Reflecting A Proud Community

SUNDAY September 1, 1996

Spring woman laid to rest 19 years after her death

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

Nineteen years after "falling off the face of the earth, Rubilove Willcox was finally laid to rest.

Willcox, who spent many of her formative years in Big Spring, was buried Saturday in Mount Olive Cemetery, 19 years after her disappearance in Lawton, Okla.

Police maintain Willcox's husband, Edward Aiu, murdered his wife sometime in 1977 and buried her remains in the backyard of their home on Parkview Lane in Lawton, Okla. He is currently in custody in Lawton awaiting his trial on murder charges.

By the time of her disappearance, Rubilove Willcox had already experienced tough times. She had gone through two failed marriages and suffered a nervous breakdown that led to her losing custody of her children before she married Aiu, a native of Hawaii, in 1972.

Friends and neighbors of the couple told Willcox's brother. Charles, that Aiu cut his wife off from other people. Even

before her disappearance, letters to her were sent back marked "return to sender."

Then, in 1977, she quietly dis-

appeared.

For more on this case, please see page 2A

Aiu told neighbors his wife had moved to Hawaii to be with his family, so Charles Willcox was disappointed - but not surprised — when his many letters were again returned unread.

"It was devastating," he said Saturday. "We wrote letters and made physical visitations to Lawton ... but we just assumed she had moved to Hawaii."

Finally, in June 1994, Charles Willcox decided enough was enough. A deeply religious man, he said the Lord "led" him back to Lawton. After visiting with his sister's neighbors and friends, he became convinced Rubilove had not moved to Hawaii and might have been the victim of foul play.

"(Neighbors said Mr. Aiu) had Please see MURDER, page 2A

dug a lot of dirt out of the back yard and had hauled it away several nights in a row (at the time of his wife's disappearance)," Charles Willcox said. "And I was suspicious of a big slab of concrete in the back yard. There was no reason for it to be there."

Later that month, Willcox filed a missing person report with the Lawton police. Lawton Police Maj. H.E. Douglass said the department suspected foul play for some time, but were hindered by a lack of leads in the case.

"It was like she fell off the face of the earth," Douglass said.

Police investigators eventually built enough evidence to warrant a court order to search the house on Parkview Lane. On June 26 of this year, under a utility shed and the slab of concrete in the back yard, they found Rubilove Willcox's skeletal remains wrapped in a plastic

Police quickly found Aiu in Vancouver, Wash., where he was arrested without incident



Bill Myers, left, and Dale Pittman of Myers & Smith Funeral Home prepare to put the casket of Rubilove Willcox in a hearse before taking it to Mount Olive Cemetery for a proper burial. Willcox was allegedly murdered by her husband, Edward Aiu, almost 20 years ago.

Herald sex education survey:

Should there be sex education in Big Spring classrooms?

YES - 60

NO - 46

Should birth control be incorporated into a sex education curriculum?

NO - 55

DON'T KNOW.- 7

is there a direct correlation between no sex education in school and a high teen pregnancy rate?

DON'T KNOW - 4

Should condoms be distributed on school campuses?

YES - 24

If "YES." at what level? ELEMENTARY-3

NO - 82

HIGH SCHOOL-9

is it realistic to teach abstinence as part of sex education?

YES - 104

Majority of readers support sex education in classrooms

By CARLTON JOHNSON

Staff Writer

No matter where it's mentioned, the subject of sex education and teenage pregnancy seems to bring out the best and the worst in people when it comes to discussing the problem and possible solutions,

The Herald recently published a survey, receiving 106 responses, asking residents to respond to a variety of questions on the subject of teenage pregnancy and whether or not sex education should be a part of the Big Spring Independent School District curriculum.

Sixty respondents (56.6 percent) said yes there should be sex education in BSISD classrooms, with 46 (43.4 percent) respondents answering no.

Of the respondents who think there should be sex education in the BSISD, 17 (28.3 percent) said sex education should begin in the fifth grade; 16 (26.7 percent) said sixth grade; eight (13.3 percent) said seventh grade; eight (13.3 percent) said fourth grade; three respondents (5 percent) said sex education should begin in first grade; one said third grade; one said ninth grade and one respondent said sex education should begin in the junior year of high school.

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Teen Pregnancy: Everybody's Problem



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TOMORROW: Pastors' round table discussion

Survey from BSHS

students

Howard County Fair begins Labor Day

By STEVE REAGAN Staff Writer

Although rain has been pummeling Howard County this past week, the outlook is Fair -Howard County Fair, that is for the next few days.

Barring torrential rainstorms, thousands of county residents are expected to descend on the fairgrounds beginning Monday for the start of the Howard County Fair, which runs through Saturday.

Fairgrounds will be open from 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Monday, then

from 4-10 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and 9 a.m.-10 p.m. Saturday.

A fair tradition - the crowning of the county fair queen will be the highlight of the first night's activities. The Gene Ledell carnival — will operate the fair's midway nightly.

Other mainstays of past fairs, such as western swing specialists Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys and singer Clyde Foley Cummins, are back as well, but some new wrinkles are in store for fair visitors.

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Call us at: (915) 263-7331 Partly cloudy today with chance of showers or thunderstorms. Tonight partly cloudy with a low in the mid 60s. Monday highs in





Plans for boll weevil diapause program moving forward

By CARLTON JOHNSON

Staff Writer

MIDDLE SCHOOL-20

The Plains Cotton Growers **Boll Weevil Steering Commit**tee recently agreed unanimously to move forward with plans for the 1996 Enhanced Boll Weevil Diapause Control Program in an effort to prevent the boll weevil from becoming further established in the Texas High **Plains**

The committee also agreed to operate the 1996 program based solely on funds already on hand and with 1996 collections. With no decision expected on pend-ing litigation challenging the constitutionality of the diapause program expected until well after the completion of the 1996 program, the final decision on what the 1996 program can accomplish will rest in the hands and pocketbooks of the growers who voted to create the program and who want to see it

Howard County Cotton Growers Association Chairman and PCG Steering Committee member Rob Haney said the out-come of pending litigation is critical because if the Texas Supreme Court upholds a Hale County courts earlier decision, it could effectively kill the dia-

pause program in Texas. Diapause is different from eradication, according to **Howard County cotton farmer** Donnie Reed in that eradication seeks to wipe out the boll weevil and other beneficial insects that fight the beet armyworm where diapause control begins in the fall as the boll weevil begins to store fat for the winter and hibernate.

Haney added the drought has cut down the areas boll weevils can attack, but at the same time has also cut down on receipts.

Many producers who have treated both early and in-season boll weevils in 1996 have been able to scale back their efforts as a result of 1995 diapause treatments and colder winter temperatures.

PCG officials say the cost of the diapause program appears to be the cheapest route for producers in the next three to four years and predicts that without an aggressive diapause program, treatment costs and cotton yield losses could total more than \$250 million each year at the farm level.

Current estimates for the 1996 program indicate a full and complete program will cost \$9-\$11 million. More than \$6 million of this total has already been collected.

The program includes three sprayings and if the PCG can collect the full amount, Haney said there may be a fourth spraying. He added the last spraying in the series depends on when the first frost comes. Final preparations for the

1996 program are currently being made and High Plains producers are being encouraged to send in their 1996 Enhanced Boll Weevil Diapause Control Program assessments as quickly as possible in order to prevent any delays in program operations.

Reed says Howard County farmers pay a higher assessment than any of the other farmers in the 30-county High Plains area. In 1995, 5.1 million acres were sprayed in the High Plains area at a cost of about \$2.49 per acre.

Howard County was sprayed three times last year. Assessments for Howard

County farmers are \$1.25 per

acre plus .0125 cents per pound times a producers ASCS yield. Reed said the per average acre assessment for Howard County farmers is around \$6.25.

According to Reed, about 130,000 acres of cotton was planted in Howard County this year, but only 60,000 acres remain standing and only about 50 percent of that will go to harvest.

"Until the court rules (on the diapause program), this is the law we have to go by, including the continued payment of assessments," Haney said.

Local producers having problems with assessment or that have not yet received their assessment may contact the **Eradication Foundation in Abi**lene at (915) 672-2800.

Howard County cotton farmer Van Gaskins added, "If producers haven't paid their assess ment and are in favor of the program, they need to get the ssessments paid by Thursday.

According to Haney, Reed and Gaskins, work will begin Friday for getting contracts signed for planes and chemicals to be used in the 1996 diapause program.

OBITUARIES

Victoria Marquez

Funeral mass for Victoria Marquez, 78, of Big Spring, will be 10:30 a.m. Monday at Scared **Heart Catholic**

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Smith Chapel.

Mrs. Marquez died Saturday, Aug. 31, 1996, in a local hospital following a long illness.

She was born on March 23, 1918 in Comanche County and had been a resident of Big Spring since 1934. She married Miguel Marquez in March 1935 in Big Spring. He preceded her in death on Nov. 6, 1990. Mrs. Marques was a homemaker and a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

She is survived by one son: Daniel Marquez of Big Spring; five daughters: Mary Lou Recio, Rosa Ontiveros, Lydia Montano, Violanda Carrillo all of Big Spring, and Juanita Hand of Dallas; six sisters: Alicia Fleming of Lubbock, Dora Berlanga of Washington D.C., Virginia Mancha of Big Spring, Anita Tameg of Arlington, Maria Rodriguez of Stanton and Santos Hernandez of Houston; two brothers: Abraham Martinez and Jesus Martinez both of Kingsland; 34 grandchildren; and 51 greatgrandchildren.

Mrs. Marquez was also preceded in death by two sons, Andrew and Ricardo.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel.



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Victoria Marques, 78, died Saturday. Rosary will be 7:00 PM Sunday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass will be 10:30 AM Monday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with interment at Trinity Memorial Park.

Katy Mae Hepley Walker, 82, died Wednesday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

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Lavelle White

Funeral service for Lavelle White, 75, of Stanton, will be 2 p.m. today at the First United Methodist Church in Stanton with Rev. Skip Hodges officiating. Burial will follow in Evergreen Cemetery under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral

Mrs. White died Thursday, Aug. 29, 1996, in Midland.

She was born Feb. 6, 1921 in Rising Star and moved to Stanton in 1944 from Glasscock County.

Mrs. White was a member of the First United Methodist Church and Martin County Hospital Auxilary. She was a kitchen manager at Martin County Hospital before her retirement. She was married to D.M. (Slim) White on May 15, 1944. He preceded her in death on May 7, 1978. She was married to Eddie White on Feb. 24. 1979 in Stanton.

Survivors include her husband, Eddie White of Stanton; a son: Richard K. White and his wife Charlotte of Lenorah; a daughter: Linda S. Taylor and her husband Walter of Stanton; a sister: Anna Belle Graves of Lubbock; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Mrs. White was also preceded in death by a granddaughter and two sisters.

Memorials may be made to American Heart Association.

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One of the new features will be a children's pet-a-zoo which will allow children to cuddle up next to a variety of small animals.

The pet-a-zoo was supposed to be a feature at last year's fair, but difficulties prevented that from happening.

'We're pleased to bring back the pet-a-zoo for the 1996 fair," said Danny Wright, fair board president. "We had many disappointed children last year and we wanted to bring the zoo back."

fair highlights Nightly

include: Monday — 4H omelet sup per (6-7 p.m.), ranch rodeo (3 queen contest (8 p.m.).

Tuesday — Battle of the cheerleaders (7 p.m.).

 Wednesday — Pet-A-Zoo (4-10 p.m.) and Clyde Foley Cummins (7 p.m. and 9 p.m.).

• Thursday — Pet-A-Zoo (4-10 p.m.) and Clyde Foley Cummins (7 p.m. and 9 p.m.).

 Friday — Pet-A-Zoo (4-10 p.m.) and Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys (7 p.m. and 9

 Saturday — Kountry Kids contest (10:30 a.m.), antique tractor pull (1 p.m.), pet show (2 p.m.), county team roping (5 p.m.) and Jody Nix (7 p.m. and 9

p.m.). Of course, no county fair would be complete without food and livestock judging, and several events along those lines are planned. Baked goods entries were received Saturday, while creative and entries will be submitted today. Lamb entries arrive today, also.

Agriculture product judging is slated for Tuesday, while steer judging is set for Saturday.

TAKE TIME OUT FOR YOURSELF READ THE BIG SPRING HERALD

Proud Citizens corner ...

Recently, a committee of seven Big Spring citizens met with representatives of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC). The committees met for three days for an intensive workshop on solid waste reduction and recycling under the direction of the Solid Waste Assistance Partnership (SWAP) program. SWAP is a newly initiated program by the TNRCC, and Big Spring was chosen as the pilot host city.

During the workshops, the TNRCC offered technical assistance to the Big Spring committee on ways to reduce the amount of waste going to our landfill. By diverting that waste into recycling programs or composting programs, it is possible to reduce up to 50 percent of the present waste going into the Big Spring balefill. This reduction will add years of space to the balefill and postpone the inevitable closing of the present site and expensive reopening of a new site. Each year of postponement will save approximately one million dollars that would otherwise fund the purchase of

equipment and material for leachate control and landfill linings. Another goal of the workshop was to strengthen citizen support and encourage participation in recycling programs in Big Spring. Recycling and reduction of waste are important contributions to our future and they depend entirely on individual citizen participation. The committees developed many plans for Big Spring and will be working to fine-tune those plans and begin their imple-

mentation in the coming months. The SWAP workshop was a great success and ... ing to the committee from Big Spring. The committee is eager to begin these recycling and reduction programs in Big Spring, so make plans to participate, yourself. If you would like more information on the SWAP program or the recycling and reduction programs, please call the Proud Citizens headquarters at 263-0282.

This space provided as a community service by your Big Spring Herald.

Cracking the Willcox case

By STEVE REAGAN Staff Writer

Cracking the Rubilove Willcox case left Lawton, Okla. police with mixed emotions. On one hand, there was the exhilaration of solving a 19-year-old crime, but that was tempered by the grisly nature of the crime itself.

Willcox, who spent many formative years in Big Spring, was buried Saturday, almost 20 years after her disappearance.

Her husband, Edwin K. Aiu, now 65, stands charged with her murder and is awaiting trial. The case should be heard within the next few months.

Lawton police say that Aiu, a Hawaii native, killed his wife sometime in 1977, then buried her remains in the back yard of their home in Lawton.

But it was not until June 1994 that the Lawton police were finally brought into the case. Almost two years to the day after that — on June 25 of this year — police finally found Mrs. Aiu's remains.

"The more we looked into the case, the more we discovered," said Lawton police Maj. H.E. Douglass. "We knew something was wrong ... so we just kept kicking it around until we came up with a solution ... It was like she just fell off the end of the earth.'

Douglass said he was not at liberty to discuss particulars of the case, pending Mr. Aiu's trial, but confirmed reports from neighbors led police to suspect that Mr. Aiu had a hand in. his wife's disappearance.

"We knew that if we could ever find her, we knew who the suspect would be," Douglass

Two years of investigation finally led to Aiu's back yard, where officials found Mrs. Aiu's skeletal remains buried underneath a storage shed and concrete slab.

"For me personally, I had never been around a case like that," Douglass said. "I've been around several homicide cases, but nothing like this.

"There were definitely mixed emotions," he added. "On one hand, we were glad we had cleared the crime, but on the other hand, a life had been

A day after Mrs. Aiu's body was discovered, Lawton police investigators arrested her husband without incident at his new home in Vancouver, Wash. He waived extradition and is currently in custody in Lawton awe'ting trial.

Autopsy results showed Willcox died from blunt force trauma to the head.

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and extradited back to Lawton. Douglass refused to speculate as to the motive behind the killing because of Aiu's pending trial, but neighbors told Charles Willcox that his sister had received about \$30,000 in a settlement after an automobile accident and refused to share it with her husband, suggesting a possible motive behind her death.

IN BRIEF

THE 4-H CLUB IS SPONSOR-ING AN OMELET SUPPER Monday evening from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Howard County Fair Barns. Tickets are \$4 each and can be purchased at the

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N THE RUN

Man barricades himself in house

By KELLIE JONES **Features Editor**

A 28-year-old white male has been sent to the Big Spring State Hospital for evaluation after he barricaded himself inside his home Saturday evening.

According to Captain Lonnie Smith, officers were dispatched to the 1400 block of Main around 7 p.m. in response to a domestic disturbance. Officers were able to talk with a woman and child to find out what was going on. However, the man refused to come out. "He barricaded the door so we couldn't see inside. We called out our Special Operations Response Team and set up a perimeter. We cleared out the residents living on either side of this home," Smith said.

The perimeter was in a oneblock area from 14th Street and Main, south to 15th Street, east to Johnson, north back up to 14th Street and then back west to 14th Street.

Smith said no weapons were reported to be inside the home with the barricaded subject. The hostage negotiators were called to the scene and at 10:15 p.m., the man came outside without incident and surrendered to officers. Smith couldn't release the man's name because he is now a patient at the state hospital.

An emergency command center was set up in the 100 block of East 14th and TU Electric was called to the scene. Smith explained, "They were called to assist us in turning out the street lights in the area. This is a standard procedure done to ensure the safety of the public and the officers involved.'

Approximately nine officers responded to the area during the three-hour standoff. Smith said he wanted to let the public know if a situation like this arises again, people need to know if their home is locately outside the established perimeter, then they are in no danger of being hurt.

No further information was available as of Saturday night.

SPRINGBOARD

IF. YOU HAVE ANY CHANGES IN A SPRING-BOARD ITEM OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, CON-TACT GINA GARZA, 263-7331 ext. 238, BETWEEN 8 A.M. AND 2 P.M. All Springboard items must be submitted in writing. Mail to: Springboard, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas 79720; bring it by the office at 710 Scurry; or fax it to 264-7205.

TODAY

 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.

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POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 8 a.m. Friday and 2 p.m. Saturday: ·ISAAC MOJICA CASTEL-

LANO, 23 of 1102 Lamar, was arrested on local warrants. *STEVEN REAGAN, 41, of

104 W. 16th, was arrested on local warrants. ·ITHMAR DORSEY, 17, of Tyler, was arrested for unau-

thorized use of a vehicle. •EUSEBIO SIAZ, 57, no known address, was arrested for public intoxication and resisting arrest.

•SAMMY FERRELL, 34, no known address, was arrested for assault/family violence. •MARK LESLIE KIRBY, 22,

on local warrants. •RUDOLFO DELAGARZA, 48, of 1605 State, was arrested on local warrants.

of 4000 W. 80 #P, was arrested

·YANCEY VIERRA, 18. of 825 W. 6th, was arrested for no drivers license and no insur-

•KATHY MILLER FOSTER. 33 no known address, was arrested for assault on a peace officer, resisting arrest and public intoxication.

•MARCELINO OLIVAREZ JR., 40, of 1405 Settles, was

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arrested for public intoxication. •DOMESTIC DISTUR-BANCES in the 700 block of Lancaster and 3600 block of Hamilton.

·CRIMINAL MISCHIEF in the 100 block of N.W. 7th. •BURGLARY OF A VEHI-

CLE in the 400 block of Dallas. •THEFTS in the 900 block of Willia, 1600 block of First Ave. and 1300 block of Gregg.

•THEFT OF GAS in the 2300 block of Wasson; 1800 block of Gregg; and 400 block of Gregg.

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activity between 8 a.m. Friday and 2 p.m. Saturday:

•ALLEN J. LOVELESS, 24, of 3611 Dixon, was arrested for judgment and sentence for driving while intoxicated. pled guilty and received 10 days in jail plus fines and court costs of

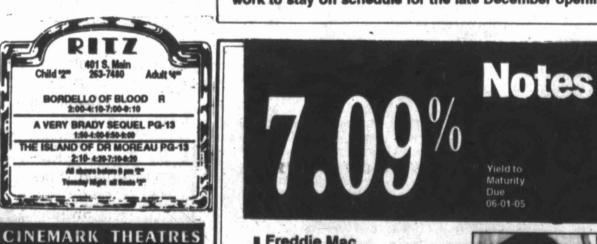
•FRANCISCO VEGA, 22, of 1502 Chickasaw, was arrested for burglary of a building, bond forfeiture for unauthorized use of a vehicle and on a Scurry County revocation of probation warrant. He received a \$5,000 bond one the first charge and no bond for the second.

CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES



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Workers at the new Furr's Cafeteria utilize a crane to lift a concrete grease trap for placement Tuesday afternoon. Work continued during Tuesday's rains as contractors work to stay on schedule for the late December opening.



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Ten BSHS students were pregnant last year

By KELLIE JONES

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Ten teenagers at Big Spring High School were pregnant last year. A survey of sophomores, juniors and seniors consisting of 56 students revealed five of those had been pregnant at some point in their young lives. The most current state statistics from the Texas Department of Health reveals there were 35 teenagers between the ages of 13 and 17 pregnant in 1994.

In fiscal year 1994, Medicaid paid for 154,482 deliveries in Texas at a cost of \$503 million. Twenty-six percent of those deliveries were to teen mothers at a cost of \$129 million.

High pregnancy rates among teenagers isn't isolated to Big Spring or Howard County or even Texas. It's a national problem, everybody's problem. The trend of teenagers getting pregnant is expected to increase by the year 2000 with the total number of young mothers ages 15-19 to be more than 1.5 million

The subject of sex education in the classroom is a controver-



as to who is responsible for teaching the importance of abstinence and birth control to students.

As part of Senate Bill One passed by the Texas Legislature, schools

are required to incorporate a human sexuality course. State law also mandates schools aren't allowed to distribute condoms. Big Spring Independent School District officials formed a health-advisory council consisting of six parents and four school representatives to find a curriculum and recommend it to school board members for

Earlier this summer, the council met to decide what curriculum they should begin looking at after they decided not to recommend "Values and Choic-

"The council discovered there was a real void in the middle school as far as not having any sex education. Some is covered in their health class that is incorporated with the physical education class throughout the year. We didn't like the criteria of 'Values and Choices' because it was too liberal for that age level," said Murray Murphy, assistant superintendent for personnel and instruction.

