

Commissioners request governor ban fireworks in county

By **CARLTON JOHNSON**
Staff Writer

Howard County commissioners voted to request the Gov. George Bush's office to issue a ban of the sale and use of fireworks in Howard County due to dry conditions and the danger of fire during a special called meeting this morning.

The commissioners' court voted 4-0, with Commissioner Sonny Choate absent, to issue a resolution requesting the ban.

Commissioners noted the Texas Pyrotechnic Association, which repre-

sents about 85 percent of the fireworks industry in Texas, has voluntarily agreed to exclude dozens of aerial fireworks from retail sale statewide and to encourage the use of safe areas in counties.

During their last meeting, commissioners considered a ban of all aerial fireworks, but voted not to issue a ban because of the difficulty of finding one suitable area in the county where they could be used, which is required by law.

This morning County Judge Ben Lockhart said Bush's office indicated the county does not have to provide a safe area for aerial fireworks since all

254 Texas counties have been declared disaster areas because of the drought.

The action by commissioners this morning follows last Thursday's action by Bush who responded to a request for help from Gray County leaders and issued an executive order banning the use of and sale of fireworks in Gray County (including the city of Pampa) in the Texas Panhandle.

The order was issued because of the drought and extreme fire hazard there. Gray County was the first county in the state to formally ask Bush to use his authority to enact a ban.

Bush has the authority to enact a ban, if requested by a specific county,

as granted by the Disaster Act of 1975, which gives the Governor authority to issue executive orders which have the force and effect of law during times of disaster.

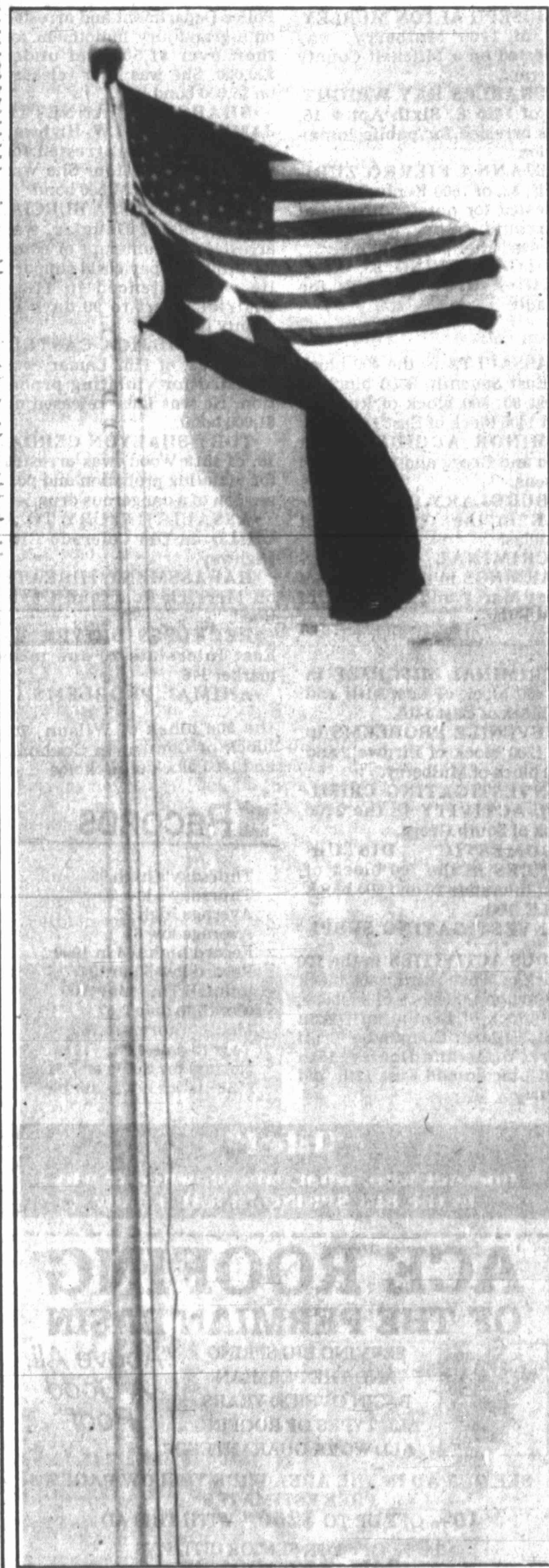
All 254 Texas counties have been declared disaster areas because of the drought, which leaves the possibility of wildfires lingering as long as land conditions remain the same.

Commissioners also called the special meeting because, as required by state law, any action on the part of county commissioners concerning bans or restrictions on fireworks during the Fourth of July holiday must be in place by June 15.

In a statement released last Thursday by Bush when he issued the ban in Gray County, he said, "Fireworks are as much a part of Fourth of July celebrations as picnics and flags, but parts of Texas are a tinderbox and no one wants fires to threaten lives or property."

He added, "I urge county leaders to look at the situation in their individual counties and take appropriate action. As a strong advocate of local control, I will not issue a statewide ban but will authorize a ban for individual counties who believe a ban is necessary to protect public health and safety."

FLAG DAY



An American flag shares the flagpole with a Texas flag above the police department building Friday, which is national Flag Day. Herald photo by Tim Appel.

Local agriculture industry braces for worst

By **SARA SOLIS**
Staff Writer

Howard County producers and agriculture-related industries are bracing themselves for a fourth year of drought-like conditions and local officials say if the 1996 crop fails, as it is expected to, the effects on the community could be devastating.

County Extension Agent Don Richardson said although the area has received some rainfall recently, it has not been enough to sustain a crop through the drought.

Producers normally rely upon spring rains and winter snows to replenish sub-soil moisture. That moisture will sustain a cotton plant through the dry summer months. However, "This time we don't have that," Richardson said.

Regardless of the lack of moisture, producers will be forced to plant their crops by June 20 in order to fulfill their federal crop insurance obligations.

According to Rick Liles, executive director for the Howard County Farm Service Agency, 90 percent of the county's cotton crop has been planted. "The prospect of any of it (the crop) going to harvest is slim," he

added. In an average year, the Howard County cotton crop accounts for gross receipts of \$30 million. In an agriculture-based community, that's turned over at least three times, so a

all of our business locally," Richardson said.

A failed crop would also affect the county's unemployment. According to Liles, there are approximately 200 full-time producers in the county, who gen-

do if they don't make a crop this year.

Howard County has few industries capable of absorbing out-of-work farmers. "Back in the '50s (when the county suffered a severe drought) we had an Air Force base here and a blossoming oil industry to help them survive ... we don't have that now," Richardson said.

Liles estimates Howard County livestock producers have already lost approximately \$2 million this year due to the drought. The cattle market is currently in a bind due to the fact that prices have bottomed out and feed prices have skyrocketed.

"They're (ranchers) trying to hold on (to their livestock). The cattle market is so low, they don't want to give them away," Richardson said. However, the drought has reduced forage and raised the cost of feed to the point that keeping livestock is becoming cost prohibitive.

Additionally, the county's stock tanks are also in danger of going dry, requiring producers to haul water in to replenish them.

"If the situation doesn't improve by August, a lot of them (ranchers) will be making the decision to sell," he said.

"The last three years, we've been in a drought. The crops have not been good, what savings they (producers) had, have been spent, they're tapped out."

Rick Liles
Howard Co. Farm Agency

failed crop would cost the community approximately \$90 million in revenue, Richardson said.

About half of that \$30 million is spent on production costs, such as fuel, equipment repairs and transportation, while the remaining half supports the farmers' lifestyles and is funneled into local retail industries.

Local businesses need to gear up for a loss of income, due to the almost imminent loss for local agriculture. "Losing a cotton crop doesn't just affect the farmers, it affects the whole community ... It's going to affect

erally employ at least one farmhand each. Aside from producers, the agriculture industry (gins, farm equipment, transportation) continuously employs another 300 people.

"The last three years, we've been in a drought. The crops have not been good, what savings they (producers) had, have been spent, they're tapped out," Liles said. A failed crop this year could put some farmers on the streets looking for alternative employment.

"What do you do when you're 55 years old and all you've ever done is farm?" he asked. Many farmers don't know what they'll

Perry: Short of prayers, producers need USDA's help

By **SARA SOLIS**
Staff Writer

Texas Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry says nobody's more disgusted with the current statewide drought than he is.

"It's (drought) getting old, I wish it would go away," Texas Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry said Wednesday in a telephone interview.

Although there have been some encouraging rains in Cen-

tral Texas, there are some areas of the state that are very, very critical, he said. As of two weeks ago, the drought accounted for \$2.4 billion in losses for the agriculture industry in Texas, and \$800 million of that can be attributed to the beef cattle industry.

The last drought the state experienced, similar in severity, was in the 1950s. "I hope and pray we don't get back into those days. The sand blew every

day and there was no cover," he said, recalling the stories told to him by his uncle who farmed near Lomax in the '50s.

However, because of advances in technology, it's unlikely the present drought would be as severe.

"With the technology that we have today and with some timely rains, we can keep these producers in business through this drought," Perry said. "A drought is a very different natu-

ral disaster than we have ever faced in this generation," most of the decision-makers in government today were only children during the last major drought.

Perry is advocating time, patience and flexibility on the part of government in order to deal with the drought. Drought must be treated differently because of its long-term nature.

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Nature walks, tall tales, fish fry all on tap in area

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

by phone.

• Big Spring Gospel Opry, tonight at 7 p.m. at Comanche Trail Amphitheatre. Free admission. In case of rain, will be held at Kentwood Senior Center, 2805 Lynn.

• Spring City Senior Center dance, tonight, 7:30 p.m.-10:30 p.m., Spring City Senior Center. Music by CW & Co.

• Sole of the West: The Art and History of Cowboy Boots. Today from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry, Big Spring. Showcased are over 40 pairs of boots ranging from working cowboy boots to those worn by Val Kilmer in the movie "Tombstone."

• "The Twenty-third Annual Osco County Grasshopper Festival," tonight and Saturday at 8 p.m., Colorado City Playhouse. For more information, call 728-3491.

• Fish fry. The last fish fry of the summer at American Legion Post No. 506, 3202 W. Hwy. 80. Saturday from 1-4 p.m. Cost is \$5 for all you can eat. Carryout service is available.

• Nature Walks and Sunset Tales, Saturday from 8-10 p.m., Big Spring State Park. Park Ranger Ron Alton will lead tours of historic "Scenic Mountain" while Heritage Museum curator Angle Way will tell stories of old Howard County.

Washington Elementary holds TAAS party for students

By **SARA SOLIS**
Staff Writer

Washington Elementary students who passed all sections of the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) celebrated their success Monday night at the Old Settlers' Pavilion in Comanche Trail Park.

The students received their test results on the last day of school and those who passed all sections were invited to attend the party sponsored by the Washington Elementary PTA.

Approximately 200 students

and their families attended the party and 109 third, fourth- and fifth-grade students were recognized.

Trophies were given to the students receiving academic excellence in mathematics and reading and medals were given to those who achieved excellence in only one area. Academic excellence is defined as scoring 95 percent or above in a subject area.

All students that passed all sections were recognized with certificates.

Erica Stewart was the only

fourth-grade student to achieve academic excellence in all three areas tested in the fourth grade, reading, mathematics and writing.

Washington Elementary third-grade teacher Charisa Myers said she was impressed with the school's TAAS scores this year. "It makes me feel good because they (the students) are doing what they're capable of doing," she said.

The TAAS test derives from the essential elements of curriculum dictated by the state. In

that respect, TAAS skills are taught every day in class, she said.

The most difficult part of the TAAS test for the elementary students is staying focused.

"It's hard. It's a long test and they have to sit there and finish that test without any breaks," Myers said. The average elementary student's attention span is about 20 minutes, and each section of the TAAS takes around two and a half hours to complete.

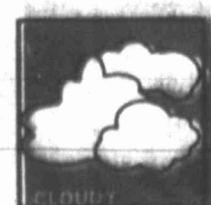
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TODAY'S WEATHER

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Partly cloudy tonight with a low around 65. Chance of thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy this weekend, highs in the lower 90s.



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OBITUARIES

Beulah F. Vinck

Graveside service for Beulah Foster Vinck, 90, Big Spring, formerly of Troup, will be 2 p.m. Saturday, June 15, 1996, at the Bradford Cemetery in Troup with Rev. Gary Bagley and Rev. Paul Allen officiating.

Mrs. Vinck died Sunday, June 9, in a Big Spring nursing home. She was born on Nov. 2, 1905, in Troup. After World War II she and her late husband moved to Fory Myers, Fla., where she was a bookkeeper for the family garage business.

Arrangements under the direction of Cottle Funeral Home, Troup.

Pat Dobbins

Service for Pat Dobbins, Fort Worth and formerly of Big Spring, is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

She died Thursday, June 13, 1996, in Fort Worth.

Lovie Perkins

Service for Lovie Perkins will be 11 a.m. Saturday, June 15, 1996, at the Baker Chapel, A.M.E., Big Spring, with superintendent Kenneth Weatherspoon officiating.

Survivors include one daughter Stella L. Carter, Little Rock, Ark.; four sons: Hubert Perkins, Big Spring, Emmanuel Perkins, Clovis, N.M., Leroy Perkins, Big Spring, and Lewis Perkins, Dallas; and a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, relatives and friends.

Arrangements under the direction of Bill Thomas Funeral Home, Midland.

IN BRIEF

THE FOURTH ANNUAL JONES Valley Reunion is scheduled for Aug. 31 from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Kentwood Community Center, 2805 Lynn Dr.

Reservations must be turned into Reba Hicks Fortner; Route 1 Box 123-B; Brownwood, Texas; 76801-9333 and her phone number is (915) 643-1335.

Bring old photographs and mementos to share with others. Local contacts are John Hicks, 264-0425 or Mabel Timmons Dickerson, 267-3154.

THE "PEARLY GATES," a gospel quartet, will be in concert Ume 16 at 3 p.m. at the Sands First Baptist Church. The group is based in San Angelo and is well known in the area.

ONE BLOCK OF GOLIAD STREET will be closed June 19 for water service replacement. The city of Big Spring has announced East Ninth to 10th Street on Goliad will be shut down from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. for repairs.

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.

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.

Hillcrest Baptist Church will be having Vacation Bible School from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. for grades kindergarten to 6 only.

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

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.

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.

ON THE RUN

Perry

Continued from Page 1A he said, "regulatory relief is what we need."

Perry's agency has been lobbying the federal government to ease its regulatory constraints on producers while drought conditions ensue and has met with some success.

Apparently, Perry's requests were heeded. The Comptroller of the Currency issued a memo in late-May directing the officers of national banks to work with borrowers in communities affected by drought conditions.

Howard County farmers are required to plant by June 20 in order to remain eligible for federal disaster insurance.

Producers are going to plant a crop that will not produce due to the drought conditions. The USDA eliminates required plant dates in the case of a flood, they did it for the Midwest, the same should be true for a drought, Perry said.

"There is a place where the administration could make a major impact on the agriculture industry," he said, "and they won't do it."

