help with their monthly mail-outs one or two days per month.

- Comanche Trail Nursing Home - is looking for entertainment for their residents, if you play or sing, call Lillie Trevino at 263-4041.

- Elbow Elementary School - needs people to read to the students.

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Grady and Borden County high schools announce their top graduates

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Lenorah residents Stacey Rivas and Aaron Gibson have been selected as the 1996 Valedictorian and Salutatorian of Grady High School.

Rivas is the daughter of Tony and Tina Rivas and will be graduating with a grade point average of 97.98.

During her high school career at Grady, Rivas has participated in several activities and received several honors including National Hispanic Scholar, cross-examination debate quarterfinalist, 1995 cross-examination debate octofinalist, University of Texas Honors Colloquium, serving as National Honor Society President, Future Homemakers of America Treasurer, University Interscholastic League Regional Qualifier in Number Sense and Persuasive Speaking and a participant in

the Texas Governor's Honors Program.

Rivas plans to attend the University of Texas at Austin and major in psychology.

Gibson is the son of Richard and Bernadine Gibson and will be graduating with a grade point average of 96.35.

While at Grady, Gibson has received several including state quarterfinalist in cross-examination debate, National Honor Society member, Xerox Award for Humanities, 2-time Zone One Act Play Best Actor, Texas Governor's Honors Program participant, U.I.L. Regional Qualifier in Tennis, Cross Country, Ready Writing, Persuasive Speaking and Current Events.

Gibson was elected as Mr. Grady High School during the 1995-96 school and plans to attend either Sul Ross State University or Midland College and major in biology.

Meanwhile, Roy Clayton and

Faith Farmer have been named the valedictorian and salutatorian of the 1996 graduating class from Borden County High School.

Commencement exercises will be at 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 29, in the school's auditorium. Baccalaureate services are set for 11 a.m. Sunday, May 26.

Clayton, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Scott Clayton, maintained a 3.76 grade point average in earning valedictorian honors and plans to attend Texas A&M University in the fall.

In addition to being a member of the National Beta Club, he played on the football, basketball and golf teams; was a class officer for three years; and active in Future Farmers of America.

Clayton also participated in University Interscholastic League literary competition and advanced to regional in sci-

ence, informative speaking and literary criticism. He also participated in the one-act play contest.

Farmer is the daughter of Philena Farmer and Nathan Pewitt. She maintained a 3.48 grade point average over her four-year high school career.

She was a class officer and a cheerleader, as well as serving as drum major of the band. As a member of the band, she advanced to state in clarinet solo competition.

She was the recipient of the John Phillip Sousa Award in band and listed among Who's Who Among High School Students.

Farmer was also active in FFA and advanced to state in the FFA Skills Contest.

She plans to attend Texas Tech University.

Assistant News Director John A. Moseley contributed to this report.

TIPS 'N' TRIVIA

Pet tips
(NAPS)—Tips on keeping Fido fit:
•Expert recommend 20 minutes of daily exercise for your dog. It can include walking up and down stairs in your house, a quick walk around the block or a game of fetch.
•Exercise reduces stress in dogs. If Fido seems moody, think about whether he's been cooped up inside all day.
•Combine an exercise regimen with a healthy diet.
•Be aware of the weather and if it's too hot or too cold, exercise inside.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Elbow Elementary carnival
Elbow Elementary will host their second annual end of the year Reading Carnival at the elementary school from 11:15 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., May 23.
Students will cash in the Accelerated Reader Points they earned throughout the year for tickets to use at the various booths: dunking; basketball toss; woodcarving; paperback/cake walk; football throw; and hot air "Moonwalk." Cold drinks, cotton candy will be available and special guest, "Cliffie the Clown" will be on-hand.

Summer reading program
Register your child now for the summer reading instruction beginning May 28. Limited space available. Call 263-1533.

THE LAST WORD

Patience, and shuffle the cards.
—Cervantes

When a thing is funny, search it for a hidden truth.
—George Bernard Shaw

A wise man makes more opportunities than he finds.
—Francis Bacon

Everything has been said before, but since nobody listens, we have to keep going back and beginning all over again.
—Andre Gide

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Messages from Billy Graham and Hillary Clinton differ

Scrpps Howard News Service

Two very symbolic Americans — Billy Graham and Hillary Rodham Clinton — recently preached very different sermons on the state of the nation's soul and what should be done to heal it.

As a rule, politicians receive more media attention than clergy. However, this time Graham was preaching in the U.S. Capitol and he used that pulpit to deliver a sobering call for Americans to repent before it's too late.

Soon, the world "will enter the third millennium," said the elderly evangelist. "Will it be a new era of unprecedented peace and prosperity? Or will it be a continuation of our descent into new depths of crime, oppression, sexual immorality and evil? ... We have confused liberty with license and we are paying the awful price. We are a society poised on the brink of self-destruction."

The first lady's recent message to the United Methodist General Conference, meeting in Denver, received less attention. While addressing the same topic — national renewal — her message was radically different.

Graham stressed "America has gone a long way down the wrong road" and now must "turn around and go back and change roads."

However, Hillary Clinton argued Americans must continue to "have courage in the face of change, to be willing to struggle forward doing what we can," seeking unity amid diversity. "It is easy to complain

about the problems that we face," she said. "It is harder — but far more rewarding — to

Capitol Rotunda. Mrs. Clinton described her "faith journey" with images

It is easy to complain about the problems that we face. It is harder — but far more rewarding — to roll up our sleeves and work together to solve them.

Hillary Clinton

roll up our sleeves and work together to solve them."

These were not political speeches, but they offered different answers to a crucial question that looms over national politics in 1996: Is America on the right moral road, or not?

It would be wrong to pin a "Republican" label on Graham's message, or to say that the first lady on this occasion spoke as a Democrat. Still, a kind of party politics was involved. For decades, historians have argued that American Protestantism is a two-party system, with one emphasizing personal sin and evangelism and the other emphasizing the sins of society and, thus, social activism.