A subcommittee of parents, teachers, Curriculum Director Helen Gladden, a registered nurse and Kathy Harris with Region 18 will begin looking at new curriculums for a sex education course.

Murphy explained, "We will make a recommendation to the board this year. We will review several different curriculums and have public viewings of all

According to Lisbeth B.

Schorr, author of "Our Reach:

Breaking the Cycle of Disadvan-

tage," when a baby is born to a

of them. We'll set up the textbooks, materials and video for parents and residents to review. Anyone can look at this. The (school) board will ultimately approve or disapprove the cur-

Permission for students to take the course must be granted by their parent or guardian first. If a parent doesn't want their child to take the course, a separate place will be provided for them.

"We can't stick our head in the sand and ignore the problem. It is a state law that we much teach abstinence. We are to devote more attention to this. I am a conservative person. However, I'm tired of having to deal with mothers who are 20 and 22 who have children in kindergarten and first grade. The students are wild and the mothers don't know what to do because these mothers were kids themselves when they had these children."

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Survey

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Respondents saying no to having sex education in the classroom offered a variety of solutions as to how to combat the teen pregnancy rate, including: •"Boys don't and girls should

just say no." "Parents should have Christian principles and teach sex

education in the home." •"Abstinence training in the home and at church.'

"Get prayer back in schools and teach morals." •"Classes to teach parents how

to be parents."

 "Teach teens self-esteem and that they are worthy."

"Putting the home unit back on a solid foundation! It's not the school district's responsibility, it's the parents' responsibility. Schools do not have time to solve society's problems."

"Parents should be teaching their children the truth about the sanctity of sex within the marriage bond."

"Read your Bible, abstinence

is the way." DO YOU FEEL THERE IS A DIRECT CORRELATION BETWEEN NOT HAVING SEX EDUCATION IN SCHOOL AND A HIGH TEENAGE PREGNANCY RATE IN THIS AREA?

Forty respondents (37.7 percent) said yes, 62 respondents (58.5 percent) said no and four respondents (3.8 percent) were unsure

SHOULD BIRTH CONTROL BE INCORPORATED INTO A SEX EDUCATION CURRICU-LUM?

Fifty-five respondents (51.9 percent) said no, 44 (41.5 percent) said yes and seven (6.6 percent) said they were unsure.

The majority of those answering the survey, 82 respondents (77.4 percent), said no to condoms being distributed on school campuses. It is against state law to distribute condoms on campus, according to BSISD Assistant Superintendent Murray Murphy.

Of the 24 respondents (22.6

percent) who said yes condoms should be distributed, most thought they should be distributed at the junior high and high school levels. Three respondents said condoms should also be distributed at the elementary level.

IS IT REALISTIC TODAY TO TEACH ABSTINENCE AS PART OF A SEX EDUCATION **CURRICULUM?**

One hundred four respondents (98.1 percent) said yes it is realistic to teach abstinence, while two respondents (1.9 percent) said no it is not realistic to teach abstinence.

ARE WE DOING A DISSER-VICE TO OUR TEENS BY NOT FULLY EDUCATING THEM ON THE SUBJECT OF SEX AND THE CONSE-QUENCES OF BECOMING SEXUALLY ACTIVE AT AN **EARLY AGE?**

Seventy-five respondents (70.8 percent) said yes we are doing our teens a disservice, 22 (20.8 percent) said no and nine respondents (8.4 percent) were

PUTTING PUBLIC OPINION AND MORAL ISSUES ASIDE. WOULD YOU OR DO YOU WANT YOUR TEENAGE CHILD EXPOSED TO A COM-PREHENSIVE SEX EDUCA-TION CURRICULUM?

Forty-eight respondents (45.3) percent) said yes, 52 respondents (49.1 percent) said no and six respondents (5.6 percent) said they were unsure.

Respondents on either side of the teen pregnancy issue were also vocal about the moral aspect of this question, saying:

"Why would you put moral issues aside? This is the reason sex education is a problem."

"There is no way to eliminate the moral issue."

"When God was taken out of public schools, look at what happened. Now compare it to private and church schools."

As for the question of defining sex education, one respondent summed it all up in a single

Teen pregnancy rates high at local, state and national level

By CARLTON JOHNSON Staff Writer

West Texas has the state's highest rate of births to teen

According to the state's Bureau of Vital Statistics, 36 counties make up the Texas Department Health's Regions 9 & 10 (West Texas), and in 1994 a total of 2,144 pregnancies were reported for girls ages 13 to 17.

In Howard County, in that age group, 50 pregnancies were reported, 38 of those pregnancies resulted in live births and 12 resulted in abortions. The female population in Howard County in the 13 to 17 age group was 1,148, meaning Howard County's pregnancy rate for girls 13 to 17 was 51.5 per 1,000 girls in that category.

Martin County reported 16 pregnancies to girls 13 to 17 in 1994. Seven of the pregnancies resulted in live births, one was pregnancies resulted in aborgirls under the age of 15.

tions. In 1994, Martin County's pregnancy rate per 1,000 for girls 13 to 17 was 67.5.

According to Planned Parent-

hood of West Texas and the mother who has not yet grown-TDH, there were 22,069 births to up herself, both mother and

Then a baby is born to a mother who has not yet grown up herself, both mother and baby are likely to have a limited future and to place a substantial burden on society.

Lisbeth B. Schorr

1994 or 6.9 percent of the 321,088 total births in Texas.

Although complete figures are not ready for release by the state's Bureau of Vital Statistics, teen pregnancies also add to another problem in Texas as well as the nation - abortion.

According to the bureau some 87,000 abortions were performed

teens 17 and under in Texas in baby are likely to have a limited future and to place a substantial burden on society.

In 1993, the national birth rate for teens 15 to 17 was 37.8 per 1,000. Texas ranked fourth in the nation in teen birth rate for girls ages 15 to 17. In 1994, Texas' teen pregnancy rate was 41.5 per 1,000 for women under age 18. The goal of Healthy Texpregnancy rate to 38.5.

It is estimated that TDH family planning services prevented approximately 20,974 pregnancies which would have resulted in births to teens ages 19 and

under, for a savings of \$97 million in Medicaid prenatal, delivery and first-year infant care. For each Medicaid dollar spent on family planning, more than \$4,50 was saved in Medi-

Who pays for teen pregnancy?

In 1994 Medicaid paid for

154,482 deliveries in Texas, at a

total cost of \$503 million.

Approximately 25.7 percent of

these deliveries were to teen

mothers, and \$129 million was

spent for deliveries to teens.

caid prenatal, delivery and firstyear infant costs. By the year 2000, it is estimated that the total number of teens ages 15 to 19 in Texas will be 1,547,215, an increase of 9 per-

cent over 1996. Although disputed by some groups, TDH and Planned Par-

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What is Your Crop of Choice - Boll Weevils or Cotton? It's Crunch Time

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"As cotton producers we are confident that responsibility for the High Plains diapause control program rests in the best possible hands - OUR OWN" - Frank Jones, Dawson County

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> If you have questions about the program or your assessment contact one of the members of PCG's **Boll Weevil Steering Committee**

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"The bottom line is that we WILL NOT seek outside help to run the High Plains Program. The future of the cotton industry on the High Plains rests with the cotton producers who have created it." - Dale Swinburn, Swisher County

The High Plains cotton industry is at stake

No money will be borrowed to cover program expenses

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If you don't do it -It won't be done "As producers it is important that we fully support more than just the concept of the program and its purpose. If we are truly united and want the program to finish the job of ridding this area of the boll weevil, each and every one of us will have to step up and put in our share." -Mark Williams, Parmer County



Paid for by PCG/BWSC Quote of the Day

"It's innocence when it charms us, ignorance when it doesn't." -Mignon McLaughlin

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OUR VIEWS

Teen pregnancy: A tough issue to tackle

eginning today and continuing throughout the week, Herald staff writers Kellie Jones and Carlton Johnson will delve into the issue of teen pregnancy in Howard County in a week-long series, "TEEN PREGNANCY — EVERYBODY'S PROBLEM.

The issue of teen pregnancy is an emotional one. It is an issue that involves so many of our so-called hot buttons — not just sex, but premarital sex; abortion, welfare, child care and the failure of many males to own up to their responsibilities.

We'll tell you up front that the numbers should concern you, whether you are a parent or not, because of the high cost associated with babies having babies.

Our purpose in presenting this seven-day package of more than a dozen stories is to focus the public's attention on this problem.

We intend to present both sides of this issue — those who feel sex education should be a part of school curriculum as well as those who feel sex education has no place in the classroom.

You will be given the results of a reader survey published in this newspaper as well as results of a survey completed by students at Big Spring High School.

You will hear from teen mothers ... from local min isters and you will see how many teen moms are on some type of assistance program ... and you'll see a comparison of sex education courses and teen pregnancy rates among other school districts.

You'll get to learn about a Big Spring Independent School District program designed to keep pregnant girls from dropping out of school.

A week from today, you'll be presented the views of the two writers who developed and produced the pack-

Our goal as a newspaper is not to try and force you to make a "yes/no" decision about sex education in the classroom, but rather to create a forum for discussion on the matter.

The bottom line is that there is a teen pregnancy problem. We hope that by presenting the numbers and the arguments we find a way to address the problem other than just hoping it will go away — because it

OTHER VIEWS

Affirmative action does not require giving preferential consideration to minorities. And it certainly does not mean accepting unqualified students or employees.

Attorney General Dan Morales has offered Texas colleges affirmative action guidelines that also should be considered by public and private employers.

The race-neutral guidelines recommended by Morales are in response to a 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals decision that struck down an admissions policy once used by the University of Texas Law School to increase black and Mexican-American enrollment. The Supreme Court refused to hear an appeal of the 5th Circuit decision. The ruling now applies to Texas,

Louisiana and Mississippi. There is no question that minorities have been burdened for years by various forms of discrimination. Figures show minorities lag behind in many areas of society including income and employment levels in most public and private institutions. Society benefits when schools and businesses reflect the society they serve, which was the reasonable premise behind

affirmative action programs. Morales is correct when he says Texas colleges still have substantial opportunity to make their student bodies reflect Texas' racial diversity without depending on recently banned racebased admission policies.

Affirmative actions that admission offices can take

into consideration, according to Morales, include socioeconomic history, financial status, personal traits, family history, public service, hometown, employment history, military service, grades, test scores, extracurricular activities, leadership potential, age and sex. Proper consideration of

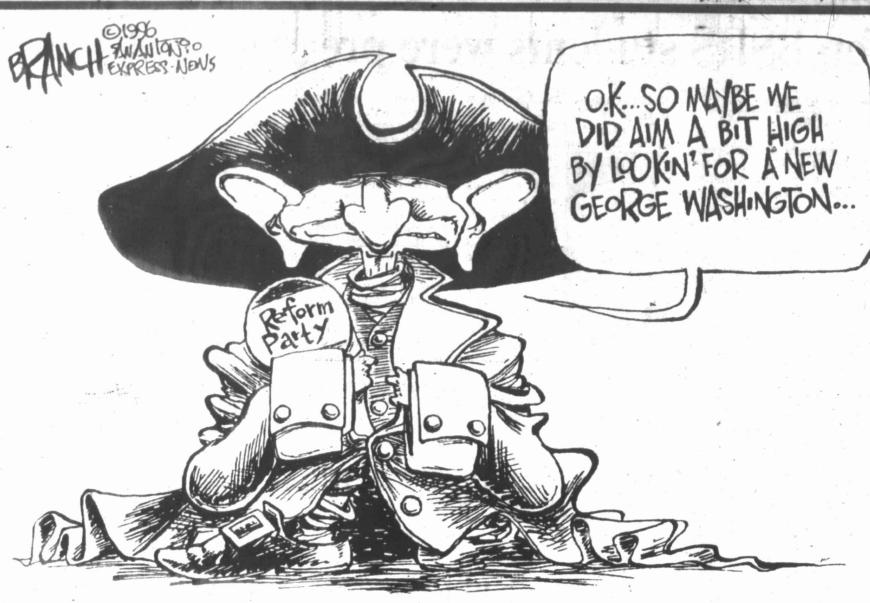
these factors, Morales advises, will comply with the court's ruling and also allow Texas to admit and graduate a racially diverse cross section of the population.

The same good advice applies to private employers as well as other government institutions. Affirmative action means casting the net wider when seeking applicants.

Employers with poor minority employment figures should do more than sit back and wait for minority applicants to walk through the door. They should take affirmative actions to recruit applicants who meet scholastic or employment requirements. It's good business, and it's the right thing to do.

The University of Texas and Texas A&M systems have new affirmative action policies that include consideration of a history of overcoming adversity in making admission decisions Factors such as this hold out the promise that students or employees will succeed as well as reflect Texas' population. That's affirmative action as it

should be practiced. WACO TRIBUNE-HERALD



When is a city street not a front yard?

Random thoughts, many of them political ...

Incumbent Congressman Charles Stenholm was in town

Thursday for an invitation only gathering at the country club. He also gave citizens a gracious 40 minutes or so from 4:40 p.m.

to 5:20

John H. Walker Managing Editor

p.m. at a meeting at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

This was Stenholm's second visit to Big Spring this election year. In contrast, his opponent, Rudy Izzard, has spent enough time in Howard County that we should add him to the tax rolls!

At the Democratic National Convention, it was promised that Victor Morales would "take back" the U.S. Senate seat for the people of Texas from Phil Gramm.

My question to Morales is when is he and his wife going to pay back that long overdue \$20,000 school loan to the taxpayers of Texas?

I understand Morales was in Big Spring a couple of weeks ago but his campaign apparently decided to not notify the press. Oh, well ... I'm sure it was our loss!

Yep, it's political season, all right.

We got a release earlier this week from Texas District 70 Rep. David Counts (D-Knox City) touting the drop in the unemployment rate in the district.

Now, David didn't exactly claim credit for the drop ... but he sure made certain his name was associated with the news.

By the way, we haven't seen our representative for a few months ... it doesn't seem like this district is so big that the largest city in the district can't be paid visits on a more regular basis.

Did you know that Bill Clinton's "nostalgic" railroad whistle stop tour to the Democratic Party Convention in Chicago cost taxpayers nearly \$500,000? While political action groups

and Democratic activists picked up much of the tab for Clinton's "21st Century Limited," a takeoff of the old New York Central's crack passenger train "The Twentieth Century Limited," we the people got presented with the bill for secret service and government support personnel. Welli Heck if he had flown he could have gotten a haircut on

the runway and still saved

The first Southern Pacific freight train (following approval of the Union Pacific/Southern Pacific merger) rolled through Big Spring about a month ago, according to Bobby Hill, who worked for Texas & Pacific for many years.

Bobby said the train was a westbound container train and moved through the local yards about 7 one Wednesday morn-

Speaking of trains, is anything good ever going to happen with the model train layout/museum at the corner of 2nd and Main?

Big Spring Main Street, or what was once Big Spring Main Street owns the building but the HO scale trains and antiques that are in the building were "loaned" by individu-

With our history as a railroad town, that facility could really go a long way toward attracting tourists to downtown.

In fact, couple the "museum"

with what some Nebraska communities — and even Abilene — do and that's hold a railroad festival. Get Union Pacific to bring its museum train to town and publicize it in railroad and model railroad magazines and attract 20,000 or so to town. Just a thought.

Who in the world came up with this afternoon for the time for U.S. Sens. Phil Gramm and Kay Bailey Hutchison to visit Big Spring? Stop and think about the

insanity of it all ... early afternoon on a Sunday? on Labor Day weekend? Doesn't seem very well

planned, does it?

Now that our garbage rates are going up another buck, does that mean the folks on Hillside Drive and Westover can get a lid on our dumpster in the alley?

We've been told that all we have to do is report it to the city and they'll get the prisoners to repair it as soon as possible ... we did report it ... in 1992, 1993 and 1995.

Back when we started, one of the two lids was just loose ... now it's gone.

And while we're on the city, since that "construction" project on our street was completed, I'll be we have the fanciest potholes in town! You ought to see the way they hold water now. The north side of the street that was torn up five years ago is pretty, too, now that the tar has been sprayed over the gravel and chunks of pavement.

And when does a city street stop and a yard begin?

It seems, if you go over to 1300 Mobile St. that the city doesn't know... for our overlay ... OOPS! ... street construction project went all the way from

the city street to the front door of the house. One explanation is that the

city really doesn't know how much property it owns and is responsible for ... if that's the case, how about sending that \$10,000 mower over to my yard and forgetting where city property stops and the tax roll

Remember the Ray Charles

lines went "Cotton is down to a quarter a pound and I'm bust-

song, "Busted?" One of the

Well, over in Snyder, gas is down to \$1.07 a gallon.

Locally, HEB's opening of its gas pumps has seen local prices drop to as low as \$1.219 a gallon. HEB, which has done no promotion of its gas prices, has sold as low as .999 a gallon for regular and \$1.149 for midgrade premium despite showing prices on signs that are the bar considerably higher.

New polls show that black voters who traditionally vote Democratic have good feelings about Jack Kemp, Bob Dole's running mate.

Pollster John Zogby says that mentioning Kemp's name raises Dole's favorable numbers to nearly 18 percent among black voters. By himself, Kemp is seen favorably by nearly 38 percent of African American voters. Not exactly Abe Lincoln, but pretty good for today's GOP.

Political satirist Mark Russell skewered Chicago's legendary machine politics during the Demo convention. He polled audiences by asking Republicans to stand. Then he asks the Democrats to stand. Then he asks the Democrats to stand up again. In Chicago, he quips, "Democrats get to vote

(John H. Walker is managing editor of the Herald. Letters in response may be sent in care of this newspaper.)

Your views

Concerned parent supports BSISD school bond election

TO THE EDITOR:

As a concerned parent, I am writing to voice my support for the school bond election. Due to the circumstances of deteriorating buildings, over-crowding classrooms and insufficient air conditioning in some of our schools, I can see the need to build a new junior high. We, as a community, should be con-

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cerned with taking care of the educational needs of our children, our future. I propose that we all join together and support this bond to update and improve the educational quality of our children's lives. LESLIE STURM

BIG SPRING

Troop 1 Scouts help Luther Bethel Baptist clean up TO THE EDITOR:

We of Luther Bethel Baptist

Church wish to express our appreciation to Landon Wegner and Boy Scout Troop 1 for the excellent job they did in cleaning the Luther Bethel Cemetery. He and scoutmaster **Tommy Wegner with Scouts** Kyland Wegner, Cody Lefever, Justin Lefever, Michael Lewis and Tony Wyrick, along with friends Bandy Rollins and Arthur Olague cleaned out prickly pears, mesquite sprouts, mowed the area, and hauled away all of the accumulation of brush. In addition to this, the scouts painted the gate to the cemetery. They provided their own equipment, and Mrs. Wegner and Mrs. Lefever provided lunch.

Sponsor First Methodist Church of Big Spring has much of which to be proud in Troop 1. DWAYNE WHEAT

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Lockheed Finishes First F-22 Fuselage

FORT WORTH (AP) - The first fuselage of the newest Air Force jet - the F-22 - has rolled off the assembly line at Lockheed Martin's Texas plant, launching what officials called an important era for the aerospace giant.

The 22-foot-long midsection will be shipped to Lockheed Martin's plant in Marietta, Ga., where the first F-22 will be completed later this year.

The fighter jet's aft body and wings are being built by Boeing employees in Seattle and are scheduled for delivery to Georgia in October. The plane is set to fly for the first time next May.

The F-22, which costs \$71 million per plane, boasts radarevading capabilities and can fly faster than twice the speed of sound.

Drought, safety awareness decreasing lake deaths

DALLAS (AP) - Far fewer Texans have died in boating accidents this summer, officials said as the season's last holiday weekend got under

The number of boating-related deaths fell from 66 in fiscal 1995 to 26 in fiscal 1996, a 61 percent decrease. Fiscal years run from the beginning of September to the end of the following August.

Officials attribute the improvement partly to a Texas Parks and Wildlife Department safety crackdown. And the drought, they say, lowered lake levels and kept some visitors

Authorities said they had charged 161 Texans so far this year with boating while intoxicated, more than double last year's total. They vowed to be on high alert over the Labor Day weekend for drunken boaters and swimmers.

White supremacist sentenced to life in prison

HOUSTON (AP) - A selfdescribed white supremacist was sentenced Friday to life in prison for knifing a homosexual man to death in a van outside a Katy bar.

Jurors gave 19-year-old Daniel Christopher Bean the maximum penalty in the Jan. 4 stabbing death of Frederick Mangione, 46. Bean, 19, will have to serve at least 30 years.

Testimony before visiting state District Judge J.E. Blackburn showed Bean and his halfbrother, 21-year-old Ronald Henry Gauthier, both of Columbia Falls, Mont., were in the Houston area visiting relatives when they showed up at Dolly's Place, a small neighbor-

Mangione and his companion of 16 years, Kenneth Stern, 41, were regular patrons of the

Stern testified when Mangione was in the bar Jan. 4 selling cosmetics to acquaintances, someone said loudly that someone should whip "those fags."

St. Louis Encephalitis found in Houston

HOUSTON (AP) — The potentially dangerous St. Louis encephalitis virus has been found in mosquitoes in the Houston area, the county health department says.

Although no one is reported to have been infected by the virus, residents throughout Harris County are being advised to protect themselves from mosquito bites and to drain any standing water near their homes, Sandy Kachur, Harris County Health Department spokeswoman, said.