Another example of the USDA's lack of cooperation is its refusal to allow Conservation Reserve Program land to be baled prior to July 1.

With the lack of forage available for cattle, CRP lands are an available resource that could supply immediate relief to cattle producers suffering from high feed prices.

"I think the future of agriculture is as bright as it's ever been, once we get through this drought," he added.

In the meantime, Perry is advising producers to do the one thing they can do in a drought situation, "Pray for rain!"

IN BRIEF

AMERICAN LEGION POST NO. 506, 3203 W. Highway 80, is having its last fish fry of the summer this Saturday from 1-4 p.m. Cost for the all-you-can-eat meal is \$5 per person and carryout is available.

AMERICAN LEGION POST NO. 506, 3203 W. Highway 80, is holding a shuffleboard tournament June 16 at 6 p.m. There is a \$5 per person entry fee for the tournament.

ANGELO STATE UNIVERSITY will have Preview ASU 1996 orientation sessions for new students June 28-29, July 26-27, Aug. 2-3. The two-day program will acquaint new students and parents with the campus and programs.

BEREA BAPTIST CHURCH is having Vacation Bible School June 17-21 from 6:30-9 p.m. It is open for children ages four through the sixth grade.

This year's theme is "Go for the Goal." The church is located at 4204 Wasson Road.

MARKETS

July cotton futures 77.75 cents a pound, up 68 points; July crude oil 20.03, up 2 points; Cash hog steady at 57 cents even; slaughter steers steady at 62 cents even; June live hog futures 60.15, up 2 points; June live cattle futures 63.37, down 2 points.

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

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POLICE

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

GINA LEE GARLING, 24, of 2503 Dow, was arrested for outstanding local warrants. She was later released after paying a fine.

ERICK CASTRUITA, 17, of Midland, was arrested for driving with expired motor vehicle insurance.

JOHN EDWIN FARMER, 24, of 2507 Albrook, was arrested for outstanding local warrants.

SALVADOR AGUILAR, 26, of no known address, was arrested for deadly conduct.

LISA JEANINE RUBIO, 28, of 606 B. State, was arrested for outstanding local warrants. She was later released after paying a fine.

JOSEPH ALTON MURLEY, 17, of 1105 Mulberry, was arrested on a Mitchell County warrant.

CHARLES RAY WRIGHT, 64, of 1425 E. Sixth Apt. # 15, was arrested for public intoxication.

DIANNA FIERRO ZUBIATE, 33, of 1500 Kentucky, was arrested for outstanding local warrants. She was later released after paying a fine.

OLGA TREVIÑO, 33, of 703 Lorilla, was arrested for assault.

ASSAULTS in the 400 block of East Seventh, 3300 block of West 80, 500 block of Rannels and 1400 block of East 14th.

MINOR ACCIDENTS at 18th and Gregg and Fourth and Owens.

BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE in the 1200 block of Douglas.

CRIMINAL TRESPASS WARNINGS in the 200 block of West Marcy and 800 block of East 14th.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF in the 400 block of East 11th and 800 block of East 14th.

JUVENILE PROBLEMS in the 1200 block of Birdwell and 1200 block of Mulberry.

INVESTIGATING CRIMINAL ACTIVITY in the 2700 block of South Gregg.

DOMESTIC DISTURBANCES in the 700 block of West Interstate 20 and 600 block of N.E. 10th.

INVESTIGATING SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITIES in the 100 block of West Third, 2600 block of Carlton, 200 block of Airbase, 200 block of Benton, at Dixon and Willard, Comanche Trail Park, Sixth and Donley, 15th and Lincoln and East 12th and Scurry.

Police seeking information about robbery

HERALD Staff Report

Police are seeking information about a early Thursday morning robbery at the 7-11 store located at 1801 Gregg Street.

According to the clerk, a black male in his 20's, approximately 5-foot 8-inches tall, and of husky build, entered the store around 12:30 a.m. and threatened the clerk with bodily injury. The suspect demanded money and the clerk complied. The suspect then fled on foot.

The suspect was wearing a white baseball cap, white shirt with stripes and faded blue jeans.

The type of weapon, if used, is unknown at this time.

Anyone with any information about this robbery is being asked to contact the Big Spring Police Department.

SHERIFF

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

MARTHA RANDOL HENDERSON, 28, of 1203 Mesa, was transferred from the Big Spring Police Department and arrested on a grand jury indictment for theft over \$1,500 and under \$20,000. She was later released on \$5,000 bond.

SHARON ANNETTE JAMES, 37, of 400 W. Highway 80 Apt. # M, was arrested for violating probation. She was later released on \$1,500 bond.

JULIAN ACOSTA BURCIAGA, 31, of 702 Douglas, was arrested for contempt of court for failure to pay child support. He was sentenced in 118th District Court to 90 days in county jail.

TONY MOJICA CASTELLANO, 22, of 1102 Lamar, was arrested for violating probation. He was later released on \$1,000 bond.

TOBY SHALYON CERDA, 18, of 1518 Wood, was arrested for violating probation and possession of a dangerous drug.

ASSAULT/INJURY TO A CHILD on Old Colorado City Highway.

HARASSMENT/THREATS on Merrick Road and Olds Road.

RECKLESS DRIVER on East Interstate 20 and mile marker 176.

ANIMAL PROBLEMS in the 300 block of Wilson, 700 block of Central in Coahoma and 1400 block of Hickory.

RECORDS

Thursday's high 95
Thursday's low 70
Average high 92
Average low 67
Record high 104 in 1990
Record low 50 in 1947
Rainfall Thursday 0.00
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CLASSIFIED ADS WORK! PLACE YOUR AD TODAY 263-7331

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL. 24th & Johnson 267-8288. Lovie Perkins died June 7, 1996. Services will be 11:00 AM, Saturday at Baker's Chapel, A.M.E. Church, with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park. Visitation will be Friday until 10:00 PM, at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pat Dobbins, of Fort Worth, and formerly of Big Spring, died Thursday, June 13, 1996 at 6:20 PM in Fort Worth. Service are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Rosewood Chapel. 906 GREGG 267-6331

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TEXAS BRIEFS

Congressmen being pressured on anti-abortion pledge
SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A congressman from San Antonio says he will not bow to pressure from anti-abortion groups and sign an anti-abortion pledge in order to become a delegate to the Republican National Convention.

U.S. Rep. Lamar Smith, whose name was submitted by Bob Dole's organization for ratification as a national delegate from his congressional district, is being pressured to sign the pledge. Smith, who has supported abortion rights, said Thursday he will not sign although he wants to be a national delegate.

Anti-abortion groups want national delegates from Texas congressional districts to sign a pledge to support the strong anti-abortion language from the 1992 Republican platform as well as vowing to back only a "pro-life vice presidential nominee."

Rep. Henry Bonilla, also from San Antonio, was unavailable for comment, but the San Antonio Express-News reported that a source close to him said it was unlikely he would sign the pledge either. Bonilla also has supported abortion rights.

Six universities at one campus offer degree programs

THE WOODLANDS (AP) — The state's first public-private university partnership will allow students to earn degrees from any of six Texas universities without actually visiting the main campuses.

The so-called University Center, based at Montgomery College south of Conroe, will bring to the relatively new community college the resources of Texas A&M University, University of Houston, University of Houston-Downtown, Prairie View A&M University, Sam Houston State University and Texas Southern University.

"For more than 20 years, north Houston community leaders have looked forward to building an upper-level university in the area," John Pickelman, chancellor of the North Harris Montgomery Community College District, said Thursday at groundbreaking ceremonies. "Now citizens won't have just one university. They'll have six."

Some 45 bachelor's and master's programs initially will be offered at the \$11 million, three-story center. Montgomery College opened just last August, the latest branch of the North Harris Montgomery district that also includes schools in north Houston, Kingwood and Tomball.

Commuter trains arrive; But will Dallas climb aboard?

DALLAS (AP) — There have been no local passenger trains in Dallas since the 1950s, although now the city is on track with a new transit system that's ready to roll.

Today, a shiny new 40-car fleet of commuter trains hit the tracks, and the big question is whether car-lovin', pickup truck-huggin' Texans will climb aboard.

"In Texas, everybody likes to be independent, to have their own car, have their own truck, be their own boss," said Chad Beattie, who works as a furniture salesman near downtown.

But even Beattie said he'll give the train a try. And that is the kind of adventurous spirit the Dallas Area Rapid Transit is counting on. DART hopes suburban commuters will board trains just as nonchalantly as livestock.

"The popularity has always been your own personal vehicle before," said DART spokesman Tony Salters. "But people are finally realizing that it's better for the environment and people who use light-rail won't have to fight for parking spaces."

Democratic congressman endorses Gramm over Morales

WASHINGTON (AP) — Conservative Democratic Rep. Ralph Hall, who often has defied his party's leadership and sided with Republicans, has revealed he is endorsing GOP Sen. Phil Gramm over Democratic nominee Victor Morales in the Senate race.

Hall, of Rockwall, announced his support for Gramm on Wednesday in an interview with The Associated Press to discuss his upcoming introduction of legislation banning federal funding for physician-assisted suicide.

Gramm "has been good for Texas," Hall said. "I have great admiration for him."

Perot could get government millions

WASHINGTON (AP) — Billionaire Ross Perot doesn't need it and may not want it, but the government says he could probably get millions of dollars in taxpayer money to pay for another presidential bid.

The Federal Election Commission advised Perot Thursday he could expect to qualify for public financing, but it put off deciding whether any other candidate of his new Reform Party could qualify in his place.

Perot has not ruled out running for president.

State's election picture clouded by ruling

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court's latest strike against use of race as a dominant factor in drawing legislative district boundaries has prompted an election-year puzzle: How will next year's crop of Texas House members be selected?

General-election upheaval potentially looms for Texas state officials, congressional candidates and voters in the wake of the Supreme Court's ruling Thursday that three predominantly minority congressional districts in Houston and Dallas are unconstitutional.

The central question now is whether the November congressional elections must be conducted under a new redistricting plan. If so, results of the March primaries and April runoffs in districts whose lines are changed would be thrown out. That would mean new primaries, and possibly runoffs, under a rushed calendar.

Boundary changes to the three

unconstitutional districts would have a ripple effect extending to neighboring districts, though the number isn't yet known.

While Republicans applauded the ruling and the potential for new elections in some or many of Texas' 30 House districts, Democrats decried the effect and said the current plan should be used in November.

The answer lies in the hands of a three-judge federal panel in Houston, which in 1994 ruled the three districts unconstitutional after seven voters challenged the map drawn by the Texas Legislature in 1991. Initially, 24 of the state's 30 districts were contested.

The Supreme Court on a 5-vote upheld the ruling, saying the three districts are unconstitutional because race was the predominant consideration in drawing their boundaries. The court's action effectively reinstates the Texas judges' prohibition against using the currently-

drawn lines.

The Texas judges now could draw a map of their own, allow the current albeit unconstitutional plan to remain in effect or order Gov. George W. Bush to call the Texas Legislature into special session to adopt a new plan. The governor has indicated he would like to avoid a special session.

For now, the Texas judges aren't speaking about their intentions. One is on vacation until June 24 and the two others offered no public comment Thursday.

"We're in a holding pattern until we hear from them," said Democratic Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, expressing hope that the matter will be taken up during the regular session that begins in January.

Attorney General Dan Morales, who had appealed the federal panel's ruling to the nation's high court, said he believes new lines will have to

be drawn this year.

"It seems to me that it would be difficult to ask voters to go to the polls in November and cast ballots for candidates who are representing districts which have been deemed to be invalid and unconstitutional by the United States Supreme Court," he said at an Austin news conference.

Morales predicted the three districts could be adjusted with minimal upheaval to neighboring districts. The preferred path, he said, would be for all parties to sit down and develop a solution, eliminating the need for a special session.

At issue are the majority-Hispanic 29th District in Houston held by Democrat Gene Green, who is Anglo; and two predominantly-black districts: the 18th held by Houston Democrat Sheila Jackson Lee, who is black; and the 30th in Dallas, held by black Democrat Eddie Bernice Johnson.

Tax committee convenes for first hearing

AUSTIN (AP) — As the governor's school property tax study committee prepared to meet the public for the first time today, hints about what it may hear already have been dropped.

"Everyone has heard the old adage: Don't tax you; don't tax me; tax that guy behind the tree. Everyone also has a different view on who the guy behind the tree is," noted a report from the private Texas Taxpayers and Research Association.

Gov. George W. Bush is convinced that many Texans are upset with rising school property taxes. Cities and counties also levy property taxes, but they aren't involved in this debate.

The school levy now raises about \$10 billion a year, and the latest round of tax appraisals indicates the total is going up.

To help find the guy behind the tree, Bush created his Citizens' Committee on Property Tax Relief.

Headed by state Insurance Commissioner Elton Bomer, the panel has been told to find out what Texans think of school property taxes and what replacement they might prefer.

"I expect to hear from homeowners and businesses," Bomer said before today's hearing in El Paso. "I expect to hear that there is a will to make a change. I really don't know what the will is for the substitute."

Bomer said he plans 14 hearings around the state before reporting to the governor and Legislature in late September.

"We're going to be the eyes and ears of the governor," he said.

Lawmakers return to session in 1997, and any tax changes could be made then. But Bomer, a former state House member, knows well how thorny tax debates can be.

In an interview, he said the Legislature "may be reluctant to get into it right now."

However, lawmakers also recognize that increasing property taxes "are a problem that's not going to go away," Bomer said. Education costs continue to

rise and local school property taxes pay most of those bigger bills. "At some point, something's going to have to happen," he said.

This committee, the third in eight years to examine the Texas tax system, got some specific rules from Bush: The new tax must be "revenue neutral," raising no more money than it replaces; the new tax must be fair and simple to understand; and a personal income tax is off limits.

Earlier this year, a special "working group" picked by Bush and legislative leaders found three alternatives they said could generate enough money:

Morales going ahead with tobacco suit despite judge's ruling

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas will push ahead with its \$4 billion federal lawsuit against the tobacco industry after a state judge put on hold an industry lawsuit that had sought to fend off the case.

"We now essentially have the green light to proceed in the federal court which is really what we have been arguing all along," Texas Attorney General Dan Morales said Thursday.

But State District Judge Joseph Hart refused Morales' request to dismiss tobacco companies' state lawsuit against him, in which the industry claimed he oversteps his authority in the federal case.

The judge said he wants to see how the federal court rules first. Hart also refused to fine the

tobacco companies for Morales called their "frivolous" lawsuit.

"I do not find the plaintiffs' pleadings were brought for the purpose of harassment, to cause unnecessary delay, to increase the cost of litigation or for any other improper purpose," Hart said in a letter to lawyers in the case.

The tobacco companies filed their state court lawsuit last year, trying to prevent Morales from suing them. They contend he doesn't have the authority to bring much of the federal lawsuit.

But Morales sued them anyway.

The lawsuit was filed in March in Texarkana, alleging the tobacco industry violated federal racketeering, wire fraud

and conspiracy laws; federal and state antitrust laws; and state consumer protection laws.