Through the decades, Graham's approach has broadened to include appeals for listeners to carry personal faith into public efforts to fight racism, hunger, poverty and other social problems. Nevertheless, this recent sermon began with the story of his own revival-meeting conversion and stopped just short of offering the assembled politicians, journalists and other dignitaries a chance to make public professions of faith in the

familiar to her fellow United Methodists and others raised in old-line flocks, beginning with her christening in a historic sanctuary and continuing through years of church-supported social crusades. She never mentioned "sin" or "repentance." The key, she said, was for people of all religions to cooperate in efforts to help families and strengthen public institutions, schools and social programs.

"We know we need to strengthen the spiritual and moral context of our lives and we know that we need a new sense of caring about one another in which every segment of society, every institution, fulfills its responsibility to the larger community," she said. "As adults, we have to start thinking and believing that there isn't really any such thing as someone else's child."

It is appropriate, said the evangelist, to ask, "Why?"

"The fundamental crisis of our time is a crisis of the spirit," he said. "We have lost sight of the moral and spiritual principles on which this nation was established — principles drawn largely from the Judeo-Christian tradition as found in the Bible."

institute recruits two of Kellicut's former students, Dr. Matt Mattison and Dr. Susan Arnot, to go to Tajikistan and find their missing mentor.

Although the former lovers are now academic rivals, they agree to the expedition after learning the skull is that of a Neanderthal male and only 25 years old. Once in Tajikistan, a local teen guides Mattison, Arnot, fellow Frederick Van Steeds and Russian guide Rudy to Kellicut's camp site high in the Pamirs. They locate Kellicut's diary and learn that he believes he has found a tribe of Neanderthals.

As they search for Kellicut

higher and higher in the mountains, they first run into a band of very aggressive Neanderthals who kill Rudy and eat his brains. Fleeing into a valley, they encounter a very peaceful tribe of Neanderthals and Kellicut.

The only way back to civilization is through the cave of the brain eaters.

Darnton has made his two tribes very believable. His main characters are well-drawn and the dialogue works. So one is not surprised to learn that Steven Spielberg's DreamWorks studio will turn "Neanderthal" into a movie.

New thriller is worth reading

Scrpps Howard News Service

NEANDERTHAL by John Darnton (Random House, \$24, 366 pages)

The first novel by Pulitzer Prize-winning reporter Darnton would be a much better book if the first 50 pages had been edited down to 10. But once you get over the verbose and silly setup, "Neanderthal" turns into a pretty fantastic read.

A Harvard paleontologist, Dr. Jerome Kellicut, has disappeared in the Pamir mountains in Tajikistan after sending a skull to a shadowy research institute near Washington. The

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• Mountain View Lodge - looking for someone to call bingo on Friday afternoons at 3 p.m. and also need someone to assist with resident activities.

• Scenic Mountain Medical Center - needs volunteers to work at the information desk, gift shop and other areas.
• St. Mary's Episcopal School - looking for additional library help on Tuesday afternoons 1-3

p.m. Training is provided.
• VA Medical Center - needs volunteers in a variety of areas.
Contact Nancy Jones at RSVP, 264-2397, for more information.

Advice

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lines from one of the Bard's plays. Any guest who recognizes the play from which an actor is quoting will receive a small gift. If sounds off the wall to me, but I wouldn't care one bit except that she's asked me to play a waiter and help her recruit other unemployed actors! I feel insulted! I know her boss will pay the out-of-work actors handsomely for

their "waiter" roles, but I didn't graduate from one of the best drama schools in order to perform at her boss's party as a waiter! What could be worse? B.B., Long Island, N.Y.

A: She could have asked you to be a singing waiter! At least, with this gig you'll have a chance to act. Loosen up; perhaps there will be a producer at her boss's dinner party. But more to the point, the bucks

can go toward next month's rent.

Dr. Paula Bern, author of "How to Work for a Woman Boss," has taught executive seminars at Pittsburgh's Carnegie-Mellon University's Graduate School of Urban and Public Affairs. Questions may be mailed to Dr. Paula Bern, 1090 Vermont Ave. NW, Suite 1000, Washington, DC, 20005. Questions can be answered only through this column.

CLUBS IN BRIEF

Deadline for club news is Wednesday at noon.

West Texas Republican Women's Club

The West Texas Republican Women's Club met Thursday, May 9, at the Big Spring Country Club. In the business session, the club voted to disburse two-thousand dollars to five of the Republican candidates to help with their expenses.

Mr. John Yardley from the Masonic Lodge in Stanton, with three of his fellow members, presented the program on the American Flag. It was a very informative program on the stars and stripes and their meanings.

Our next program will be Thursday, June 13, at noon at the Big Spring Country Club. Susan Lewis will give the program about her trip to Hong Kong. Everyone is welcome.

Big Spring Prospectors Club

The Big Spring Prospectors Club met in regular session May 9 at 606 East Third Street Clubhouse. Jerard Wilson, president, presided.

Final gem and mineral show report was given by Lola Lamb, secretary/treasurer. Three guests were welcomed, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Coffman and Wesley Miller.

Business session included discussion and plans for a field trip.

Jerard urged members to write State Congressmen about the bill before Congress concerning hunting fossils on BLM lands. If passed, it would add more restrictions than at the present time.

After the close of business and refreshments, Mr. Coffman gave a program on gold Wire Sculpture. He presented the basic fundamentals of constructing a bracelet.

The members voted to present Mr. and Mrs. Coffman a free, temporary membership in the club since they will only be in Big Spring until July. Mrs. Coffman is a traveling R.N. and is currently working at the VA

Hospital.

The next regular meeting will be the second Thursday of June. In the meantime, Jerard urged all members who could do so to take a display case to Lubbock to the South Central Federation Show June 1 and 2. The SCFMS consists of three states: Texas, Arkansas and Louisiana.

Order of Eastern Star

Big Spring Chapter No. 67 Order of the Eastern Star will have a dinner 6 p.m. and a meeting at 7:30 p.m. on May 21.

Big Spring Art Association

The Big Spring Art Association will meet May 21 at the Marcy House, 2301 Wasson Road. Virginia Whitten will give the program.