This week's heavy rainfall has created many areas of standing water where mosquitoes breed.

The infected mosquitoes were collected from traps in west Houston and in west Harris County.

Since the breeding site for the infected mosquitoes is unknown and the virus can be spread by birds, residents throughout the area are advised to take precautions.

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U.S. Marshals arrest one of top 15 most wanted

DALLAS (AP) — After 10 frustrating years of dead ends and cold trails, Deputy U.S. Marshal Randy Moon and his fellow investigators sensed the escaped felon they were looking for was in Texas.

The excitement of the narrowed search led to 10 frenetic days spent zigzagging the state. They went to various homes. Jails. Even a women's shelter, where they spoke to a recovering drug addict. They still didn't have their man: 56-year-old Emmett Franklin McSwain. who in 1986 walked away from a Texarkana federal prison camp and onto the U.S. Marshal's list putting together a task force of the "Top 15 Most Wanted."

Over 38 years, his long list of broken laws included crimes such as auto theft, forgery, burglary, conspiracy to manufacture and deliver PCP and mur-

His murder victim was a fellow state prisoner in Huntsville in 1970; he was last behind bars for the 1982 Oklahoma drug conviction. Being jailed didn't necessarily thwart his multi-state drug trade, law enforcers said.

McSwain was indicted Jan. 8, 1986, for continuing criminal enterprise, conspiracy to manufacture PCP and interstate transportation in aid of racketeering.

Twelve days after the indict-

rates for Texans covered by All-

state and State Farm insurance

companies could be going up

under new rates filed at the

Texas Department of Insurance.

State Farm reported its aver-

age rate across Texas will increase by 2.9 percent starting Oct. 29. Individual customers

could see lesser increases or no

increases based on where the

'We annually review our

live and their driving records.

ment, McSwain bolted from his minimum-security lockup. The search for McSwain began immediately. As it grew, hundreds of family members, coconspirators, former defendants and friends were interviewed. Leads were followed in New

York, Georgia, North Carolina

and across Texas. Still, nothing. The investigation had hit a lull in June 1995 when authorities at the U.S. Marshals Service national headquarters put Andre Labier, a marshal from Vermont, on the case.

He decided a new approach was needed and suggested aimed solely at finding McSwain. Moon became part of that team about a year ago.

What made the case even tougher was McSwain's success in cutting himself off from relatives and friends.

"We had some targets that we were able to manipulate, to put between a rock and a hard place," he said. "So we were able to creatively elicit some cooperation and basically give us a location." The information eventually helped develop a picture that left marshals fairly sure he was in Texas.

Finally, on Thursday, they got their man.

McSwain was watching tennis

Companies to raise automobile insurance rates

based on our experience," said

Dean Brand, a State Farm

spokesman. "By doing so, State

Farm assures that the rates pol-

icyholders pay are sensitive to

the claim costs that ultimately

Al Orendorff, a spokesman for Allstate, said the number and

size of claims also forced his company to raise overall rates

by 1.3 percent. That change will

drive premium needs.'

take effect Sept. 9.

AUSTIN (AP) - Insurance claims and change the rates

in the Dallas suburb of Farmers Branch. Officials said McSwain, whose health has been failing in recent years, did not resist.

Calling himself Franklin Bell, McSwain had fooled his wife of almost nine years and her children. He worked with two construction crews as a carpenter. He was a good neighbor.

'It was all a big facade." Labier said. "He was using these people to hide out. He protected himself with kids and a new family, just so he could hide out. So his basic sociopathic nature didn't change.'

His wife, Maria Bell, was stunned by the arrest. Law enforcers said she had no clue about his past. "He's a really good person, but that other person I didn't know," she tearfully told The Dallas Morning News.

McSwain was taken to a federal lockup in Seagoville, awaiting transportation to Oklahoma

He must complete the rest of the sentence he skipped in Texarkana and face trial on the indictments that sent him running.

Those charges carry punishments ranging from five years to life in prison. A conviction on the escape charge will tack on another five years, U.S. attorin a two-story, well-kept home

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Jim George, Lot 3, Block 11, Earles Addition located at 704 Douglas, is requesting a Variance to the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Big Spring for the encroachment of the side yard setback requirements for the construction of a bodys visiting of boo carport.

Ellen Dickson, Lot 10, Block 30, Cole and Strayhorn Addition located at 905 East 13th, is requesting a Variance to the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Big Spring for the encroachment of the side yard setback requirements fro the construction of a carport.

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Expedition to raise Titanic fails in a snap

A commercial expedition to raise part of the luxury liner ended in failure in the middle of the night when the nylon lines being used to lift a 21-ton section of the hull snapped and the chunk of steel dropped 2 1/2 miles back to the bottom of the cold North Atlantic.

With food running low, the seas getting rough and the expedition members exhausted, the \$5 million salvage operation was abandoned until at least next summer.

'The Titanic's not easy to bring home," George Tulloch, president of the expedition's sponsor, RMS Titanic Inc., said by satellite phone.

The salvagers had used giant flotation balloons filled with lighter-than-water diesel fuel to lift the 24-by-16-foot piece, but because of rough seas, they couldn't manage to pull it all the way up, organizers said.

The hull section never actually broke the water's surface; it

BOSTON (AP) — The Titanic was 70 yards down when it balloons and returned to its resting place of 84 years.

The captain of a French - southeast of Newfoundland. research vessel taking part in the expedition found Tulloch, embraced him and broke the

"He just whispered in my ear, We just lost it. We lost the piece," Tulloch said. "One line snapped, and then they went one at a time and the piece is

An RMS Titanic spokesman in Boston, Marty Burke, said it was unclear why the lines broke. However, organizers acknowledged that the hull section turned out to be far heavier than the 13 to 15 tons it was thought to weigh.

The "unsinkable" Titanic, then the biggest ocean liner in the world, sank on April 14, 1912 after hitting an iceberg on its maiden voyage from England to New York. More than 1,500 of the 2,200 passengers and crew

The disaster has fascinated snapped loose from the flotation explorers and history buffs ever since, and the wreck was discovered in 1985 about 420 miles

> The salvage efforts were denounced by some Titanic historians as grave-robbing; they said the wreck should be left intact as a memorial. RMS Titanic, which owns the salvage rights and mounted the expedition with the Discovery Channel, said it was simply trying to preserve a piece of history by bringing a section of the ship back to New York.

> About 1,700 people, including three Titanic survivors, paid \$1,800 to \$6,000 to watch the recovery effort on video monitors from two cruise ships circling nearby.

The passengers watched the hull section rise through the water via an underwater camera and cheered when the flotation balloons broke the surface Thursday afternoon.

They did not see the piece

break loose; the cruise ships left the area before the accident. Tulloch said they got their

money's worth. "We gave them coverage that would have made the Super Bowl envious and there were no commercials," he said. "If people were disappointed, I'm dis-

appointed."

The expedition members decided to give up for at least a year. Some had been at sea for a month, and Tulloch said they had spent three years planning the operation.

A transponder attached to the big piece is designed to emit radio signals for two years and should make any future recovery effort easier.

'The greatest tragedy in the world is to give up. And we haven't given up," Tulloch said. "We'll get it next year."

A French minisub was used to attach the flotation balloons to portholes in the piece where it lay on the ocean floor.

Citadel women first week

CHARLESTON, S.C. (AP) -

They will join other first-year

'The people who make it through the first weeks have made it through the most difficult part - adjusting to the military lifestyle," said senior Charles Perreault, spokesman

The college ended 153 years of accepting only male students er won a court battle and became the first woman cadet.

expert in women's studies from Emory University who opposed coeducation at The Citadel, said there is a good chance the four women cadets will do well at the

than the average male cadet."

Cadets reported to campus Aug. 24. They were up before dawn Wednesday for physical tests, and roused from bed that night to stand at attention in a dark barracks courtyard. "Hell Week" also included constant orders to run or do push-ups.

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make it through

The four women cadets at The Citadel have survived "Hell Week" - the military college's grueling initiation of running, push-ups and other tests of physical endurance.

cadets at class Monday, after Sunday's scheduled day at the beach. As of Friday, five men had dropped out, leaving 578 freshmen.

for the cadet regiment. last year after Shannon Faulkn-She tell ill and dropped out the first week, citing stress and isolation. Thirty-two other cadets

also quit. Elizabeth Fox-Genovese, an

"They are pioneers," she said. "They are on a mission. They are perhaps more motivated

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and blood tests. McVeigh and Terry Nichols

pect Timothy McVeigh have challenged evidence produced by the FBI, calling it the result of laboratory

'experimentation."

motions filed in U.S. District Court, one of the scientists, Brian Caddy Scotland's University of Strathclyde, said the FBI lab reports

were inadequate "in their structure and information."

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The motions ask Judge Richard Matsch to order the clarification of evidence turned up by the tests - everything from hair samples and finger-

HARRISBURG, Pa. (AP)

Five-year-old Breanna Michaels

wanted to shed her shoes as she

climbed onto a swing set, but

her mother would hear nothing

of it. Too many goose droppings

"You can't even bring a blan-

ket and sit on it," her mother

Amy said as she pushed her two

tots on the swings in the quiet

park in New Cumberland Bor-

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covered the ground.

face federal murder and conspiracy charges in the April 19, 1995, bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building, which killed 168 people and injured more than 500 others.

assertions," she said of the scientists. "I'm not sure we have to draw the conclusions for them.

work was done on each item, or whether the reports were reli-

McVeigh's attorney, Stephen Jones, has already raised questions about possible contamination at the FBI lab. He has cited claims by an FBI scientist, Dr. Frederic Whitehurst, that FBI analysts were pressured to alter their reports to assist prosecutors.

The Department of Justice says it is investigating the allegations, but won't have a report until later this year.

In a separate filing, Jones said prosecutors have dragged their feet on requests to provide statements from possible witnesses. He said that could extend the trial length beyond the current estimate of four to six months.

Brown said prosecutors have provided more than 24,000 FBI witness statements to the defense.

Scientists challenge FBI's Oklahoma CIty bombing tests nail scrapings to fingerprints DENVER (AP) — Two international scientists working for Oklahoma City bombing sus-

A trial date has not been

scheduled.

Justice Department spokeswoman Leesa Brown said the lab reports were provided to comply with defense requests for evidence. She said the agency may rely on expert testimony at trial, not the documents. "We don't agree with their

The defense has also hired

British investigator John Lloyd, who said it was not clear from the FBI reports what

Pesky geese prompt special hunting season

Now their goose is cooked. The state Department of Conservation Natural State Park in York County. and Resources has moved up the

will be allowed at most state parks that normally permit The growing gaggles of geese that choose Pennsylvania as their autumn destination are fouling recreation areas with large droppings that also pose health risks for humans and threaten to disrupt the ecologi-

start of Canada goose hunting

season by a month to Monday,

and the birds will be fair game

through Sept. 25. Goose hunting

man, spokesman for the state game commission. Game officials used to physically round up the geese and truck them out of state.

cal balance, said Bruce Whit-

"Now there are so many of them that no other state wants them," Whitman said.

and corn crops, and they're staying instead of heading south The problem got so bad at one for winter. Since 1989, their swimming hole it had to be numbers have swelled from closed for a week this month 11,000 to 81,000, says the state because officials discovered a Game Commission. high fecal bacteria count, said

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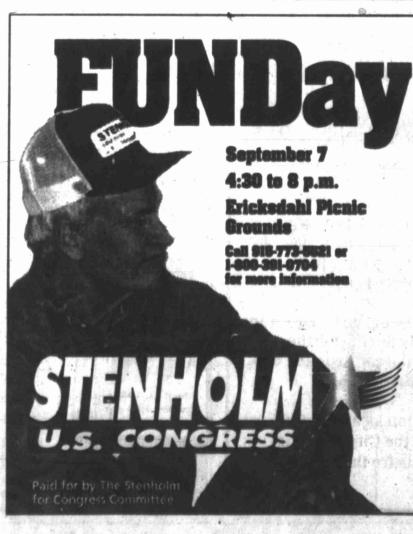
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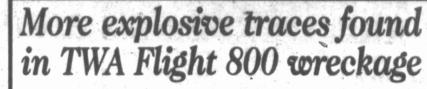
Taylor said when goslings learned to fly earlier this summer, they would leave the park in search of food for the day and return with feathered friends from surrounding areas. As the summer progressed, more and more geese moved onto the lake where people swim.

"We have literally been chasing the geese off the beach. We rake the sand in the water with a tractor as far as it can go. The combination of the two has caused the bacteria count to drop way down," Taylor said.

At a park in New Cumberland Borough near Harrisburg, geese droppings cover baseball fields and expansive lawns peppered with playground swings and slides. A flock of geese grazed and swam in a nearby stream.

"You can take a slide right in it," said Barbara Kennedy, who was visiting the park with her two children and her mother, Joanne Shindel.





SMITHTOWN, N.Y. (AP) -Though more traces of explosive residue have been found on wreckage from TWA Flight 800, investigators say they still don't have enough evidence to say it was a criminal act that downed the jet.

"Based upon all the scientific and forensic evidence analyzed to date, we still cannot conclude TWA Flight 800 crashed as a result of an explosive device," said a joint statement issued Friday by the National Transportation Safety Board and the FBI.

Tests at the FBI's lab in Washington turned up traces of RDX, two sources told The Associated Press on condition of anonymity.

The findings came a week after traces of the explosive PETN were found on a piece of floor from the center of the

RDX and PETN are key ingredients in Semtex, a plastic explosive used to down Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie,

Scotland in 1988. Authorities refused to say if the chemicals had brought investigators closer to finding the cause of the July 17 crash that killed 230 people off Long

Island. One law enforcement source said he had been told by investigators the latest substance found provides further foren-

sic proof of an explosive. A second source familiar with the investigation said the test result was enough to convince some investigators it was time to declare the explo-

sion a criminal act.

Last week, when word of the first finding was made public,

ased upon all the scientific and forensic evidence analyzed to date, we still cannot conclude TWA Flight 800 crashed as a result of an explosive device.

FBI Assistant Director James Kallstrom said physical evidence - like wreckage scarred in a pattern - was needed to back up the chemical findings. Although more than 70 per-

cent of the Paris-bound Boeing 747 has been recovered from the Atlantic Ocean, that kind of corroboration remains elusive for investigators.

French authorities, pressed by relatives of the French nationals aboard Flight 800, decided to pursue their own investigation into the crash.

"As French citizens, we want to be represented by the French legal system," said Michelle Richter, whose daughters, Anne-Lyse, 17, and Noemie, 15, died in the explo-

"That doesn't mean we have any distrust of the United States," she said. "Only the right to know dictated our action." Associated Press Writer Larry Neumeister contributed to this

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Saddam Hussein's army enters Northern Iraq

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Saddam Hussein sent troops and tanks into northern Iraq on Saturday to crush

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could ignite a new confrontation with the HUSSEIN Western forces that have policed the Kurdish

"safe haven" since the end of

the Persian Gulf War in 1991. The Iraqi troops and a Kurdish faction, the Kurdistan Democratic Party, launched an early morning assault to capture Irbil, the main Kurdish city in northern Iraq, from the rival Patriotic Union of Kurdis-

tan (PUK), a U.N. official said. Christopher Lee, speaking from the office of the U.N. High Commissioner For Refugees in Baghdad, told The Associated

little resistance. There were an undetermined number of casu-

alties, he said. However, PUK leader Jalal Talabani said fighting was continuing inside Irbil as the Iraqi troops and their Kurdish allies pounded the city with artillery and missiles.

Iraqi forces occupied the main base for relief agencies in the western part of Irbil and that they have occupied the university campus in the south of the city, Talabani told CNN.

The PUK estimated 450 Iraqi tanks were involved in the offensive, and said that some 30,000 Iraqi forces had massed in recent days in preparation for the attack.

The Kurdistan Democratic Party and the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan have been vying for supremacy ever since the "safe haven" was established after the Gulf War.

The PUK appealed for foreign intervention to prevent a "humanitarian catastrophe."

The group said the attack could be a prelude to the revival

cidal war" against the Kurds a 3.5 million-member ethnic minority seeking independence from Baghdad.

It reported "scores of civilians casualties" and said others were fleeing in droves.

According to the official Iraqi news agency, Deputy Prime Minister Tariq Aziz said the offensive was a response to an appeal by the Kurdistan Democratic Party.

"We decided to launch a limited military operation in defense of our sovereignty, our people and their properties," Aziz said. Aziz railed against the U.S., British and French forces in northern Iraq for bringing "to the Kurds nothing but death, destruction, anarchy and the loss of opportunities for development and decent living."

Talabani later said in a radio broadcast that the United States had assured him that action would be taken soon against "the aggressors in Baghdad."

He said the United States and other Western allies "will not abandon our people and that they will soon deal a lethal blow

to the aggressors in Baghdad." His comments were broadcast on the "Voice of the People of

Kurdistan Radio. U.S. Secretary of State Warren Christopher sent a letter to Turkish Foreign Minister Ciller requesting Tansu Ankara's intervention to restore calm. Turkey, which borders Iraq, also has a large restive Kurdish population and is one of the few countries that has maintained dialogue with Baghdad.

Christopher urged "Turkey to persuade Iraq to stay out of northern Iraq and to explain the dark consequences of' its intervention, a U.S. embassy official told The Associated Press in Ankara. He spoke on condition of anonymity.

Fighting broke out Friday between Kurdish rebels and Iraqi government forces in the northern Iraqi enclave. Reports of the increased troop activity led to stepped up flight activity by U.S. warplanes in the Persian Gulf and officials said other actions were being consid-

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Murphy liked the curriculum entitled "Sex Respect" that teaches self-respect and that students should respect each other not to have sex before they are married. "The problem was it doesn't go far enough. With 30 to 40 percent of the sixth and seventh graders, we've already missed the boat." The course also teaches consequences of having premarital sex such as pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases.

Currently in high school, 10th, 11th and 12th graders can take Child Development as an elective. They also take a health class in which three chapters are devoted to the male and

female reproductive systems, sexually transmitted diseases and AIDS. Murphy said some of the teachers were uncomfortable with teaching these subjects and would just "glean" through them. The instructors will be involved in an in-service program to specifically address methods of instructing sensitive subjects and guidelines for maintaining consistency in instruction.

Murphy said the council hopes to have a curriculum picked out by May 1997, take it to the board for their approval the next month then have it ready to be incorporated at Goliad Middle School and Runnels Junior High for the start of the 1997-98 school year

Press that the PUK had put up of the Iraqi government's "geno-Lubbock finally recognizes its most famous native

LUBBOCK (AP) - Some believe this agricultural city was one ill-fated plane trip away from evolving

into a modern music epicenter, the Nashville the rock music scene. "That'll Be

the Day," you say?

"Maybe Baby," about retorts Sue HOLLY Peggy Gerron.

"There's been a great deal of talent here and no outlet for it," said the inspiration of "Peggy Sue," Buddy Holly's greatest hit. "Buddy saw talent and had an ear for music."

The musicians and fans who have carried their individual memories of Holly and his rock. 'n' roll entrit will converge or

brate white would have been his

60th birthday on Sept. 7. It might doubly serve as a sneak peek at what Lubbock could have been musically. The Feb. 3, 1959 plane crash that sent Holly, Richie Valens and J.P. "The Big Bopper" Richardson into rock eternity may have killed a local music industry

before it was born. Few knew a vacant lot on the west side of town was set to become home to a spiffy new

studio where a 22-year-old Holly could begin producing the work of others, which those close to him say was his true calling.

"It would have helped an unknown number of people," said older brother Larry Holley, who still owns the tile company he ran in the 1950s, when Buddy would serenade workers out on jobs. "I think when Buddy died, it left sort of a vacuum for awhile.'

Revelers this week will honor the man who brought his mix of country, gospel, R&B and pop from a studio in nearby Clovis, N.M. to the world. Most agree his fame was broader nationwide and in England than it was in his hometown. Lubbock, a conservative city,

was slow to warm to Holly's rhythms, though Ms. Gerron said that friction was overplayed in the film "The Buddy Holly Story.' "I don't think there's any

double must become of the Bible looked upon the music of the Devil's workshop," Ms. Gerron said. "Lubbock never looked upon Buddy as a phenomenon."

A phenomenon he became, however. Paul McCartney has said there never would have been a Beatles without The Crickets, after whom he named the band. Another top British act, The Hollies, was more obvious in its tribute.

Could Lubbock have rivaled

Memphis and Nashville on the American music scene with Holly back home? University of Texas rock history professor Ron Emoff doubts it, mainly because those cities had more pronounced musical roots well before the '50s.

"I don't know if it was thriving enough to attract people from other places," Emoff said. "But then, there's no telling. Holly was a well-known guy, and certainly people would have come. He would have been a reputable producer.'

Lubbockites will get a taste of what might have been from Wednesday through Saturday. Dozens of performances, a 1950s classic car cruise and productions of the musical, "Buddy: The Buddy Holly Story," will mark the first annual music festival named in his honor.

Crickets drummer Jerry Alli son, who was married to Ms. Gerron for nine years and remains in the music business embraced the band then like it does now

"There weren't any venues there," said Allison, who gave Holly a beat at roller-rinks and auditoriums here. "The drinking laws had a lot to do with it. Lubbock was dry until the 1960s. The Midwest was full of ballrooms where we'd play, but without drinking, there's not much use for a ballroom." In 1958, Holly left the Crickets and producer Norman Petty, who cultivated their talents in a Clovis, N.M. studio. Petty kept receiving Holly's checks for awhile, though, forcing Holly to join that fateful wintertime concert tour in 1959.

"He would have been a megastar in the recording business," said Ms. Gerron, who now lives in Slaton, just outside of Lubbock. "I don't think Buddy ever would have stopped producing."