Morales is seeking reimbursement of Medicaid money spent on treating tobacco-related illnesses and a halt to advertising that he says targets children.

The tobacco industry has denied the allegations against it.

Hart said he was setting aside the tobacco companies' state lawsuit because even if he ruled, his decision wouldn't address all the issues raised in the federal lawsuit.

"From the first time this matter was presented, I have had one consistent thread of concern: it makes no sense whatsoever for two different courts to decide different, but major

issues in what should be one lawsuit," Hart said.

"The judge said there is a strong argument that the real lawsuit involves state law and should be decided by a state court." But he said there are some federal issues that a state court can't decide.

"Judicial efficiency dictates that one court hear all issues, and the only court that can do so under the current status of the pleadings is the federal court," he said.

Hart said he decided against dismissing the state lawsuit because the federal court might decide to dismiss Morales' federal law claims and to abstain from ruling on his state law claims.

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Quote of the Day

"The surest protection against temptation is cowardice."
-Mark Twain

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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:

- The five-person committee, made up of city manager Gary Fuqua, Eddie Cole, Max Green, Jim Purcell and Chuck Williams, who negotiated on behalf of the city's interests in regards to the sale of Big Spring Correctional Centers.
- Martin County commissioners, for having the foresight and common sense to reinstitute a burn ban in their county while, at the same time, banning fireworks during this drought-stricken year.
- Students in the Big Spring Independent School District, whose scores on the TAAS test improved dramatically this year over last.
- Mack Underwood, et al, for his dedication and perseverance in making the 19th Cannibal Draw Reunion a reality.
- The Big Spring Police Department, and its officers, for the weekend bicycle patrols in Comanche Trail Park through Labor Day weekend.

Is there an individual or organization in our community that you feel should be saluted? If so, please send us 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.

Rice Krispies treats, bats, sweet 'taters, DNA tests...

Sometimes ... just sometimes, it gets downright frustrating being the person who reads The Associated Press wire report each morning. The reason being, of course, that there's just so much space available in each paper and so much to choose from in the way of information to fill that "news hole."

That means the newspaper reader gets the major stories we see on the wire report, but rarely the really interesting stuff.

Such was the case Thursday. Take for instance, the notice out of Bloomington, Minn., noting that Mildred Day died last Sunday at the age of 92.

Mrs. Day might not be a household name, but she probably ought to be. She was, you see, the culinary genius behind Rice Krispies bars.

She and Mallitta Jensen developed the mixture of Rice Krispies, marshmallows and butter in the 1920s as a fundraising treat for a Camp Fire Girls group.

Getting a little closer to home, it seems the Austin area is simply going batty.

The state capital already has the nation's largest urban bat colony, roughly 1.5 million Mexican freetail bats who hang out under the Congress Avenue Bridge in downtown Austin, but that may be nothing compared with a growing colony just north of Austin in Round Rock.

Currently, Round Rock's colony of Mexican freetail bats is estimated at 600,000, but experts say there is more room to expand under Round Rock's McNeil Road bridge.

Apparently, it's a maternal colony, meaning it is mostly made up of females ready to bear young. Those born there will return year after year, swelling the colony's population.

"I see them around a lot of shopping centers where there are bright lights," Round Rock

Mayor Charlie Culpepper said, noting most folks are positive. "They seem to do a good job keeping the insects down. I've seen people out by the bridge with lawn chairs watching them come out at night. I guess it's good, cheap family entertainment."

And there was a story out of New York that ought to drive the anti-evolution folks crazy. Seems that Guinea pigs have more in common with us humans than they do rodents.

Guinea pigs should no longer be considered rodents, and should instead be placed in a brand-new category of mammal, a genetic study found.

Researchers compared DNA from guinea pigs with genetic material from 15 other mammal species. They found that guinea pigs are more closely related to cows and humans than to rats and mice.

Another Thursday story indicates folks in the "City of Brotherly Love," Philadelphia, aren't all that crazy about sweet potatoes.

City workers there spent most of Tuesday tossing shovel after shovel of sweet potatoes into garbage trucks after residents complained about the tons of tubers dumped in a parking lot by a well-intentioned community activist.

Residents had taken some of the potatoes away. But after six hot, humid days, the huge pile that remained began to reek.

A similar giveaway last year was successful, getting rid of 42,000 pounds of potatoes. But this year, just 500 people were interested.

Last, but not least, in Toledo, Ohio, an art and religion teacher at a Catholic high school has been asked to resign over his side job — he moonlights as a nude model.

"I honestly did not know there was anything wrong with it. This is the way God put us together," said Mark Jesionowski, who has taught at Central Catholic High School for 13 years.

Yeah, right.

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Nasty file fairy strikes again at 1600 Pennsylvania Ave.

By DALE McFEATTERS
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WASHINGTON — The Clinton White House is haunted. No other explanation fits. This is no traditional ghost — the forlorn lover, the youthful suicide, your basic pale apparition that mopes about in the moonlight. This is a Washington ghost.

The Clintons are being haunted by the File Fairy. Moreover, the File Fairy has a malicious sense of humor.

First lady Hillary Clinton's billing records from her years as a Little Rock lawyer were bundled up and brought to the White House.

The White House, by all accounts, is a buttoned-up organization where every piece of paper has its place and every place has its piece of paper.

The White House has the assistance of all kinds of bureaucrats. Keeping track of files is what bureaucrats do. When files are no longer of any

earthly use, they go to the National Archives, where they are lovingly tended by archivists — forever.

Yet the billing records disappeared for over two years. Then they mysteriously reappeared, and not behind a radiator or under a stack of Vanity Fairs that the first lady was planning to get around to reading if she ever found the time.

No, the records showed up on the middle of a table in the middle of the White House.

Everyone denies putting them there. Clearly the work of the File Fairy.

The mischievous File Fairy not only whisks wanted files away. She spirits — forgive the pun — unwanted files into the White House.

First, Billy Dale's FBI file showed up at the White House. The file arrived seven months after the Clintons had fired Dale, who had been the White House travel office director. Ostensibly, Dale was being considered for White House

"access," but that seemed unlikely to many observers since at the time the Clinton administration was trying to put him in jail.

Next, like something out of "The Sorcerer's Apprentice," FBI files on long-gone Republicans began arriving, one after another until there were 341 files — and the files were only as far as the G's.

The usual explanation would be that the White House was trying to dig up dirt on Republicans for use during the campaign. But the Republicans fell into two categories: People no one had ever heard of, and people long out of active politics.

Surely the White House staff dismissed that ghostly cackling as the normal noise of the air-conditioning system starting up after a long winter's hibernation.

Then White House attorney Neil Eggleston's notes of an interview with the first lady disappeared. One second that file was here, the next second — gone.

At that point, the White House came out and introduced two stock figures who add Shakespearean comic relief to the first act of Washington scandals: the Low-Level Staffer and the Overzealous Aide.

What else could the Clintons do?

The White House could hardly come in public and say, "Look, we don't need a special prosecutor. We need an exorcist."

If the culprit is not the File Fairy, and the president and the first lady and everybody on the White House staff is as innocent of file-filching as they say, there's only one other explanation.

Investigators of the paranormal say instances of poltergeists always occur in houses with teenagers. No teenagers, no poltergeists. Chelsea! Where are you? Chelsea?

(Dale McFeatters writes this column weekly for Scripps Howard News Service.)

The 25th anniversary of the Pentagon Papers

By MARTIN SCHRAM
Scripps Howard News Service

We pause to mark, with all due homage, the 25th anniversary of the week Henry Kissinger's career reached its pique.

It was a classic Kissingerian eruption, one that touched off a chain-reaction, one that created a confrontation, one that became an historic demarcation in that symbiotic (often too snugly) relationship between the government and the news media.

It was the battle over the publication of the Pentagon Papers. That was the moment in history when the press awoke itself by kicking off its cozy national security blanket and deciding that there was a greater public interest that required the telling of some classified secrets.

(Remember the way we were: Just a decade earlier, the New York Times' Scotty Reston had chosen to keep mum about a pending military operation he'd learned about — and America launched its catastrophic Bay of Pigs invasion of Cuba.)

This time the New York Times reported what it knew and government tried to muzzle the media — and failed, in an historic ruling of the Supreme Court.

On the afternoon of Saturday, June 12, 1971, murmurs rippled through the White House Rose Garden that was bathed in the near-royal splendor of the wed-

ding of President Nixon's elder daughter, Tricia: The New York Times was printing, in its early Sunday edition, a series based upon classified government documents called "The Pentagon Papers" — the 47-volume secret history of how, over more than two decades, the U.S. government had miscalculated its policy, misled its people and plunged the nation into the Vietnam War.

It was a confrontation that most didn't happen at all. For Nixon wasn't fighting mad, and initially decided not to try to stop the presses (it was, after all, about the errors of Eisenhower, Kennedy and Johnson and not him). So too for all of the president's men — except one.

Kissinger was apoplectic. He argued emotionally that Nixon had to silence the Times to protect his current secret negotiations: the opening to China, peace talks with North Vietnam, strategic arms limitations with Russia. But he got to Nixon mainly, H.R. Haldeman recounted in his memoirs, by arguing that doing nothing "shows you're a weakling, Mr. President."

Mission accomplished. Nixon's administration lawyers got a federal judge to issue a temporary restraining order that forced the Times to cease publication. Then the Washington Post got the documents and began printing other chapters —

until it was restrained by a court order. Next came the Boston Globe. (The episode is revisited in compelling fashion in David Rudenstine's new book, "The Day the Presses Stopped.")

But the chapters kept coming: in the Chicago Sun-Times, Los Angeles Times, Knight-Ridder newspapers, St. Louis Post-Dispatch, Christian Science Monitor and Newsday.

To understand the suspicion between government and the media, let me pause to explain how I obtained Newsday's chapters of the Pentagon Papers. It was, looking back, all cloak and no dagger.

Former Pentagon aide Daniel Ellsberg was known to have been the source who gave the documents to the New York Times. As a Newsday Washington correspondent, I met with an Ellsberg associate in Boston. Days later, a fellow who called himself "Sam Adams" telephoned instructions that I should return to Boston.

At Boston's Logan Airport, my name was paged over the public address system. Nearing the information desk, a young man I'd never met called my name, led me up an escalator, then handed me an orange slip of paper with a description of a bright green plastic shopping bag that was sitting on a certain chair downstairs.

I found the green bag — inside were photocopies of two previously-unpublished chapters of

the Pentagon Papers.

After 16 days of court restraining orders and on-going news flow, the Supreme Court ruled 6-3 that the government had not proven a national security danger that warranted prior restraint of publication.

In the years that followed, we saw Presidents Nixon and Reagan invoke "national security" claims in failed efforts at preventing the public from learning what its government had done in the crimes of Watergate and Iran-Contra.

Today, as First Amendment lawyer Laura Handman notes, that Pentagon Papers ruling stands as "the bedrock of all decisions" as we find ourselves in a new era of First Amendment battles: Now it is Big Business that is asking the courts to stop the presses and unplug the TV networks — to protect corporate secrets that are also part of the public interest.

As we hear today's claims of Big Tobacco et al, we would do well to recall the evolutionary wisdom of Erwin N. Griswold, the Nixon's solicitor general who argued to the Supreme Court that publication of Pentagon Papers' old secrets about how the government misled the public would endanger the nation's security. Twenty years later, in the New York Times, Griswold conceded:

"In hindsight, it is clear to me that no harm was done by publication of the Pentagon Papers."



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NATIONAL BRIEFS

ATF also probing fires in non-black churches

WASHINGTON (AP) — By early next week, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms hopes to have details on nearly two dozen fires at white churches it is investigating as it probes more-publicized blazes at more than 30 mostly-black Southern churches.

As the ATF struggles to help solve the blazes at black churches that have taken place since January 1995, bureau records show the agency also is probing arsons at 23 other non-black churches that have taken place during the same time period.

A copy of the list, which was distributed to ATF agents around the country earlier this week, was obtained by The Associated Press.

While the June 7 fact sheet provides extensive details on the cases involving fires at black churches, it includes no analysis of the other church fires.

But it includes a section listing all "open ATF church fire investigations nationwide since January 1995." It lists a total of 48, 35 of which occurred this year.

Low attendance, big plans mark Southern Baptist confab

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — It was the smallest gathering since 1981, but those at the Southern Baptist Convention were not discouraged.

Only 13,635 attended the three-day convention of the largest Protestant denomination in the nation. Officials had expected about 20,000 of its 16 million members to attend.

Still, those who participated reaffirmed their conservative roots this week while planning to expand minority membership and evangelical efforts.

"I think it's a combination of things," convention spokesman Herb Hollinger said of the low turnout. "It's expensive, there was only one presidential nominee, there was no big issue before the convention and no controversy. We are thoroughly conservative now. There is no longer a moderate faction that attends to try to gain power."

Although attendance was down, commitment was up, convention officials said.

Woman fearing genital mutilation given asylum

WASHINGTON (AP) — A woman who said she would "go anywhere" except back to her West African homeland because she feared having her genitals cut off is the first person to win U.S. asylum on the basis of female genital mutilation.

The Board of Immigration Appeals broke with Immigration and Naturalization Service policy Thursday to grant asylum to 19-year-old Fauziya Kasinga, of Togo, who says her family planned to force her to submit to female genital mutilation.

"We find that female genital mutilation can be the basis for a grant of asylum," the 12-member appeals board said, adding that Kasinga has a well-founded fear of country-wide persecution.

Board members disagreed about guidelines for granting asylum based on female genital mutilation in the future and declined to speculate about future cases, the decision said.

Fingerprint cracks 'Lollipop Lady' case

NEW YORK (AP) — The high-profile case of the slain "Lollipop Lady" was cracked in a fairly ordinary fashion: A fingerprint matched a name, John Royster.

But that was just the beginning. After Royster was picked up Wednesday evening, the slender loner began talking. And talking.

On Thursday, officials said they had solved a startling string of attacks once thought unrelated — including the vicious beating of a piano teacher in daylight in Central Park.

Along with the park beating, Royster was to be arraigned today in the killing of the owner of a dry cleaner on Park Avenue.

Patience credited for Freemen arrests

WASHINGTON (AP) — FBI Director Louis J. Freeh attributes the safe arrest of the Montana Freemen to reforms in the bureau that "put patience above the risk of bloodshed" after its bloody Waco and Ruby Ridge sieges.

"We tried a fundamentally different approach," Freeh said. "A strategy from day one of patient, honest and persistent attempts at negotiation ultimately prevailed."

The 46-year-old former street FBI agent, judge and prosecutor called reporters to FBI headquarters at 10 p.m. Thursday to speak with obvious pride about the just-concluded 81-day siege in eastern Montana ranch land.

Even more unusual than the hour of Freeh's news conference was to hear an FBI director admit that his subordinates had disagreed numerous times — over "the balance between tactical pressure and negotiating continuation" — and to call those "healthy frictions to have."

Equally rare was to hear an FBI director brag about how the bureau went outside the government for help, enlisting experts

and 45 different third-party intermediaries in the negotiations — many of them vocal past critics of the FBI.