JoBeth Gilliam's workshop has been rescheduled for June 7-8. The fee is \$70 and May 31 is the deadline for your \$25 deposit. For more information, call Kay Smith at 263-6466.

Several artists entered the Andrews Art Guild Show. Smith was awarded second place in watercolor and Betty Conley, two honorable mentions. Kay, Judy Gibbs and Carol Berry sold paintings.

There will be a paint-in and sale of art work at the Railroad Plaza May 25. Bring your easel, paints and have a good time.

Sands Parent - Teacher Organization

The Sands Parent - Teacher Organization met Monday May 13 to elect officers for the 1996-97 school year. The reporter is Ricci Gooch, secretary will be Alison Foster and treasurer will be Amy Parker.

Big Spring - Howard County Retired Teachers

Big Spring - Howard County Retired Teachers will meet Monday, May 20, at 11:30 a.m. in the Cactus Room on the campus of Howard College. Officers for 1996-1997 will be installed.



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Saint Mary's Episcopal Church

On Saturday, May 4 approximately 45 clergy and lay people from West Texas gathered at St. Mary's Episcopal Church to participate in a workshop on racism. The workshop was under the leadership of Mary Andrews of Lubbock, who is the Diocesan Chair for the Racism Task Force. The Racism Task Force is sponsored by the Episcopal Diocese of Northwest Texas. The Task Force was born out of the 1994 Episcopal General Convention where it was resolved to combat racism in the church and in society...and to hold ourselves accountable to this new covenant. It was further resolved by the General Convention that the members would work to fulfill their Baptismal Covenant that asks, "Will you strive for justice and peace among all people and respect the dignity of every human being?"...The response being, "I will with God's help."

The leader of the workshop led the participants through a process to help them to recognize racism as it exists within themselves and in the institutions and governmental bodies that surround them. They taught that through education increased awareness of the problems of prejudice, stereotyping, and racism can be better understood. Once understood the process of combating racism can begin to unfold.

The workshop leaders felt it is through workshops like the one held at St. Mary's that the commitment to combating racism can begin to take shape. It is recognized that authentic change takes sustained, competent work over a long period and that the Episcopal Church is dedicated to that goal.

For more information, contact the Rev. James Liggett, Rector of St. Mary's, at 267-8201.

Latter Day Saints

A special family event will take place Monday, May 20, as the highly acclaimed vocal/dance group, Showtime Company, presents "Freedom, Family & Films" 7:30 p.m. at the Lee High School Auditorium, Midland.

Showtime Company is a college touring group from Ricks College in Rexburg, Idaho. It is the largest, private two-year college in the United States and is operated by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

The touring musical company is comprised of 13 performers accompanied by an eight piece orchestra and nine technicians. The group has performed throughout the U.S., Canada, South Africa and British Isles for an estimated audience of more than 10 million since Showtime Company was formed in 1979.

The Permian Basin area Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints has paid for the entire cost of bringing the performance to Midland, thereby allowing free admission.

The content of the musical is entirely non-denominational and non-doctrinal.

Call 393-5314 for ticket and admission is free.

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 Sunday is Graduation Sunday at the First Church of the Nazarene. Graduates will be honored during the morning worship service. Alan Wallace of the local congregation will deliver the morning message. Following the service, the church will provide a dinner for the graduates and their families. Graduates being honored this year are D.L. Pollock, Brandon Cline, Marcus Wiley, Betsy Gross, Corrie Yanke, Ricky Waltenbaugh, Ronna Osborn and Heather Anderson.

Sunday evening will be a sending service for the Work and Witness team, leaving Sunday, May 26, to build a church in the Amazon jungle of Peru. They will be a special prayer time for the fifteen men and women on the team, as well as a communion service.

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Bulldogs rout Van Horn to open playoff run

By JOHN FULBRIGHT
Special to the Herald

PECOS - Coahoma pitcher Brian Ruiz struggled getting the third out during the first two innings of the Bulldogs Class 2A playoff game against the Van Horn Eagles.

But he and his teammates gave Van Horn pitchers problems no matter how many were out, and cruised to a 16-4 victory Thursday evening in Pecos.

The win lifted Coahoma's record to 19-6, and they'll await the winner of the Hamlin-Ranger game to see who their area round opponent will be.

"It was nice to see everybody hit the ball and put it into play and make them make the plays," Bulldogs coach Trey Morgan said. "We were real patient at the plate and selective about what we swung at."

Kelly Bailey had a pair of two-run homers in the first and second innings as part of Coahoma's 14-hit attack. His one-out shot to left-center field in the first was the fourth straight hit to open the game off



RUIZ

Van Horn's Orlando Ramirez, and erased Van Horn's early 2-0 lead.

Then in the second, after a double by Marshall Wright and a single by Ruiz turned a 3-3 tie into a 6-3 lead, Bailey greeted new pitcher Ronnie Mendez with a shot to almost the same spot, giving the Bulldogs a 10-3

lead. Left-center was also the location of J.R. Corrales' two-run homer in the first off Ruiz. The pitcher, who came into the game with an 8-0 mark, opened by getting a pair of ground outs to second baseman Freddie Olivas before Ruben Mendez blooped a single over Olivas head and Corrales followed with his shot over the fence.

Ruiz struck out the first two batters in the second before three straight singles by Isidro Venegas, Donald Ramirez and Bobby Delao tied the score. But Wright then made a nice play on Ruben Mendez's bouncer down the line at third base to end the inning, and Van Horn didn't score again until the fifth inning - after Coahoma had all but sealed the victory.

"Brian felt a little uncomfortable out on the mound the first

few innings, then he got back into the groove," Morgan said. Ruiz ended up striking out seven in five innings of work while allowing eight hits - only three in the last three innings.

Coahoma collected 10 of its 14 hits off Orlando Ramirez and Ronnie Mendez in the first two innings, when the Bulldogs scored 10 times.

Along with Bailey's homer, Mike McMillian led off the first with a double, Wright reached on an infield hit and Ruiz singled. Wright was caught off third base and tagged out by Ronnie Mendez following Ruiz' hit. Van Horn later was credited with a double play after Scott Goodblanket singled, when he was ruled to have interfered with a throw to first by Venegas on Rodney Gressett's fielder's choice grounder.

