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\$10 billion school property tax relief effort tops lengthy legislative agenda

AUSTIN (AP) — In 1995, new Republican Gov. George W. Bush wowed even some critics as the Legislature endorsed all four of his top priorities. In 1997, he's focusing on a new one — property tax relief.

But finding a way to ease the \$10 billion a year burden of local school property taxes won't be easy.

As Bush's own tax study committee reported, without recommending a remedy: "Identifying problems is easy; solving them is hard."

Bush started the ball rolling 18 months ago. Riding high after passage of

bill to increase local control of schools, reform welfare, toughen juvenile justice laws and restrict civil lawsuits, Bush said he would turn his attention to property taxes.

The governor formed the study committee, which traveled the state and heard from hundreds of Texans. The committee concluded that property taxes are too high and people are upset, but it found no agreement on an alternative to replace the much-disliked levy.

A group of gubernatorial and legislative staffers offered three options: higher sales taxes; a new gross-receipts tax on busi-

ness revenue; and a new business-activity tax, which would tax the difference between the sales and costs that a business incurs.

Lawmakers have suggested some combination of those levies might be the way to go.

Whatever the eventual path, the governor voices increasing confidence that relief is on the way.

"I believe the plan that will emerge will include a swapping of other forms or revenue in return for substantive, real property tax relief," Bush said.

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Counts wonders if school tax plan workable

By JOHN H. WALKER
Managing Editor

State Rep. David Counts (D-Knox City) said that while he felt Gov. George W. Bush's efforts to reduce the school property tax burden on Texans was to be commended, he didn't see how it could work.

"We're talking about 10 billion dollars," Counts said during a Friday meeting with a

group at the Herald offices. "That's a lot of money and when you start moving it from one area, I don't see how you can do anything but increase the burden on someone else."

Providing relief from the \$10 billion a year in local school property taxes in the No. 1 issue facing members of the 75th Legislature, which convenes Tuesday in Austin.

The effort to study ways in which local school property taxes, which make up the bulk in spending on public education in Texas, has gone on for more than a year.

Despite the fact a blue-ribbon committee

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Weather fails to chill spirits at dedication of Dora Roberts Howard County Library

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

While cold weather forced Saturday's dedication ceremony of the Dora Roberts Howard County Library indoors, but for the 120 people or so in attendance, what mattered more was that many months of hard work has resulted in a top of the line facility.

Howard Co. Commissioner Bill Crooker served as emcee of the ceremony that began with a flag ceremony and the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner."

The new library was officially dedicated in honor Dora Roberts. Following the ceremony, the Friends of the Library and the library staff were on hand to provide tours of the new facility.

Longtime Big Spring resident and historian Joe Pickle served as dedication speaker, telling the audience that throughout history, libraries have been a distinguishing mark of civilization.

"We have a continual chain through our libraries," Pickle said.

Pickle also traced the history of the Howard County Library, beginning with the efforts of Helen Gould in 1907 though five moves of the library, which culminated with Saturday's ceremony.

"We've come to this day because of generous support," Pickle said. "I think we'll be here for a long, long time."

He added, "With this new facility, we have 20,000 square feet, provisions for parking and handicap facilities."

According to Pickle, the new library also has \$400,000 in material and equipment added to its content.



Members of the Ambassadors Club join Howard County Commissioner Sonny Choate (third from left), County Judge Ben Lockhart, Commissioner Jerry Kilgore, Librarian Loraine Redman and Commissioner Bill Crooker in dedicating the new Dora Roberts Howard County Library. About 120 people braved Saturday's cold weather to attend the dedication of the newly remodeled facility. The library will open to the public Monday. Hours will be 9 a.m. to 5:45 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. until 4:45 p.m. on Saturday.

As for the kindness of Dora Roberts, Pickle simply described it as a blessing.

"She has blessed our community by plowing her wealth back into the community," Pickle said. "As we dedicated this library, I hope it will serve us for generations to come."

Among the crowd of library enthusiasts and supporters were Polly Mays and Janelle Davis, two of the members of the very first Friends of the Library group in Howard County, and former librarians Donna Jackson and Edna Young.

"As in every undertaking, there are several groups

involved and they are to be commended," Crooker said.

"A lot of lost sleep and hard decisions were made to get this project to this point," County Judge Ben Lockhart said.

A permanent plaque was also mounted on the inside of the library entrance in appreciation of the donors who contributed gifts of at least \$10,000 to the library project.

These donors include the Dora Roberts Foundation, Hillcrest Foundation, Davidson Family Charitable Foundation, Friends of the Library of Howard County, Mildred Gray Estate, Texas State Library and

the taxpayers of Howard County.

A memorial plaque wall is also a part of the new facility so that people may honor their loved ones. Plaques for this particular project are being sold by the Friends of the Library.

Librarian Loraine Redman said the new library will officially open to the public on Monday, and business hours for the new facility will remain the same as at the old location. Those hours are 9 a.m. to 5:45 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 9 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Saturday.

Alcohol, Drug Abuse offices fully staffed

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
News Editor

After having been forced to drastically limit its services in Big Spring a year ago, the Permian Basin Regional Council on Alcohol & Drug Abuse (PBRCA) has announced that it has been able to reopen offices here on a full-time daily basis.

According to Vella Connally, the PBRCA's executive director, receipt of a \$69,400 grant from the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (TCADA) has made it possible for the council to reopen its Big Spring office staffed with two employees.

Locally, the office will primarily focus on its "Prevention Plus-Howard County Outreach" and oversee by program director Tim Jones, a licensed chemical dependency counselor (LCDC). He will be assisted by Dennis Wells.