Before he finished speaking, praise was pouring in from President Clinton and onetime Republican critics on Capitol Hill.

"I think the American people can take great comfort that the law was enforced," Freeh said. "And that it was done in a way that did not do harm to anyone."

He said there were no deals to drop or reduce any federal charges or to give the Freemen any special public forum to preach their anti-government doctrine. He called it "a very powerful message for anyone who would consider violating the law."

"I know some criticized us for waiting too long and not attempting a tactical solution," Freeh said.

But he credited three basic steps among a series of reforms that he and Attorney General Janet Reno imposed after the 1993 debacle near Waco, Texas, with the Branch Davidians.

The 51-day Branch Davidian

standoff ended in a fire that killed more than 80 cult members. In 1992, white separatist Randy Weaver held federal agents at bay at Ruby Ridge, Idaho, for 11 days in a siege that began with the killing of his son and a federal marshal. Weaver's wife was killed by an FBI sniper.

The first new principle Freeh cited was: The FBI "reaction must be commensurate with the facts as we know them."

"In Montana, no shots had been fired; no subject was

injured ... two Freemen leaders had been arrested by the FBI without incident. The charges against those who were on the ranch are not for committing violent acts," Freeh said.

As a result, Freeh said, "The prudent thing was to put patience above the risk of bloodshed."

Second, "We wanted to give equal seats at the table to both the tactical operators and negotiators. That was not the case at either Waco or Ruby Ridge."

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House approves higher defense spending bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Staving off a mini-revolt from budget-cutting Republicans, the House GOP leadership won approval of a fiscal 1997 defense spending bill that goes more than \$10 billion above the administration request.

The House, by a 278-126 vote Thursday, approved a \$245.3 billion budget for the fiscal year beginning Oct. 1 that is \$2.3 billion above current year levels and \$10.6 billion over what the administration sought.

The White House threatened a veto, saying that the nation couldn't afford a big boost in defense spending when other domestic programs were being sacrificed in the drive to balance the budget.

That sentiment was shared by a large group of fiscally conservative Republicans who backed a narrowly defeated attempt to freeze spending at 1996 levels.

"We did cut domestic spending and we have to be truthful about it," said Rep. Christopher Shays, R-Conn., who sponsored the amendment. "This is our moment of truth for anyone who wants to get our financial house in order and balance the federal budget."

Fifty-nine Republicans joined Shays in seeking the freeze, but it was defeated 219-194 with the help of 58 Democrats.

The vote came a day after 19 Republicans refused to go along with the GOP's balanced budget plan.

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Mrs. Clinton allegedly dismissed warning of questionable Madison Guaranty loan

WASHINGTON (AP) — Hillary Rodham Clinton allegedly dismissed a warning that a loan transaction might be improper, and the Senate Whitewater Committee now wants her to answer questions about it in writing.

With the White House saying the committee was engaging in a final act of "desperation," Republicans zeroed in Thursday on an April 7, 1986, conversation Mrs. Clinton had with the loan department head of Madison Guaranty, the savings and loan at the heart of the Whitewater affair.

Republicans say the evidence indicates the loan transaction Mrs. Clinton discussed with S&L executive Don Denton may have been designed to hide real estate commissions in a land deal that regulators have called a "sham."

The commissions were paid to businessman Seth Ward, the father-in-law of Webster Hubbell, who at the time was Mrs. Clinton's partner at the Rose Law Firm in Little Rock, Ark.

The transaction Mrs. Clinton discussed with Denton involved a \$400,000 loan from Madison Guaranty to Ward. He never repaid the money, but simply turned back to the S&L 22 acres used to secure the loan.

Sen. Alfonse D'Amato, R-N.Y., the Whitewater Committee chairman, said Denton's sworn interview with the inspector general's office of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. amounted to "important new evidence" that "sheds new light on the nature and extent of Mrs. Clinton's work" for Madison Guaranty.

But White House spokesman Mark Fabiani described the Republican request for written answers from Mrs. Clinton "an act of utter, complete desperation by Senator D'Amato's failed Whitewater committee." The panel goes out of business Monday after 14 months of hearings.

The Clintons' personal attorney, David Kendall, said federal regulators already had concluded that Mrs. Clinton did nothing improper regarding the so-called Castle Grande real estate transaction.

Castle Grande was a 1,050-acre tract south of Little Rock that the Clintons' Whitewater partner, James McDougal, attempted to develop, financing the unsuccessful effort entirely with loans from Madison, which McDougal owned.

D'Amato's committee is asking what Mrs. Clinton recalls about the transactions involving Castle Grande, and specifically the conversation with Denton.

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Yeltsin fighting against return to USSR

MOSCOW (AP) — Five years after the Soviet Union collapsed, Boris Yeltsin is pleading with voters for a second chance, warning Communists will bring the Iron Curtain slamming back down if they win Sunday's election.

It could be a very close race. When Russians vote they will choose between Yeltsin and his painful and unpopular reforms or the Communists, who want to return to the authoritarian controls of the Soviet era.

Six months ago Yeltsin appeared to be finished. He barely registered in opinion polls; he had suffered two heart attacks; many allies broke with him over the war in Chechnya; the media was full of stories about his drinking and alleged corruption among his closest cronies. His reforms were seen by many as empty promises.

Now the polls show the president leading the 10-man field. Waging a fierce campaign, Yeltsin has admitted making mistakes, but insisted only he can stop Russia sliding back into repression.

Yeltsin predicts he will win Sunday, but most observers doubt any of the candidates will get the more than 50 percent of the vote needed to win. If no candidate wins, there will be a run off next month with Yeltsin expected to face Com-

munist leader Gennady Zyuganov as the two highest vote winners.

Despite Yeltsin's booming optimism, many of his supporters are worried. Opinion polls in Russia are notoriously unreliable, underestimating anti-Yeltsin sentiment in the past.

'Who needs civil war? Only those who don't want to give up power.'

**Gennady Zyuganov
Communist leader**

"On the whole, the situation remains unclear, and Yeltsin's victory is not at all assured," said Boris Grushin of the Vox Populi polling service.

Both sides have accused each other of planning to rig the voting and plotting to use force if they lose. Many Russians doubt Yeltsin would surrender power if he lost, while the Communists say their supporters will take to the streets if Yeltsin wins.

"Who needs civil war?" Zyuganov said at one of his last campaign rallies. "Only those who don't want to give up power."

Yeltsin's campaign, backed by the Russian media, has used

red scare tactics at every turn, reminding Russians of the millions who were killed or jailed under Communism. While many Russians dislike Yeltsin, they say they must vote for him because the alternative is unthinkable.

"I wasn't a Communist. They

were crooks. And Yeltsin is no different. All of them just fill their pockets and leave us with nothing," said Anatoly Markov, a pensioner. "But what can we do? I don't want the Communists."

Zyuganov leads the resurgent Communist Party of Russia and a disparate coalition ranging from Stalinists to anti-Semitic fascists who are united by hatred of Yeltsin. He claims there is a vast conspiracy to destroy Russia involving, among others, the United Nations, Jews and Harvard University.

Unrepentant about the Communist past, Zyuganov promises to rebuild the Soviet Union,

restore state control over many sectors of Russian life and punish the reformers. He praises Stalin as a great leader, claiming he was not responsible for the deaths of millions.

Zyuganov is the hope of millions of Russians for whom democracy and reform have been a nightmare. To them, reform means soaring crime, closed factories, shops full of foreign imports they can't afford and the antics of a new class of fabulously wealthy businessmen and gangsters.

After decades of being told what to do by the state and getting jobs and housing for life in return, many Russians can't comprehend the new era under which they must make their own decisions and compete or sink.

Desperate for relief and hope, these Russians long for the past.

"Old people tell their grandchildren how low prices were. But they don't talk about the executions and the arrests," said historian Dmitry Likhachev. "They forget that paychecks were very low. They talk about order, but forget to say at what price that order was achieved."

The Communists promise to rescue the economy and ensure jobs and decent living standards for all.

Debate over reproductive rights delays global accord on cities

ISTANBUL, Turkey (AP) — A dispute over reproductive rights for women — a divisive and recurring issue at U.N. conferences — slowed the signing of a global agreement on urban problems.

Negotiators scrambled today to resolve the impasse as the U.N. conference on cities drew toward a close.

The debate stalled final acceptance on a 113-page blueprint aimed at making cities more livable in the 21st century.

It also threatened to divert attention from the key issues of housing and urban growth when the blueprint is presented to more than 140 governments for final adoption at the concluding plenary session today.

However, difficult issues facing cities, including the right to housing and the question of

who will be responsible for implementing the agenda, have been resolved.

Wally N'Dow, the conference secretary-general, said that no matter how the debate over reproductive rights ends, it won't mar the success of the conference.

"We have no doubt that if the agenda is implemented even halfway, the living conditions of the ordinary people in the villages, the hamlets, the towns, the cities, certainly in neighborhoods of the big exploding mega-cities, will improve," he said.

While several delegates, including Cuban leader Fidel Castro, delivered final speeches late Thursday, top conference officials attempted to mediate an end to the dispute on reproductive rights.

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Russia, NATO agree to posting of Russian officers

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) — Senior Russian military officers will be permanently posted at major NATO commands while allied generals would work at Russian military headquarters, under an agreement reached today by NATO defense ministers and Russian Defense Minister Pavel Grachev.

Under the agreement, a senior Russian officer would remain posted at NATO's military headquarters outside Mons, Belgium, and at each of the alliance's three regional commands responsible for the northern, central and southern sections of Western Europe. The Russians then agreed to a proposal by Defense Secretary William Perry that senior NATO officers be posted permanently at the Russian general staff in Moscow.

"We made that proposal and it

was accepted by minister Grachev," said Ashton Carter, assistant secretary of defense for international security and the Pentagon's top Russia expert. "It's an agreed concept. It's still, however, a concept."

Gen. George Joulwan, the U.S. four-star general who is also NATO's supreme commander, is to work out the details of the officer exchange over the coming weeks with Russian officers, Carter said.

The 16 NATO defense ministers had proposed institutionalizing a relationship begun between NATO and Russia during the Bosnia peacekeeping deployment that started last December. It has involved the assignment of a senior Russian officer at the Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe, or SHAPE, as well as commanders and ground troops working

with NATO forces in Bosnia.

After accepting the NATO proposal, Grachev said he wanted to have liaison officers posted at the so-called "major subordinate commands" based in England, The Netherlands, and Italy. The ministers accepted this proposal, according to the NATO official. Grachev also requested Russian participation in combined joint task force operations organized by NATO.

"There is an aspiration for deeper and closer contacts with us. Russia is ready for that," Grachev said after the meeting. NATO Secretary General Javier Solana said the meeting reflected a transformed relationship between Russia and an alliance once devoted almost exclusively to thwarting the threat to the West posed by Moscow.

"We have a new NATO. We

have a new Russia. We need new relations and we have one aim, which is the security and stability of Europe," Solana said.

Among other things, Grachev offered no objections when NATO ministers urged the Russian military leader to continue the Russian commitment to the Bosnia peace mission through the completion of the peace Implementation Force, or IFOR, mission at the end of the year.

But Grachev also repeated his opposition to NATO expansion into Central and Eastern Europe. The NATO official described Grachev as civil and diplomatic in demeanor but "pretty tough" on the question of NATO expansion, predicting it would lead to divisions and a deterioration of security in Europe.

Iraq again defies U.N. weapons inspections

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Iraq barred U.N. inspectors from two more bases suspected of concealing banned weapons on Thursday, defying a new Security Council resolution demanding unconditional access to all such sites.

The United States and Britain responded by urging the Security Council to declare Iraq in violation of the cease-fire agreement that ended the 1991 Persian Gulf War.

Such a declaration could provide a legal basis for military action to force compliance with U.N. demands for access.

But diplomatic sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, said at least five of the 15 council members — Russia, China, Egypt, France and Indonesia — raised objections to the British-American proposal.

Council President Nabil Elaraby said the proposal would be sent to national capitals for consideration. He planned to meet with Iraqi Ambassador Nizar Hamdon before the council convenes again Friday in New York.

Iraqi television Thursday showed pictures of Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein meeting with his inner circle to discuss the standoff.

The confrontation began Tuesday when the inspectors were barred from a base belonging to the elite Republican Guards just west of Baghdad. That base was too big for the inspectors to secure so they returned to the capital.

On Wednesday, the team was blocked from entering a Republican Guard building in Baghdad. Later, the Security Council

unanimously adopted a resolution demanding "immediate, unconditional and unrestricted access to any and all areas" the inspectors want to check.

But chief U.N. weapons inspector Rolf Ekeus told the council that Iraqis barred the experts from two more bases on Thursday. The installations are said to be near the Baghdad airport, although authorities have not confirmed their locations.

In Baghdad, the weapons inspectors kept round-the-clock vigils outside the two installations and another base inside the Iraqi capital to try to prevent any material from being removed.

Wearing sunglasses and blue caps with the U.N. logo, U.N. experts squatted in the shade of trees and fences outside a

Republican Guard compound in the Al-Qadissiyah district of the capital. At least 20 U.N. experts were posted outside the one-story building at all times.

Working in six- to seven-hour shifts, the experts used seven U.N. cars to block the compound's three exits.

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Texas' ancient live oak near Rockport gives visitors new perspective

ROCKPORT (AP) — People who visit the Big Tree near Rockport see more than just an ancient piece of vegetation. Some see their places in the world a little more clearly. "When you look at a human, who lives maybe 100 years, and now you've got a tree that's lived 10 (times) that, it starts putting people in perspective about what they are and their significance on this Earth," said Stormy Reeves, manager of Goose Island State Park, where

the live oak tree is located. "It's always really fascinating. You go up there and look at this thing and realize it's been there a minimum of 1,000 years and what's happened on Earth this 1,000 years." To keep the Big Tree a thought-provoking piece of living history, workers this week are installing lightning rods near the tree and building braces beneath some of the tree's massive limbs. The tree also will undergo

light pruning and fertilizing by Davey Tree Expert Co., the business working on the tree this week. The work is part of a management plan adopted by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department to keep the Big Tree healthy. It is not unusual for live oaks to live to be 400 years old, but the Big Tree, at an estimated 1,000 years of age, is believed to be among the oldest in the nation, said Mike Walterscheidt, a retired professor of forest

science at Texas A&M University in College Station. The Big Tree also is one of the three largest live oak trees in the nation, and it attracts hundreds of thousands of visitors each year, according to the Parks and Wildlife Department. The tree is 44 feet tall, has a trunk that's 35 feet in circumference and has a crown that is 89 feet across. The Big Tree also is known as the Lamar Oak, Bishop's Oak and Goose Island Oak.

As 1,000-year-old beings go, the Big Tree is pretty healthy, tree specialists say. Jed Day of Davey Tree Expert Co. said the Big Tree's amazing longevity is like that of a 110-year-old man who still is able to take care of himself but needs occasional visits from a nurse. "As long as they don't slip in the bathtub or get hit by lightning, they're fine," Day said. Day said the Big Tree has some "heart rot" — decay caused by moisture getting into

old wounds. But that will not kill the Big Tree, he said. The tree's age and size are among the reasons it will receive fertilizer, Day said. Increased size and advanced age add to a tree's appetite. But another reason to fertilize a tree that didn't need it during its first several hundred years is that park maintenance includes the removal of the tree's own debris — fallen leaves and branches that biodegrade and provide food, he said.