His brother, bandmate and friend all believe this would be a different place with Buddy Holly around. He might have summed it up with another one of his hits: "Oh Boy!"



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Applications may be submitted anytime during the year.

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enthood recommend several strategies to prevent teen pregnancies, including: encouraging abstinence as a positive choice; providing resources to parents to support their efforts in educating their children on age appropriate issues of family life; strengthening personal responsibility by providing programs that offer peer counseling and decision-making skills; increasing the knowledge of youths about sexuality and responsible behavior: developing a community environment that offers desirable role models for teens and provides social opportunities that don't place young people in high-risk situations; and increasing access to Family Planning Services. According Planned Parent-

hood, the rate of sexual sctivity among teenage females has rose from 47 percent to 58 percent



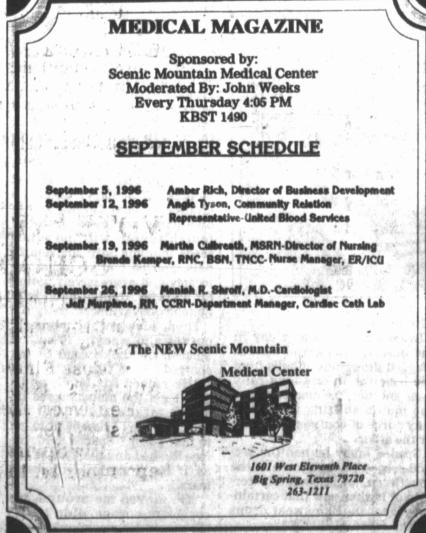
between 1982 and 1988

Between one-fourth and onethird of U.S. teenagers have had sex at age 15, and with each successive year of age a higher percentage become sexually active. Eight in 10 women and nine in 10 men have had sex at least once by age 20.

Each year approximately 2.5 million U.S. teens are infected with a sexually transmitted disease; this number represents approximately one out of every six sexually active teens and one-fifth of all national cases.

Although no state forbids the teaching of sex education to senior high school students and most states encourage such education, only 13 states (Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Maryland, Nevada,

New Jersey, Rhode Island. South Carolina, Vermont, Virginia) and the District of Columbia mandate K-12 pro-



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 1996

Red Raiders ragged in loss to KSU

MANHATTAN, Kan. (AP) -Brian Kavanagh threw for one touchdown and ran for one and No. 21 Kansas State survived a wild finish for a ragged 21-14 victory over Texas Tech on Saturday in the inaugural Big 12 Conference game.

The Red Raiders scored a touchdown, a 2-point conversion and a field goal in the final 6:39. But on fourth-and-17 from the 21 with 44 seconds to play, Mario Smith knocked the ball loose from Donnie Hart as the Tech receiver leaped high for Zebbie Lethridge's desperation pass. Hart appeared to be knocked unconscious, but finally got up and walked away wobbly-legged.

Kansas State did not get a first down until the end of the first quarter and failed to score in the early going even after being handed a first-and-goal at the 10.

A terrible kicking game cost Texas Tech, one of four schools from the defunct Southwest Conference who linked up with the Big Eight to form the new super conference.

Tony Rogers was only 1-for-5 in field goal attempts with three misses and one block, and the Wildcats scored their third touchdown when Smith recovered the ball in the end zone after Brad Spinks snapped it over his punter's head.

Tech's Byron Hanspard, who rushed for 1,374 yards last year, had 115 yards on 21 carries, his seventh straight 100-yard game, but the Red Raiders did not score a TD until late in the fourth period after K-State led 21-3.

With 6:39 remaining, Lethridge hit wide-open Sammy Morris with a 14-yard scoring pass. Spinks then caught a 2-point conversion

kicked a 53-yarder to make it 21-14. Kansas State recovered an onside kick, but Kavanagh fumbled on the first play and Robert Johnson recovered at the Wildcats 49.

Rogers, after missing a 53yard attempt on Texas Tech's first possession, connected from that distance with 1:55 remaining in the opening quarter to write his name into the record book as the first man to score in the Big 12. The Red Raiders drove 63 yards in nine plays after holding K-State on fourth and goal from the 1.

Kavanagh, Kansas State's third starting quarterback in three years, finally got the offense moving late in the opening quarter, hitting Jimmy Dean for a 13-yard gain and igniting a 12-play, 79-yard scoring drive.

The Wildcats, whose offensive line outweighed Texas Tech's defensive line by nearly 40 pounds per man, went ahead when Kavanagh twisted across the goal line from the 1.

Huskers suspend standout linebacker

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) - The problems just won't go away for two-time defending national champion Nebraska.

This time, star linebacker Terrell Farley was arrested on suspicion of drunken driving and coach Tom Osborne said the indefinite suspension he handed out Friday night could last the entire season.

"He's been suspended and it will be a minimum of two games, more likely three and possibly permanent," Osborne said after Saturday's practice. "It just depends. Obviously it was a very, very disappointing thing to have happen.

Farley, the Big Eight's newcomer of the year in '95, was arrested Friday morning on suspicion of drunken driving. Nebraska, bidding for an unprecedented third straight national title, opens the season at home Saturday against Michigan State.

Farley's arrest occurred a few days after Osborne said he. was tired of answering questions about last year's off-the-field problems, which included the six-game suspension of star running back Lawrence Phillips for assaulting a former



Big Spring quarterback Tory Mitchell tries to fend off a Midland tackler during Friday night's scrimmage here.

Steers hold their own against rugged Midland

By CLIFF NEWELL Sports Editor

The Big Spring Steers came out on the short end of the scoring against the new and improved Midland Bulldogs in their scrimmage on Friday night at Memorial Stadium. But head coach Dwight Butler wasn't feeling too badly about

The Bulldogs, who look vastly improved under new head coach David Browning, had two touchdowns and a field goal to one touchdown for Big Spring, and Midland dominated the yardage department as well. But Butler thought the scrimmage did more for his team than last year's meeting, in which the Steers routed the

"That's the best coached Midland team I've seen since I've been here," said Butler. "They're big and strong and they've got some speed. That's exactly the kind of scrimmage

we needed. We faced some big guys that will tatoo you.

"Last year it was a runaway in our favor, and we got a false sense of ourselves. No chance of that this year.

Midland had a big size advantage on the Steers, and in the much-experienced Browning they have a coach who could take advantage of it. They also had a couple of superb backs in tailback Sammy Powell, who rushed for 150 yards on 27 attempts, and quarterback Camar Jackson, who rambled, scrambled and sometimes even passed the ball in deftly guiding the Bulldog offense.

Midland started quickly, driving for a touchdown on its opening possession. Powell had 27 yards on the drive, and Jackson converted a broken play into a 31-yard run. He got the score on a 5-yard.

Obviously, people aren't going to have Midland to kick around this season, and the Bulldogs were able to move the

The second Midland TD came in the second half of the scrimmage. Powell broke in from 4 yards out on a drive ignited by a 31-yard bolt by fullback Rhino Stewart.

At the end of the scrimmage, under game-like conditions, the Bulldogs got a 33-yard goal from Zach Inman after Big Spring stopped a long Midland

On the defensive side, the large Midland line caused plenty of problems for Big Spring, stopping the Steers' speedy trio of Antwoyne Edwards, Toma McVae and Frankie Green, and harassing quarterbacks Jerrod Helms and Tory Mitchell.

Still, the Steers had their moments. BSH nearly scored on its opening possession when Helms and end Chauncey Ford connected for a 48-yard play, on which Ford made an excellent run after his catch. But two

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Early problems won't keep BHS netters from success

By CLIFF NEWELL Sports Editor

The start of the fall tennis season has not exactly gone swimmingly for the Big Spring

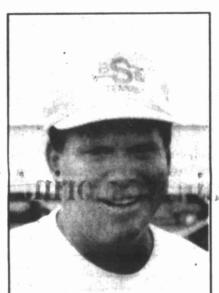
So far, construction has wreaked havoc with the team's practices, two key players have been lost to injuries, rain has caused all but one match to be With 2:27 left, Jaret Greaser rained out, the team is extremely young, and the Steer netters lost their only match 16-

> So what does head coach Ralph Davis make of all this? He expects to win district.

> Sure, things have gotten off to a rocky beginning, but when it's all over, Davis expects his team to be highly ranked and to take its third fall district team title in his four seasons as coach. Right now, he's frustrated but optimistic. Of course, he would like a bit of dry weather.

"We've had so many weather problems," Davis said. "Tennis is one of the few sports that demand complete dryness."

Even worse have been the injuries. The Steers started the year without Drew McKimmey



HERALD Photo Ralph Davis thinks his team can regain the district title.

and Kaegan Welch, who suffered accidents during the sum-

"These injuries have thrown us totally out of kilter due to pairings in boys doubles." Davis said. 'It's had a domino effect. Every doubles team had to change. It really hurt us against Midland."

Ah, Midland. The Steers took a 16-2 thumping against perhaps the premier tennis program in the area.

They're a country club school, and they've got a lot of talent," Davis said. "We came close in some other matches, but we didn't get the job done.'

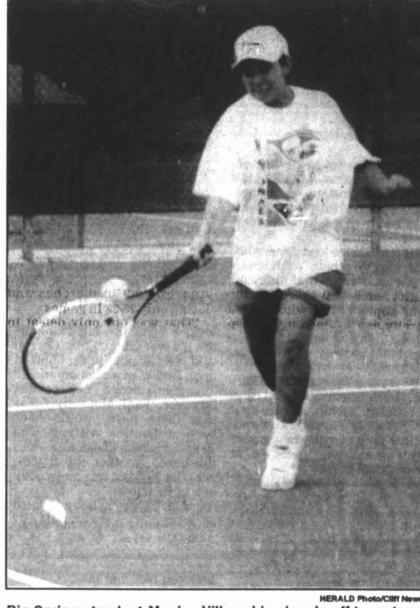
Lack of experience had its

"Our program is really young," Davis said. "It seems like I've been saying that forev-

Yes, the team is loaded with sophomores. But last year's team was loaded with freshmen, so this year's team members are practically grizzled veterans by comparison. Theyll win, and they'll win this year.

Leading the girls squad is Monica Villareal, who was responsible for the two wins against Midland. She scored a notable triumph in the singles. defeating a former nationally ranked player in Meryl McClung, then teamed with Kim Dominguez to defeat

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Big Spring standout Monica Villareal is already off to a strong start for the fall tennis season.

<u>U.S. Open Tennis</u>

Chang barely survives thriller against Spadea

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK (AP) — Unable to sit for fear of cramping all over his body, Michael Chang paced slowly back and forth like wounded, tethered animal, his breathing labored and his thoughts disjointed.

"To be honest with you," he said, "I don't really know how I was able to win today's match. I really don't."

In truth, neither did most of the U.S. Open crowd or the man on the other side of the net, Vince Spadea, who served for the match in the fourth set Saturday, only to be broken in the game and in spirit by Chang's indomitable will.

Chang, the ultimate tennis survivor, looked as if he could barely lift his feet between points, yet on and on he scrambled until he wore down Spadea and secured a 6-4, 5-7, 2-6, 7-5, 6-3 victory in 3 hours, 50 minutes of mutual punishment.

In a week at the Open when defending champion Pete Sampras struggled to win a five-setter and 1994 champion Andre Agassi had to fend off a hot player in four sets, Chang had the closest call of all.

Agassi, on a collision course to meet Chang in the semifinals, had an easier match this time in a 6-4, 6-2, 7-6 (9-7) victo-

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ry over Jan Siemerink. No. 13 Thomas Enqvist also won in straight sets against Pablo Campana. Alex O'Brien, a giant-killer most of the summer, finally lost to David Wheaton, 1-6, 7-5, 6-1, 6-2.

Defending women's champion Steffi Graf beat Natasha Zvereva 6-4, 6-2, No. 3 Arantxa Sanchez Vicario beat Elena Likhovtseva 6-1, 6-0, No. 7 Jana Novotna beat Tami Whitlinger-Jones 6-2, 6-3, and No. 16 Martina Hingis beat Naoko Kijimuta 6-2, 6-2. In heat as fierce as a day in

the desert, Chang and Spadea slugged thousands of balls from the baseline in one long rally after another, the momentum of the match shifting with each tiny surge of confidence by one or the other.

Spadea knew he had the sec-ond-seeded Chang beaten in the fourth set, was absolutely certain of it, then saw that certainty evaporate like sweat drops

Spadea, a 22-year-old ranked No. 69, had lost to Chang twice before and was blanked 6-0 against him in the final set of a match a month ago in Washington. This time he had him all but cooked.

Pouncing confidently on Chang's second serves all day Chang converted an atrocious 35 percent of his first serves in the match - Spadea served for the match at 5-4 in the fourth set after breaking Chang when he slapped three unforced errors.

This would be the finest moment of Spadea's career, a chance to beat Chang at his own game and move into the fourth round, with no other seeds in sight until the semifinals. Spadea had been playing loosely and aggressively, going for winners, coming in often to punch volley winners.

Then, just at that moment, nerves and weariness seized Spadea. He choked and Chang

"He raised his level, and I didn't get too many serves in, didn't attack, didn't hit my shots the way I had been to get to that point," Spadea said, his face flushed and his eyes as sad as if he were holding back

"He moved me around, hit corner to corner, didn't miss too much. He was moving well and I was a little bit tight." Chang broke Spadea at love. winning the first point on a backhand volley, and taking the second on a backhand long by Spadea. Chang drilled a forehand into the corner for the third point, then put the game away with a backhand volley that clipped the net cord and trickled over. Spadea scurried after it, but could only dump it into the net.

"I know in all matches that I play, if I'm down a match point, and a guy is serving for it, I don't count myself out," Chang said. "That's very important for me. If I count myself out mentally, I'm going to lose for sure.

"I was just trying to hang tough. I think that Vince did definitely, probably, get a little bit tight. I thought I was going to be able to sneak my way back into the match when I broke him to go, what was it, 4-all. I think then I lost my serve again. It was just one of those things. He was playing some great tennis out there, making some great stab volleys, just coming up with some huge shots."

After that big break at love, Chang held at love, then pushed Spadea to love-40 with a crisp backhand crosscourt. Chang had put together 11 straight points.

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Roper said, "That means our

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Where are the Hawks of '95-

Top pitcher Ben Phillips (13-0,

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A raft of others signed with

top four-year programs.

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Brown and rightfielder Brady

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Tech; centerfielder Clint

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Louisiana State; designated hit-

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Big Spring caught fire at the end of the first half when tailback Jacob Rios surprised the Dogs by racing 60 yards to the goal line, and on the next play fullback Mike Simon busted through for the Steers' only score of the night.

Defensive highlights for Big Spring included interceptions by Brian Vanderbilt, who picked off a Jackson pass right at the goal line to stop a major Midland scoring threat, and Green, and sacks of the elusive Jackson by tackle Jesse Bravo and end Jeff Denton.

Not a great night, perhaps. But certainly a worthy effort and a performance that can be built upon.

"I thought our effort was really good," said Butler. "I thought we saw some young kids grow up tonight. I thought our little old line competed pretty well. They're going to be overpowered a lot this year because of all the big teams we'll be facing, and we'll be ahead of the game if we learn how to handle

The Steer leader wasn't quite so happy about the defensive

"We've got to learn how to year for Big Spring.

tackle again," he said. "A lot of times we were in position to make good plays, but we would do things like leave our feet. We've got to get back to some

Then there is the quarterback situation. "I love a good quarterback controversy," Butler

joked. But there really isn't much controversy right now. Helms. the senior, has earned the starting job. Mitchell will see a lot

of action, play other positions

and gain experience. Butler called Helms, who has displayed a nice passing touch in scrimmages, "the surprise of our preseason." Helms also had a 46-yard completion to

Vanderbilt. Against Midland, Mitchell. like just about every sophomore quarterback in history with great native running talent, would almost always tuck the ball in and run as soon as Midland tacklers broke through.

Butler pointed out, "If he learns to get his eyes downfield and look for his receivers, it'll open up his running."

The Steers will open their season on Friday at Monahans. "They've got some awfully large people," noted Butler, and that will often be the story this

BHS Tennis

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McClung and Sonia Valdez in doubles.

"Monica has had some huge wins in her career," noted Davis. "She took third place at the regionals last spring As a freshman, she made the state semis in doubles with her sister. Maria. She has two years left to make it to state in singles, and I think she can do it if she keeps working like she's done the last five years.

"Monica's strong points are her consistent baseline play. To step up to the next level she needs to develop more of a weapon. She needs to beef up her serve and develop a really solid weapon on her backhand or forehand wing."

Christina Vera is another iunior, and then there are the four sophomores who played - Kim Dominguez, Stephanie Lewis, Yu Ching Li and Kylee Welch.

There's an outstanding player to lead the boys squad in Hsiao Hsuan Li (Yu Ching's brother). Formerly of Taiwan, Li has already made the state semis as a freshman and sophomore, and Davis says he would have made the finals as a freshman if not for an attack of cramps.

"He's a remarkable athlete," said Davis. "He's the quickest in terms of change of direction on Sept. 21 against Fort of anyone I've ever coached. He Stockton and Oct. 12 against has phenomenal lateral move- Andrews.

"Return of serve is his strength. His biggest improvement last year was in his strength of volley. Now he needs to work on developing a

McKimmey, Kayne Stroup, Jeff Castle, Devon Swafford, Jeff Moss and Welch.

Forget the Midland match. This is a talent laden team, and Davis expects it to exceed Big Spring's state ranking of eighth last year and 10th the year

But the sweetest thing would be to regain the district title they lost to Andrews last year. Despite missing three players to illness and academics, Big Spring lost its title by the slimmest of margins, tying Andrews 9-9 in matches and losing only 23-22 in games.

three years in district," Davis said. "There's no question we would have won if we had those three players.

"Our goal is to win district and take Andrews down in

The Steers play one of their big matches of the fall this coming weekend at the San Angelo Tournament. It will be Big Spring's only team tennis format competition of the fall.

BHS will have home matches

Parnevik grabs Milwaukee lead as Tiger fades to 73 in 3rd round

Tiger Woods struggled to a 2over-par 73 — the second-highest score of the day at the Greater Milwaukee Open -Jesper Parnevik surged into the third-round lead Saturday.

Pernevik shot an 8-under-par 63 for a 19-under 194 total and moved one stroke ahead of Nolan Henke, the leader after the first two rounds. Henke fired a 67 over the Brown Deer Park Golf Course.

Woods was 15 shots back at 4under 209 after a round that included a double bogey, three bogeys and three birdies. He shot a 67 Thursday in his pro debut and a 69 Friday.

Woods, 20, who won his third straight U.S. Amateur title last

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MILWAUKEE (AP) - As weekend and became a pro Wednesday, said he was mentally exhausted after all the fan and media attention.

"It's awfully hard to grind 110 percent on each and every shot," he said.

Woods drove his first shot into the right rough behind a patch of trees, took another two shots to reach the green, then two-putted for bogey

Things got better, then a lot

Woods birdied the par-4, 417yard second hole after a drive about 240 yards down the center of the fairway, an iron shot that placed the ball pin-high and an easy putt.

really effective serve." The rest of the boys team is

"That was our only defeat it

route.

comebacks to celebrate. Pinch-hitter Tony Eusebio's two-run single capped Houston's three-run ninth inning, and the Astros ruined Francisco Cordova's first major league start by beating the Pittsburgh Pirates 5-4 Saturday.

John Hudek, a former All-Star closer who missed more than a year with two broken ribs and circulation problems in his right shoulder, withstood Jason Kendall's solo homer in the ninth for his first save since June 13, 1995.

It was the 32nd come-frombehind victory this season for the NL Central-leading Astros, who have rallied for 11 of their

"People are starting to see what the Astros are all about," Houston starter Mike Hampton said. "We never give up. As long as the pitchers give the team a chance to win, we can do something like this. We can score three runs in the ninth

With Houston trailing 3-2 following Jermaine Allensworth's go-ahead homer in the eighth, Jeff Bagwell and Derek Bell quickly tied it with consecutive doubles off John Ericks (3-4).

James Mouton's opposite-field





Rebuilding Hawks have talent to win

Nathan Nelson takes off during a practice warmup. He won all-

conference honors as a freshman last season.

couple lettermen are back to

lead the way. Righthander

Barry Ledbetter has the versa-

tility to play a lot of different

positions, but as a pitcher he

went 3-1 last season, and one of

those victories came against

Northeast Texas. Also back is

Then there is a quartet of tal-

ented freshmen. Joey Cole, a 6-5

righthander from Nacogdoches,

has already been drafted by the

Cleveland Indians. Other high.

school standouts who signed

with the Hawks are Ryan Price

(Roswell, N.M.). Josh Jones

(Midland Greenwood) and Cory

All of these young arms will

receive special attention from

Roper, who says, 'Pitching is

always a big concern of mine

because that's what wins you

Martin (Andrews).

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By CLIFF NEWELL

Sports Editor

Last season the Howard College Hawks were about as good a team as there was in junior college baseball

The Hawks went 48-13 and were knocked out of the regional tournament by eventual national champion Northeast Texas, a team HC had beaten three out of the four times in the regular season. Howard compiled an 8-3 mark against teams ranked in the national JUCO top 10.

Although the Hawks finished 12th in the final national poll. head coach Brian Roper said, "I was told by Jack Allen (Tarleton State coach and juco hall of famer) we had one of the best three teams in the nation."

Now, almost everyone is gone from that outstanding club, and as the Hawks begin fall practice, Roper faces a big-time rebuilding job in his fifth year at HC.

"We have a talented bunch," Roper said. "But we have only four sophomores and three lettermen, and that's a huge concern of mine."

There is certainly a talented player to rebuild around in Nathan Nelson. Last season the 6-1, 200-pound sophomore was second in the conference in both batting average (.429) and RBIs (65). Nelson earned allconference and all-regional honors as a first baseman, but this time around he will probably be playing third base.