Connally said Jones and Wells will provide substance abuse prevention/intervention education for youth in both community programs and schools. They will also be able to provide family adult services in education, information and appropriate referral.

No one, she stressed, will be refused services, regardless of their ability to pay.

"This is something we're really excited about, because it was really frustrating when we had to close our office here," explained Connally, who twice voluntarily reduced her own salary in an effort to keep from closing satellite offices in Andrews, Big Spring, Fort Stockton and Midland.

She explained that funding for alcohol and drug abuse programs was reduced throughout



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the state last year. "Our funding was reduced by \$125,000 — that's money we received from TCADA — and then we lost another \$17,100 in JTPA funds when the Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission had its funding for that program reduced."

"It just became necessary to reduce our expenses," she added. "We delayed closing the Big Spring office with the assistance from the Howard County Commissioners Court. And thanks to the court's help, Big Spring was the only community where the council continued to provide a licensed counselor on a one-day-a-week basis."

"We were also able to continue to provide education related to substance abuse for the juvenile probation program on a weekly basis during the school year. Because of this ongoing effort, we were successful in securing the grant funding for this youth prevention program."

Jones and Wells will have their offices in Suite E, Rooms 229-230, in the West Texas Health and Human Services Center located in the College Park Shopping Center.

"We're in the process of meeting with officials of the Big Spring ISD, the Boys Club and the YMCA," Jones explained, adding that the council also plans to expand the program to Coahoma and Forsan schools at a later date.

Deep freeze door to remain open in region at least through Tuesday night

HERALD Staff Report

West Texas will stay in the freezer for at least three more days before temperatures are forecast to rise into the 50s on Wednesday.

The coldest weather of the year to-date is forecast for this weekend, with today's high expected only to reach 20 degrees. Temperatures tonight are expected to plunge to 10 degrees.

Staying inside and watching either the NFL playoffs or a

movie seems to be the best advice for today, as wind chills are expected in the minus-10 to minus-20 degree range in the Permian Basin.

A slight warming trend is expected Monday, with highs near 30 and lows in the lower 20s, and it is expected to be warmer still on Tuesday and Wednesday, with highs near 50 forecast for Wednesday.

Snow flurries are forecast for both today and Monday, but are out of the forecast for the rest of the week.

Chili heats up action at Boss Hog Chili Cook-off

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Despite freezing temperatures and wind chills in the mid-teens Saturday, the smell of chili was definitely in the air at the Eighth Annual Boss Hog Chili Cookoff.

The event at the Harley Davidson Shop was sponsored by the Big Spring chapter of the Harley Owners Group (HOG).

About 100 people defied the conditions and enjoyed several varieties of chili, beer, soft drinks and music from the bands Wild Texans and CW and Company.

Judging for the event was done in two rounds.

Thirteen teams entered the cookoff and after the preliminary round of judging, the top 10 entries advanced to the final round.

Aroma, consistency and taste is what judges were looking for, and after all of the tasting, eating cheese and drinking something to cool their mouths was done, judges declared Snyder's Jimmy Goober Lloyd the winner of the eighth annual cookoff.

Other entrants placing included Guy W of Midland, second; Howard Walker of Big Spring,

third; Carl Wyrick of Big Spring, fourth; David Fowler and Linda Nail of Big Spring, fifth; Vance Weaver of Big Spring, sixth; John Young of Midland, seventh; Noel Howell of Big Spring, eighth; Johnnie Hooper of Big Spring, ninth; and Cliff Osburg of Midland, tenth.

Even after the winners were declared, organizers expected the fun to continue up until 7 p.m.

This year's cookoff was down in attendance because of the weather, but the enthusiasm wasn't, according to HOG chapter director Swain Williams.

"We normally average about 150 bikes a year at this event, but the weather got us this year," Williams said. "For the past few years, we've had 60 degree and 70 degree weather."

For some HOG faithfuls, including Williams, weather wasn't a factor. Eight people still got on their motorcycles and made their way to the cookoff.

HOG President Barry Barnett said about 400 people attended last year's event, which raised \$1,300 to help fund HOG activities in 1996.

Barnett said the big event this year for the group, which

cookoff proceeds will help fund, will be the June bike run to the Muscular Dystrophy Camp in Amarillo.

"These kids are our buddies and we really want to make the event big for them," Barnett said.

Other events coming up for the group include continued work on the Mount the Huey project.

"We want to keep building on our fund," Barnett said. "We're only a few thousand dollars

away from our goal of \$20,000. The response from the public has been incredible."

HOG will also have its annual seafood fest in November.

"Events like the chili cookoff help us raise the money to fund our events for the rest of the year," Williams said. "As always we're thankful for the cooks who participate and for the publicity we receive, which help us spread the word about our upcoming events."



Howard Walker is joined by his trusty companion, Pepper, at the Boss Hog Chili Cookoff. Walker claimed third place.

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TODAY'S WEATHER

20 ▲ Highs 10
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Today: Cloudy and continued cold with a few flurries. High around 20, lows near 10.

Monday: Mostly cloudy and continued cold with snow possible. High near 30 and lows in the lower 20s.

Extended outlook: Cloudy and dry Tuesday with highs mid 30s to lower 40s and lows in the 20s. On Wednesday, highs will reach near 50.

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OBITUARIES

Ed Nanny

Ed Nanny, 44, of Collinsville, Texas, formerly of Big Spring, died Friday, Jan. 10, 1997, in a Sherman hospital. Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, Jan. 13, 1997, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Rev. Pat Ray, pastor of Prairie View Baptist Church, officiating.