Women still seething over Rangers' treatment

AUSTIN (AP) — Two female officers involved in a bitter clash with the Texas Rangers say it has been a horrible and frustrating year but they are not backing off. And both insist the elite crime-fighting agency still has little or no understanding about their charges of sexual harassment and discrimination. "They don't know what sexual harassment is and they couldn't care less," says Cheryl Steadman, a history-making Ranger from Houston who resigned in 1994. "They haven't been caught at it, so why should they care?" Says Lisa Sheppard of Corpus Christi, who angrily spurned a Ranger job offer: "They have a place for female Rangers and it is exclusively in company headquarters, without exception." She said the implication is demeaning, degrading and illegal. After lodging unsuccessful human rights complaints, the two Department of Public Safety officers sued the Rangers and their parent DPS last December in federal court.

Cheryl Steadman, said Francis, who vigorously denied that pressure from the governor's office was forcing Cook out. "He has got 29 or 30 years of service, and people do retire when they get 29 or 30 years of

the good old boy society" and accusing them of "extreme and outrageous" conduct. Ms. Steadman believes her superior officers resented females in the Ranger ranks and that their sexual bias translated women in company headquarters," she complained. She accused Cook of a "calculated effort ... to force me to either work in a demeaning and diminished capacity or decline the position, which I eventually did." Unlike Ranger field offices, the six headquarters companies are located in larger cities with on-site supervisors. The two current female Rangers are stationed in headquarters companies, Marrie Garcia in San Antonio and Christine Nix in Waco. Although the lawsuit is directed at the Rangers and the DPS, it named Cook, Col. Wilson and Public Safety Commissioner Ronald Krist as defendants. Also named were Capt. W.D. Vickers and Lt. Robert Madeira, the ranking officers in the Rangers' Houston company, where Ms. Steadman spent her brief Ranger career. She and Ms. Sheppard claim they were libeled, slandered, defamed and targeted for "ridicule, threats, lies, disrespect and violent outbursts." The defendants denied the charges and insisted that "any injury or damages suffered by the plaintiffs resulted from their own conduct and actions." In recent interviews, Sgts. Sheppard and Steadman discussed the events of the last year, which were perplexing for both but more so for Ms. Steadman. "I understand now why women tolerate the kind of behavior that I put up with," she said. "You don't have fingerprints and blood, so it's difficult to prove. It takes a lot out of you and it costs a lot of money to fight it. "Sometimes the cure can be as bad as the disease." Ms. Steadman, 34, the wife of a DPS highway patrolman, said saddest of all is what might have been. "This could have been a Cinderella story. They gave me everything. I went from being a lowly trooper to being a Texas Ranger, the first female Ranger." Why, she asked rhetorically, would she walk away from all this? "People must realize it would have to have been unbearable to give that up," she said.

Chronology:

1995
May 22: Former Texas Ranger Cheryl Steadman and Department of Public Safety investigator Lisa Sheppard confirm their allegations of sexual harassment and discrimination.
June 2: DPS Internal Affairs says its investigation found little evidence to support Ms. Steadman's claims.
June 27: Ranger Marcus Hilton is suspended after allegedly pulling his pistol on DPS trooper Michael Coleman in a dispute over a woman.
July 11: After a daylong hearing, the policy-making Public Safety Commission rules Cheryl Steadman's harassment complaint is without merit.
July 12: The DPS, in response to an Open Records request, discloses that two Rangers were disciplined over racially and sexually insensitive remarks made about a black female Ranger.
Dec. 3: Ranger Ron Stewart of Alpine, retiring at age 50, claims the agency is "falling apart" and "nobody is doing anything about it." He blames Cook.
Dec. 18: Sgts. Steadman and Sheppard sue the Rangers, the parent DPS and selected individuals in federal court.
Dec. 20: The Texas Commission on Human Rights says it finds "no reasonable cause" to believe the Rangers violated Ms. Steadman's rights.
1996
Jan. 8: Responding through the Texas Attorney General's Office, the defendants in the federal lawsuit deny the discrimination charges and claim immunity against legal action.
Feb. 8: Sources say Cook is being forced out as senior Ranger captain.
Feb. 24: The Houston Chronicle reports that a Hays County grand jury refused to indict Cook for perjury in a case involving the shooting deaths of a Texas Racing Commission employee and his family. The newspaper quoted unidentified sources as saying Cook, refusing to testify, invoked his Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination.

service," Francis said. Cox, the DPS spokesman, says he sees Cook occasionally at DPS headquarters in Austin. The Rangers have been a division of the DPS since 1934, and Cook's office is located there. "He's still on the payroll as far as I know," Cox said. "I haven't seen any retirement notice." For the first time since becoming Ranger chief, Cook was not a member of the most recent interview board, a vital part of the Ranger selection process. Instead, Bruce Casteel, the No. 2 man, and two other Rangers served on the six-member panel. They helped choose seven new male Rangers, including five Anglos and two Hispanics. Meanwhile, Sgts. Sheppard and Steadman have been in federal court, branding the Rangers as the "last bastion of

into a hostile work environment. She maintains the discriminatory treatment became intolerable after an overnight country outing with 23 active and retired male Rangers in 1994. She was required to attend the meeting, but spent the night in town with a female state trooper. She is currently assigned to the DPS vehicle theft unit in Houston. In the second case, Ms. Sheppard, a criminal intelligence investigator, maintains she was discriminated against by the conditions of her Ranger job offer. "I was denied an existing vacancy in Beeville (near her home and family in Corpus Christi) due to a requirement the Rangers have of stationing

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Last February, sources at the highest level of state government told the AP that Cook had received an "ultimatum" from DPS Director James Wilson to step down. "Cook was told he could retire, resign, transfer or they'd fire him," said one government source, who spoke on condition of anonymity. Neither Cook nor Wilson would discuss the reports with the AP but James Francis, a member of the three-man Public Safety Commission, confirmed that Cook would be retiring this summer. "This retirement has nothing to do with any specific act or certainly nothing to do with

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Woman turns life around, wants to thank those responsible

By KELLIE JONES
Features Editor

When you first meet Stacey Keller, you are drawn to her smile and friendly spirit. You would never know 17 months ago, she was homeless and hitchhiking across the country with a five-year-old boy.

Keller, normally a private person, wanted to share her story with others in order to give thanks to God for helping her straighten out her life. She was addicted to drugs and alcohol for 15 years and she says the Lord delivered her from the addiction.

"I was using drugs every single day from the day my son was born and off and on before that. I was mostly addicted to crank, also known as speed. I was going through severe detox one day and I cried out to God to help me and it was a miracle, the pain went away immediately," Keller said.

She had gone to visit her son, Tommy, at his dad's place and discovered his living conditions

weren't sanitary. She took her son with her and that's when she decided to turn her life around. Stacey began hitchhiking from California and ended up in Lamesa. She says she was drawn to Texas but wasn't sure why. A couple from Big Spring picked her up and told her about the Spring Tabernacle Church and Ministry. "When I got here, I knew I was home," Stacey said.

Mona Lue Tonn and her husband, Arnold, provide a clothing and food ministry for the needy in Big Spring. "We have four apartments that are furnished by donations including sheets and dishes that people can stay at. You can't drink, use drugs or have people of the opposite sex stay with you while living there."

"You also have to help in our ministries if you don't have a job. You also have to honor the Lord by being at church every time we have services and Stacey and her son were faithful," Tonn said.

Tonn added it's amazing how

well Stacey has turned her life around. Keller is now working at Can Savers, a recycling business, as well as working as part-time manager at the apartments she lives at.

Her mom, Priscilla Watters, came to Big Spring a week ago to visit her daughter. "We really didn't have a mother-daughter relationship for the past 15 years. She was alienated from the family. I prayed for her every day and for us to have a relationship. This is the biggest miracle I've ever seen. When I found out she was hitchhiking, I prayed to God to send His angels around her."

Watters added the irony in her daughter ending up in Big Spring is that this is where the family is originally from. Keller's great-grandmother used to play the piano for the silent movie theater in Stanton.

Stacey went home last Christmas to see her family and not everyone knew of the changes she had made in her life. Watters said those who

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Stacey Keller, far right, reads aluminum cans for recycling at her new job while her mother, Priscilla Watters, center, and Mona Tonn look on. Keller was homeless and fighting a drug addiction last year before she hitchhiked to Big Spring and found the Tonns and the Spring Tabernacle Church.

Pioneer Day at Heritage Museum set for June 22

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Assistant News Editor

Have you ever washed with lye soap, churned butter or carded wool?

Chances are a vast majority never knew such chores as a part of everyday living, and that's part of the reason that Heritage Museum officials say the "Pioneer Child's Day" set for 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, June 22, at the Potton House will be an event for the entire family.

"The activities will be centered around children, but there's going to be plenty for the whole family," explained Heritage Museum Director Angie Way. "Just about everything we'll be doing is something most of us have never done before, so we'll encourage everyone in the community to come out and take part."

According to Way, this is the second consecutive year the Heritage Museum has sponsored the free event. "Last year we drew about 300 people, so we feel pretty confident that we'll have that many again this year, if not quite a few more."

As was the case a year ago, the grounds of the Potton House will be covered with booths and individuals demonstrating "old fashioned" methods employed in everyday living by pioneers.

Way said children and their parents will be able to practice their own skills at each of the special areas dealing with food, play, folk medicine, everyday tasks and farm chores.

"Never waste or throw away anything that can be put to use was the pioneer philosophy," Way explained. "That's what each child will see demonstrated in the making of corn husk dolls, wooden stick toys, cloth dyes and herbal health remedies."

In addition, Way said youngsters will "do the washing"



Churning butter is just one of the activities children can enjoy at Pioneer Day at the Heritage Museum June 22. This is the second year the museum and Potton House has sponsored this event to show others how the pioneers lived.

with lye soap, learn to cipher with a quill pen and get some exercise by churning butter.

In the folk medicine tent, participants will visit the herb doctor with pretend illnesses and be shown what the pioneers considered the cures for their "ails."

"The Potton House, in itself, is a tremendous experience for

those who've never visited," Way added. "It's a demonstration of pioneer know-how, as well."

From the outside of the house, one can trace the water collection system — rainwater is collected on the roof, goes through the gutter system into piping that leads to a filter where it is strained before being stored in the cistern, a

large cement bottle in the ground.

Water is pumped from the cistern for use in the house.

"Pioneer ladies" will be garbed in period dress outside the Potton House to show children how the water collection and storage system was used.

"We're getting quite a bit of support from people and groups in the community," Way said, noting Eunice Thixton and her family will be handling the butter churning demonstration. Calligrapher Carol Berry will be helping participants use quill pens and the Big Spring State Park staff will be helping out in a number of areas.

The Potton House is located at 200 Gregg Street. Its usual hours are from 1-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Way said coupons will be given to those who wish to tour the Potton House on return visits.

LIFE! IN BRIEF

Here is a list of upcoming events in Big Spring and Howard County:

•June - Nature Walks at Big Spring State Park every Saturday in June and July, except July 6. Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo at the Howard County Fairgrounds and Rodeo Bowl June 26-29.

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

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Micklo Vega hangs out underneath a set of playground bars as he and others were playing outside at the Westside Day Care Center Wednesday afternoon.

Liposuction: What's good for the goose

Scrrips Howard News Service

Q: Liposuction for a guy? You bet! My boss, a handsome 47-year-old stockbroker with broad hips and a too-rounded butt, is about to join the likes of Cher and Liz Taylor with cosmetic surgery performed during his vacation time. I'm certain it's scheduled to happen because, as his administrative assistant, I set up the initial appointment with the plastic surgeon. I know it's not a nose job, nor a face lift, because he's satisfied with his looks — but he sure hates his hips and bottom! Why on earth is he undergoing this surgery, and do you know if other men are contemplating it? It seems to me that cosmetic surgery is primarily for women. — Sallie, Long Island, N.Y.

A: It's time to change your thinking. Successful men from the Baby Boomer generation

have taken a tip from the women who have used plastic surgery for years to thwart the clock. More than 40 percent of all cosmetic surgery is now performed on men, which means that the number of cosmetic surgeries has increased over 110 percent in just a decade. And it's not strictly vanity that sends guys to the plastic surgeon. Competition in the job market is forcing more and more men in their 40s and 50s to explore every option for looking younger and hanging on to their positions of power.

Q: I have an unusual problem with one of my employees. He douses himself with the most obnoxious type of after-shave lotion you can imagine. And the scent doesn't disappear! If I could hide him in the men's room all day, my situation would be resolved. But I can't do that. He's our maitre d', the

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SLICE of life!

TIPS 'N' TRIVIA

Breaking the ice:

(NAPS)—Tips for overcoming shyness at a party:
•Give your guests puzzle pieces and ask them to find the other guests with the adjoining pieces.
•Make a pin to wear with the letters I, Y, Q on it. When people ask what the pin says, ask them to read it. When they say "I, Y, Q," smile and reply "I like you too."
•Start an entertaining conversation by asking "What's the worse song of the 1970s?" This question always loosens people up and generates smiles.



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Fish fry on Saturday

American Legion Post No. 506, 3203 W. Highway 80, is having its last fish fry of the summer this Saturday from 1-4 p.m. Cost for the all-you-can-eat meal is \$5 per person and carryout is available.

Gospel concert on Sunday

The "Pearly Gates," a gospel quartet, will be in concert Sunday at 3 p.m. at the Sands First Baptist Church. The group is based in San Angelo and is well known in the area. An offering will be taken, and there is no admission fee. Everyone is welcome.

Street closing June 19

One block of Goliad Street will be closed June 19 for water service replacement. The city of Big Spring has announced East Ninth to 10th Street on Goliad will be shut down from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. for repairs.

Vacation Bible School

St. Paul Lutheran Church, 809 Scurry, will be having its Vacation Bible School in the Educational Annex (across the street from the church) June 23-27 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. for ages Pre-K thru 6th grade.

The theme will be Kingdom of the Son-A Prayer Safari.

For information call 267-7163.

Mobile Meals needs help

The Mobile Meals Program, also known as Meals on Wheels, needs volunteers to deliver meals. If you can spare one hour per week to deliver eight or 10 meals, we need you. About 85 to 90 meals are prepared, packaged and delivered within the city limits of Big Spring. If you can volunteer, please call 263-4016 before 3 p.m.

THE LAST WORD

What is important is to keep learning, to enjoy challenge, and to tolerate ambiguity. In the end there are no certain answers.
—Marina Horner

No gossip ever dies away entirely, if many people voice it; it is kind of divinity.
—Hesoid

It takes about 10 years to get used to how old you are.
—Unknown

One doesn't have a sense of humor. It has you.
—Larry Gelbart

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This year could be bad for ticks and diseases

NEW YORK (AP) — For anybody afraid of ticks and the diseases they carry, this is not the time for a walk in the woods.