Brandon Shifflett and Olivas started the Bulldogs' second

inning with consecutive bloop singles. One out later Wright doubled home Shifflett and Ruiz singled Wright and Olivas in before Bailey's second homer.

Van Horn began helping Coahoma get its runs after that. Mendez walked three batters, threw away a pickoff throw and dropped an infield pop-up later in the inning, and Venegas also booted a grounder for the final two runs of the inning.

Both teams went quietly in

the third, before Goodblanket doubled and Gressett walked to open the fourth. Shifflett's sacrifice bunt attempt was then picked up by Ramirez, who tried for Gressett at second and tossed it to the fence in center field, scoring two runs.

Olivas singled Shifflett home, McMillian followed with his second double and Wright singled both of them in, making it 14-3 and giving Coahoma the chance to end the game early under the 10-run rule. The Bulldogs then added a pair of insurance runs and Ruiz closed their 3s out in the top of the fifth.

Van Horn 210 11 - 5 8 6
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W - Ruiz, L - Ramirez, Ubs - Van Horn 5.
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(Ramirez), Coahoma (McMillian 2, Wright, Goodblanket); HR - Van Horn (Corrales), Coahoma (Bailey 2).

Trio tied for lead at Colonial tourney

FORT WORTH (AP) - One's big on billiards and horror stories. One's spent more time caddying than playing on the PGA Tour. And a third is a former player of the year who hasn't won a PGA event since 1990.

Those were the leaders entering today's second round of the golden anniversary MasterCard Colonial golf tournament.

Omar Uresti and Jeff Gallagher, neither household names, and struggling veteran Wayne Levi fired 4-under-par 66s Thursday on "Hogan's Alley" to nab a 1-stroke lead in the chase for the \$270,000 top prize.

Steve Jones and Emlyn Aubrey were tied at 67, a stroke ahead of a group that included Tom Kite and two in front of former Colonial champions Corey Pavin, Nick Price, Fuzzy Zoeller and Tom Purtzer.

"That was probably the best round of golf I've played in - whew - I don't know how long," said Gallagher, whose PGA credits include a dozen or so stints as a caddy for his older brother, veteran Jim Gallagher.

Jeff's career earnings total \$60,336. That's about \$4.65 million less than Jim's.

The elder Gallagher was among nearly two dozen players at even-par 70, including defending champion Tom Lehman, Fred Couples, Curtis Strange and Steve Elkington.

Jeff Gallagher, in the final group of the day, finished some

six hours later than Uresti, a former University of Texas sharpshooter who teed off before 8 a.m. and got a jump on winds that gusted to 35 mph.

"It was a guessing game out there with the wind," said Uresti, 27, a movie buff named for actor Omar Sharif and a fan of author Stephen King, the master of horror.

Uresti slashed five shots from par for a blistering 30 on the back side.

Strange things happened all over the Trinity River course nicknamed after five-time winner Ben Hogan.

Former British Open champion Mark Calcavecchia eagled the first hole and made three birdies - and shot a 78. At the par-4 17th, he hit a drainage ditch, a tree, a bunker and somehow missed three tap-in putts.

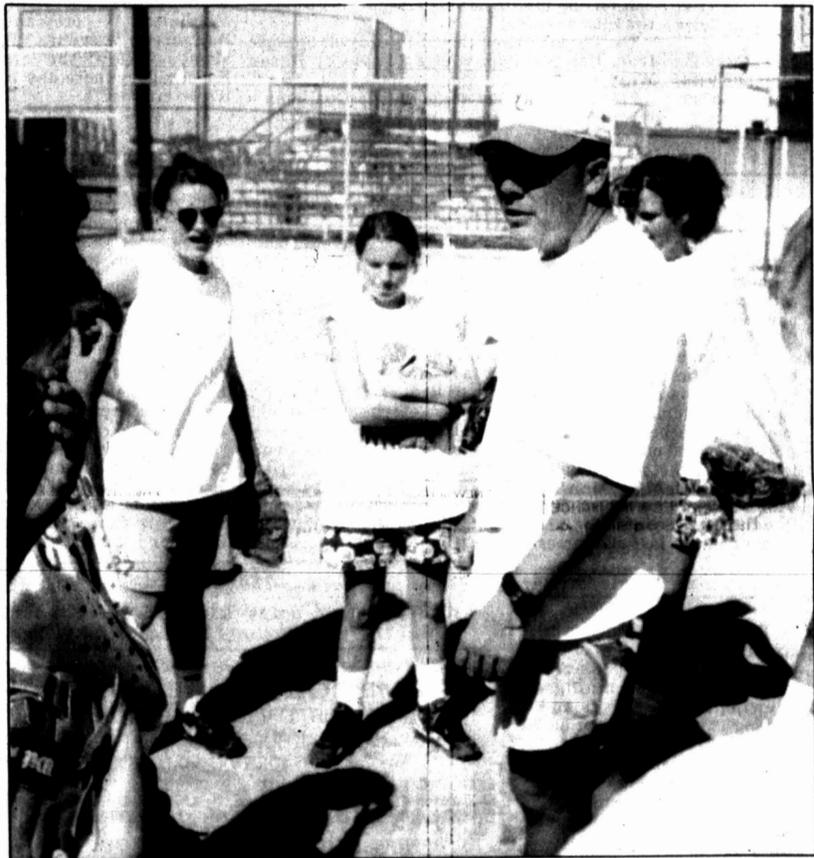
It all totaled up to 10. Calcavecchia was a bit reluctant to discuss it, but one who did approach him observed wryly, "I wouldn't want to be his water tonight."

Ian Baker-Finch, the 1989 Colonial king, was no better. He hacked out a 41 on the front side and called it quits on the back.

Levi, meanwhile, showed flashes of the brilliance that carried him in 1990 to four tournament victories, \$1,024,647 and PGA player of the year honors. He hasn't won since.

Then, last year, he all but vanished, winning only \$46,095.