He was born on Aug. 26, 1952 in Big Spring, Texas and married Sandy Wells on Sept. 24, 1988 in Whitesboro, Texas.

He left Big Spring 11 years ago and was a self-employed plumber.

He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife, Sandy Nanny of Collinsville; one daughter, Amber Nanny of Big Spring; two grandsons, Ty and Kade, both of Big Spring; his parents, A.D. and Ruth Nanny of Big Spring; one brother, Dee Nanny of Big Spring; three sisters, Carol Leggett of Plano, Linda Nanny of Austin and Arna Dennis of Flower Mound; seven nieces and three nephews.

Pallbearers will be Ricky Baze, Leonard Sneed, Terry Cunningham, Raymond Sneed, Randy Hayes, Bill Moore, Jim Coker and Keith Hamilton. Honorary pallbearers will be Roy Thornton and Randy Baze.

The family suggests memorials to the donor's favorite charity.

The family will be at the home of Amber Nanny at 1601 Runnels in Big Spring.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

(Paid obituary)

Lonnie R. Conn

Funeral service for Lonnie R. Conn, 60, of Big Spring, is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel.

Mr. Conn passed away Friday, Jan. 10, 1997, in an Abilene hospital following a lengthy illness.

Ramona Louise Mitchell

Funeral service for Ramona Louise Mitchell, 82, of Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Mrs. Mitchell died Saturday, Jan. 11, 1997, at a local nursing home.

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 267-7268.

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TODAY

•Good Shep. J Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, has services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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

•New student orientation, 2 p.m., cafeteria in the Dora Roberts Student Union Building at Howard College. Call Student Services at 264-5028 for more information.

•Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 1009 Hearn, youth ministry workshop, 3 p.m. Parish Hall, for high school age and adults. Call 267-4124.

MONDAY

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

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

•TOPS Clubs (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) 5:30 to 6 p.m. weigh in and 6 p.m. meeting. Carriage Inn, 501 W. 17th. Call

263-1340 or 263-6882.

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

•Big Spring Commandery No. 21, stated meeting, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Temple, 211 1/2 Main. 6:30 p.m. dinner.

•Big Spring Assembly No. 211, Social Order of the Beauceant stated meeting, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Temple, 211 1/2 Main. 6:30 p.m. dinner.

•Howard County NAACP, 7 p.m., Chamber of Commerce conference room. Call Stephanie Horton, 264-0888.

TUESDAY

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

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

•Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, 7 p.m.; Spanish services.

•Al-Anon, 8 to 9 p.m., 615 Settles.

•Narcotics Anonymous, 6:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

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

•MS group, 6:30 p.m., Canterbury South. Call Diane

PUBLIC MEETINGS

MONDAY:

The Howard County Commissioners' Court will meet in regular session at 10 a.m. Monday in the commissioners' courtroom on the second floor of the Howard County Courthouse.

Items on the agenda include setting the terms of the county court and commissioners' court for 1997; a discussion with Sheriff Bill Jennings regarding future equipment purchases by the Sheriff's Office; and presentation of the county's comprehensive annual financial report by Tracy Tarter.

The Martin County Commissioners' Court will meet in regular session at 9 a.m. Monday in the courtroom in the Martin County Courthouse.

Items on the agenda include consideration of the following items:

- Road report
- Pipeline and utility crossings
- Electing a presiding officer pro tem for 1997
- Appointing director for appraisal district
- Setting pay for county officials on a salary basis
- Setting terms for county and JP courts

The next regular meeting of the commissioners will be on Feb. 10.

The Stanton Independent School District Board of Trustees will meet Monday at 7 p.m. in the school administration building to discuss the following items:

- Consider employee health insurance.
- Personnel: consider superintendent's contract, resignations and employ personnel.
- Closed meeting and consider action on items discussed in closed meeting.
- Administrative report

The Stanton City Council will meet Monday at 7 p.m. in the council chambers to discuss the following items:

- Consider and take action on street lighting for Wheeler and Donelson Additions.
- Consider and take action on bills and reports for the month of December.
- Consider and take action on employing an audit firm for the fiscal year 1986-86.

The Forsan Independent School District Board of Trustees will meet Monday at 7 p.m. to discuss the following items:

- Consider construction project at elementary campus
- Policy Update 52
- Preliminary school calendar considerations
- Discuss auditor for 1987-88 school year
- Discuss workshop for Jan. 20
- Consider personnel issues including employment, resignations, assignments, benefits, etc.
- Superintendent's contract
- Report on maintenance staff considerations.

The Big Spring City Council will meet in regular session at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday in the council chambers at City Hall.

Items on the agenda include a public hearing concerning designation of a downtown redevelopment zone and adoption of an incentive program for the zone; an update on the city's long-range plan from Planning Coordinator Tara Kersh; and consideration of approval of upgrades at Comanche Trail Park.

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

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

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

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

•Support Group for Depression, 7 p.m., Dora Roberts Rehab Center, Third and Lancaster.

•Al-Anon, 8 to 9 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center small cafeteria.

•Masonic Lodge #1340, 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster. Call Preston Harris, 263-7136.

POLICE REPORT

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 8 a.m. Friday and noon Saturday:

•ABRAHAM YANEZ, 38, of 1513 Wood, was arrested for public intoxication and urinating in public.

•CLIFFORD STINSON, 27, of 1600 Virginia, was arrested for public intoxication.