The number of ticks — and the chances they will be carrying disease — are expected to be especially high this year, possibly because of an unusually high population of infected mice in the Northeast last summer, scientists say.

Ticks pick up the bacteria that cause Lyme disease and other illnesses when they feed on infected mice and deer. The tiny bloodsuckers are dormant through the winter and return in June looking for more blood. "It looks like a good tick year, if you like ticks," said Andrew Spielman of the Harvard School of Public Health in Boston.

People can avoid the infection by using insect spray, wearing light-colored clothes, long pants and long-sleeve shirts, and checking themselves for ticks after walking through fields or woods in the summer.

Symptoms of Lyme disease, discovered in Lyme, Conn., in 1976, include a bull's-eye rash around the bite, flu-like symptoms, arthritis, migraine headaches, vision loss and fatigue.

In its earliest stages, Lyme disease can be treated with any

number of antibiotics. But later, it becomes a much more serious illness. Untreated cases often lead to heart, nervous system and joint problems.

Ticks can be found in at least 44 states, but for reasons that researchers don't completely understand, Lyme disease is most common in parts of the Northeast and Upper Midwest.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported slightly more than 13,000 cases of Lyme disease in 1994, the worst year for the disease. But the ecology of Lyme disease makes it difficult to predict from one year to the next just how much of a threat the disease will be.

Epidemiologists are finding that the affliction is more complicated than they first believed, making it more difficult for doctors to recognize and treat.

Recent research shows that two other infections — babesiosis and human granulocytic ehrlichiosis, or HGE — can combine with Lyme bacteria to form a more virulent illness.

The newly discovered microorganisms may explain why some people have trouble getting over an infection, and others don't respond to the antibiotics that doctors usually prescribe for Lyme. Many patients have complained of a



It's important to dip your dogs and pets like these volunteers from the Big Spring Humane Society. The Big Spring community pet dip will be 1:30-5:30 p.m., Sunday, June 23 at the Norwest Bank drive-thru on Main Street at a cost of \$5.

chronic Lyme disease that lasts for years or months after their initial symptoms disappear.

"The past couple years have been a real eye-opener," said Dr. David Persing of the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn. "This has probably been occurring as an undercurrent for longer than we realize."

Stacey

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came by the house could see the change because Stacey was glowing and "you could see the kindness. There was no more anger, bitterness or hate."

Stacey had lunch with her father during the holidays and he told her he finally had his daughter back. "I can understand what he was saying. I didn't like that person I used to be and neither did anyone else," Stacey remarked.

She has been interviewed on the local religious channel and when asked what would be the one thing she could say to others who have been in her position. Stacey said, "What is impossible with man is possible with God."

"I've got to give the Lord credit for what He has done. I didn't do this by myself," Stacey added.

Tonn commented, "It's amazing when you think that a little over a year ago, Stacey was homeless and addicted to drugs. Now, she has a job and her own place to live."

Stacey is looking forward to this summer when her other two children, ages 10 and 12, come for a visit. They have been living with an aunt and it's been two and a half years since they stayed with their mother. "We did visit over the holidays and we had a really good time together. I'm hoping they will see the change in me and want to move here with me permanently."

The Tonn's hand out food and clothes on Thursdays at 10 a.m. and those in need are ministered to first. The church is located at 1209 Wright. "If you are willing to try, we are willing to help. God can break those chains of sin. He will provide the need if you want to break the chains," Tonn added.

CHURCH IN BRIEF

Deadline for church news is noon Wednesday.

St. Paul Lutheran Church

St. Paul Lutheran Church will have Vacation Bible School June 23-27 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at their educational annex across from the church, 809 Scurry. It is open for children in grades pre-kindergarten through sixth grade. Call 267-7163 for more information.

Berea Baptist

"Go for the Goal" is theme of Berea Baptist Church's Vacation Bible School, June 17-21, 6:30-9:00 p.m. Ages four through sixth grade are welcomed. Church is at 4204

Wasson Rd.

First Church Of The Nazarene

The Work and Witness missionary team, sent out from the Big Spring Church of the Nazarene, returned from Peru Sunday, June 9. During the Sunday evening service, seven of the team members shared some of their experiences and feelings about the trip. During the Sunday evening service on June 30, the team members will be present to share their experiences more fully, as well as showing movies, pictures and curios purchased in Peru.

This Sunday, June 16, Joe Whitten's Prison Ministry, His Children, will minister during the evening service. The group will present the songs they sing to prisoners all around the country and share with the congregation how God is work-

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gentleman who greets all the guests coming into my restaurant. When he escorts a couple to the back dining room, you can still smell his cologne at the front door. He's a super employee, so I don't want to lose him by commenting on his smell. It's a fragrant situation and I need help desperately. — Desperate Dylan, Watertown,

MA.

A: You're making this into a tough issue, when all you have to do is sneeze and snort a bit to prove your point. Explain to the cologne-drenched gentlemen that you're allergic to all types of scents — particularly, men's after-shave lotion. Offer to help him choose a lighter fragrance that won't make your nose twitch so much — and that won't linger long after he's

left the front entrance.

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.

1955 Hyperion Club

Members of the 1955 Hyperion Club enjoyed a luncheon at the home of Diane Murphy for the final meeting of the year. Co-hostess were Gaye Herren, Carole Berry and Paulette Mason. Mildred Carleson, Mrs. Murphy's mother was a special guest. Mill Cunningham, outgoing president was presented with a gift from club members. The gift was a donation to Kid Zone made in her name. Gifts of appreciation were given by Mrs. Cunningham to outgoing officers. Evelyn Elrod installed new officers with the theme "take your vitamins." The vitamin prescriptions described the duties and privileges of each office. The next meeting will be the fall luncheon at the country club in September.

Rosebud Garden Club

The Rosebud Garden Club took a trip to Hawaii via Charlie Morehead's beautifully painted and decorated garage. Charlie, Anna don Hardison and Ozella Long hosted the event. The artists who crated the illusion of a south pacific island were Dot Blackwell, Cindy Grant, Anna Don Hardison, Sherry Tompkins and Charlie Morehead. Guest of honor was Zen Aida Mansfield of Molokai, Hawaii. Long time gardener and flower judge, Lucy Knox was a special guest. The menu followed the Hawaii theme. Members attire reflected the dress of the islands. Each guest was presented with a pineapple suncatcher made by the hostesses. Aloha until September.

Big Spring Art Association

The Big Spring Art Association selected their president, Kay Smith, as June artist

of the month.

Featured works are exhibited monthly at the Heritage Museum. Dora Roberts Community Center hosts area artists of the association as well.

SMITH

Studying under Myrtle Lee in the 1960's with oils, Smith now uses all media to create original works. Painted furniture including folding screens, large canvases and prints as well as antiques can be seen at her

downtown studio.

Commissioned by the chamber as logo artist for their annual triathlon, her work of running horses will be known nationally. Working with the museum, downtown merchants and Carole Berry, Smith began a monthly fine arts festival. Association members set up painting demonstrations/booths every third Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Main Street's Railroad Plaza.

The association will have their regular meeting Tuesday, June 18, at 7 p.m. at the Marcy House. J.K. Layne of Snyder will be guest artists. He's a framer specializing in old barn wood frames.

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Church

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ing behind prison walls. Brian Lelek, a member of the church, sings with His Children and will be traveling with the group as they go to various prisons in the days ahead.

Next week is Family Camp for the West Texas District of the Nazarene Church. Local families will be gathering with other families from across West Texas at the Nazarene campground in Glen Rose for a week of fun and fellowship.

Midway Baptist Church

This year's Bible School Go For The Goal will start with a pre-enrollment parade. We will meet at the church at 9:30 a.m. on June 22 to ride in the Midway V.B.S. Express Wagon. We will have a short ride in the wagons and then return to the church for refreshments and games. The activities will be over at noon.

Our Motto is "I Will Do My Best In Every Way To Live For Jesus Christ Today." We invite everyone from three years of age to those that were in the sixth grade last year to join in the fun. The class that has the most visitors each day will get a special reward. So start asking your friends to come with you to V.B.S. If you do not have children this age then try to share this information with a friend, neighbor or family member that does. That may be the child that comes to know the Lord during V.B.S.

We will be dressing up in something different every day.

Monday - Backward day
Tuesday - Fan day (dress in favorite team colors)
Wednesday - Hat day
Thursday - Clash day
Friday - Sun and socks day
On Friday we will have special activities at the end of the morning that will include some water activities. So please send your child in something that will not be ruined if he steps or falls in some mud.

On Sunday night the evening service will be centered around the V.B.S. activities. Each class will have a part in the program. We pray that during V.B.S. the children will become more aware of God's creation and everything in it. We will be reminded everyday about reaching our goal of doing our best for Jesus everyday.

If you need a ride to the parade or to Bible School, call the church office at 263-6274 or call 393-5517 and we'll try to make arrangements for you to be picked up.

First United Methodist
On June 9, the church had a reception for their new pastor, Dr. Ed Williamson and his family. The First United Methodist Church's youth director, Virgil Feinsold, is taking the church's senior high group on a trip. They will be heading out to Possum Kingdom Lake for times of worship, skiing, and a lot of fun. They will be leaving on June 27 and returning on the 30. Also, on July 14, two senior high youths are going with Virgil to the Olympic Outreach in Atlanta, Georgia.

Miracle Revival Center

Visiting Pastor Jerry Staton will be at Miracle Revival Center, Thursday, June 20 at 7:30 p.m.

Brother Jerry is concerned with and anointed in winning souls plus incorporating that into home Bible studies. There are many ways of reaching people for the Kingdom of God, and our homes are a good place to start.

Friends of Unity

Everyone is invited to a June birthday celebration Saturday, June 15 from 3-5 p.m. Friends of Unity want to share the joy of living. Located in the East Boxcar at 100-A S. Main, Friends of Unity is a fellowship for believers in the Unity Message of Jesus Christ. The phone number is 267-8783.

Sands First Baptist Church

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Painting the town Red



Coahoma Reds starting pitcher Travis Hipp, second from right, is congratulated by teammates and coaches after retiring the American League Stars in the first inning of the City Little League Tournament championship game.

Coahomans capture city Little League title

By STEVE REAGAN
Sports Editor

COAHOMA — It took the Coahoma Reds about four innings to shake off a week's worth of inactivity.

Then, they shook off their opponents.

The Reds, the only team to go undefeated through the city Little League tournament, rallied from behind in the final two innings to down the American League Stars, 3-2, and earn the tournament title.

The Stars (15-7) had made a name for themselves by rallying from behind to win their past few games. They once again came from behind, taking a 2-1 lead in the fifth inning, then watched as another

team did the same thing to them.

Jerrold Simmons, the Stars pitcher, cruised through the middle innings. After giving up an unearned run in the first, he set down 11 straight Coahoma batters in one stretch.

His counterpart with the Reds, Chance Nichols, had a harder time getting settled in. After relieving Reds starter Travis Hipp in the fourth, Nichols allowed two runs — one on a bases-loaded walk — to give the Stars a 2-1 lead.

"I didn't feel so good — I was real nervous," Nichols said. "I couldn't concentrate at first ... but I shook it off the last two innings."

With the game on the line in

the late going, Nichols found the strike zone and began mowing down Stars with great consistency. He retired the last six batters he faced — four on strikeouts.

While Nichols was holding the line, his teammates were shaking off the rust resulting from a week of inactivity.

"We weren't playing as well as we could play," Reds coach Marty Brooks said. "They'd been off since last Saturday, but I knew they could come back if they wanted to — I just had to get the want-to out of them."

The Reds (18-3) received help from an unexpected corner — the Stars. The Stars' defense, which had been a team strength in the tournament,

deserted them in the title game. Their three errors led to all three Coahoma runs.

The Coahomans tied the game at 2-2 in the bottom of the fifth when Adrian Abreggo singled, reached second on an error and scored on a single by Eddie Gonzales. The Reds threatened to add to their score, but Stars shortstop Ryan Vela ended the rally with a diving stab of Hipp's line drive.

As things turned out, however, Vela only delayed the inevitable.

Chase Ward provided the winning run in the bottom of the sixth when he reached on an error, then raced home on Richard Rye's double that

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Jordan and Co. try again to end NBA Finals

SEATTLE (AP) — Few are talking about the Chicago Bulls' place in history. Or about Phil Jackson's possible retirement to Montana. Or about Michael Jordan's pending free-agency. Or about Dennis Rodman's mind games.

The subject is basketball once more, and that makes the Bulls happy.

Tonight, Chicago again will try to wrap up its fourth NBA title in six years. And unlike Wednesday, when the Bulls didn't respond well to the distractions — or to the outstanding play of the Seattle SuperSonics — they insist they will be ready.

The two days off between Games 3 and 4 gave players, media and fans all too much time to think, analyze and plan. Before Game 4, Steve Kerr said, "there was terrible karma" for his Bulls.

"People were bringing boxes of (NBA champion) t-shirts into the locker room," he said. "We were rehearsing the trophy ceremony. We were making public-service announcements to avoid violence back in Chicago. All the questions I was being asked dealt with our place in history."

"Nobody wanted to talk about winning the fourth game. It was extremely distracting."

And the Sonics took advantage, playing by far their best game of the series, winning 107-86 and avoiding a sweep. Another victory tonight will send the teams back to Chicago for Game 6 on Sunday.

"I heard they were getting their parade ready. Well, now they've got to clean it up," Gary Payton said. "I hope if they get prepared again, we can get 'em to have to clean it up again."

Said Hersey Hawkins: "When they were already printing t-shirts, we thought, 'We might as well have fun.' We were very loose."

Jordan said that every year at the NBA Finals, there is too much stink about the preparations being made in anticipation of a team winning the title.

"The league has to get ready," Jordan said. "That's one of the things (the Sonics) will learn if they ever get in that position."

Jordan, coming off a poor performance in Game 4, doesn't plan to let Seattle get into such a position this year.

"We learn from our mistakes and we remember," he said. "We remember the lashing we took, and we want to turn it around."

Whenever given a chance to face a team that beat them this season, the Bulls won the rematch — usually handily. One of those turnarounds came against the Sonics, who won at home Nov. 26 but suffered their most lopsided loss of the season Jan. 10 at Chicago.

"When teams beat us, they've got to pay the price," said Ron Harper, who is questionable for Game 5 with a sore knee. "I expect us to be ticked off, and to respond."

That attitude is one of the many reasons Chicago won an NBA-record 72 games during the regular season and had a shot at a history-making postseason. With Wednesday's loss, the Bulls' best possible playoff mark is 15-2 — which may or may not be good enough for them to claim the mythical title of top team ever.

The Sonics expect to see the Bulls at their best tonight.

"We know Chicago is going to come out a lot more aggressively," Hawkins said. "They'll probably throw everything at us in the first quarter. But I think we can respond by playing good defense and matching their intensity. When we're on, we don't think anybody can

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Rangers fall in extra innings

BOSTON (AP) — Alex Delgado is a baseball nomad, playing nine different positions in eight different minor-league cities in the Boston system. Now he has made the most memorable trip of his undistinguished career.