"I'm sure Nate will play for us somewhere," Roper said. "Other than that, a lot of new faces will play a lot of different positions."

But Roper isn't all that worried. There is a lot of talent on hand, including eight players already drafted by Major League teams, and as Roper says, "We've got tradition here. We feel the program is heading in the right direction."

In the pitching department, a ballgames."

PITTSBURGH (AP) — The

Houston Astros, already one of

baseball's best come-from-

behind teams, have two more

Astros rally again in scoring 5-4 victory over Pittsburgh single to right and Derrick May's walk preceded Eusebio's

> ground single up the middle. Xavier Hernandez (4-4) allowed Allensworth's homer but still got the victory. Hudek, who began the season on the 60-day disabled list and was recalled from the minors Aug. 23, mixed in a slider with his usual fastball to retire three straight hitters following Kendall's second homer this

> "Deep, deep down, after I broke a rib for the second time. I asked myself, 'When is this going to end?" Hudek said." "But it's made me a better pitcher. I had to learn how to

throw something other than just my fastball.

The infield includes T.J.

Runnells of Denver, Colo., son

of former Cincinnati Reds

infielder Tom Runnells, and

Bryan Phillips of Houston

Bellaire. Catchers are William

Hawkins of Houston Bellaire

and Keith Kubiak of Giddings,

who has been drafted by the

The Hawks appear loaded in

the outfield with four players

drafted by big league clubs.

They are Eric Aebscher

(Florida Marlins), Jason Kirk

(Tampa Bay Devil Rays),

Dominic Barrett (Boston Red

"Fall is our spring training,"

Roper said. "Everything is kind

of new, and we hope to get

There would have been even

more talent on hand, but over

the summer several HC

Sox) and Andy Wallace.

things started."

San Diego Padres.

'Before, I'd go out there and throw fastball, fastball, fastball. Now I'm more of a pitcher," he

The last-place Pirates lost their fourth in a row since trading Denny Neagle and their 19th in 26 games despite Cordova's strong debut as a starter.

Cordova, Pittsburgh's closer most of the season, allowed one hit, struck out eight and walked none over five shutout innings. He was lifted after five because he had never pitched longer than three innings in his 53 relief appearances.

"Let's face it we're looking for starters and we thought we'd experiment with him,' Pirates manager Jim Leyland said. "But we didn't give him much help. We did a very poor job of executing at the plate, and we should have scored 4-5 more runs."

The Pirates, who had scored only one run in their previous two games, stranded 13 runners and were 1-for-15 with runners in scoring position. They failed to score in two-on, no-out situations in three of the first four innings and left the bases loaded in the fifth and sixth.



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SPORTS BRIEFS

Big Spring YMCA plans sports activities

The Big Spring Family YMCA has a long list of activities slated for this fall, with organizational meetings planned for the following dates.

A flag football league will have an organization meeting on Friday, Sept. 6, at 6:30 p.m.

A co-ed recreational volleyball league organizational meeting is planned for Tuesday, Sept. 3, at 7 p.m.

A co-ed power volleyball league meeting is set for Thursday, Sept. 5, at 7 p.m.

A five-on-five basketball meeting will be held on Sept. 11 at 7 p.m. The games will be played on Wednesday evenings. It is strictly a recreation league with no referees. Players will officiate their own games.

All meetings will be held at the YMCA. For more information call the YMCA at 267-8234.

Bass Club to sponsor kids tourney

The Big Spring 6th Annual Kids Tournament will be held on Sept. 21 at Comanche Trail Lake. Fishing hours are from 9 a.m. to noon. The registration table opens at 8 a.m. Age categories are from 0 to 16.

Howard County roping on Sept. 7

The Howard County Roping will be held on Sept. 7 at 7 p.m. in the Rodeo Bowl.

Four head cost \$30, and competitors can enter

Competitors must pre-pay and pre-enter by

For more information call Steve Fryar at 398-5513 or Diane Hofacker at 267-6251.

YMCA to have flag football
The Big Spring Family YMCA is taking registration for a youth flag football league. There are no tryouts since the YMCA emphasis is on participation, not winning. The league is for boys and girls from kindergarten through the sixth grade. Registration deadline is Sept. 13.

For more information, call the YMCA at 267-

Softball tourney at Sterling City

A men's D & E softball tournament to benefit the Little League Association will be held on

Sept. 14-15 at the Baseball Park in Sterling City. Prizes will be given the first and second place teams, and MVP and Golf Glove awards will be

Entry fee is \$100 per team. Deadline is Sept. 11

Contact Ron Ledbetter at 378-8871 or Terry

Clingan at 378-2162.

Johnson dies in crash at U.S. Nationals

CLERMONT, Ind. (AP) -Blaine Johnson, the NHRA Wanston Top Fuel points leader, died Saturday from injuries suffered when his car went out of control going 300 mph during qualifying for the NHRA U.S. Nationals.

Johnson, 34, died at 5:17 p.m. EST after several hours of surgery at Methodist Hospital, nursing administrator Connie Nimereala said.

Nimereala said the exact cause of death was not known, though hospital officials earlier said Johnson suffered critical head injuries and mulitple fractures of his left leg in the accident.

"It is a tragedy that has hit a family," NHRA spokesman Denny Darnell said. "It's a tragedy. That's all I can

Johnson is the first Top Fuel driver to be killed at an NHRA national event since February 1971, when Pete Robinson died at the Winternationals at Pomona, Calif.

Johnson, of Santa Maria, Calif., twice slammed into walls after his engine malfunctioned just after he crossed the finish line at Indianapolis

Raceway Park. Johnson had just completed a track-record run of 4.612 seconds, good for the No. 1 qualifying spot, when the accident occurred in the shutdown area in the left lane.

After the engine on Johnson's dragster malfunctioned, the resulting debris cut a rear tire and sent the car out of control. Johnson hit the left retaining wall, crossed over to the right lane and hit the right retaining in the season standings.

A four-time NHRA Winston top alcohol dragster champion, Johnson has won three races this season, his third in Top Fuel. He has led the points standings after all but one of the 14 races this season.

Johnson opened the year by winning the Chief Auto Parts Winternationals in Pomona. Calif. In March, he won the Mac Tools Gatornationals in Gainesville, Fla., and last month won the Autolite

Nationals in Sonoma, Calif. Johnson also won the Winston Select Invitational at Rockingham, N.C., a race that did not count toward the season standings.

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Entering the U.S. Nationals. Johnson led second-place Kenny Bernstein by 113 points

Drought won't have much impact on state's dove hunting

AUSTIN (AP) — This year's drought should have little impact on birds or hunters as dove season approaches, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department reports.

"If you've hunted doves much in Texas, you know it's probably going to be hot," observed Vernon Bevill, the department's migratory bird program director.

"And mourning doves are accustomed to Texas weather conditions. I expect this year's hunting prospects to be similar to past seasons and potentially

better in some areas due to dry conditions," he said.

Texas typically produces about 50 million mourning doves annually, Bevill said.

While biologists have documented a decline in numbers sed on their breeding season surveys, officials said there still should be plenty of birds in September.

"Even if statewide production is down to 35 or 40 million mourning doves, that's still a very hardy population, and we also get millions of migrant birds passing through Texas that were produced in states to our north," Bevill said.

Bird activity might be up this year, said Ron George, the agency's wildlife division deputy director.

That's because mourning doves can travel 20 miles or more per day during the nesting season and prefer watering and feeding in relatively dry areas.

"If there is seed on the ground, dry weather usually makes it easier for doves to feed. They prefer feeding on open ground where they can get to the vegetation and they like to land on dry ground near tanks and lakes when watering," George said.

SPORTS EXTRA

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Cleveland (Nagy 13-4) at Texas (Burkett 2-0), 2:05 p.m.

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Chicago (Swartzbaugh 0-0), 1:20 Los Angeles (Nomo 13-10) at Philadelphia (M.Williams 5-12), 7:00 p.m.

Monday's Games Houston at St. Louis, 11:15 San Francisco at Montreal,

Los Angeles at New York, 12:40 p.m.

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Cleveland, 40; Greer, Texas, 38; Giambi, Oakland, 37. TRIPLES-Knoblauch, Minnesota, 11; Vina, Milwaukee, 7; JsValentin, Milwaukee, 7; Offerman, Kansas City, 7: DaMartinez, Chicago, 7; Guillen,

Chicago, 7; Carter, Toronto, 7. HOME RUNS-McGwire, Oakland, 45; Belle, Cleveland, 43; JGonzalez, Texas, 41; Griffey Jr. Seattle, 40; By Anderson, Baltimore, 40; MVaughn, Boston

38; Buhner, Seattle, 38. STOLEN BASES-Lofton Cleveland, 61; TGoodwin, Kansas City, 59; Nixon, Toronto, 47; uch. Minnesota, 38; Vizquel, Cleveland, 31; Durham

Chicago, 25; Listach, Milwaukee. 25; McLemore, Texas, 25. PITCHING (16 Decisions)-Nagy, Cleveland, 13-4, 765, 3.58 Pettitte, New York, 19-7, .731, 4.23; Hentgen, Toronto, 17-7, .708, 3.33; Pavlik, Texas, 15-7, 682, 4.70; Alvarez, Chicago, 14-7, .667, 3.96; KHill, Texas, 14-7, .667, 3.45; Hershiser, Cleveland, 14-7, .667, 3.96.

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BATTING-Piazza, Los Angeles, .344; EYoung, Colorado, .339; Grace, Chicago, .339; Burks, Colorado, .337; Bagwell, Houston, .317; Bichette, Colorado, .316; LJohnson, New York, .316.

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Montreal, 35; Berry, Houston, 35. TRIPLES-LJohnson, New York, 17; Grissom, Atlanta, 9; Finley, San Diego, 9; Howard, Cincinnati, 8; Burks, Colorado, 8; KAbbott, Florida, 7; DeShields, Los Angeles, 7.

HOME RUNS-Sosa, Chicago, 40; Galarraga, Colorado, 40; Hundley, New York, 38; Sheffield, Florida, 37; Burks, Colorado, 36; Castilla, Colorado, 35; Bonds, San Francisco, 35. STOLEN BASES-EYoung, Colorado, 49; LJohnson, New

York, 48; DeShields, Los Angeles 43: Larkin, Cincinnati, 35: RHenderson, San Diego, 35; McRae, Chicago, 34; Lankford, St. Louis, 29. PITCHING (16 Decisions)-Smoltz, Atlanta, 20-7, .741, 2.93; Neagle, Atlanta, 14-6, .700, 3.05; Reynolds, Houston, 16-7, .696,

3.38; Hamilton, San Diego, 13-7, 650, 4.10; RMartinez, Los Angeles, 11-6, .647, 3.68; Fassero Montreal, 13-8, .619, 3.04; Glavine, Atlanta, 13-8, .619, 2.83. STRIKEOUTS—Smoltz, Atlanta, 228; Nomo, Los Angeles, 195;

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This notice concerns 1996 property tax rates for Coahoma ISD. It

1996 PROPERTY TAX RATES IN COAHOMA ISD

presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the school district used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the school district can set before it must hold a rollback election. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes and state funds by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

NOTICE OF EFFECTIVE TAX RATE

LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE:	
Last year's operating taxes	\$2,158,704
Last year's debt taxes	*\$0
Last year's total taxes	\$2,158,704
Last year's tax base	\$147,092,782
Last year's total tax rate (per \$100)	1.48000
THIS YEAR'S EFFECTIVE TAX RATE:	
Last year's adjusted taxes	\$2,131,489
(after subtracting taxes on lost property)	
/ This year's adjusted tax base	\$141,145,114
(after subtracting value of new property)	v .

This year's effective tax rate (per \$100) x 1.03 = maximum rate unless the school district

publishes notices and holds hearing (per \$100)* 1.55544 THIS YEAR'S ROLLBACK TAX RATE: Last year's adjusted operating taxes \$2,131,490 This year's adjusted tax base \$141,145,114 This year's local maintenance and operating rate (per \$100) 1.51014 1.00000 Student enrollment adjustment This year's adjusted maintenance and 1.51014 operating rate (per \$100) \$0.08 cents = this year's maximum operating rate (per \$100) 1.59014

commissioner of education (per \$100) 1.59014 = This year's rollback rate * If the rollback rate is lower than 1.03 times the effective rate, the unit must publish the notices and hold the hearing to adopt

------SCHEDULE A UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCES

This year's debt rate (per \$100)

Rate to recoup loss certified by

a tax rate that exceeds the rollback tax rate.

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

TYPE OF PROPERTY TAX FUND

BALANCE

\$2,300,000

1.51014

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General Fund

SCHEDULE B 1996 DEBT SERVICE

The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

DESCRIPTION OF DEBT

PRINCIPAL OR CONTRACT PAYMENT TO BE PAID FROM PROPERTY TAXES

INTEREST TO BE PAID FROM PROPERTY

TAXES

OTHER AMOUNTS TO BE PAID

TOTAL PAYMENT

\$0

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and the second of the Total required for 1996 debt service - Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A Excess collections last year

- Total to be paid from taxes in 1996 \$0 + Amount added in anticipation that the unit will \$0 collect only 0.00% of its taxes in 1996 80 - Total Debt Levy

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at 315 Main Street, Big Spring Texas 79720. Name of person preparing this notice: Kathy A Sayles Title: Tax Assessor Collector Date prepared: August 28, 1996

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Sunday, September 1, 1996

Big Spring Herald

Kaki Morton - 25 years as DRRC's physical therapist

By KELLIE JONES

Features Editor

Physical Therapist Kaki Morton was given a scholarship from the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center to attend school with the promise she would work there for two years upon graduating. Those two years have turned into 25 as of

life

"I thought at first I wanted to be a pediatrician but then I figured out that's not want I wanted to do because I wanted a life. It just occurred to me one day that physical therapy might be

"Jim Thompson was the director at the center at the time and I applied three times (for the scholarship). I saved up my money and waited. The third time I was put on the alternate list and by then I figured this wasn't for me so I sold my car." Then she was accepted to Southwestern Medical School in Dallas. That was the first year the School of Allied Health was part of the University of Texas system that had been part of Baylor University.

Morton said the most rewarding part of her job is when a child who should have been walking years earlier finally does. Earlier in the day of her interview, that happened. "Everyone was coming out of their classrooms to see it. They were saying 'Eric's walking!' I do some PT work at Moss Elementary twice a week with about 11 kids who have cerebral palsy or spina bifada."

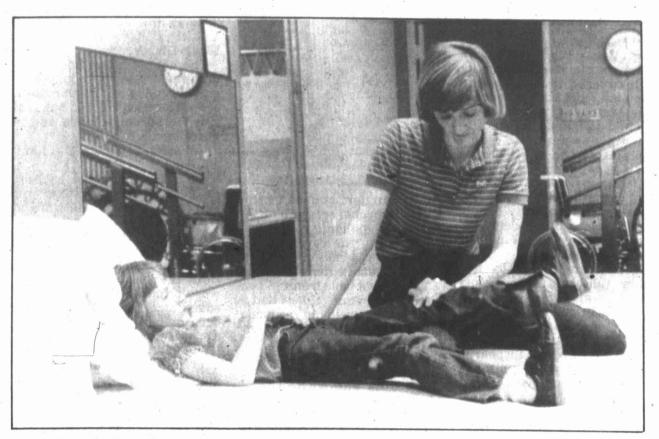
What's her secret to staying at DRRC so long? "This is a good place. Doc Adams on 'Gunsmoke' once told his people on a show that you find a place and you stay there. I am one of the lucky ones, I found it early. A lot of people spend their lives searching for their place," Morton said.

Her very first patient on her first day of work was a twoyear-old who is 27 now. Some of her former patients still live in town or visit relatives so they come by to let her see how they

"I see people and recognize them and say 'I worked on her hip' or 'I worked on her knee.'" Morton's father, Pershing, and her brother, Jeff, still live in Big Spring where she grew

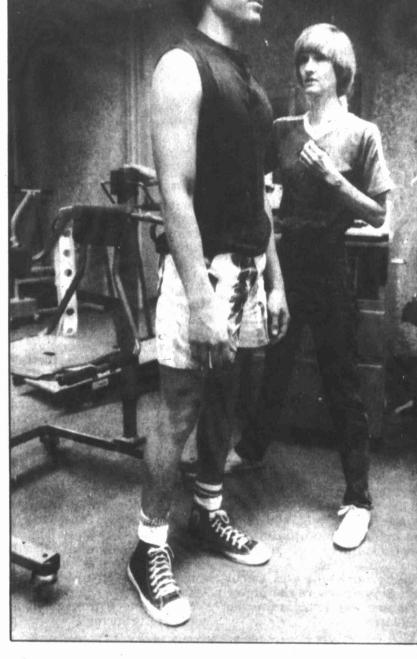
When looking through old photographs of her with patients, Morton is able to remember the names of the children. Some have since died while others still come in for

physical therapy every week. "I'm content here. I wish Big Spring knew what they had

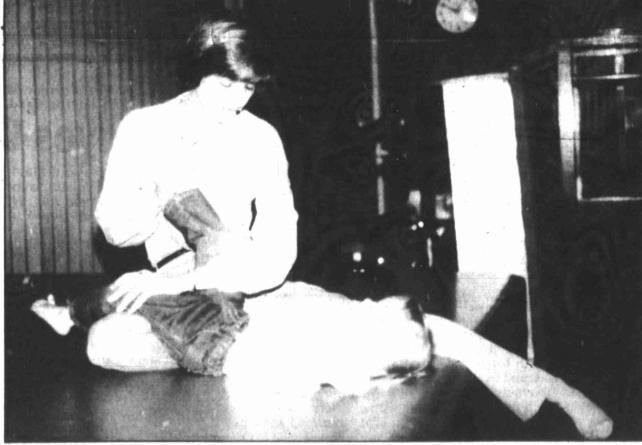




Above, Kaki works on strengthening the legs of Brenda Franklin who is now a teenager. Left, Whitney Weeks gets some pool therapy. Weeks was almost two years old when this picture was taken and she is still a patient at the age of 10. Right, Richard Cypert stands tall for his PT, Kaki. Many patients of Kaki's started out as toddlers and the PT and patient have grown together through the years. Kaki said she enjoys working with the children the most and the best part of her job is seeing a child walk for the first time who was born with a birth defect and couldn't walk for years.







In the above photo, Kaki works with Elizabeth Harmen who was three years old when this was taken. Left, she helps Steven Watson on the tilt board in 1987. Morton has been with the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center for 25 years as of Sunday. She started out working there on a promise to be there two years as part of an agreement for the center giving her a scholarship for school.

Free food, music and rain seem to occupy my time

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Jones Features Editor

cakes. Sounds good, right? Not. First of all, it says low fat on the package. Hum. I decided to try it since I'm on this lifestyle change kick. They made cardboard taste good. I couldn't even tell they were cheddar cheese flavored. Yuck! One

I got this big box in the mail serving size consists of six mini cakes, 50 calories, and one gram of fat. Some "important stuff" to know about the cakes is listed on the package and includes: 100 percent popcorn (are they sure?), low fat (yep), great tasting flavors (get out of town) and natural ingredients (popcorn, cheddar cheese flavor blend, wheat flour, soybean oil,

> The only good thing about this media package that was sent to me was the box. There's no telling how much the company spent on these boxes and stuff. I plan on using the box to mail my nephews some choco-late chip cookies. They'll get a kick out of opening it and hear-ing this music that sounds like something is making a grand entrance. I hope my cookies taste better than the mini

All this taste testing did was make me hungry for some real popcorn. The trouble is, most of it is high in fat. At the grocery store I discovered fat-free caramel flavored Fiddle Faddle. I decided to try it, it wasn't too expensive and has only 110 calories a serving. This stuff is really good. It tastes just like the real Fiddle Faddle that is loaded in fat. Granted, it has 16 grams of sugar but no fat! The serving size says one cup and the box has four servings in it. A cup was just enough to satisfy my craving for popcorn and

something sweet. I get all sorts of interesting things in the mail. A week or so ago I got several bottles of vitamins from HEB. They are now making their own brand of vitamins and minerals. In the package were children's chewables, vitamins plus iron and

others. I gave the children's vitare "The Flame" and "I Want all the fair participants. amins to a co-worker and stored the others until I run out of the ones I already have.

Recently I received a compact disc from Uncle Luke. It comes with a warning label on the front that says "Parental Advisory, Explicit Lyrics." I admit I haven't listened to it and I know I will never bother. Why? I'll list the songs that I can since most contain some sort of vulgar word. "Scarred," "Bounce To De Beat," "Work it Baby," "911," and "Out Da Closet." The others are worse. The inside flap contains a message from the singer and encourages women 18 and older to send him naked photographs of themselves to his fan club.

A compact disc I've been listening to that I received is Cheap Trick's collection of their biggest hits. My favorites You to Want Me.'

The 1996 Howard County Fair starts Monday and promises fun for the whole family. The crowning of the queen is set for 8 p.m. Monday in the entertainment tent.

Battle of the Cheerleaders is Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the Rodeo Bowl. The children's Pet-A-Zoo will be there Wednesday, Thursday

and Friday evenings. There's a pet show on Saturday afternoon at 2 p.m. where you can enter your dog,

cat or exotic animal. The Kountry Kids contest is Saturday morning at 10:30 and any child five years of age or younger can enter. The youngster has to be registered by Thursday at 5 p.m. in order for them to compete. Good luck to

How about all this rain? In one hour the other day, we received one inch at the house. If memory serves me correctly, it rained every day from Aug. 23 to Aug. 30. It kind of makes me homesick for the coast since it rains there all the time. I mowed my yard Aug. 22 and also decided to have someone wash and detail my car that same day.