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appointed by the governor to study the issue came up with no solutions to the problem, a panel of gubernatorial and legislative staffers found three possible replacement options:

- A business activity tax, which would apply to a company's sales revenue minus the amount spent on capital investment. The tax would apply to about 40 percent of a company's gross receipts.
- A gross receipts tax, which would apply to the gross revenue on all business and investment income.
- Expansion of the current state sales tax.

Legislators have speculated that a final bill might include a combination of those.

Another topic that should be of major concern to West Texans is water and one factor that should at least work in West Texas' favor is that

PROPERTY TAX

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in an interview.

Lawmakers "agree it needs to be addressed," he said. "I'm optimistic something will happen for the good of Texas, for the good of Texas families."

Bush said he worries about the negative impact of high property taxes on young Texans trying to buy first homes and on elderly Texans whose tax payments today top their original mortgage payments.

Several powerful lawmakers have joined the search for an alternative.

But as Sen. Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo, observed, changing

•ANTHONY PAUL MUNOZ, 58, no known address, was arrested for criminal trespassing.

•BRIAN VANDERBILT, 17, of 1002 N. Main, was arrested on local warrants.

•JUSTIN COTTON, 18, of 3304 Duke, was arrested on local warrants.

•ARTHUR LEWIS, 73, of 2304 Grace, was arrested for driving while intoxicated, making an improper turn and for not having insurance.

•JOHN LARKIN DAVIS, 43, of Odessa, was arrested for driving with an invalid license and failure to identify.

•RODNEY G. MARTIN, 44, P.O. BOX 1907, was arrested for disorderly conduct involving language.

•MICHELLE FIERRO, 17, of 1610 Lark, was arrested on local warrants.

•KATHY SUE RUPARD, 39, of Rt. 1 Box 450, was arrested on local warrants, for not having insurance and for having an expired motor vehicle inspection sticker.

•BENJAMIN F. DEANDA, 32, of 704 E. 15th, was arrested for driving with an invalid license.

•SUSAN CUELLAR, 30, of 1007 E. 14th, was arrested on

local warrants.

•ROSA CUELLAR, 21, of 1007 E. 14th, was arrested on local warrants.

•CRIMINAL MISCHIEF in the 1700 block of S. Monticello.

•DISTURBANCE/FIGHT in the 2000 block of Goliad.

•DISTURBANCE/FIGHT in the 700 block of E. 11th.

•DISTURBANCE/FIGHT in the 1100 block of E. 16th.

•DISTURBANCE/FIGHT in the 2600 block of Gregg.

•BEER THEFT in the 2300 block of Wasson; and the 400 block of Gregg.

•DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE in the 1800 block of Owens.

•GAS THEFT in the 1100 block of N. Lamesa; and the 900 block of Willia.

•THEFT in the 700 block of E. 11th Place; 1100 block of N. Lamesa; and the 200 block of Gregg.

•ASSAULT in the 600 block of Holbert; and the 1200 block of College.

•FORGERY in the 200 block of W. Marcy.

•BURGLARY OF A HABITATION in the 500 block of Young.

•UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A VEHICLE in the 300 block of E. 19th.

Counts, who has represented Howard County since 1988, is chairman of the House Natural Resources Committee.

Even with water conservation plans, water needs in Texas are increasing dramatically and will continue to do so as Texas' population is expected to double to more than 36 million residents by the year 2050.

The 1986 drought caused rivers to dry up and forced cities to hastily implement water conservation plans, intensifying calls for improved drought planning.

The state currently has no drought management plan. Of the 12 western states, only

Texas, New Mexico and Wyoming lack drought plans.

The drought also has stirred up contentious debate over water transfers from one river basin to another. Austin already has expressed opposition to proposals to pipe Colorado River water to Corpus Christi and San

Antonio.

Counts says that whatever takes place, any plan must recognize that the water needs of persons in less-populated areas of the state, such as West Texas, are just as important as the needs of people in metropolitan areas.

A major concern is that any action taken in the 75th Session does not undermine the 50 years' planning and work done by Big Spring-based Colorado River Municipal Water District (CRMWD).

The Water Development Board warns that the anticipated cost of meeting the water-related infrastructure needs in the state between now and 2050 is more than \$65 billion.

Other issues the Legislature will face include:

Welfare reform, budget, abortion, education, handguns, prisons, parole, higher education, tort reform, electric deregulation, nursing homes, second mortgages and sports facilities.

Office sock

KERRVILLE Investigators stained sock in where Darlie young sons stabbed, a police in her capital Friday.

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Officer testifies he found bloody sock near Darlie Routier's house

KERRVILLE (AP) — Investigators found a blood-stained sock in an alley near where Darlie Routier's two young sons were fatally stabbed, a police officer testified in her capital murder trial Friday.

Sgt. Thomas Ward of Rowlett also said he spotted two muddy knives in a yard across the alley from the sock. But he said he thought the knives had been used only for gardening.

"It was my opinion that they weren't connected with this offense," Ward said under questioning by prosecutor Greg Davis.

Mrs. Routier, 27, is accused of stabbing to death 5-year-old Damon and 6-year-old Devon Routier on June 6, 1996, at the family's home in the Dallas suburb of Rowlett. Prosecutors contend she used a kitchen butcher knife to kill the boys, then slashed herself and staged a crime scene.

She claims an intruder stabbed the boys and her as they slept in the family room. If convicted, she could face death by lethal injection.

The case was moved to Kerrville because of pretrial publicity.

Mrs. Routier's relatives have cited the bloody sock as evidence that someone else committed the murders. In opening statements Monday, defense attorney Richard Mosty said the sock contains the boys' blood and denied Mrs. Routier planted it in the alley.

The sock was found the morning of the slayings about 75 yards, or three houses, from the Routier home. It had a coin-sized spot of what appeared to be blood on it, Ward said.