From home plate to first base. The rookie lined a single to left in the 10th inning for his second major-league hit and first RBI Thursday night, giving the Red Sox an 8-7 victory over Texas.

It was the fifth time the Rangers, who lead the AL West, lost the lead to the Red Sox, who have the third-worst record in baseball.

"I don't have enough time to explain all of the different ways we lost," Texas manager Johnny Oates said, "but we did a lot of things that were not conducive to winning baseball."

The Rangers' generosity once they got the lead was just one oddity on a night of strange happenings.

Boston shortstop John Valentin misplayed three balls without getting an error, then threw out two runners at home in the ninth and homered to tie the game 7-7 in the 10th.

Texas reliever Mike Henneman (0-4) was one out away from his 19th save in the bottom of the ninth, then allowed back-to-back RBI doubles by Mike Stanley and Reggie Jefferson that tied the score 6-6.

"This is a proud night," Red Sox manager Kevin Kennedy said. "Both teams can hit. You keep fighting and it ended up our way. It was a very emotional win."

The strangest development might have been Delgado's evolution from marginal big-leaguer to hero on a team that also got homers from regulars Jose Canseco and Troy O'Leary and eight strong innings from

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Roger Clemens, who left with the score 4-4.

"Who knows where he can go from here?" Kennedy said of Delgado, who was 1-for-6 in the majors before Thursday. "With the game on the line, he gets his first RBI at Fenway Park. He'll remember that."

Delgado spent his previous eight seasons in the Red Sox farm system. He was surprised when he was invited to spring training as a non-roster player, then made the club, in part, because of his versatility.

"This day is the second happiest of my life," said Delgado, who wasn't even an everyday player in the minors. "The first was when Kevin Kennedy told me in spring training I had made the team."

He was primarily a middle infielder before switching to catcher in 1992. In 1994, he thought of retiring after having elbow surgery, then changed his mind. This season, he has played catcher, second base, third base and right field for Boston despite having been sent down twice to Trenton in Class AA.

"It never crossed my mind that I'm going to make the team," said Delgado, who entered the game as a pinch-runner for Stanley in the ninth and scored the tying run, "but I always worked hard and I'm here."

Boston leads the majors with 15 extra-inning games, six more than runnerup San Diego, and has played four in its last six games.

"It's been physically tough for us," Valentin said.

"Every inning seems like it's a battle," Canseco said.

The game never would have reached extra innings if Texas relievers Jeff Russell and

Henneman had done their jobs. Russell gave up O'Leary's eighth homer that tied the game 4-4 in the eighth before Henneman faltered in the ninth when Stanley's double bounced off third base as Dean Palmer was prepared to catch it.

"You see that maybe once a year, but we've got to protect a two-run lead going to the bottom of the ninth," Oates said.

Kurt Stillwell, activated from the disabled list earlier Thursday, went 4-for-5, and he and Ivan Rodriguez drove in two runs each for Texas. Rodriguez's bases-loaded groundout in the 10th off Heathcliff Slocumb (2-5) gave the Rangers their last lead, 7-6.

"We had the lead, and it's my job to protect it," Henneman said. "I didn't do that."

Giants 12, Astros 8
SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — After a long absence, Barry Bonds' home-run trot made a return appearance.

Bonds capped a 4-for-5 performance with his first homer in more than a month, and the San Francisco Giants held off the Houston Astros 12-8 Thursday after nearly blowing a 9-0 lead.

"It's nice to see Barry Bonds heating up," San Francisco manager Dusty Baker said. "He got four hits and hit his first home run since May 11. It's been a long time since he trotted. We definitely needed it."

San Francisco, leading 9-0 after the second inning, had to withstand a six-run fifth by the Astros that included a pinch-hit grand slam by Sean Berry.

Bonds' homer, a two-run shot, came in the eighth off Dean Hartgraves and was the first since he hit his then-major league leading 17th homer at Pittsburgh. The 102 at-bat homerless string was the

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Co-leaders take different paths to top

BLOOMFIELD HILLS, Mich. (AP) — They come from two different worlds and brought vastly different games to the first round of the U.S. Open. The only thing Payne Stewart and Woody Austin had in common was a share of the lead.

Austin, in his first U.S. Open, played the type of steady, mistake-free round required of Open winners. Stewart, the 1989 Open champion, suffered, scrambled and came up with great iron shots down the stretch.

They each shot a 3-under-par 67 for a 1-stroke lead over 1993 U.S. Open champion Lee Janzen and John Morse, the only player from Michigan in the field.

New Zealand's Frank Nobilo, Irishman Philip Walton and Paul Azinger were among the group at 1-under 69.

"I was not very pleased with the way I drove the ball, but I putted extremely well and I have totaled 67," Stewart said. "So, I am very happy."

Stewart joined the PGA Tour two years out of college and has two major championships among his nine professional wins.

Austin spent four years between mini-tours and his job as a bank teller in Florida before finally making it to the PGA Tour last year.

He played his first U.S. Open like a veteran on a day when a soft, soggy Oakland Hills Country Club gave way to an unusual amount of birdies, but still had enough bite to make a fool out of some of the game's best players.

Austin, the PGA's rookie of the year last season, was the only player in the field to not making anything worse than a par. He made three straight birdies on putts of no more

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than 6 feet, and had a couple of good par-saving putts down the stretch.

"I don't think I can improve," Austin said. "I never had a downhill chip. I never had a downhill bunker shot; I never had a bunker shot at all. I always had the ball where I had to have it."

Stewart, on the other hand, was all over the place, but it didn't always cost him. On the par-4 14th hole, he was under a tree, hit a punch shot that clipped another tree, then played an 8-iron short of the green and holed a 40-footer for par.

By the time he made two short birdie putts down the stretch, he was in with a 67.

"There was some ugly out there. There was some pretty," he said. "I didn't feel like I drove the ball very well, but I got away with it. I had a lot of fun out there, and I am going to laugh all day long about it, too."

How much longer Oakland Hills stays accessible depends on the weather. A downpour on the eve of the 96th U.S. Open made the 6,974-yard, par-70 course play much longer, and few players managed par from the rough.

But the greens were holding 4- and 5-irons from 200 yards out, and the softness took some of the scare out of the slopes.

The sun was out all day Thursday, and the forecast calls for continued drier conditions through early next week.

"I'd like to see it play really fast and dry, just because it will be very hard," said Janzen, one of only two players to get

to 4-under in the round. "When it's hard and fast, that eliminates more guys."

Indeed, the leaderboard was crowded with surprising names — David Berganio and Stewart Cink were also at 1-under, along with two club pros, Bob Ford and Gary Trivisonno.

But there were also players who know what it takes to win an Open. Tom Watson and Scott Simpson played the fairways-and-greens style so important over 72 holes; they were at 70 along with Colin Montgomerie.

Tom Lehman, who was tied with Greg Norman heading into the final round last year at Shinnecock Hills, was at 71, while Nick Faldo hit every fairway in shooting a 72. Norman finished at 73.

There was opportunity for others to share the lead, until the final five holes did them in. In addition to Janzen, who was 4-under through 13 holes, Nobilo, Azinger, Jumbo Ozaki, Jim Gallagher Jr. and Michael Campbell were at 3-under before succumbing somewhere along the homestretch.

"You've just got to take your lumps when you hit it in this rough," Janzen said, "and just get it back to the fairway. I think the course probably will play harder every day."

Azinger is off to his best start in a major since 1993, the year he won the PGA Championship and was diagnosed with cancer in December.

"I could have played a little better at the end," he said, echoing the comments of others before him.

"It could have been better, it could have been worse," he said. "But it's the best I've done in a long time."

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RODEO

College Finals

BOZEMAN, Mont. (AP) — Results after Thursday's action in the College National Finals Rodeo:

MEN'S ALL-AROUND
1. Robert Bowers, Montana St., 200 points, 2. Jason Jackson, Montana St., 170, 3. Jason Call, Coll. of S. Idaho, 145, 4. T.W. Parker, Coll. of S. Idaho, 140.

WOMEN'S ALL-AROUND
1. Tona Wright, W. Texas Coll., 160 points, 2. Peppel Young, Paris JC, 70, 3. Rachael Myllymaki, Montana, 37.5.

MEN'S TEAM STANDINGS
1. Montana St. Univ., 425 points
2. Fort Scott CC, 335, 3. S. Idaho, 323, 4. Vernon Regional JC, 290.

WOMEN'S TEAM STANDINGS
1. Western Texas College, 180 points, 2. Vernon Regional JC, 170, 3. Wash. St., 145, 4. Wyoming, 130.

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Astros

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longest of his career, eclipsing a 92 at-bat stretch from Aug. 26 to Sept. 25, 1989.

"It was nice to see him get that home run and get the monkey off his back," teammate Mark Carreon said.

Bonds was not around to speak after the game. He dressed and left before reporters were allowed into the clubhouse.

There was no question his teammates were glad to see him provide some insurance after Houston turned a blowout into a close game.

"I think Barry is one of the keys because if we get Barry going, this team can score a lot of runs," said Stan Javier, who had a run-scoring double after the Astros had pulled within a run.

"Everybody goes through a spell, but I was happy to see him hit that home run. That can turn everything around."

Houston scored its first run on Derrick May's third-inning RBI single and capitalized on a key fielding error by second baseman Steve Scarsone during the six-run fifth to make it 9-7.

"They hung in there and didn't let up," Houston manager Terry Collins said of his team.

"At least we came out of the game knowing we can score some runs, especially after getting shut out (in Colorado)," Jeff Bagwell said.

May hit another run-scoring single in the sixth to pull the Astros within 9-8 before Orlando Miller grounded into an inning-ending double play.

"I think that stopped their momentum," Javier said.

The Giants added a run in the sixth when Carreon reached on a strikeout and passed ball by catcher Rick Wilkins. Carreon then stole second, went to third on Xavier Hernandez's wild pitch and scored on Javier's two-out double.

Mark Leiter (4-5) struggled through five innings for the win, helping himself with two RBI singles. He allowed seven runs, only one earned, on seven hits and five walks, while striking out seven.

Darryl Kile (6-5) gave up nine hits in 1 2-3 innings, walked two, struck out three, threw two wild pitches and hit a batter.

Bulls

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Reds

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kicked up chalk on the foul line in right field.

"When we were up 2-1, I felt pretty confident," Stars manager Delvin Guinn said. "(The Reds) just hit the ball, what can I say?"

Winning the title game put the cap on a season-long quest for the Reds.

"I think we wanted to win this as a team," Nichols said. "It was a team effort the whole way."

"I told them at the first practice we had this year that we

His undoing was rooted in a 46-pitch first inning in which San Francisco sent 11 batters to the plate, getting a run-scoring groundout from Carreon, a two-run single from Manwaring, and RBI singles from Rich Aurilia and Leiter.

The first run in the inning scored when Scarsone struck out on a wild pitch that allowed Marvin Benard, aboard with a

double, to go to third. Wilkins, who like Scarsone believed the pitch had been fouled, waited for a few moments to retrieve the ball and then overthrew first base, allowing Scarsone to reach second and Benard to score.

The Giants added three runs in the second to go up 9-0 and knock out Kile.

Bulls

Nevertheless, Seattle's Nate McMillan said Wednesday's outcome eliminated the Bulls' aura of invincibility.

"The victory gives us confidence that if we just play our game, we can beat that team — just as we thought we could," said McMillan, who gave the Sonics a boost with 14 solid minutes in Game 4 despite a herniated disk in his back.

"But we still know the series is over if we don't win again."

Reds

Could win the championship if we played ball," Brooks said. "So they made that our goal."

As it turned out, the goal was shared by more than just the players and coaches.

"We've got the greatest bunch of parents a Little League coach could have," Brooks said. "They have been so super — they've backed me up through thick and thin."

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CARPOR SALE
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NEW SHIPMENT of above ground pools. All sizes now in stock. Installation available. Call 915-563-1807.

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CARPOR SALE: 1707 Gollad, Saturday and Sunday. Furniture, linens, southwest items, lots of miscellaneous.

CORNER SALE: 100 Canyon Dr. (Corner of E. 17th). Saturday 7:00am-12:00pm. Lots of miscellaneous.

PART TIME maintenance person needed must be skilled in all phases of maintenance. Only experienced need to apply in person. Bargain Mart, 403 Runnels.

REPO 1994. American Homestar doublewide 28x64. 3 bedroom, 2 bath fully tape and textured throughout, fireplace, thermopane windows. \$AVE THOUSANDS! CALL NATIONWIDE OF ODESSA 915-550-4662 or 800-215-4665.

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CHURCH SECRETARY needed 9:00am-5:00pm, Monday-Friday. Must have computer skills, preferably Word Perfect. Send resume to: P.O. Box 1229, Big Spring Tx 79721.

COUNTRY LIVING 1.5 acres. Beautifully decorated 2 bedroom, 1 bath with pretty carpet, vinyl & wallpaper. Pretty yard with large trees. New water heater, dishwasher, sink & faucet in '95. Call Joe Hughes, Home Real Estate, 263-1284 or at home 353-4751.

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FOR NICE CLEAN 3 bedroom, 1 bath house. Located off Young, \$350.00/month. RENTED \$150.00/deposit. HUD APPROVED. 267-1543.

FOR SALE: 1984 Ford Crown Victoria. NICE! Reasonably Priced, 267-2514 or 263-0169.

HELP WANTED: must have building construction and/or welding experience. Call 267-6347.

HOUSE FOR SALE in Coahoma, 2 bedroom, 1 bath, 1.3 acre, well and well house, laundry and storage rooms, 2 car carport, several fruit trees. \$24,000.00, must have money up front. Call between 8:00am & 12noon only, 394-4299.

PUBLIC NOTICE STATE OF TEXAS CITATION TO: ETTA MALONE, UNKNOWN HEIRS OF ETTA MALONE, DECEASED, AND ALL PERSONS CLAIMING ANY TITLE OR INTEREST TO LOTS 3 AND 4, BLOCK 5, LAKEVIEW ADDITION, CITY OF BIG SPRING, HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS. Defendants in the cause herein described.

You, and each of you, are hereby commanded to appear and answer before the 118th Judicial District Court in Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, at or before 10:00 a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance hereof, being at or before 10:00 a.m. on Monday, the 8 day of July, 1996, then and there to answer the petition of WILLIE HARVEY in Cause No. 96-05-3849, styled WILLIE HARVEY vs. ETTA MALONE, UNKNOWN HEIRS OF ETTA MALONE, DECEASED, AND ALL PERSONS CLAIMING ANY TITLE OR INTEREST TO LOTS 3 AND 4, BLOCK 5, LAKEVIEW ADDITION, CITY OF BIG SPRING, HOWARD COUNTY, TEXAS, are Defendants. The said petition, filed on the 21 day of May, 1996, discloses that the nature of said suit is as follows:

Suit to quiet title to Lots 3 and 4, Block 5, Lakeview Addition, City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas. Issued and given under my hand and the seal of said Court on this 21 day of May, 1996, at Big Spring, Howard County, Texas.