LISTEN UP



Coahoma softball coach Danny Randolph (with glasses) gives instructions to his team during a recent practice in Coahoma. The Bulldogettes faced Slocum in a Class 2A state semifinal game at 1 p.m. today.

Extra batting practice pays off for Dodgers, Blowers vs. Philly

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Mike Blowers' glove has been fine while his bat faltered.

So when the Los Angeles Dodgers third baseman walked into the clubhouse a few hours before Thursday night's 8-2 victory over the Philadelphia Phillies and learned that batting practice was optional, he took his regular swings anyway.

It paid off with two RBIs and his first three-hit game of the season.

"When a team is struggling like we have, guys put in a lot of work and a lot of hours. I know I certainly have,"

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Blowers said, "I've seen guys in here who have hit 'til their hands have bled."

"I hit today just because I was sick yesterday and wasn't able to do anything. I basically was on my back all day, so I felt like I needed to get out there and do some things."

Blowers, who has been benched a couple of times already this season by manager Tom Lasorda, capped a three-run first inning with an RBI double and a five-run fifth with a run-scoring triple. Still, he is

batting only .218 with 11 RBIs in 124 at-bats.

"For whatever reason, my first 100 or so at-bats every year are a struggle and it takes me awhile to get going," said Blowers, who hit a career-high 23 homers last year for Seattle and has only one this year. "I don't like to make excuses. Besides, I have none."

Elsewhere in the National League, Chicago bombed Houston 13-1 and New York defeated San Diego 6-3. Blowers committed his first error in 20 games when Kevin Jordan's fifth-inning grounder near the line got through his

legs for a two-base error. Jordan scored on a single by Jim Eisenreich, who is hitting .418 lifetime against the Dodgers and .345 at Dodger Stadium.

"You can't go out there every day and be flawless," Blowers said. "At third base, sometimes you just get caught in-between hops on ground balls. I just tried to get in front of it and it stayed down on me. Sometimes, those balls are going to come up and hit me in the chest, too."

The unearned run was the only one given up by Ismael Valdes, who allowed three hits

and two walks in six innings despite fighting control problems the entire way.

"I was wild and didn't have good control of my pitches, at least on my fastball," said the right-hander, who hasn't allowed more than three earned runs in any of his nine starts. "I felt strong, but I went 3-2 on lots of guys and if I didn't throw a lot of pitches, I maybe could have gone two more innings."

Valdes (4-2) won for the fourth time in five starts after opening his season with a four-

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Belle cracks two dingers, drives in five as Indians subdue Detroit

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Nothing seems to faze Albert Belle, and that's why his manager thinks he can hit 60 home runs.

Belle, ordered Thursday by AL president Gene Budig to get counseling, hit two homers and drove in five runs as the Cleveland Indians beat the Detroit Tigers 8-3.

The controversial outfielder leads the AL with 16 homers and has hit in a career-high 17 straight games. His two-homer performance came hours after he was told to receive counseling and to perform community service following an investiga-

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tion of an April 6 incident in which Belle threw a baseball that hit a photographer.

Hargrove, who has managed Belle since the minor leagues, was asked if he thought Belle thrived on controversy. "I have no idea. I'll give you the standard answer: Ask him," he said.

Belle hit a three-run homer off Brian Williams (0-2) in the third inning. It was Cleveland's first hit and gave the Indians a 4-2 lead. His second homer, a two-run shot in the seventh inning, put the Indians up 8-2.

Since Aug. 1, Belle has hit .351 (127-for-362) with 47 homers and 102 RBIs in 96 games. His 50 homers led the majors last season.

"I will talk about his baseball ability in that anything he does at bat shouldn't surprise anybody," Hargrove said. "He has the ability to block out everything except what he's trying to do at that time."

"If I was a gambler, which I am not, I would bet on Albert, out of anybody in the game right now, hitting 60 homers in a season because he has that tunnel vision to accomplish it. Right now, though, I just hope he gets to 30 this season."

Elsewhere in the American League, Milwaukee edged Chicago 3-2 and Minnesota beat Toronto 4-1.

Cleveland, which won its fifth straight, has won 12 in a row at home and 24 of its last 31 overall. Detroit has lost 23 of 27.

Jack McDowell (5-1) won his fifth straight game with a seven-hitter.

After trailing 2-1, Cleveland took the lead for good in the third. Julio Franco drew a two-out walk and Carlos Baerga was safe when his grounder went through shortstop Chris Gomez's legs, setting the stage for Belle's 15th homer.

Eddie Murray flipped with

his fourth homer of the season and 43rd of his career, putting the Indians up 5-2.

Belle's second homer came with Baerga aboard in the seventh. He unloaded another line drive into the left-field stands off Scott Aldred.

"Albert is real similar to Frank Thomas," said McDowell, a teammate of both sluggers. "The thing with Albert is he has an expanded power zone. Frank is happy to take walks, but Albert can take a pitch a little off the plate or just a bit high and hit it out. As his teammate, I sure love to see

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Final slots up for grabs

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) - Seven spots remained open in the starting field for the May 26 Indianapolis 500 heading into today's last full day of practice.

An average speed of at least 220 mph was needed for the four-lap, 10-mile qualifying run for drivers to earn a starting position. Heading into today's practice session, only five drivers who haven't qualified completed at least a lap faster than the minimum speed.

Billy Boat, a veteran midget and sprint racer, drove himself into contention for a spot in the race during a busy rain-shortened practice session Thursday.

Boat's fastest lap had been 193.690. But a switch from a 1992 Lola-Buick to a 1994 Reynard-Ford paid off as he became the 19th rookie to complete the U.S. Auto Club's rookie orientation program this month.

Boat then gained speed rapidly, turning a fast lap at 224.657 in the Pagan Racing car that formerly was a back-up to Roberto Guerrero. He completed 100 laps once practice began Thursday and was consistently above 220 once he completed his rookie test.

"It's a huge lift right off your shoulders," Boat said of the rookie orientation he began on Tuesday. "These cars do want to run. You want to stand up and gas them. They feel much better to me when you get the speed up and start using the aerodynamics of the car a lot more."