Police searches of the alley

behind the Routier home revealed no other evidence, Ward testified.

But Mosty asked lots of questions about the two muddy knives, a wood-handled kitchen butcher knife and a smaller all-metal knife.

Ward said he saw the knives through a six-foot locked iron fence.

"And you determined from five or six feet that there was no blood on these knives?" Mosty asked.

"Yes," Ward replied.

Mosty also quizzed Ward about a mistake he made in a police report in which he listed the wrong name for the officer who recovered the sock.

Later, Gustavo Guzman Jr., the Routier neighbor in whose yard the muddy knives were found, testified that the blades were used for gardening.

Guzman, 18, said that the morning after the boys died he went into his back yard and checked on the knives out of fear they had been used in the slayings. He said he found them in the same condition they had been before, with no blood on them.

Guzman also said he didn't see anything unusual in the neighborhood the night of the killings. He said he arrived home between 11 p.m. and 1 a.m.

In late afternoon testimony, paramedics who tried to resuscitate the boys and attended to Mrs. Routier's wounds gave graphic descriptions of the boys' conditions when they arrived.

They testified that Devon clearly was dead, but they thought they might have a chance of resuscitating Damon.

At the end of the day, prose-

cutors introduced the T-shirt cut from a bleeding Mrs. Routier at the hospital. One side was covered with dried blood.

Previously, registered nurse Denise Faulk of Baylor University Medical Center described what Mrs. Routier told her about the killings.

Mrs. Routier reportedly said she was awakened by one of her sons crying and that she felt a struggle and realized a man was wrestling with her.

As she started yelling, the man ran off and dropped the knife, which Mrs. Routier picked up, Faulk said. The intruder then ran into a wine rack, and with that noise "she really started waking up," the nurse said.

Like other Baylor medical professionals, the nurse said Mrs. Routier was calm and that she didn't display the typical traits of a grieving mother.

When she bathed her in bed, the nurse said, there was blood on Mrs. Routier's feet.

In his cross-examination, Mosty grilled Faulk about how a grieving person is supposed to act. She agreed that someone in shock or denial might seem to experience "emotional numbness."

At the start of the day, state District Judge Mark Toile denied a defense request for a mistrial. The defense attorneys had claimed Baylor hospital officials had met with a group with prosecutors this week to discuss their testimony on the age of a large bruise on Mrs. Routier's right arm.

Prosecutors assert the injury that caused the bruise occurred after Mrs. Routier left the hospital June 8. Defense attorneys contend it happened the morning of the attack.

PUMPING WATER



Chad Harber vacuums water out of a hole dug to replace old piping under the Union Pacific Railroad yard at 1st and Scurry. Officials plan to run smaller diameter piping through the existing line to avoid having to remove tracks in the rail yard.

Linares claims innocence, suggests politics

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Former lottery director Nora Linares, maintaining she did nothing to deserve being fired, says the action was pushed by Texas Lottery Commission Chairwoman Harriet Miers.

"This has been driven by Harriet Miers," Linares told the *San Antonio Express-News* for a copyright story in its Saturday editions. Linares questioned Miers' contention that the chairwoman was acting in the best interest of Texans.

"Excuse me, but Harriet Miers is not the people of Texas," Linares said. "If you ask the people... they would tell you the lottery is in good shape."

Miers, a Dallas attorney, didn't immediately return telephone messages left for her Saturday by The Associated

Press. The Lottery Commission fired Linares on Tuesday after questions about how a close friend, Mike Moeller, ended up with a contract with main lottery contractor GTECH Holdings Corp. that earned him \$30,000.

The three commissioners didn't cite a specific reason for her dismissal, but before taking the vote one commissioner expressed concern about her ability to lead the agency as the controversy continued.

"I know what I did, and I didn't do anything wrong," Linares said. "I can't ever stop my friends from going and doing business with people. I can't, and never would have considered asking anyone not to have business ties with anybody."

In her first interview since the questions arose in

November, the San Antonio native said she has done nothing wrong.

"I'm proud of the job I've done," she said. "All I want to do is clear my name, and if there are people out there who have any doubts about me, I want them to know that there was no justification (for the firing)."

The \$3.5 billion lottery has 312 people on the state payroll, and has consistently increased its revenue annually, said Linares.

Linares said she didn't know anything about the GTECH contract with Moeller before it became public.

"I didn't know about the Mike Moeller contract, but that's beside the point," she said. "It was his business. He never talked to me about it. I didn't know anything about it."

Schools must pay for missing textbooks

DALLAS (AP) — Nearly 200 Texas school districts apparently have lost about \$2.4 million worth of textbooks and must reimburse the state, which paid for them, according to the Texas Education Agency. The missing textbooks were reported under a new system that requires a randomly selected group of school districts each year to inventory their book supplies and report the figures to the TEA.

If the missing books cannot be located, the school district must send a check to the state, which pays for most of the textbooks used in the public schools. Texas, one of the largest purchasers of textbooks in the nation, spends about \$180 million a year on books.

Under the new system, districts do their own textbook inventories and report the results to the TEA division of school financial audits. The system relies on school districts to

be honest in reporting their losses.

In addition, the audits eventually will be expanded so that all of the state's 1,055 school districts are required to account for their textbooks each year. No timetable has been determined yet for expanding the audit program.

Because the average value of books missing in school districts last year was about \$12,000, the amount the state gets back annually could increase to as much as \$18 million a year if all districts were audited.