Of course, it rains the next day. It's already time to mow again. For those who didn't mow before this downpour, their yards look like jungles

Next time we need rain, I'll remember to mow the yard and wash the car. It's guaranteed to rain buckets for the next few

Turner-House

Misty Turner and William

House, both of Texarkana,

Dekalb, officiating.

Karen House, Big Spring.

flowing down to the floor.

Completing the setting were

fresh arrangements of pink

snapdragons, stargazer lilies,

pink carnations and pink and

white roses. The unity candle

Debbie Reed was the pianist

Given in marriage by her

father, the bride wore a Mori

Lee formal gown of white

bridal satin and alencon lace.

The fitted bodice, fashioned

with a scoop neckline and

short sleeves edged in pearls,

was enhanced with appliques

of lace encrusted with seed

pearls and opalescent sequins.

The full skirt, accented with

beaded lace motifs and bor-

dered in scalloped jeweled lace,

flowed into a cathedral-length

train from a butterfly bow at

the waist. She wore a two-

tiered veil of misty silk illusion

which cascaded to her waist

from a wide bandeau of sequins

and pearls in scalloped-edged

She carried a cascading bou-

quet of casa blanca lilies and

bridal white roses with accents

Amy Lowe, Irving, was the

Bridesmaids were Leslie

Lindsey Yarbar was the

flower girl, and Zane Tandy,

cousin of the bride, was the

Best man was Robert House,

Hartmon Holley, cousin of

the groom, Texarkana, Ark.,

and Jimmy Perry, uncle of the

bride. El Paso, served as

cousin of the groom,

Yarbar and Linsa Paredez, both

flower design.

of English ivy.

maid of honor.

of Big Spring.

ringbearer.

Texarkana, Ark.

was the completing accent.

as well as the vocalist.

Spring.

Light-Barraza

Laurie Light and Oscar Barraza exchanged wedding vows on Aug. 10, 1996, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church with Father Chris Coleman officiating.

She is the daughter of Richard and Linda Light. He is the son of Oscar and

Bertha Barraza.

The couple stood before two fan-shaped candelabras on each side of the altar and purple and mauve flower bouquets.

Glen Light, Mary Light, Lisa Williams and Stephany Sedberry were all the instrumentalists and vocalists.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a Demetrio original white gown with a bodice of bridal satin over lace with Spanish silk lace covered with seed pearls and iridescent sequins. It had a sweetheart neckline with Spanish balloon sleeves ending in a V at the wrist. It featured a chapel length train covered with lace cut outs, pearls and iridescent sequins and the hem and the train of the gown covered in Spanish lace cutouts. She wore a veil of illusion with a crown of roses and rosebuds covered in pearls.

She carried a bouquet of sweetheart white roses and mauve orchids.

Maid of honor was Deborah Light, sister of the bride, Big Spring.

Bridesmaids were Marlena Light, sister of the bride, Big Spring, Dana Light, cousin of the bride, San Antonio, and Lupita Barraza, groom's cousin, Big Spring.

Cameron Light and Carol Ann Bergeron were the flower girls, and Jordon Light was the ringbearer.



MRS. OSCAR BARRAZA Rudolph Munoz, Big Spring,

was the best man. Fabien Serrano, cousin of the groom, Big Spring, Andrew Hernandez, and David Light, bride's cousin, San Antonio, served as groomsmen.

Daniel Light and Christopher Coan served as ushers and candlelighters.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the fellowship hall.

The wedding cake was a fourtier white icing cake decorated with Precious Moments figurines. It had ribbons in the cake with charms on the end for the bridesmaids to pull out.

She is a graduate of Forsan High School. She is currently attending Howard College and works at Cowboys Steakhouse.

He is a graduate of Forsan High School and currently works for Brumley and

The couple will make their

Associates. home in Big Spring.

Toni Lynn Evans and Dewayne Reese exchanged wedding vows on July 28, 1996, in Kerrville with Justice of the Peace Pat Knox officiating.

She is the daughter of Clinton Agustos Treadway and Eva May Treadway, Avon, Ill.

He is the son of A.G. and Arlene Reese, Kerrville.

The couple stood before a wrought iron arch in an outdoor ceremony with decorations of blue and white silk roses

Music of Kevin Mathson was played while the couple walked down the isle.

Given in marriage by David Harold Fikes, Big Spring, the bride wore a long-sleeved gown with a princess waist line made in ivory lace. It had a high-low skirt decorated with beads and tiny blue tea roses and bows.

She carried a bouquet of wild flowers and beige lace.

Matron of honor was Debbie Fikes, Big Spring, and Mary Lake, Hobbs, N.M., was the bridesmaid.

Ricky Simmon, Centerpoint, served as best man.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the Louise Hays Park Pavilion in Kerrville.

The bride's cake was a threetiered cake in ivory and blue

Sunday deadlines

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Who, military) are due to the Herald office by Wednesday at

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lake with a fisherman.

The bride is a 1980 graduate of McCamey, Texas. She is cur-

of Tivy High School. He is employed by Chemical Express Transport Company in Big Spring as a truck driver.

The couple will make their



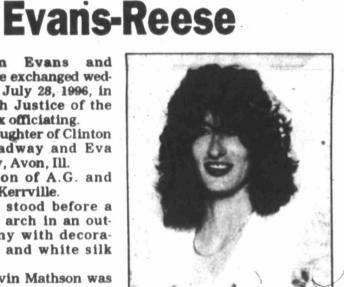
The groom's cake was a chocolate sheet cake decorated with a tractor and trailer and a

rently employed by the Big Spring State Hospital as a food



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MRS. DEWAYNE REESE

ciating. and Jan Keyes, Big Spring.

He is the son of Carol

MacArevey, Austin.

line and a full floor length ballgown skirt.

peach and white roses. Matron of honor was Shawn

Tomlinson, sister of the bride, San Angelo.

Krumme, Austin. Scott Pugsley, Austin, Mike Macora, Denver, and Walt Denny, Houston, served as



MRS. WILLIAM HOUSE

Br'an Turner, cousin of the bride. Lubbock, served as ushers and candlelighters.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the Dora Roberts Civic Center.

The bride's table featured two watermelon fruit baskets and a carved watermelon of the bride and groom served as the centerpiece. The wedding cake featured four satellite basketweave cakes decorated with fresh pink and white roses, alstroemerias lilies, stargazer lilies with touches of ivy.

The groom's table featured a silver coffee service, mints and nuts. The groom's cake was a two-tiered basket-weave chocolate cake with chocolate dipped strawberries surrounding the cake. An Arkansas Razorback logo in red and white accented the cake. The bride is a 1989 graduate

of Big Spring High School, a 1991 graduate of the Scenic Mountain Medical Center School of Radiologic Technology, and a 1994 graduate of Lubbock Methodist School of Radiation Therapy. She is a radiation therapist at Wadley Regional medical Center in Texarkana, Ark.

The groom is a 1990 graduate of Arkansas High School and a 1995 graduate of Wadley Regional Medical Center School of Radiologic Technology. He is currently a radiologic technologist at Wadley Regional Medical Center.

Following a wedding trip to Cancun, Mexico, the couple Brandon Turner, brother of will make their home in

the bride, Big Spring, and Texarkana, Ark. **Keyes-Cruzcosa**

Kasandra Keyes and Mark Cruzcosa, both of Austin, were united in marriage on Aug. 24, 1996, at the Caswell House in Austin with Dr. Raymond Kiser, pastor of Northwest Hills United Methodist Church, offi-

She is the daughter of Vic

Jacque Villmain was the

pianist and vocalist. Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a gown of white silk shantung and Venice lace. The wide sculptured V-neckline was accented with short hug-the-shoulder sleeves. The pearled corselet bodice featured a basque waist-

She carried a bouquet of

Bridesmaids were Kathleen Poe, Sweetwater, Melissa Cahill, San Angelo, and Shawn Hatfield, Big Spring.

Blaire Tomlinson was the flower girl and Marshall Tomlinson was the ringbearer. Best man was Gregg

groomsmen.

John MacArevey, Houston, and Michael Cruzcosa, San Francisco, both brothers of the

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MRS. MARK CRUZCOSA groom, served as ushers.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the Caswell House. The cake was a three-tiered

coconut rum cake with swag icing and fresh peach and white roses.

The bride is a graduate of Big Spring High School and of Angelo State University. She is employed by Service Life and Casualty in Austin.

The groom is a graduate of Uvalde High School, the University of Texas and the University of Texas School of Law. He is a partner in the firm of Warren and Cruzcosa.

Following a wedding trip to Saint Kitts, the couple will make their home in Austin.

Patricia Kay Chenault Shipman, Big Spring, and Jerry Glenn Dickey, Snyder, were united in marriage on Aug. 23, 1996, at the Union Baptist Church in Snyder with Aeron Oden, pastor, officiating.

She is the daughter of Mary Lou Chenault and the late Darvis Chenault, Big Spring. He is the son of Ben and

Lucille Dickey and the late Mavis Dickey, Snyder.

The couple stood before an archway dressed with greenery and burgundy and mauve flowers with cream colored bows, a five-tiered candelabra and a unity candle.

Vocalist was Doylene Gilliland.

Given in marriage by her uncle, Delbert Dyke of Brownfield, the bride wore a gown accented with pearls and sequins a sweetheart neckline and a floor length skirt flowing into a cathedral-length train. Both the skirt and the train were trimmed in open-weave edged lace. She wore a shoulder-length veil which fell from a crown of pearls.

◆ She carried a nose gay bouquet of cream, mauve and burgundy flowers.

Maid of honor was Cynthia Shipman, daughter of the

Jeana Newman, Big Spring,

groom Big Spring, was the best

served as the bridesmaid. Brad Newman, nephew of the

Jack Callaway and Mike Chenault, brother of the bride, were the ushers.

Shipman-Dickey



MRS. JERRY DICKEY

Jennifer Newman, niece of the groom, served as candlelighter.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the fellowship hall.

The bride's table was covered with a mauve and lace cloth featuring Precious Moments figurines and the bride's bouquet. It had a three-tiered mauve and burgundy cake accented with Precious Moments. Mints and mixed nuts completed the table.

The groom's table had cookies and coffee covered with a burgundy and lace cloth.

She is employed by Security State Bank, Big Spring. He is employed by Robco

Production Logging in Snyder. Following a wedding trip to New Mexico, the couple will make their home in Big Spring.

Musick-Briseno

Lawanna Gayle Musick, Eî Cajon, Calif., and Michael Briseno, La Mesa, Calif., were united in marriage on July 20, 1996, at the New Life Center United Pentecostal Church with Berl Stephsons, pastor, officiating.

She is the daughter of Laylan and Genell Musick, Big Spring. He is the son of Mary and Mike Macober, La Mesa, Calif.

The couple stood before a white lattice arch centered with doves with ivy and white dewdrop roses accented with mauve and mint roses.

Diane Albrecht was the pianist and organist. Lawanna Musick was the

vocalist. Given in marriage by Laylon Musick Jr., her brother, the bride wore a white Victorian dress adorned with sequins and pearls with puff fingertip sleeves. It had a cathedral length train which was adorned with gathered lace

pearl roses. She carried a bouquet of white roses with mauve

accents. Matron of honor was Melody Stowe, sister of the bride, Shamrock.

Ivan Christopher Golakosf, La Mesa, Calif., was the best John Newsome and Bill Lane,

both of El Cajon, Calif., served as ushers. Following the ceremony, a

reception was held in the fel-

The wedding cake was a twotiered banana and Bavarian Cajon, Calif.

lowship hall.



MR. AND MRS. MICHAEL BRISENO

Creme cake topped with white roses with accents of mint and mauve. The table was decorated with white roses, mint and mauve flower arrangements and mauve candles.

The bride is a graduate of Big Spring High School, Howard College, and of the University of Texas of the Permian Basin with a bachelors degree in Psychology. She is currently employed by the San Diego School District. The groom is a graduate of

La Mesa High School. He is currently attending CSTI Bible College and is employed by a privately owned pest control company.

Following a wedding trip to San Diego, Calif., the couple will make their home in El



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ANNIVERSARIES

Nichols

Houston and Othelle Nichols celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary today from 2 to 5 p.m. with a reception at the First Bank of West Texas in Coahoma hosted by their chil-

He was born in Jones County, and she was born in Hood County as Doris Othelle Roberson. They met in 1935 through their older brother and sister at the Wasson Ranch. They were married on Sept. 2, 1936, in the Tabernacle at Knott. They have three children, Douglas Nichols, Big Spring, Sandra Winburn, McKinney, and Max Nichols, Big Spring. They also have seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

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Mr. and Mrs. Nichols have lived in Arizona, New Mexico and Texas during their marriage. They are both retired. Previously, Houston was a heavy equipment operator, and Othelle was a cafeteria worker in the Big Spring and Coahoma school systems and was a

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MR. AND MRS. HOUSTON NICHOLS housewife. They are affiliated with the Baptist church. He enjoys fishing, and she enjoys making hand-sewn quilts.

This was their comment about their marriage, "We have had 60 happy years with three wonderfuł children."

Wicker isn't just for summer anymore

wicker from furniture makers.

Marianne Djokovic, who works

at a furniture gallery in

Cincinnati, pointed out a new

grouping that features a sofa

upholstered in a dark print,

teamed with an overstuffed

chair, plus a large wicker arm-

chair with matching seat cush-

She also pulled out an all-

Industries,

wicker catalog from Lexington

Lexington, N.C., featuring a

wide variety of wicker items,

country to contemporary, by

Another North Carolina com-

pany, Alexvale of Taylorsville,

N.C., has plans to expand its

furniture, most of which is

imported from China," said

forward, with fresher looks,

more mixing of materials. We

do a lot of naturals for colder

regions of the country. Some is

washed with brown for an aged

look. For the South, the tones tend toward a light honey

"Wicker is definitely out of

Victorians and turn-of-the-

century homemakers were crazy about wicker furniture

because it was light and practi-

cal, comfortable yet exotic,

with a touch of Oriental mys-

But wickerwork was a lot

more than porch furniture dur-

ing its golden age — the 1880s

Think of a household item; it

was probably made in wicker

at that time and has become a

through the 1920s.

the sunroom and off the patio."

Alexvale's Tony Smith.

"We don't do the cheap porch

"We do wicker more fashion-

Furniture

Henry Link.

wicker lines.

color," he said.

Scripps Howard News Service

With all the sales on wicker furniture this month, you might think it's still a seasonal item to be stored away with the badminton net. It isn't. Wicker's now everywhere all the time, a wonderful mixer in stylish rooms, winter or sum-

You can add wicker's Asian mystique and interesting textures to contemporary or traditional rooms. Many wicker accessories are inexpensive, such as the Thai rattan game balls you see piled in bowls in every furniture showroom, or wicker trays, room-divider screens, small tables and leather-strapped wicker storage

Larger wicker pieces, such as chairs, dining tables, chests of drawers, even a magnificent sleigh bed, are often less expensive than their furniture counterparts made of precious hard

Watch for a new wave of

weeks old, both love to run and

"Georgiana" a real peach, black tortoise-shell spayed female, sweet and very affec-

"Billie" young spayed female, Siamese mix, incredible blue eyes, soft gray coat with beautiful markings; she is very docile and passive. "Pumpkin" handsome

neutered orange and white male, lives to nibble and is very affectionate. "Parfait" spayed female with

white coat and patches of orange, very sweet "Gizmo" spayed female gray

tabby, pretty green eyes, longhaired, calm and laid back.

These, plus many more dogs and cats are awaiting adoption. Adoption fees for dogs are just \$45 and cats are \$35. This includes spaying or neutering, vaccinations, wormings and rabies shots. Also covers feline leukemia tests for cats. All pets come with a two-week trial period.

Free at other homes: Eight-month female black Lab/Shar-pai mix, 267-6730.

cats presently available for adoption at the shelter have Kittens: solid gray male, and received their vaccinations, gray and white male, 6-8 weeks old, litter-box and scratching "Raccoon" unusual looking post trained, 394-4066.

Kittens: three gray and white, one tabby, 268-9195.

Three kittens: one gorgeous solid black coat, one calico, and one orange possibly a tabby. Approximately three and a half months old. Mother on premises. Call 264-6546.

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WHO'S

A Big Spring student at Angelo State University was among 217 students to receive degrees during the Summer commencement at the universi-

Mary McCutcheon Browning received a Bachelor of Arts, with a major in Psychology and

Five Forsan seventh graders have qualified to participate in the Seventeenth Annual Scholastic Talent Search sponsored by the Duke University Talent Identification Program. The objectives of the program are to identify very bright youngsters at an early age; to facilitate the education of these students; and to follow and nurture their talent through the middle and high school years.

The following Forsan stu-

dents were chosen on the basis of high TAAS scores: Haley Burks, daughter of Randy and Laurie Burks; Megan Knight, daughter of Stanley and Becky Knight; James Love, son of ack and Donna Love: Matthew Reyna, son of Nick and Lisa Reyna; and Kendra Bearden, daughter of Kenneth and Karen

Pat .J. Porter, of Borden County, was recently appointed to the Texas Board on Aging's Citizens Advisory Council. Newly elected members will advise the board on local needs and concerns on behalf of the elderly residing in their com-

Porter will represent senior citizens aged 60 years and older from 17 counties in the Permian Basin region. She is one of 24 appointees from Texas to receive a two-year term on the council. She is currently chairman of the Permian Basin Area Agency on Aging.



HUMANE SOCIETY

(male with Slamese mark-

ings), sweet siblings, all three

with soft fluffy coats and

china blue eyes, six-weeks-

old, unusually affectionate

Special Note: All dogs and

spayed female, masked face and

bushy tail, curious and playful.

tabby with bobbed tail, very

pretty markings, a real play-

mate for some lucky family!

white female kittens, 8-10

"Moody" neutered male gray

"Gabriela" and "Xena" both

and all love to cuddle.

including rabies.



Monna Usborn and James Stiehl will be united in marriage on Jan. 4, 1997, at the First Baptist Church Chapel with Rev. Gary Smith officiat-

She is the daughter of Ron and Glenna Osborn. He is the son of Carlota and Freddie Stiehl.

STORK CLUB

Steven Lee Rose, boy, Aug. 22, 1996, 7:52 a.m.; parents are Timmy and Tina Rose. Grandparents are Jimmy E.

Rose, Sr., Dallas, Ann and Don Booth, Stanton, and Ed and Patty Garza, Gonzales.

Elias Jose Aguirre, boy, Aug. 28, 1996, 2:49 p.m.; mother is Naomi Aguirre. Grandparents are Porfirio

and Jesusita Aguirre. Brandee Jaye Hilger, girl, Aug. 28, 1996, 1:22 p.m.; parents

are Matthew and Jennifer Grandparents are Robert and Socorro Mata, Big Spring.

Ruth Amanda Lara, girl, Aug. 23, 1996, 10:28 a.m.; parents are

Robert and Griselda Lara. Grandparents are Rosendo and Hortehcia Lara and Raul H. and Delia Gonzalez.

Robert Christopher Martinez, boy, Aug. 24, 1996, 2 p.m.; parents are Aguinaldo and Linda Martinez III.

Grandparents are Patricio Nieto, Viola Nieto, Lucia Sapata, all of Big Spring, and Mr. and Mrs. Aguinaldo Martinez II.



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THURSDAY- Beef tips, noodles, broccoli with cheese, saled, milit/rolls, fruited gelatin FRIDAY-Turkey & dressing, sweet pota-toes, green beans, waldorf saled, milit/rolls

ELBOW SCHOOL BREAKFAST MONDAY-NO SCHOOL TUESDAY-Cereal, toast, fruit, juice/milk WEDNESDAY-Breakfast burrito,

THURSDAY-French toast, sausage FRIDAY-Oatmeal, cinnamon toast,

MONDAY-NO SCHOOL

TUESDAY-Ravioli casserole, green pear fruit, crackers, milk WEDNESDAY-Steak, mashed potatoes

green beans, hot rolls, milk THURSDAY-Frito ple/pinto beans, cheese, salad, fruit, milk FRIDAY-Hot dogs, potato salad, pork &

beans, peaches, mil SANDS CISD

BREAKFAST MONDAY-NO SCHOOL TUESDAY-Donuts, fruit, milk, juice WEDNESDAY-Cereal, toast, juice, milk THURSDAY-Fruit danieh, milk, juice FRIDAY-French toast, jelly, sausage

LUNCH MONDAY-NO SCHOOL TUESDAY-Steakfingers and gravy, whole new potatoes, black-eyed peas, hot

WEDNESDAY-Enchiladas, salad, pinto beans, corn bread, pudding, milk THURSDAY-Chicken strips, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, hot rolls, FRIDAY-Fiestadas,salad, buttered corn,

FORSAN ISD BREAKFAST MONDAY-NO SCHOOL

TUESDAY-Cinnamon rolls, juice, milk WEDNESDAY-Breakfast burritos, juice THURSDAY-Sausage, biscuits, jelly/but

ter, juice, milk FRIDAY-Muffins, juice, mill LUNCH

MONDAY-NO SCHOOL

TUESDAY-Burritos/cheese, buttered potatoes, salad, cinnamon crispies, fruit cocktail, milk WEDNESDAY-Chicken sandwich, french

fries, salad, applesauce cake, milk THURSDAY-Fish/tartar sauce, macaroni and cheese, english peas, hush pupples FRIDAY-Taco salad, lettuce/tomatdes.

ranch style beans, cheese, cookies/fruit,

BSISD ELEMENTARY MONDAY-NO SOHOOL

toes, gravy english peas, peaches hot rolls, WEDNESDAY-Mexican jambalaya, rice,

salsa, com, jello, apple, milk THURSDAY-Fish fingers, vegetable sticks, black-eved peas, ketchup/ranch dip. orange cream bar, corn bread, milk FRIDAY-Hamburger, salad, french fries, mustard, mayonnaise, ketchup, cookie,

BSISD SECONDARY

MONDAY-NO SCHOOL
TUESDAY-Chicken strips or ham and cheese croissant, shipped potatoes, gravy, english peas, peaches, milk
WEDNESDAY-Mexican jambalaya or

chef salad, crackers, apple, milk THURSDAY-Fish fingers or pig-in-ablanket, vegetable sticks, black eyed peas, ketchup/mustard/ranch dip, orange cream

FRIDAY-Hamburger or green enchiladas, salad, french fries pinto beans, cookie, corn bread, milk NEW THIS YEAR

Breakfast burritos sold each morning outside the front door of the High School.