GLENDIA BRASEL, Clerk of the 118th Judicial District Court, Howard County, Texas By Colleen Barton, Deputy 9891 May 31 & June 7, 14, 21, 1996

PUBLIC NOTICE NEWS RELEASE On June 17, 1996 at 8:00 a.m., 10th Street, between State Street and Owens Street, will be permanently closed. Site preparation will begin for the building of a multi-purpose athletic facility. #9913 June 10, 14, and 16 1996

PUBLIC NOTICE The Big Spring Independent School District will receive sealed bids for the provision of its annual gasoline and diesel fuel needs. Bidding documents, specifications, and instructions may be examined or obtained in the office of the Assistant Business Managers, 708 Eleventh Place, Big Spring, Texas 79720.

The time and place for submitting and opening bids will be at the above address at 2:00 p.m., August 6, 1996. Bids will be tabulated and submitted to the Board of Trustees at its meeting at 5:15 p.m., August 6, 1996, for consideration and action.

The Big Spring Independent School District reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, to waive formalities, and award bids in the best interest of the School District. 9914 June 14 & 21, 1996

PUBLIC NOTICE The Big Spring Independent School District, will receive sealed proposals for the construction of a portable classroom building. Information concerning the proposal may be obtained from the office of the Assistant Superintendent for Business, 708 Eleventh Place, Big Spring, Texas 79720. Proposals shall be received and publicly read in the Business Office at 2:00 p.m., July 10, 1996. The Board of Trustees shall act upon the proposals on July 11, 1996, 5:15 p.m. at its regularly scheduled board meeting in the Big Spring Independent School District Board Room. 9915 June 14 & 17, 1996

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR SATURDAY, JUNE 15:

This is nothing less than a special year for you. New beginnings are delightful. An atmosphere of unusual caring surrounds you. You express yourself in a very appealing way. Because of your extreme creativity, you are driven. You might exhibit a tendency to be self-absorbed. If you are single, others seek you out, which is important to you. Be sensitive to the feelings of others whether you are single or attached. If attached, the relationship requires nurturing if you want it to last. GEMINI is a soul mate.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19) Think through recent events. Accentuate gentleness when stating your case. A fresh start is possible. Make resolutions about your communications. A big change affects your daily life; it could be a new car or computer system. Tonight: Explore town. *****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Finances play an important role in making a decision. You make clear choices. You know what you need to do about funds. Now you can implement it. There is cause for celebra-

tion. A loved one wants to indulge and adore you. Let him. Tonight: Revel in the moment. *****

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) New possibilities are likely. Raise your aspirations, and stay in a trusting frame of mind. You have reason for being jovial. You love what happens when you open up and let your joy out. Allow for vulnerabilities; it helps bond a relationship. Tonight: Fly high! *****

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Work on becoming more sure of yourself than you currently are. Listen and hear better. Consider several options before committing to a single course of action. Resolve to take more time for recharging your batteries. Tonight: Take a night off just for you. **

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You, more than all the other signs, most enjoy socializing. The perfect opportunity presents itself. You meet kindred spirits and a potential new paramour, if that is what you want. Drop in on a party. You have a ball wherever you are. Tonight: Hot to trot. *****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Discuss your heartfelt need for some change in your life with a friend you put on a pedestal. A decision made today could be

long term. You gain professionally because of this choice, though it may only be indirectly related. Attend a command performance. Tonight: It could be a late night! *****

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Get ready to take off at the drop of a hat. Be perfectly clear about someone's viewpoint. There is no better way than going off with him to find out about his lifestyle. Your considerate side emerges and attracts others. Tonight: Stay on an experimental track. *****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Your ability to express love and draw in others is your strong suit today. You want to see into another's soul, and he will share that with you happily. Closeness and understanding emerge through a new path of communication. Tonight: Do I need to spell it out? *****

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Popularity peaks; you have many invitations. Whether single or attached, this is an excellent time to meet new people. Broaden your circle of admirers. You draw someone who is unusually tender. Demonstrate your softer side. Tonight: Be the leader of the gang. *****

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Take on a new hobby or pastime. You enjoy yourself by simply doing. A loved one appreciates it if you ask him

along. Share your vulnerabilities. Recognize your needs and desires in a relationship. Mellow discussions are now possible. Tonight: Get plenty of R&R. *****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Your creativity knows few bounds. That becomes more than apparent to others, if not yourself. Retain a sense of humor as another tries to pull you into the fold. He cares, and you benefit. Romance flourishes with an added sense of understanding. Tonight: Things could get wild. *****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) You enjoy entertaining at home. Your loving side emerges with family. Clean up, and add a fresh plant or two before company arrives. You lavish amusement in grand style. Others feel like they know you better because of today. Tonight: Now for the party. *****

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Schott's stand-in: Not a figurehead

CINCINNATI (AP) — John Allen, who's taking over the Cincinnati Reds for the next two months, said he will be more than a figurehead.

Allen is going to emphasize promotions while he's standing in for owner Marge Schott, who has agreed to surrender daily control of the ball club through the 1998 season.

"I'm not a puppet here," Allen said Thursday, his first day as the interim chief executive. "I will be making decisions, and some changes will be made."

The biggest change will be a push to attract more fans. Allen said he will do more promotions — a major break with Schott's philosophy — and try to increase attendance.

"Let's get some fannies in the seats," said Allen, the team controller.

Attendance has been down 10,000 a game the last two years. The Reds have had the third-biggest drop-off in attendance in the National League this year, behind Philadelphia and Chicago.

Allen wants to liven up the music played during games, possibly reduce ticket prices for some games and put up banners reflecting the Reds' winning heritage that includes World Series championships in 1919, 1940, 1975, 1976 and 1990.

Schott refused to discount tickets — even when the Reds planned to play games with replacement players during the baseball strike. And she has declined to play rock music or to put up banners recognizing the Reds' championships.

Allen also intends to hire more interns to help out in the front office, which is the smallest in the major leagues with only 40 full-time employees. He said he would leave any deci-

sions about payroll or additions to the scouting team up to general manager Jim Bowden.

Allen, who spent five years as director of business operations for the Columbus Clippers, the New York Yankees' Triple-A team, joined the Reds in May, 1995.

In less than a year, he became Schott's adviser and point man on non-team matters.

His close association with Schott has made some players wary. Allen planned to meet today with players to reassure them that "there will not be a wholesale fire sale right now."

Allen declined to talk about Schott, except to credit her with maintaining the Reds' financial stability as revenues declined during and after the baseball strike.

"Let's get the focus back on the field," he said.

He also declined to say what Schott's role would be in the ongoing negotiations for a new stadium for the Reds.

Few personal things are known about Allen, and he prefers it that way.

"I'm not what you would call a limelight kind of guy," he said.

He grew up in Norton, Kan., received a degree in accounting from Kansas State, and worked at Arthur Andersen, an accounting company, and then at his own firm for a number of years.

He said he then decided to get involved in baseball because he loves the sport, so he earned a master's degree in sports management from Ohio State before working for the Clippers.

Allen said his varied management experience makes him qualified to run the Reds.

"I'm more than just a bean-counter," he said.

Better to lose wedding costs than to gain abusive spouse

DEAR ABBY: After reading the letter from the girl who got stuck with the \$155 bridesmaid dress, I had to write.

When I was young (too young), I got engaged to a man I hadn't known very long. My parents were paying for the wedding and the attendant's were paying for their own gowns and tuxedo



Abigail Van Buren
Columnist

rentals. During the month before the wedding, my fiance began to show his true colors. He drank heavily and became physically and verbally abusive. I knew I should have called the wedding off, but I was worried about all the money my parents were spending on the wedding, so I foolishly kept quiet and went through with it. Big mistake!

Two years later, when I finally got the courage to leave him, my friends and family told they would not have minded losing the money if it saved me from the hell I endured while being married to this abusive man.

Real friends forgive each other. — MINNEAPOLIS
DEAR MINNEAPOLIS: Thank

you for a letter that may save many women from making the mistake you made. This also applies to men. If either the bride or groom has second thoughts about their feelings, it would be far better to call the wedding off. While it may cause the other party to be upset, in the long run, it would be far better for all concerned.

DEAR ABBY: I saw the letter from "Worried in California," whose 14-year-old daughter was driven home from baby sitting by a drunk parent.

I grew up in New Orleans and was told at an early age that if I ever needed a ride home for any reason — but especially alcohol — at any time of day or night, to call home and one of

my parents would come and get me with no questions asked. Mom gave me a quarter, which I carried with me whenever I went out. As I was leaving, I would hear, "Have a good time. Do you have your quarter?"

Only once did I have to call home, not because of alcohol, but when a date turned abusive. He took my purse and refused to give it back, but I still had my quarter — in my shoe.

Abby, please continue to advise parents to tell their children never to get into a car with a driver who has been drinking. Our children are irreplaceable. — C.L. DOWN SOUTH

DEAR C.L.: Be assured I will continue to harp on that theme until my typewriter falls apart. Thanks for an excellent letter.

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Ripken closes in on 2nd ironman record

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — The idea of sharing a record with a fellow streak-master was repeated to Cal Ripken, and it made him wince.

Ripken had just played in his 2,215th consecutive game, tying the world record set by Japan's Sachio Kinugasa. The two men sat together at a news conference Thursday night when a Japanese reporter asked Ripken what he would do if Kinugasa asked him to skip tonight's game so that both players could share the record.

"You wouldn't do that, would you?" Ripken asked Kinugasa with a chuckle.

It was quite similar to what happened nine months earlier, when several reporters suggested that Ripken take a seat after his 2,130th consecutive game so that the Baltimore Orioles shortstop and the legendary Lou Gehrig would be linked together in the major-league record book.

Ripken didn't sit down then, and he has no plans to skip tonight's game, either.

"I think it would be more disrespectful to Lou Gehrig and to the game if I did something like that. It's a contradiction to who you are as a baseball player and what you believe in as a baseball player," Ripken said. "This streak has happened because I have a love for the game, and I want to be out there playing."

"It's an attitude that Sachio and I both share, so it would be a contradiction to step down."

Kinugasa couldn't have agreed more, and was irked at the suggestion.

"As a Japanese person hearing that question, I feel very embarrassed and annoyed. That's not the attitude to take toward something like this, and I wish he hadn't brought it up," Kinugasa said.

So Ripken's streak continues onward, and the celebrations aren't over yet. This time the scene was Kauffman Stadium, where Ripken went 1-for-4 in the Orioles' 10-2 loss to the Kansas City Royals.

When the game became official, the crowd in the half-filled stadium politely cheered Ripken, who had just become co-owner of a world record that was 14 years in the making.

Ripken responded to the standing ovation by tipping his hat and waving to the 20,104 fans. The shortstop then resumed playing baseball after an interruption of just 2 minutes, 15 seconds.

There was no impromptu victory lap, no kids to hug and no fireworks. It was a stark contrast to the wild scene last year, when Ripken received a 22-minute ovation after he eclipsed Gehrig's mark.

Ripken will pass Kinugasa tonight, but suffice to say that his chase of the world record hasn't exactly captivated the nation.


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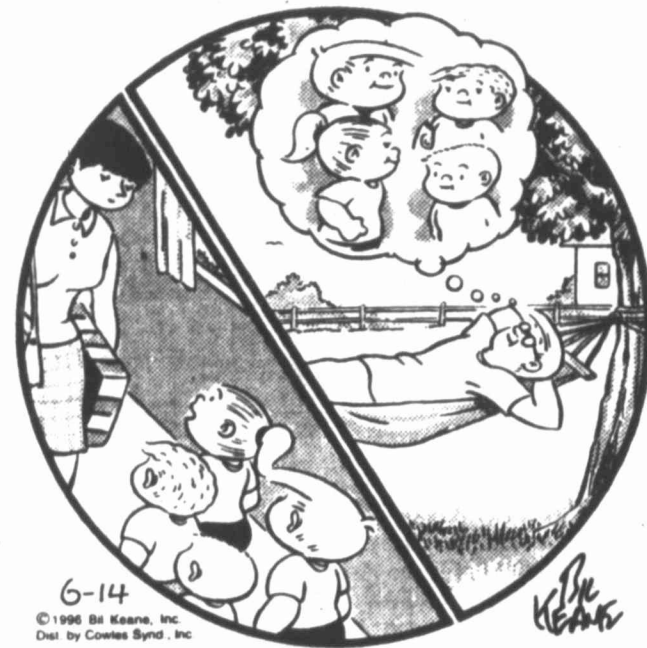
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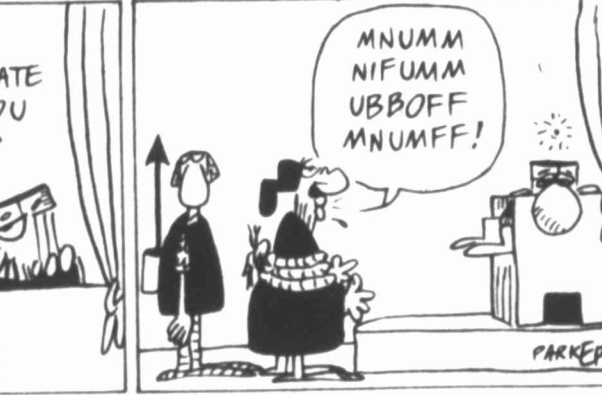
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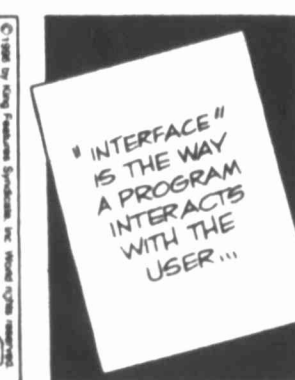
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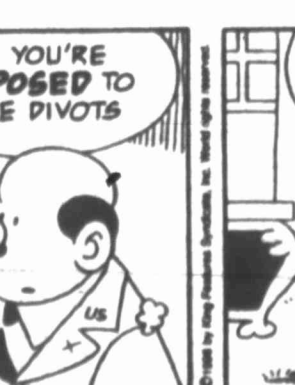
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

Today is Friday, June 14, the 166th day of 1996. There are 200 days left in the year. This is

Flag Day. Today's Highlight in History: On June 14, 1777, the Continental Congress in Philadelphia adopted the Stars and Stripes as the national flag. On this date: In 1775, the United States Army was founded.

In 1801, former American Revolutionary War Gen. Benedict Arnold died in London. In 1841, the first Canadian parliament opened in Kingston. In 1846, 150 years ago, a group of U.S. settlers in Sonoma proclaimed the Republic of California. In 1917, Gen. John Pershing arrived in Paris during World War I. In 1922, Warren G. Harding became the first president heard on radio, as Baltimore station WEAR broadcast his speech dedicating the Francis Scott Key memorial at Fort McHenry. In 1940, German troops entered Paris during World War II. In 1940, in German-occupied Poland, the Nazis opened their concentration camp at Auschwitz. In 1954, President Eisenhower signed an order adding the words "under God" to the Pledge of Allegiance.

THE Daily Crossword by Alan Olschwang

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