"With the increased utilization of technology and additional technological diagnostic tools, we anticipate further improvements in the efficiency and effectiveness of desk audit procedures," a staff report to state Education Commissioner Mike Moses said.

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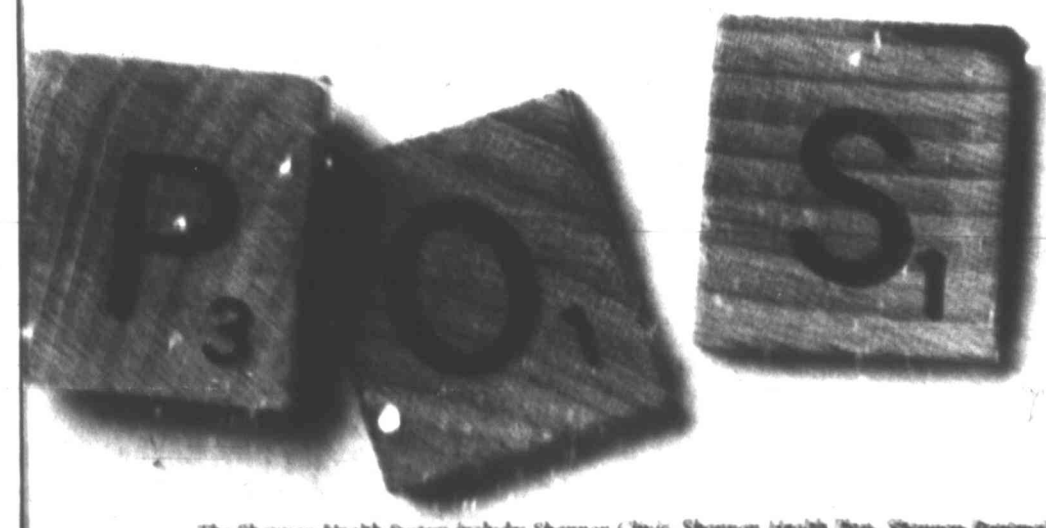
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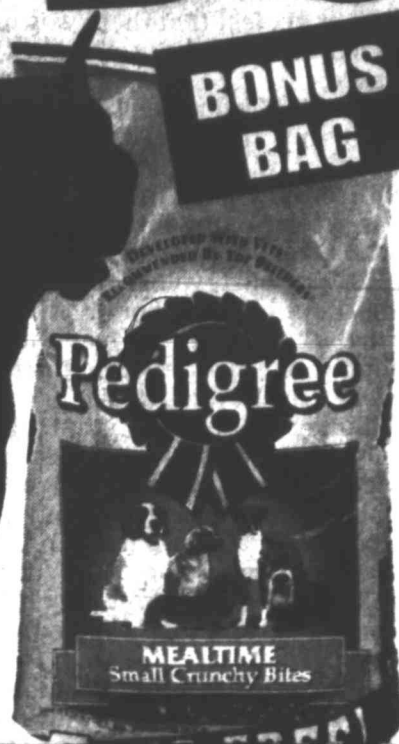
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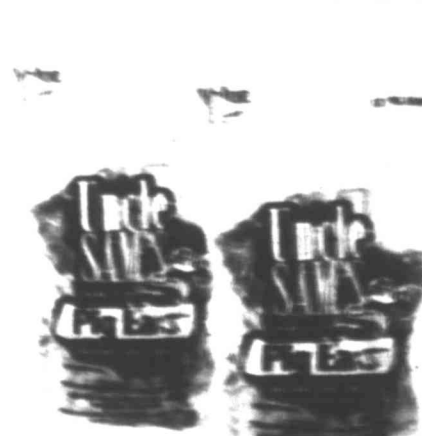
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OUR VIEWS

Support sheriff and department

Sheriff Bill Jennings, Chief Jailer Pancho Yanez and the other members of the Howard County Sheriff's Department are to be praised for their efforts to ensure the county jail passed inspection by the Texas Commission on Jail Standards. The inspection came within a few days of Jennings and his new administration taking office and there was a great deal of work to do in preparation.

This involved the deputies, jailers and officers from the police department and Department of Public Safety helping with a "shakedown" one day after Jennings became sheriff. A variety of contraband was found during the shakedown, the first one in 10 months. Jennings said there will be more of these random searches in the future. It's scary to think some inmates had a piece of sharpened metal that could have been used as a knife, in addition to razor blades.

There has also been a noticeable change within the department that is evident to visitors. Not only are there arrest reports indicating deputies have been busy getting drunk drivers off the road, but all of the employees now seem to be enjoying their jobs.

Speaking of changes, anytime a new sheriff (or any new owner of a company, etc.) takes over, they have the right to not rehire anyone they choose, and to assume these people were "fired" is wrong. That mistake was made once before in Reeves County.

According to a published report in the Pecos Enterprise in 1995, Federal Judge Lucius Bunton dismissed a lawsuit filed by 17 former sheriff's department employees in Reeves County. The decision set a precedent and established the right of a newly elected sheriff to hire who he or she wants to and to decline to rehire others.