WESTBROOK ISD BREAKFAST

MONDAY-NO SCHOOL TUESDAY-Cereal, toast, fruit juice, milk WEDNESDAY-Biscuits, bacon, fruit

THURSDAY-Cinnamon rolls, orange FRIDAY-Peach crisp, fruit juice, milk

LUNCH MONDAY-NO SCHOOL

TUESDAY-Chicken strips, creamed potatoes, green beans, biscuits, syrup, WEDNESDAY-Hot dogs, chili, mustard, baked potato, lettuce wedge, pears, milk

THURSDAY-Green enchiled salad, com on cob, peaches, milk FRIDAY-Barbecue on buns, lettuce, tomato, onion, picides, french fries, banana pudding, milk.

GARDEN CITY LUNCH

MONDAY-NO SCHOOL TUESDAY-Veal cutlets, steak/gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, WEDNESDAY-Frito pie/cheese, pinto

THURSDAY-Baked Chicken, rice, scalloped potatoes, hot rolls, catmeel choco-lets chip cooldes, milk FRIDAY-Hamburger, lettuce, tomato,

beans, com, new spice cake, com bread,

BREAKFAST ONDAY-NO SCHOOL

TUESDAY-Cereal, or toast, fruit, milk WEDNESDAY-Breakfast burrito, fruit, THURSDAY-Open face ham and chee

sandwich, fruit, milk FRIDAY-Cereal or toast, fruit, milk

LUNCH MONDAY-NO SCHOOL buttered new potatoes, pineap hot rolls, milk. Extra line-Com

THURSDAY-Baked Chicken, corn on

fresh fruit, milk. Extra Line-

Worms, worms and more worms

A few years ago, Ed Lovelace started a worm farm near Woodville. He bought \$20,000

worth of worms and built huge bed hold to them. The bed

feet wide and longer than a foot-**Tumbleweed** ball field. H filled

Columnist with wood chips, rice hulls and cow manure.

Smith

"We had to go to every ranch around there and fill up trailer load after trailer load of cow manure," says Ed. "We had to buy a mixer and mix all that stuff together in the proper proportions, then we put it in the

Then Ed put the \$20,000 worth of worms in the bed and you out there with flashlights going could hardly even tell they through the grass grabbing up

were in there. "Those worms big hunks of worms and airlines told Ed they wouldn't didn't make a dent in that big worm bin."

Ed bought another \$30,000 worth of worms and put them in the bed.

"All told, I had about \$60,000 invested in the worms," says Ed. "And everytime I turned around, my worms were leavwas eight ing."

> The worms were afraid of noise and light. And everytime it stormed, there was trouble.

"The lightning would flash and the worms would head for the bushes. They'd come out over the sides of that bed and head into the grass and disappear forever."

Ed could just visualize all of his investment going into the

We had every light in the place turned onto that worm bed to try to drive the worms back in. All the wives and children and men were gathered putting them back in the bed." haul his worms anymore. He put a sprinkler system in of worms in an airplane and

his worm bed and put a roof

ll told, I had about \$60,000 invested in the worms. And everytime I turned around, my worms were

leaving.

Ed Lovelace

"If you put tens of thousands

they get out of the container

"Then spring came and the and they crawl everywhere, no birds came. I'll tell you, they must have sent telegrams to every bird in America because they all came to my worm place. They had a feast. "All they had to do was fly

down there and poke their bill in there and they'd come up with half a dozen worms. Fat birds, man, we had the fattest birds in the country.

Ed sent his worms to fishing camps by air. And the cargo handlers weren't too careful with the containers. Finally the

matter how the airline tries to clean that out, some of the worms have gotten away. They're gonna go through every crack they can find in that aircraft, trying to find a way of escape or getting to food or getting to water or something, and the first thing you know there were worms in the

"So the passengers began complaining. This was another reason the airlines wouldn't carry the worms anymore."

Recipe Corner

If you have any recipes you would like to see published, please submit them to the Herald office at 710 Scurry or mail them to: P.O. Box 1431; Big Spring. Texas: 79721; attention: Kellie Jones.

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Submissions need to be in the Herald office no later than Sept 2. It is scheduled for Sept. 11. Meals that can be made in 30 minutes or less are needed. Also, send in any favorite recipes where you have lowered the calories, fat and/or cholesterol Call 263-7331, ext. 235 for more informa-

Resinweave wickers rugged for outdoor use

Scripps Howard News Service

If you want wicker but don't have a protected spot on the porch or patio, consider resinwicker

Brown Jordan's Resinweave is the ultimate in all-weather wicker. It does a first-class

collector piece today. Wicker-

wise antique collectors go for

handwoven pieces made before

The machine age of wicker,

post-1920s, produced large

woven sheets from a loom,

pieces of which were fastened

Wicker quality diminished

somewhat, according to some

experts; a "rickety" reputation

evolved, and the rage for wick-

The Depression wound down

without much notice being

paid to wicker, and the war

years saw an embargo on

importation of the rattan palm,

a subtropical vine that furnish-

es most of the raw material for

Then a wicker revival

occurred, beginning in the late

1970s, when respect was paid to

handcrafted items from natural

The revival continues to this

day, with a smorgasbord of

wicker available — handwoven

pieces, machine-made, domes-

There's something for every-

Pier I Imports is still provid-

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Wicker

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impression of Great-Grandma's porch furniture but with sleeker styling and space-age materi-

Neither natural willow nor rattan, Brown Jordan's newest trademarked product is a form of plastic. The man-made material blends polypropylene and

ing plenty of wicker furniture

- lightweight and affordable -

marketed to young, mobile

And furniture showrooms are

displaying sturdy and durable

wicker pieces that aren't so

lightweight, from entertain-

ment units to bedroom

Just as in Victorian homes,

the new wicker is versatile, as

likely to be found in the master

bedroom suite, dining room or

great room as in a three-season

It spreads a summer mys-

tique through the home yet

harmonizes with dark fabrics,

earth tones or jewel tones.

Even better, wicker furniture

is as comfortable as it always

One '90s trend is incorporat-

ing accents of wicker into the

design of furniture made of

other materials. Wicker, for

example, is now an accent on

many glass-and-metal tables,

large and small. A bit of wicker

might wrap the curves of metal

table legs supporting a glass

The natural fiber serves to

soften the hard look and feel of

the tables.

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screened-in porch

households.

polyethylene polymers with ultraviolet inhibitors. It's extruded in France; then the cane and wicker-like strands are handwoven overseas on aluminum frames to create contemporary wicker furniture.

Eastlake and Jardin are the two groups of Resinweave styles; they're both a natural color. White Resinweave furniture was dropped by Brown Jordan, though various styles appear in current catalogs. Promoted as environmentally correct, Eastlake and Jardin are recyclable and virtually maintenance-free.

> **CHURCH AND CLUB NEWS DEADLINES**

Church and club news items are due at the Herald office by noon Wednesday for Friday publication. Items should be dropped off to the office, 710 Scurry; mailed to P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, 79721-1431; or faxed to 264, 7208,

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You've always had the urge to scratch. And now's the time. But you'd better hurry, because all three of these games are almost over. All three games end September 1, 1996. But you can still purchase any remaining tickets or claim any prizes until February 28, 1997. With Texas High Card you can win up to \$3,000 instantly. Bonus 7's gives

you a chance to win up to \$7,000 and Joker's Wild has a top prize of \$10,000. And that's no joke. You can claim prizes up to \$599 at any Texas Lottery retailer.

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at 1-800-37-LOTTO (1-800-375-6886).

Texas High Card overall odds of winning, 1 in 4.65. Bonus 7's overall odds of winning, 1 in 4.97 ker's Wild overall odds of winning, 1 in 4.73. Must be 18 years or older, to play. ©1996 Texas Lott



Got an item?

Sunday, September 1, 1996

Labor Day means 'fair' time in Howard County

Agriculture this week is the annual Howard County Fair. begins at This big event officially kicks off this weekend. Entries in lowed by Creative Arts, Baked Goods and the Shedd's Spread Muffin Bake-Off actually were being taken yesterday.

The first judging begins later today, at 6:30 p.m., in the show arena, with the Open Junior Lamb Showmanship Contests, with divisions for Juniors, Intermediates and Seniors.

Monday, Labor Day, is the official "Opening Day," however, for the fair. A pancake breakfast begins at 6:30 a.m. in

of lambs 8 a.m. folthe Ranch Rodeo at 3 p.m., with another perfor-

mance at

7 p.m. The

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5 p.m. and the Fair's Queen Contest will be at 8 p.m. first performance beginning at 7 p.m., followed by a 9 p.m.

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Ag products will be received Tuesday at 9 a.m., judging will be at 5 p.m. The Battle of the Cheerleaders will be at 7 p.m. The Farm Bureau's Ag in the Classroom School Program begins at 10 a.m., Wednesday. The Pet-A-Zoo opens on Wednesday and the horseshoe and washer pitching contest is at 6 p.m.

Junior steers will begin arriving at the fair after 1 p.m. Thursday. Clyde Foley Clyde Foley Cummins returns Cummins will perform again at

steers will be weighted and classified at 1 p.m. School tours begin at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys will be the entertainment feature at 7 and 9 p.m.

Saturday features steer judging at 8 a.m., the Kountry Kids Kontest at 10:30 a.m., the Antique Tractor Pull at 1 p.m. followed by the Pet Show at 2 p.m. and the Country Team Roping at 5 p.m. Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys perform again at 7 and 9 p.m.

The County Fair is always a week of fun for everyone. It

commercial and entertainment boothes, along with outdoor exhibits.

The Gene Ledell Carnival will also be in place for the adventurous.

Big Spring and Howard County is fortunate in having so many activities for its citizens throughout the year, but the County Fair is one of the few things that lives up to its claim as having "something for everyone."

I hope everyone finds time in their schedules to come out to the fair this week. It offers

The biggest news in the Activity Barn. The judging to the fair this year with his 7 and 9 p.m. On Friday, junior features exhibits of all types of often get few opportunities to see, meet new people and see old friends.

It attracts friends and neighbors from all over the area, not just Howard County, and it is always good to see so many of them in town.

We get a lot for the price for all this with a \$4 admission charge for adults, only \$2 for children and kids under 6 are

All of this is put together by a group of volunteer directors who devote many hours of their time to make this event possible for our community social visits among friends we and we do appreciate them.

Texas wheat farmers ready to go

PAMPA (AP) - Last year, Panhandle farmers welcomed Ismael. This year, they're jolly about Dolly.

Relief, thy name is a dying hurricane.

Most producers readying their fields for another winter wheat season are coming off a busted spring crop with bitter, dry tastes in their mouths.

"We sure have a lot more underground moisture to start with this season .. it's got a lot better chance than last year's crop," said Barry Fields, who farms in Gray County, about 40 miles northeast of Amarillo.

The soggy remnants of Hurricane Dolly, which broke up over Texas after pummeling Mexico's Gulf Coast, have added to an already wet summer for the region's farmers.

Hurricane Ismael similarly laid the same groundwork last year. Trouble was, the clouds closed shut for about six terward, forcing many either to plow up their acreage or harvest a meager crop in one of the state's worst wheat years in memory.

Precipitation in the High Plains is running 20 percent ahead of normal this summer, turning the barren, cracking dirt of May into moist, soft earth ready to accept its annual dose of wheat seed.

"Some crops still need a lot more moisture, but it's as good now as it was bad three months ago," said Kevin Ollinger, Fields' son-in-law who farms just down the road.

Their summer crops are looking good. Fields will begin harvesting corn early next month and will cut his grain sorghum in October. Ollinger expects a third straight soybean harvest this fall, along with healthy sorghum and corn.

The rains of late have lessened the load for Ollinger's teen-age sons, who are responsible for moving around irrigation pipelines normally vital to this semi-arid land.

Collecting rainwater

Mother Nature provides the softest

can be used to make an excellent

cup of morning coffee, sprinkle on houseplants and gardens, or fill a

that experience less rainfall,

like city water or wells.

Rain falls on

metal roof

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How to collect rainfall

swimming pool. In areas of the state

rainwater collection systems can be used as a backup to other sources,

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plan for freezing in different parts of the state.

water around-rainwater. Rainwater

BUSINESS AFTER HOURS...



The most recent 'Business After Hours' mixer at Norwest Bank was deemed a success by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce. The mixers give local business owners a chance to meet other business owners, network and make contacts. The next 'Business After Hours' is scheduled for sometime this fall and will be sponsored by Big Spring Mall.

INSIDE BIG SPRING

School bond election means many things to the residents of Big Spring

Several people are also con-

With the upcoming school the costs it will bring with it.

bond election, there has been much speculation about its necessity There have been several who have voiced opposition the bond

because of

2. Downspouts drain into

Water should be tested by local or state authorities before drinking

Rainfall yield: Formula: Collect 600 gallons of water for every inch of rain

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OURCES: John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, "Rystems," Morris Media Associates, Inc., Texas Almanac.

barrel, cistern or tank.

3. Water can be filtered.

or pumped directly to

72

gallons of

60

house and garden.

Keeping an eye on Texas



Kersh Master Plan Coordinator issue

Average annual rainfall

cerned with the eventual fate of the Runnels Jr. High building, as it is a historic site in Big Spring. And several people are concerned with the question of waste and extravagance. On the other hand, there are

citizens who are concerned for the children and the environment in which they are learning. Some are concerned with the health and safety issues that use of an older building almost certainly entails. And some are further concerned with the lack of compliance with federal regulations addressing handicapped acces-

sibility. Certainly there are merits to both sides of the issue and for that reason a committee was formed for further investigation into the matter. The committee began by looking at a number of alternatives for the issue. Each issue was studied and discussed and plans were made according to what seems to be the best alternative, tak-

ing every concern into account. Suggestions have been wide and and diverse, including moving junior high school students to a number of different facilities or just remaining with the status quo. Arguments

about the propriety of housing 12-year-old and 13-year-old junior high students with students up to six years older rang loud and true, and the idea was abandoned. The ideas of leaving things with the status quo have definitely been aban-doned, due to the health and

safety issues. This issue has been by addressed Comprehensive mester plan. A committee of 31 persons focused primarily on issues concerning area public schools and the junior college. This committee was not affiliated with either of the interested parties from the school bond. It was formed of persons interest in the school system, for the purpose of addressing all

issues dealing with the future of the public schools and junior college.

The issue of the school facilities was determined to be top priority for this committee. The need for new facilities was determined by addressing several topics: comfort for the children, health and safety concerns, improved environment for teaching and learning, ADA regulatory compliance, community image, and last but not least...the impact these improvements would have on economic and community development.

The Public Schools and College committee worked for endless hours to address all of the concerns, whether for or against the bond. Through the knowledge they developed, the committee felt that the needs for new facilities far outweighed the concerns against it. The improvement bond was a necessity that needed immediate attention.

When submitted to the collective Comprehensive Planning Committee, comprised of all committees, the thinking of the committee was that new school facilities were a top priority for the overall plan. The objectives of the Comprehensive Plan were tabulated, finalized and then presented to the City Council and adopted as a guidebook for Big Spring's future. In this plan, Issue 4.1 calls for immediate attention to the construction f school facilities appropriate for quality education through the reinstitution of the bond election.

The concerns for the school bond are legitimate. Each person has a slightly biased opinion of the bond issue, whether they are for or against it. The bond has been debated, researched and discussed from every angle possible. It now comes down to simply looking at the full range of the impact that having improved school facilities would have on the community.

Sheppard recognized at Mary Kay conference

HERALD Staff Report

Big Spring businesswoman Dene Sheppard was recently honored with the Circle of Achievement award at Mary Kay's annual business building seminar at the Dallas Convention Center.

The Circle of Achievement award marks a milestone for Independent Mary Kay directors who have exceeded unit retail production of \$500,000 or more. During the past year, Sheppard had a unit retail production of \$526,991.27

the Circle Achievement honor, Sheppard was recognized with an engraved plaque displaying her unit retail status for the 1995-96 seminar year. She also received an exquisite gold and diamond watch. As a Mary Kay business

owner, Sheppard has the flexibility to create her own work schedule, set her professional targets and reap financial rewards based on personal ambition and hard work.

Sheppard was one of more than 45,000 women recently attending Mary Kay's annual seminar. Businesswomen from around the world participate in more than 180 business enhancement classes that teach

business management, sales techniques, marketing strategies and fashion trends.

The business seminar also includes general assemblies, with motivational speeches from top directors within the sales force and company executives, and information on new product and program launches. Sheppard also taught classes during the two-week seminar.

Mary Kay has more than 475,000 independent beauty consultant operating their own businesses in more than 25 counties worldwide. Many of these women are building their businesses on a part-time or full-time basis within an industry that has seen tremendous growth in recent years. Many are also earning more money than many women who work in traditional corporate America.

The National Foundation of Women Business Owners estimates that women-owned firms now generate nearly \$2.3 trillion in sales, a 236 percent increase in the past nine years. Women entrepreneurs also employ more than one on four workers in the U.S., or 26 percent. More than 18.5 million people owe their jobs to women-owned firms.



Big Spring's Dene Sheppard recently received Mary Kay's Circle of Achievement Award for exceeding \$500,000 in unit retail production. Sheppard received the award at Mary Kay's annual business seminar in Dallas, where more than 45,000

Valley cotton producers double last year's output

WESLACO (AP) - Rio Grande Valley cotton growers have harvested more than twice as much cotton as last year, and some are crediting the ouster of a controversial boll weevil program.

"We just reconfirmed what some of us already knew," said Andy Scott, of Rio Farms in Monte Alto. "The big lesson to be learned from last year is that we can't disregard the proved integrated pest management strategies that have been developed over the last 25

On less land and with less rainfall, Valley farmers have produced 140,519 bales so far this year. That's compared with the 54,101 bales harvested last season, one of the worst in the region's history.

Growers lost \$140 million in sales last year, and many blamed the state's boll weevil eradication program, saying it killed beneficial bugs that eat the cotton-destroying boll wee-

In January, Valley farmers voted to discontinue the spraying effort. Nevertheless, growers across the region planted less cotton this year, with many turning instead to grain sorghum.

Ironically, the grain sorghum helped bolster the population of beneficial insects this year, said John Norman, of the Texas A&M Agricultural Research and Extension

Ladybugs, aphid parasites, green lacewings, minute pirate bugs, bigeyed bugs, spiders and syrphid fly larvae devoured some of cotton's worst pests. So instead of battling the boll weevil, farmers fought off the

In areas where no rain fell, some farmers were forced to plow under wilted fields. Even some irrigated cotton produced below-average yields because of dry weather, said Bob Duncan, general manager of the Electric Gin Co-Op in San Benito.

Anderson Paul, disposed-family law.

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Mary Ann Perez vs. Aniceto Aguinaga

Patricia Ross vs. Diondre M. Hall, dis-

Billie Strickland, Et Al vs. Yale E. Key,

Karla Gomez vs. Frankie Martinez, dis-

Howard County, Et Al vs. Teddy Ray

L. Dale Worthan vs. Linda Rodriguez

Worthan, disposed-granted-div. Susan Gail Thompson vs. Orlando L.

Christina Alvarez vs. Martin S.

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Marissa Ann Morales vs. Robert L.

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Cheryl Ann Thomas vs. George

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Trustees of the Simpkins Family

property: Lot 2, blk. 1, Hillcrest Terrace

grantor: Nieves Jr. and Lucinda Garcia

grantee: Fernando and Sylvia Rodriquez

property: Two tracts of land out of and

part of a certain 2-acre trace conveyed by

J.T. Masters and wife to S.E. Masters and

A. Masters out of section 44, blk. 32, T-1-

property: North 50' (50x150), lot 1, blk

grantor: Gregorio and Margaret

property: Lot 28, blk. 3, Wrights Airport

grantor: David G. and Patricia A. Foster

grantee: Onesimo Jr. and Martha S

property: Lot 12, blk. 6, Hall Addition

grantor: Nationbanc Mortgage Corp.

grantee: Department of Veteran Affairs

property: Lot 13, blk. 23, Monticello

property: Lot 15, blk. 2, Settles Heldhits

property: Tract 1 - a point in the south

boundary line of blk. 14, College Heights

Addition. Tract 2 - a parcel of land out of

what is now known as blk. 14, College

grantor: Pameal Wilson Gass, executor

grantee: Billy Johnson and Mark

property: Tract 1 - a 1.046 acre tract of

land out of section 44, blk. 32, T-1-N, T&P

Ry. Co. Tract 2 - A 1.15 acre tract of land

out of the northeast 1/4 of section 44, blk.

property: Surface estate only of a tract

of land, with all improvements located

thereon, including a house and water well,

being 1.5 acres of land, more or less, out

of the north 210 acres of the west 1/2 of

grantee: Richard Cypert property: Lot 2, blk. 2, Jerald Smith

grantor: Secretary of the Veterans

grantee: Jeffery Allen and Debbie

property: East 2' of lot 4, and the west 56' of lot 5, blk. 2, Monticello Addition.

grantor: Hilburn L. and Kathleen M.

grantee: Ronnie and Margarita Palmer

property: Lot 3, blk. 5, Replat of lots 2-9 inclusive, blk. 4, and replat of all of blk. 5

and the amended plat of Muir Heights

grantor: Jimmy Don and Susan M. King grantee: Johnny and Tonya Lea Turman

property: All of lots 3 and 4, blk. 23,

grantor: Charles W. Jr, and Della S.

beneficiary: Nationsbanc Mortgage

property: Lot 13, blk. 23, Monticello

Subdivision "C" Fairview Heights Addition.

section 19, blk. 32, T-1-N, T&P Ry. Co.

of the W.L. Wilson Jr. and the Walter

Warranty deed with vendor's lien:

Jensen, disposed-family law.
Nationsbank of Texas, N.A. vs. Jessie

and Lupe Loya, disposed-judgment-ANC.

grantor: Gene and Frankie Simpkins

Mendez, disposed-family law.