Meanwhile, one rookie hopeful saw his program turn into a pile of broken pieces, and another decided to end his bid.

Scott Harrington became the 18th driver to complete his rookie test and had a fast lap of 209.859. But minutes later, he lost control of his car and struck the wall twice. The car was extensively damaged.

England's Justin Bell decided to halt his effort to qualify after failing to get above 186 in a 1992 Lola-Buick.

Three other rookies have gone faster than the minimum qualifying speed. Brad Murphey tops the list at 228.612. Fermin Velez, seeking to be the first driver from Spain to race here, has a fast lap of 223.775 and Johnny O'Connell got up to 225.315 on Thursday.

The only other driver above the 220 mark is veteran Johnny Parsons, who hasn't driven since crashing during practice on Saturday. His fast lap before the crash of his 1993 Lola-Menard was 223.076.

Boat has dreamed of driving at the speedway for a decade.

"Ten years ago when I was here and running ARS (American Racing Series), and walked out on the front straightaway on race day, the drama and the excitement ... were unbelievable."

SPORTS BRIEFS

CGA sets monthly toumey

The Chicano Golf Association will hold its monthly tournament Sunday at Comanche Trail Golf Course. Tee times for the 6-6 format tournament are from 10 a.m.-noon. Entry fee is \$15. For more information, contact the golf course at 264-2366.

Howard College plans hoop camps

Howard College will host its annual basketball camps for boys and girls in June. The Lady Hawks' girls camp will be held June 3-6 at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, and will be under the direction of new Howard College women's coach Matt Corkery. Cost is \$95 and covers tuition, equipment, noon meal and a T-shirt. A \$25 deposit is required. HC men's coach Tommy Collins will conduct two boys' camps at the coliseum. A day camp will be conducted from June 10-13, while the overnight camp will be held June 23-27. Cost of the overnight camp is \$190, while cost of the day camp is \$95. For more information on these camps, contact either Corkery or Collins at the HC athletic department, 264-5040.

UGSA hosts ragball tournament

The United Girls Softball Association will host a ragball tournament for anyone 13 years of age and older today and Saturday at Re, Anderson Complex. All proceeds benefit the local UGSA chapter. Entry fee is \$10 per person. For more information, contact 267-1993, 263-7206, 263-0778, 263-3623 or 267-4657.

KOC hosts softball tournament

The Knights of Columbus will hold their second annual men's softball tournament May 17-19 at Hildaigo Park, located on Orchard and Tyler streets in Midland. Entry fee is \$110, and entry deadline is May 15. Mail entry fee to: Knights of Columbus 9215, Attn: softball tournament, P.O. Box 50743, Midland, Texas 79710.

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game winless streak. He lowered his ERA to 2.34. Valdes escaped a bases-loaded jam in the second inning and survived errors by three of his fielders en route to his first hit in three career decisions against the Phillies — leaving the New York Mets as the only NL opponent he has never defeated. "He just made the pitches in situations he had to make them in," Philadelphia's Mark Whitten said. "We had opportunities and just didn't come through." Phillies starter Michael

Mimbs (0-2) was charged with six runs and four hits in four-plus innings. In his last two outings, the left-hander has surrendered 15 earned runs, 16 hits and six walks in seven-plus innings. Cubs 13, Astros 1
At Chicago, Sammy Sosa became the first Cubs player to homer twice in an inning, and Amaury Telemaco won his major league debut. Sosa homered off Jeff Tabaka leading off the seventh and capped the eight-run inning with a two-run homer off Jim Dougherty. Sosa has six homers in his last six games

and raised his season total to 15. Telemaco, a 22-year-old right-hander, was recalled from Triple-A Iowa on May 14. He allowed one hit in seven shutout innings — Jeff Bagwell's two-out single in the sixth — and didn't allow a runner to reach third. Doug Drabek (1-3) gave up five runs — four earned — and seven hits in four innings. Leo Gomez hit a three-run homer and Scott Servais had a two-run shot for the Cubs. Mets 6, Padres 3
Pete Harnisch, playing while appealing an eight-game sus-

pension for fighting, pitched seven strong innings as New York snapped a four-game losing streak by winning at San Diego. Harnisch (3-2), suspended by NL president Len Coleman for his part in a May 12 brawl between the Mets and Chicago Cubs, held the Padres to five hits and one earned run. The right-hander remains eligible to play pending a hearing. The Mets gave Harnisch plenty of support in handing Joey Hamilton (6-3) one of his worst outings this season. New York scored six runs on 12 hits off Hamilton in 5 1-3 innings.

11. Radke (4-5) had not won in six starts since he started the year 3-0. He held Toronto scoreless through seven innings, allowing only four hits and retiring 13 of 14 batters at one stretch. Radke was removed in the eighth after allowing consecutive singles to open the inning. Eddie Guardado relieved and gave up a run on Carlos Delgado's double-play grounder. Dave Stevens pitched the ninth for his eighth save. Paul Quantrill (2-5) was the loser.

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that." Brewers 3, White Sox 2
At Milwaukee, John Jaha homered in the eighth inning as Milwaukee beat argumentive Tony Phillips and Chicago. A day after Phillips confronted a fan in the stands during Chicago's 20-8 win, the game was relatively routine until the ninth. That's when Phillips, who arrived at the ballpark just before the game and was scratched from the starting lineup, was booed when he pinch hit. Phillips walked, but was picked off by reliever Mike Fetters. Phillips argued the call with umpire Chuck Meriwether and had to be restrained by first base coach Ron Jackson. Graeme Lloyd (1-1) got the win after getting out of a bases-loaded jam in the eighth, and Fetters got his third save. Kevin Tapani (3-3) struck out four straight batters before Jaha hit his fifth homer. Twins 4, Blue Jays 1
At Minne polls, Brad Radke won his first game since April

You can call him 'Dr. Yogi'

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — At age 71, Yogi Berra suddenly has a new dilemma. "People want to know, do they call me Dr. Lawrence or Dr. Yogi?" the ex-New York Yankees great joked Thursday, when he received an honorary doctorate from Montclair State University and delivered a mind-bending commencement address. Dr. Lawrence Peter Berra — get used to it — twisted a series of classic Yogi-isms into a short, sweet speech that broke new ground and most rules of English grammar. "I want to give some of my famous advice to the graduates. First, never give up, because it ain't over 'til it's over," the catcher-philosopher instructed the Class of '96. "Second, in the years ahead, when you come to the fork in the road, take it."