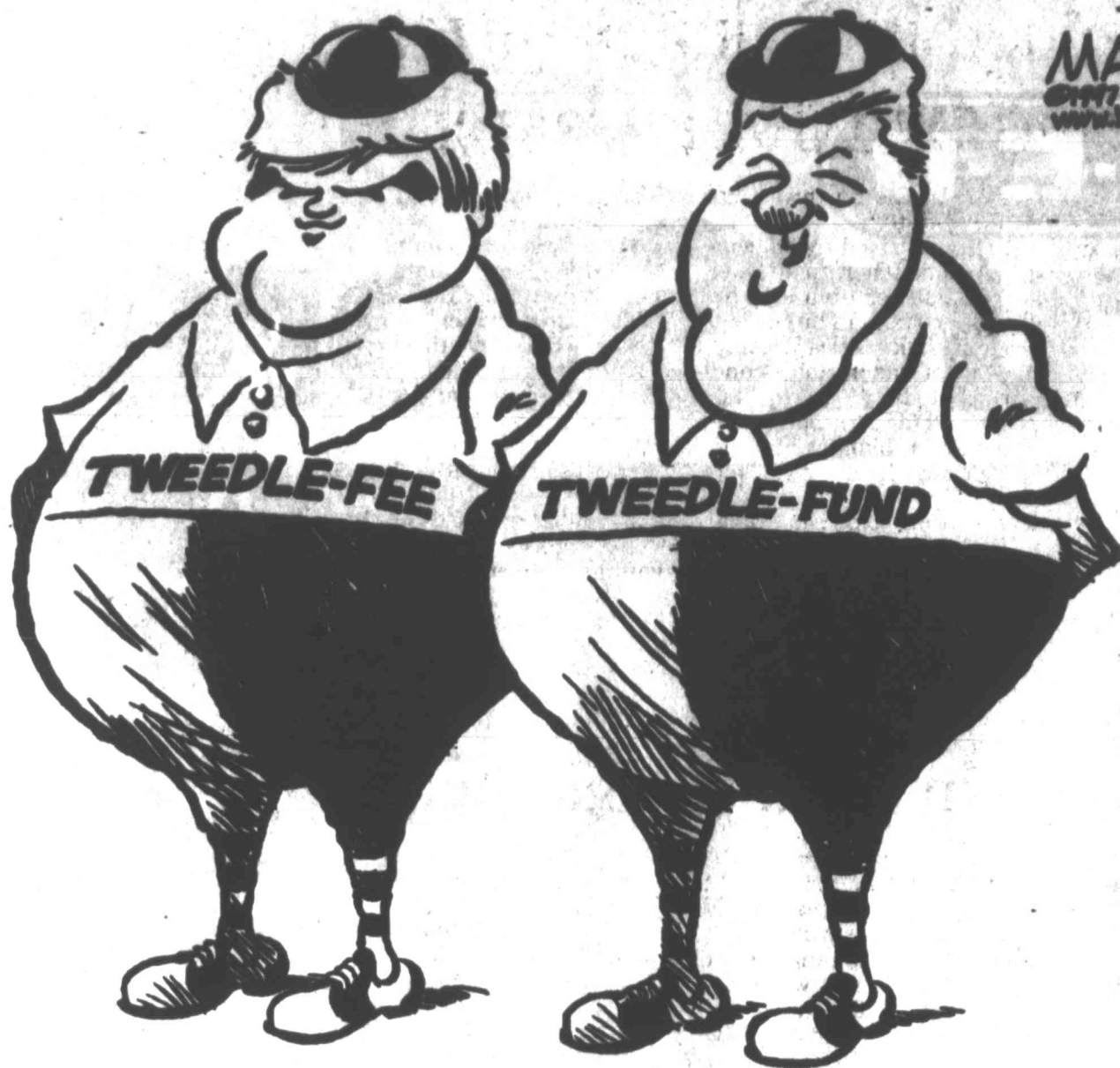
In Howard County, sheriff's department employees were asked to submit applications if they were interested in staying on with the new administration. This provides an opportunity for the sheriff to make the changes he or she believes is necessary to promote the image of their department. No one was fired from the sheriff's office but rather 10 of the 11 deputies and other employees submitted applications and letters to Jennings. It was his decision as to who would be rehired to fit the qualifications he has established to ensure the taxpayers would get the best quality law enforcement personnel available.

The same situation happened when Cornell Corrections took over the three city prisons. Everyone was asked to submit an application for rehire and then the new administration decided who would stay and who would go.

The public should support the sheriff and his deputies since we are the ones who elected him to the position. More arrests and changes have been made within the last 12 days than in the last several years at the sheriff's office.

This is not intended to reflect badly on former sheriff A.N. Standard, because he served the public well for more than 30 years. However, the people of Howard County wanted a change in direction and chose to elect someone whose law enforcement experience came from outside the sheriff's department and that could bring about fresh ideas and changes necessary in this day and age.

Support the sheriff and his employees. His door is open and everyone in the department is willing to help anyone seeking information or assistance.



Low-income renters got free health club in Angelo

More notes from West Texas and around town ...

In Abilene, city officials are planning a crackdown on parking offenders.

The city has created a stamp that will be provided to merchants in the downtown area at a cost of \$1 each. Merchants will then give the stamps to customers, who can place them on parking citations and return them to the city.

The stamped citation will negate the \$5 fine.

Seems this has been a long-standing problem in Abilene, with approximately \$51,000 due the city from 4,163 outstanding citations.

Interesting note is that the biggest offender, a local hairdresser, owes \$3,220 on 162 parking tickets.

According to the Abilene newspaper, the hairdresser, one Jodell Wilder, came to the newspaper Monday to complain about the \$1 stamps and to complain about people hogging on-street parking.

Hum ... what's that about the pot calling the kettle black?

Down in San Angelo, Tom Green County officials filed a lawsuit this week against for-

mer county treasurer Billie McDaniel, claiming she withheld information from officials regarding the county's financial future.

Back in 1992, 1993 and 1994, McDaniel made \$14 million in investment purchases that wound up costing taxpayers \$3.2 million in losses.