Waranty Deeds:

filed: Aug. 19, 1996

filed: Aug. 19, 1996

grantor: Matthew Turner

88, Original Town of Big Spring.

grantee: Josephine Griego

grantee: Hubert Barber

filed: Aug. 19, 1996

filed: Aug. 19, 1996

filed: Aug. 20, 1996

filed: Aug. 22, 1996

grantee: Gary Fuqua

filed: Aug. 23,1996

grantor: Élla Moore

filed: Aug. 22, 1996

Cash Warranty Deed:

Heights Addition.

Ronnie Gass Estate

32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co

filed: Aug. 20, 1996

filed: Aug. 19, 1996

filed: Aug. 23, 1996

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General warranty deed:

grantor: Theresa Cypert

Special warranty deeds:

grantor: William Fred Sappington

grantee: Linda Kay Sappington

grantor: Bonnie D. Fuqua

grantee: Michael N. Moore

Revocable Trust.

N, T&P Ry. Co.

Bustamante

Gomez

Addition No. 7

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Hilger, disposed-family law.

Peralta, disposed-family law.

Inc., disposed-judgment-IDO.

Covington, disposed-dismissed, tax.

Hernandez, disposed-family law.

Rodriguez, disposed-family law.

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Garcia, Sabrina, 1511 Bluebird, Big Spring.
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Highfield, Kyle Monroe, P.O. Box 31, Coahoma Horton, Dorothy M., 120 Airbase Road

Johnson, Natalie, P.O. Box 5877, Big

Spring. Kelley, Michael S., 805 E. 13th #1, Big Spring. Lawson, Edwin E., HC 76, Box 136 F, Big Spring.

Murphy, Elaine F., HC 77, Box T85, Big Spring. Older, Jean, 609 Johnson, Big Spring.

Pauley, Jerry, 1305 Pickens, Big Spring. Rios, Debbie, 4206 Parkway, Big Spring. Sims, Donald, P.O. Box 421, Snyder

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Big Spring. Willis, Raye Anne, 1808 Main, Big. Spring.

Winbush, Ellen C., Gail Rt., Box 446 A. Big Spring.

Marriage Licenses: Carl Nicholson Smoot, 41, and Mary Joann Knox, 40. Tommy Lee Carter, 26, and Diane

Anthony Lee Dominguez, 29, and Betty Annisa Dean, 27. Joe Louis Carrillo, 32, and Priscilla

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Leighanne Newton, 25 Franklin D. Roberts, Jr., 32, and Casey Lynn Johnson, 21. Ruben Lujan Reyes 32, and Esmeralda

Juan Polanco Mata, 31, and Doarlon

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costs: Juan Vasquez and David Roman 118th District Court

Filings Divorce: John J. Brown vs. Carolyn S. Brown. Kou Kowg Hsu vs. Ai Li Hsu. Erlinda Garza Patterson vs. Donald

Glen Patterson Rhea Dione Fryar Bennett vs. Benny Mildred Bernice Brown vs. Arthur Lee Brown, Jr.

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B. Castleberry vs. L. Castleberry

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Edmondson Debbie O. Doporto vs. Emilio Ramirez.

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Foreclosure sale deed: grantor: Johnny and Andila Acuff grantee: James D. and Deanna K.

property: West 1/2 of lots 8 and 9, blk. 3, La Loma Addition. filed: Aug. 21, 1996

Commission approves new marketing plan

AUSTIN (AP) - Most Texans could see lower electricity rates under a new wholesale marketing plan recently approved by the Public Utility Commission, regulators and utility representatives say.

The Texas PUC unanimously approved a plan that changes the way electricity is bought and sold on the wholesale market. The plan could be in place next spring, and utility companies say savings for everyone will follow.

"It should be a positive thing for everyone," said Graham Painter, a spokesman for Houston Lighting and Power Co. "How positive and how intense and how soon will be up to competition."

If the new marketing scheme is in place by June 1997, as planned, Texas would be the first state to adopt full competition in the wholesale electricity market.

Under full competition, pushed by much of the Texas utility industry, all utility providers would have access to a statewide wholesale market where they could purchase electricity.

HL&P, one of the main proponents, said allowing all providers into that market will allow everyone to get the best rate for electricity. That, Painter said, will result in lower rates charged to cus-

But Carol Biedrzycki, a consumer advocate, said those savings will be years in the mak-

"I see (it) having the greatest effect in a couple years," said Ms. Biedrzycki, executive director of Texas Ratepayer's Organization to Saye Energy, Inc. "It gives everyone equal

A current group, the Electric Reliability Council of Texas, is a voluntary organization of utility companies and power producers that helps ensure the companies have access to competitively priced electrici-

ERCOT, though, is limited to utilities and power producers. Many cooperatives and other electricity providers now must deal with individual power producers - and with all of the utility companies between them — to gain access to other sources of electricity. That adds cost and time to the process of buying electricity, HL&P said.

Under the new plan, ERCOT will open its membership to anyone who buys or sells wholesale electricity. A statewide information network also will be established so that every electricity provider has access to every producer's

your liability.

Commerce Department on a mission after being trimmed

AUSTIN (AP) - The Texas his agency is looking at eco-Department of Commerce is searching for a mission.

The agency, which will mark its 10th anniversary this fall, lost its job-training responsibilities with \$230 million in federal Job Training Partnership Act money now going to the Texas Workforce Commission.

Agency employment has fallen by about 40 percent in the past year, from 340 to 199.

The agency's soul-searching coincides with efforts by state Comptroller John Sharp, who has a record for triggering overhauls of state agencies, to study Texas' several economic development efforts as part of his ongoing review of government performance.

The closest Commerce has come to crafting a mission is talk of tackling fewer tasks and doing them better.

One of those is likely to be helping businesses through the state's bureaucratic maze. Another will be touting the state at business and trade shows. A third probably will involve helping small businesses find capital.

"We are the only agency that serves business directly,' agency director Brenda Arnett told the Austin American-Statesman in Tuesday's edi-

Don Hoyte, an economist in the comptroller's office, said

nomic development Commerce as well as other agencies, including the Texas Department of Agriculture and the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission. "All we are trying to do is

find out what the state is doing and whether it can be done better," Hoyte said.

At one time, Commerce adopted lots of grandiose plans. including opening offices in the Pacific Rim and Europe to attract business to Texas and promote exports, and launching ambitious marketing programs, most of which have been abandoned or shelved. "The agency has been topsy-

turvy, but it's misleading to say it can't be effective," said Darrell Glasco, a former agency executive who's now the Greater Austin Chamber of Commerce's economic development vice president.

"What it needs is consistency. They need to decide what to do and stick with it and stop changing everything every couple of years."

Now maturing but stripped to its barest bones, Commerce is more down-to-earth. Officials realize it needs realistic goals and that unless it beats Sharp to the punch, it may no longer be in charge of finding its destiny. Sharp's report is due in

Commerce hopes to get at least \$7 million a year from the Legislature for 1998-99, about what it has received in the 1996 and 1997 budget years. Since federal money stopped flowing to Commerce this year, state money that once accounted for about 2 percent of the agency's budget now makes up more than 12 percent of its annual allowance.

The rest comes from the state's share of the hotel-motel tax and Smart Jobs, the only state job-training program that wasn't folded into the Workforce Commission.

Ms. Arnett says she will tell legislators that businesses in Texas need an advocate within state government. But even that has limitations. Since the agency is prohibited by law from taking a stand on most of the issues that concern business, including taxes, deregulation of industries and turning over some government services to private businesses, and since cities statewide have bigger budgets than the state to promote their own communities, Commerce is forced to play a weak hand.

Arnett's plan is to rid Commerce of many of the programs on its books, including a complicated product-development scheme approved by voters several years ago and others that the Legislature never

H-E-B expands to Mexico

BROWNSVILLE (AP) - Atleast once a week, Saulo Salinas crosses the border to go shopping. A resident of Matamoros, Mexico, he comes here looking for bargains.

But instead of browsing the downtown shops and bartering in pesos, Salinas heads farther north to a neighborhood H-E-B grocery store.

It's a weekly ritual he says is well worth the trip.

"Food is cheaper here," Salinas says. "Things are much cheaper at H-E-B versus what I can buy in Mexico."

Aracely Saldierna agrees. She makes a similar journey from Matamoros to shop for products such as eggs and chicken.

"I can get more American things," she says, "things that are better for my home.'

On any given day, parking lots at this and other H-E-B stores along the Texas-Mexico border are packed with cars bearing Mexican license plates.

Store officials are banking on that popularity to stretch south of the border, as they prepare to become one of the first American supermarkets to expand into Mexico.

"For years, Mexican residents have shopped at H-E-B stores across the border," said Mike De La Garza, a spokesman for the San Antonio-based grocer. "The awareness of H-E-B is high, and we feel that will be a factor that will support our efforts."

H-E-B is scheduled to open its first Mexican store in Monterrey in late December or January. It will employ nearly 300 people, mostly Mexicans. The company also has broken

ground on a second Monterrey site, with that store scheduled to open in mid-1997.

The stores will be somewhat different from their Texas counterparts, with 70-80 percent of the products purchased in Mexico and 20-30 percent from the United States, De La

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Garza said. The first store also will feature a children's playground,

the first in any H-E-B store.

Store officials said they are optimistic about the transition, despite Mexico's economic volatility and the fact that the market is relatively untested by American grocers.

Wal-Mart and its grocery store-like supercenters have been in Mexico since 1993, but H-E-B is one of the first traditional American grocers to expand there, industry analysts

The task seems fitting for a company considered an industry pioneer. They're really very innova-

tive," said Michael Garry, managing editor of Retail Technology magazine and the former senior editor of Progressive Grocer magazine. "They're very savvy in general, so I would think they'd probably have a pretty good shot at

H-E-B has displayed an adventurous spirit since Charles C. and Florence Butt founded the company in 1905 in Kerrville. Their son, Howard Edward Butt, took over the company after World War I, and the business flourished.

The company's first expansion came in 1928, when H-E-B moved its headquarters to Harlingen. Even then, hard

economic times did not faze the corporation. Although the country was suffering through a severe depression, H-E-B opened new stores and began manufacturing goods.

Ten years later, H-E-B again expanded, moving its headquarters to Corpus Christi and opening new stores in the Coastal Bend, Austin, Waco and San Antonio.

Today, the business is head-

quartered in San Antonio and operates 232 stores in 122 Texas communities and Lake Charles, La., employing about 45,000 people. The company remains in the Butt family, now run by Howard Butt's son, Charles.

As successful as H-E-B has been, becoming the largest grocery store chain in Texas, the company and its owners shy away from the limelight, rarely discussing the business in pub-

But behind the scenes, the grocery chain is known as a flerce competitor that is always eager to try something new.

"It's really considered to be a leader in many ways," said David Merrefield, executive editor of Supermarket News magazine.

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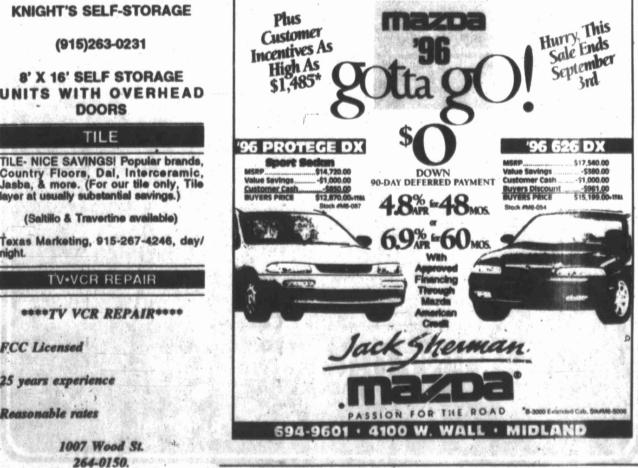
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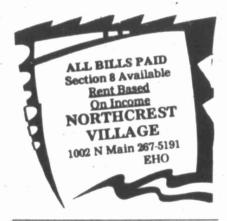
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helps pave the way. The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19) What you expected to occur could easily backfire. Use caution when tossing around your financial weight. Another may think you are promising much more than you are prepared to deliver. You might need to spell out your intentions. Tonight: It's pizza night! ***

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You need to regroup after receiving news. A shift in plans feels appropriate. Make phone calls to ensure that your bases are covered. Experiment with a different approach to an issue. A solution delights you and all involved. Tonight: Try a new restaurant. ****

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GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Expect to be jolted by what you hear. Your sense of the absurd is piqued by a change. Gather more information. All is not as it seems. Humor helps you make sense of things. Reach out for a trusted friend or loved one. Tonight: Chitchat the night away. **

CANCER (June 21-July 22) It feels as if everyone is misleading you. Get together with friends. Make a point of letting go; don't worry about every detail. Goodwill is important. and brings a special person your way. Tonight: Don't do anything halfway! ****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Accept the fact that all eyes turn to vou. Take responsibility, even though you have little to do with a flaky partner. Your energy and humor may be hard-pressed. Evaluate what is happening. You get a second wind later. Tonight: Drop in at the office. ***

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You are able to make peace when there is none. You have an unusual perspective, though your energy may be frayed.

Stay even. Don't let others' demands get to you. Your sense of humor goes a long way in creating tranquility. Tonight: Make love, not war. *****

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You feel like throwing your hands up in the air. You cannot seem to make sense of a muddled situation. Don't worry, you aren't the only one. Avoid getting confused, anyway. Stay centered. Let others chill out. Understanding comes later. Tonight: Go for togetherness.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Listen to another, and realize you are powerless to change his mind. Do your own thing today. You will find that giving space will help you win more points than anything. Accept another's apology. Hang out, and make the most of the moment. Tonight: Go out and about. ***

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) You get a lot done if you stay focused. Understand what another says, but don't ask for clarification. Be nurturing in your own way. Center yourself. Information comes forward. Examine long-term financial interests. Tonight: Get a head start on tomorrow! ***

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Imagination empowers you. The world may seem upsidedown. Don't be confused, but

rather, open up. Use special caution with funds. Carelessness could have bigger implications than you are aware. Your positive ways draw others. Tonight: Smile like the Cheshire cat! ****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You experience a major disruption if you aren't careful. Stop holding on to what is no longer functional. A change on the home front is inevitable. Make your desires clear to a family member. Be willing to share your feelings. Tonight: Stay close to home. ***

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Give another the benefit of the doubt. You need to gain insight and perception. Be sensitive to feelings, especially in a heated discussion with a friend. Understand that he may not be grounded. Work with the situation, and it will come out A-OK. Tonight: Stroll with a loved one. **

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Honesty is best policy when teenagers try to avoid sex

DEAR READERS: A few weeks ago, I printed a letter from a counselor in Pasadena, Calif., who was alarmed by the number of

> teen-agers who get pregnant. At suggestion, I asked my readers to tell me how they just said "No" to

her

Abigail Van Buren Columnist

sex. I was unprepared for the flood of letters that poured in from women of all ages (and even some men) eager to share not only their ideas, but also their experiences. I regret that space limitations prevent me from printing all of their let-

ters. Read on: DEAR ABBY: In college in the mid-'70s, I heard what I considered the best response ever. A friend of mine rejected the advances of a classmate by

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informing him that she had the opportunity to inherit a million dollars — but only if she remained a virgin until age 25. After college, I used that ploy on more than one occasion (adjusting the age upward as necessary), and it worked for me, too. One young man even offered to help me remain a virgin if I'd cut him in for a per-

centage. But the way my daughter handled the situation was even better. She recently attended her second junior high school dance, where she was introduced to a young man from another high school. While dancing and conversing, the boy became "grabby." My daughter mentioned it to me at breakfast the next morning, and I asked how she handled it.

She said, "I told him I wasn't ready for that kind of relationship and furthermore he was making me very uncomfortable, so to please stop it!" He promptly stopped. They continued dancing and talking, and a week later the boy called to invite her to a dance at his

This proves she didn't have to be rude or lie; the truth works, and good guys appreciate honesty and nice girls.

Young women shouldn't fear that they'll lose a good man if they refuse inappropriate sexual advances. The guys that "just don't get it" are not the ones a girl could have a meaningful relationship with anyway. - FEMALE ATTORNEY. MELBOURNE, FLA.

DEAR ABBY: You asked how to say no to sex. For me it was easy. I told them, "If I have sex with you and get pregnant, you'll leave me. But my mother will KILL me." It worked every time, and the bonus was they continued to date me and respect me. - BEEBIE IN **PHOENIX**

DEAR ABBY: As a Christian. I don't believe Jesus approves of premarital sex. So when I was dating, I reminded myself Jesus was sitting there with me — and I would ask myself if he would approve of what I was doing. Sure, it was hard sometimes. But I figured if he would rise from the dead for me, it was the very least I could do for him. Needless to say, I remained a virgin until I married.

Even if you have already slept with someone, it's never too late to say no — and after that, don't ever put yourself in a tempting situation again.

The campaign called "True Love Waits" is a great way for young people to make the commitment to either remain a vir gin or to become "secondary virgins." A secondary virgin is one who promises to abstain from sex from that point on until marriage. Most Baptist churches (as well as other denominations) have information on this campaign. Spread the word, Abby. It's worth the wait. - GLAD I WAITED IN **MISSISSIPPI**

DEAR ABBY: Diplomacy is nice, but in matters of sex, it's better to be blunt. "No" is all you need to say, and "Because I don't want to" is the only argument you need to give.

On three separate occasions, different men told me I needed to see a psychologist and get some therapy. Apparently they believed that any woman who would pass up sex with them must be emotionally disturbed.

I'm now 29 years old and still a virgin. I haven't had to deal with gonorrhea, genital herpes, chlamydia, pregnancy or AIDS. In spite of the fact that I still haven't seen a therapist, I'm very happy.

As for the three men who were so concerned about my mental health, I never saw any of them again. I can't even remember their names. -SHARON IN STATE COL-LEGE, PA.

DEAR READERS: More on this tomorrow ... DEAR READERS: If you would like your letter considered for publication, please

include your name, area code and telephone number. DEAR ABBY: I would like your opinion of something my fiance said last night. I asked

him if he had ever changed a baby's diaper, and he replied, "Absolutely not; the thought of it repulses me." Abby, I am not saying this particular task should be shared equally between us, but I would like to think if we had

band would change our baby's diaper if necessary. What do you think? DECEMBER BRIDE

a child and I happened to be

away for a few hours, my hus-

DEAR BRIDE: I think there should be some changes made before you have children. And for openers, one should be your flance's attitude.

DEAR ABBY: I am the younger of two sons in a family business. My father, who runs the business, is a very impatient man. I can never do anything to please him. He finds fault with everything I do.

When I try to defend myself, he just throws up his hands in disgust and walks away.

There's not a day that passes in my life that he doesn't find fault with me. I am losing confidence in myself. I do my very best, and all I get is verbal abuse. I just can't tolerate it anymore.

What should I do? — M. IN **BALTIMORE**

DEAR M.: Get another job. Or find a doctor who treats ulcers. DEAR ABBY: There is a question I have been wanting to ask you for a long time.

What do you say when some idiot comes up to you, just stands there and says, "Where have I seen you before?" -BUGGED IN BUTTE

DEAR BUGGED: I reply, "I dor't know. Where have you been?"

DEAR ABBY: Everybody

starts out by saying they have a problem. And that's the way I am starting out, but don't throw this away yet because I get better as I go along. (Ha ha!) I am a married man with three kids, 9, 12 and 13. I always wanted to be a writer but I can't seem to break into the field. I bet I sent 100 short stories to different magazines, but I never heard back from nobody. A person would like to be told what is wrong with

their stuff, wouldn't you think? You must know a lot of big shots in the publishing business, Abby. Can't you put in a good word for me? I don't expect you to say I am any good unless you see some of my stuff, so I am sending you 26 stories I've wrote. If you are too busy to write and tell me what you think of them, you can call me up. I'm sending you my phone number, and if the line is busy, keep calling because my kids are on the phone a lot. In the meantime, have you got any suggestions? -LOVES TO

DEAR LOVES: Please don't send me anything, because my lawyer advises against reading unpublished material. And in the meantime, don't help your kids with their English. DEAR ABBY: I am a 13-year-

old, and my parents force me to go to church every Sunday. I hate going to church

because I see people there who I know are drunkards, gossips, liars and cheats, and they are right there every Sunday saying their prayers and singing the hymns. I don't have any respect for hypocrites, and our church is full of them, my own parents included.

I am only 13, so maybe my opinion doesn't count, but I don't see any sense in my going to church with a bunch of hypocrites. — ONLY A BOY

DEAR ONLY: Christ became a man at 13, and you are not too young to become a man either. One goes to church to learn about the Bible and the word of the Lord, although God dwells in one's heart, and it's not necessary to "go" to church to communicate with him.

A church is not a museum for saints; it's a hospital for sinners. So "judge not, lest ye be judged," young man.

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