But he bounced back quickly: "Fourth, stay alert. You can observe a lot by watching. Fifth, and last, remember that whatever you do in life, 90 percent of it is half mental." The 3,000 graduates, virtually all born after Berra's Hall of Fame career ended in 1963, greeted the end of his speech with chants of "Yogi! Yogi!" Berra, a child of Italian immigrants, went to work in a shoe factory instead of attending high school in his native St. Louis, Mo. The Montclair resident smiled broadly as the students gave him a standing ovation inside the Meadowlands Arena. Wearing a black robe and matching mortar board, he rocked gently while receiving a black, red and white cowl that signified his new status from university president Irvin P. Reid. Reid earlier paid homage to Berra with his own convoluted introduction, praising the Hall of Famer's "ability to combine words with a common-sense philosophy that is easily understood despite its creative expressions."

Indeed. Berra, of Montclair, later posed for pictures with fellow honorary doctor Bruce Willis, revealing he and the actor once walked their dogs together when the "Die Hard" star was attending Montclair State. Willis adjusted Yogi's tassel and expressed his delight at hearing that "Dr. Berra would be on the dais." "I really don't know when I say 'em," Berra said of the Yogi-isms. "I wish I did. I'd make a fortune." He also said he would support the university's efforts to raise funds for a new baseball stadium that would bear his name. Yogi closed his speech with one final blast from his tongue-twisting repertoire, stealing a line he used at his Hall of Fame induction: "In closing, I want to quote myself again. Thank you, Montclair State University, for making this day necessary."

YMCA offers services

The Big Spring YMCA will have a summer swim team league open to boys and girls in grades 1-12. Other services on tap for this summer include: • Free swim lessons May 20-23. Space is limited. • Summer camp program open to children in grades K-6. • Applications are now accepted for summer swimming lessons. Lessons will be offered Monday through Friday for two weeks. First session starts May 28. • Swim and Gym is offered for children ages 6-10. A half-hour of gymnastics followed by a half-hour of swimming lessons will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays for four weeks. Classes start May 28. For more information on these services, contact the YMCA at 267-8234.

NAYB schedules national toumey

North American Youth Basketball will hold its 10th annual tournament and championship July 24-28 in the Longview-Tyler area. Spaces still remain for the tournament, organizers said. There are 10 brackets of competition. A five-game guarantee is \$275, while a 10-game guarantee is \$425. Entry deadline is May 24. For more information, contact Tommy Aldridge at (903) 845-5192 during the evenings.

Pirates outlast Coahoma

The Pirates edged Coahoma 2-1 in recent Junior League action. Clint Bamert pitched four innings of no-hit ball for the Pirates, while Colby Ditto scattered two hits in relief. The Pirates scored their two runs off a single from Derrick Pope and a double by Daren Weatherby. Pirates improved to 3-0 while Coahoma's record fell to 1-1.

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CANKER SORES- I suffered 26 years, until finding the cause. Now I have not had 1 sore in 9 years! Detailed Information 1-900-680-5444. \$25/call, 18+ infotel 514-324-INFO.

DIABETICS! DID YOU KNOW Medicare covers diabetic supplies? Take advantage of your Medicare benefits. Call Liberty Medical Supply. No HMO's! Satisfaction Guaranteed. 1-800-762-8026. Mention 2064.

LOSE WEIGHT TODAY. Amazing diet skin patch, 14-day supply. \$24.95, 28-day supply \$39.95. 1-800-889-4988. Also, 200 mini-cross or diet pills for \$9.95, 1,000-\$29.95, 10,000-\$249.95.

TOO LATES

Too Late To Classify 627

1990 Ski and Bass boat with 1990 Evinrude motor like new. 87 Auto Sales. Call 263-2382.

1993 LARSON 15ft. walk thru ski boat. 88hp motor with tilt & trim. All ski equipment included. Call 263-8225.

1995 FORD RANGER SUPER CAB. 6 Cylinder, a/c, power steering, power brakes, automatic, cruise, radio/cassette, 1,800 miles, considerable hail damage. Make offer. Call 263-7361, ask for Dwight Blackwell.

2, 3 and 4 Bedrooms, some with appliances and refrigerated air. Rental references required, \$275.00 - \$500.00. L & M Properties, 267-3648.

REDUCE! 2 acres, 2 mobile homes, Forsan school. South corner of Longshore and Timothy lane. Owner financing with good down payment. Call 264-7422.

AKC CHIHUAHUA, 8week old female, black with white and bridle markings \$150.00. 263-6827 leave message.

EVAPORATIVE A/C, Kenmore washer, patio doors, refrigerator, Pr. geese. 263-1701.

FOR SALE: Guitar and instruction book, \$125. Antique guitar, needs repair, \$10. Sears Exercise bike \$50. Large desk \$40. Call 263-3643.

1222 E. 15th. Saturday Only. 8:00am-7. Baby things, baby crib, women's & baby clothes, car seat.

3 FAMILY, 1603 Canary, Saturday, 8:00-2:00. 94' GMC truck seats, brass items, baby items, clothes and lots of miscellaneous.

BACKYARD SALE: Friday & Saturday, 8-5. No Early Birds. 1800 Donley. Clothes-Newborn to womens sizes, toys, strollers, changing table, bassinets and lots of other misc. Breakfast & Lunch bunnies.

GARAGE SALE: 2509 Ardmore. Entertainment center, hutch, table, chairs, dryer.

GARAGE SALE: 1018 Birdwell. Saturday Only. 8:00am-7. Nursing uniforms/shoes, knick-knacks, floral arrangements & lots of misc.

WHATABURGER now hiring for all shifts, all positions. Apply with manager between 2:00pm-5:00pm. 1110 Gregg St.

PUBLIC NOTICE

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS The Big Spring Independent School District shall receive sealed bid proposals until 2:00 p.m., May 29, 1996, for the following athletic area:

Cross Country Track Supplies Athletic Trainer Supplies School Nursing Supplies

Specifications and bid documents may be secured from the school district's Business Office, 708 Eleventh Place, Big Spring, Texas 79720-4610, phone number (915) 264-3620. Bids will be publicly open and read immediately following the deadline for receiving the bids in the Business Office of the Big Spring Independent School District. Bidders are invited to be present at the bid opening. Bids received after the opening date and time will be returned unopened. Bids will be presented for consideration to the Board of Trustees on June 11, 1996, at 5:15 p.m. at their regularly scheduled board meeting. The Big Spring Independent School District reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. 9852 May 10 & 17, 1996

CHURCH AND CLUB NEWS DEADLINES

Church and Club News items are due at the Herald office by noon Wednesday for Friday publication.

Items should be dropped off to the office, 710 Scurry; mailed to P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring Texas, 79721-1431; or faxed to 264-7205. For more information call 263-7331, x112.

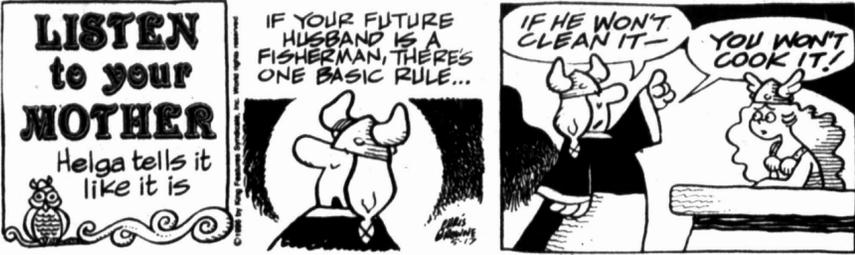
A picture of one person who is speaking at a club or church can also be submitted.

FRIDAY

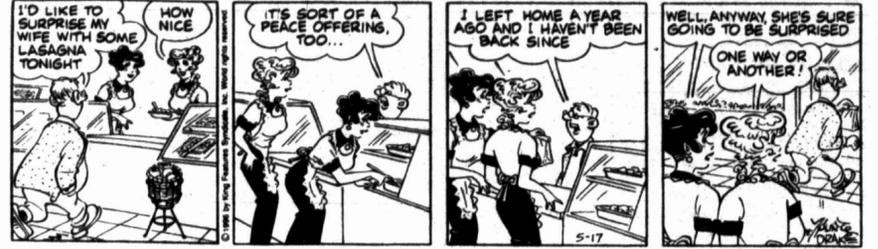
MAY 17

Table with 24 columns (channels) and 7 rows (time slots) listing various TV programs and their details.

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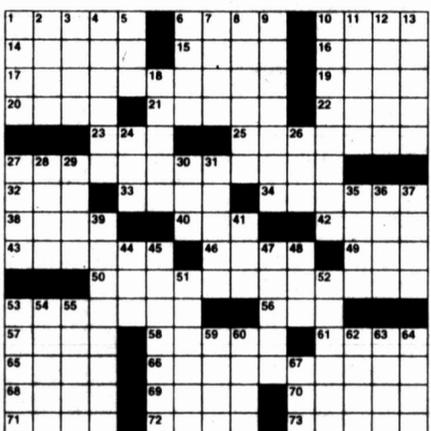
Today is Friday, May 17, the 138th day of 1996. There are 228 days left in the year.

On May 17, 1954, the U.S. Supreme Court issued its landmark Brown vs. Board of Education ruling...

On this date: In 1792, the New York Stock Exchange was founded by brokers meeting under a tree located on what is now Wall Street.

THE Daily Crossword by Virginia Yates

- ACROSS 1 Bel 6 Sound of yearning 10 Fancy marbles 14 flu 15 Native dance 16 Feel 17 compassion 18 Saved 19 "I - A Hammer" 20 Kind of jerk 21 "house is his castle" 22 Far-reaching 23 Have 25 Rock hound's forte 27 Under wraps 32 Sward 33 Astronaut 34 Santa's reindeer 38 Psyche parts 40 Scamp 42 Clearance event 43 Quick raid 44 Yen 49 Transgression 50 Confidential 53 No get-up-and-go 56 Mountain 57 Crossbar 58 Takes a fling at 61 Gen. Robert 65 Entr- (intermission) 66 Unrehearsed 68 -Kojak (Savalas role) 69 Horse, of a sort 70 Chauvinist 71 Merit 72 Lady of Sp. 73 Suds 35 Mince 36 Lamb name 37 Let 39 Cavalry source 41 Golf teacher 44 CD income 45 Film spicers, e.g. 47 Grind, as teeth 48 Grig 51 An - music 52 Coin 53 Boiling 54 Nape 55 Sign up 59 - first you don't succeed... 60 Sicilian peak 62 Bobbed cousin 63 An - effort 64 News 67 Decline



Thursday's Puzzle solved: A grid with words filled in, including GLIB, SALA, ALAMB, EATA, EGOS, MARIA, AVES, REDPEPPERS, RARE, ING, SESTET, MEADE, CREESE, PATELLA, MAE, ASONE, RIPELBA, WHITETAILEDDEER, NETS, UNO, OUTRE, SPY, HEPCATS, BEGONE, MEDEA, ANODAL, ASE, TAKE, BLUEPOINTS, IDEX, EARTOTIES, OLPE, SIDON, RARA, NETS.

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RITZ 401 S. Main 253-7400 ADULT \$4.95 *FLIPPER PG 7:00-9:00 PM, \$2.00 SENIORS & CHILDREN, \$4.00 ADULTS *TWISTER PG 13 8:30-10:30 PM, \$2.00 SENIORS & CHILDREN, \$4.00 ADULTS BARB WIRE R 7:10-9:10 PM, \$2.00 SENIORS & CHILDREN, \$4.00 ADULTS *Tuesday Night All Stars *Pace & Bargain Restricted

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