McDaniel has other problems as well, including 28 criminal charges that she tampered with government records and misapplied money handled while serving as the county's investment officer.

The action against McDaniel points out the need to keep a close watch on how taxpayer money is being invested as well as spent.

If you are one of those folks who wondered why city crews were cleaning up the massive pile of rubble at the site of the former Broughton Implement Co., you got your answer in Friday's Herald.

The property, which was purchased last year by Dr. P.V. Patel to serve as the site of what was announced to be a Holiday Inn Express, is located on Gregg Street, just south of I-20.

After purchasing two parcels of land and getting the city to close the street that ran between them, Patel hired a contractor to tear down the old quonset hut-type facility.

"The contractor tore it down, but left before completing the job," explained city engineer Ralph Truskowski.

Truskowski added that Patel failed to respond to notices that the property was out of compli-

ance with city ordinance and that was when the city sent the cleaning crew.

"You can bet he'll be billed for the clean-up," Truskowski said.

When we went over there Friday morning, three dump trucks, a front-end loader and four employees were on the job.

And that still doesn't answer the oft-asked question: "What's the status of the Holiday Inn?"

It was just disclosed in San Angelo that low-income residents of an apartment complex owned by the Public Housing Authority (PHA) were receiving health club memberships until October, when the health club closed.

Under the terms of a non-contractual agreement between club owner Alan Anderson and the housing authority, Anderson lived rent-free at PHA-owned Desert Shadows Apartment in exchange for free memberships for all complex tenants.

City officials, doing the spin, claimed no public funds were involved because rent subsidies were not provided to low-income complex residents.

So ... like ... how was the other 50 percent of their rent made up?

In Val Verde (Del Rio) County, the flap over election results continues.

Back in November, Republicans were elected as sheriff and to a position on the commissioner's court.

Texas Rural Legal Aid, on behalf of a group of Hispanic

Democrats, filed suit and asked that more than 800 mail-in ballots cast by military personnel who had been stationed at Laughlin Air Force Base. A Democrat judge in San Antonio issued a temporary injunction.

Seems to me that when the process of mail-in voting or motor-voter registration or whatever is beneficial to one group or the other, it's OK — but when the math won't compute the way they want it, then it's bad and discriminatory against them in some way or the other.

Bottom line is that if you run to win, you also run to lose. I guess the shock of having a Republican majority in the Val Verde County Courthouse was just more than some folks who had always been in power could stand!

Friday's contract signing between Signal Homes and Moore Development helps put the community's chapter with Herb Wright another page distant.

The fact that the problems that surfaced during Thursday's meeting could be overcome is encouraging and moves us that much closer to putting more people to work in Big Spring.

Personally, I'll figure Wright Fibers is gone when that first mobile home rolls off the assembly line.

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



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State Capital HIGHLIGHTS

by Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling
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Gov. Bob Bullock said the state Legislature, which convened Jan. 14, may change the law that requires wealthy school districts to share their tax revenue with poor districts.

Bullock said that because Gov. George W. Bush is urging legislators to reform the school property tax system it would be appropriate to address the 1993 "Robin Hood" school finance law.

"It has always offended me somewhat to take money away from a wealthier district and give it to a poor district because I have always felt it was really the obligation of the state to bring the (education) system up instead of leveling it out," he was quoted by the Houston Chronicle.

About 100 of the state's 1,000 school districts have to share their local revenue. Bullock had said it would be hard to lower school taxes without opening the debate on how education dollars are spent and thus endanger the school financed system's delicate balance.

But last week, in a meeting with reporters, he said the system may be repealed because a number of senators and House members have been extremely critical of the school finance system we have today, specifically Robin Hood, and this will be their opportunity.

Bullock, a Democrat who presides over the Senate, said that if the new (16-14) Republican majority in the Senate wants to change the systems "they're going to have the opportunity to do it with no roadblock, certainly from me."

Senate rules require a two-thirds vote to pass legislation.

The Texas Lottery Commission last week fired Sara Linares, who has been director of the Texas Lottery since its founding in 1991.

The commission voted 3-0 to dismiss Linares, without stating an official reason, after an ethics investigation revealed that her close friend, Mike Moeller, earned \$30,000 in 1992-93 from a contract with GTECH Corp., the company that runs the lottery.

Moeller is serving a federal prison sentence on bribery allegations that accused him of trading state and federal contracts for campaign contributions while he was a deputy commissioner of the Texas Department of Agriculture.

Last spring the lottery commission voted to renew

GTECH's contract to run the lottery for five years without taking bids.

After the vote, Linares said, "I've done nothing that justifies the actions taken by the commission today. When the dust settles and the air is cleared and everything comes out in the open, I will be cleared."

Linares' lawyer, Buck Wood, said there is no evidence that Linares ever gave GTECH any favorable treatment or benefits because of Moeller's contract.

Wood also accused Texas Lottery Commission Chairwoman Harriet Miers, a Republican, of stirring up the ethics controversy to get rid of Linares, a Democratic activist, the Chronicle reported.

The commission named

Zoann Attwood, the lottery's deputy director since 1992, to serve as interim acting director. Attwood is former director of the Montana Lottery.

Two vacancies in the Texas Legislature will be filled by special elections to be held Jan. 28, two weeks after the 75th Texas Legislature convenes.

One vacancy was created when state Sen. Jim Turner, D-Crockett, was elected to Congress. The second vacancy resulted when state Rep. Steve Ogden, R-Bryan, notified Gov. Bush he was resigning from office to run for the seat vacated by Turner.

Also running for seat Turner had held since 1991 is Democrat Mary Moore of Bryan, a certified public

accountant and the daughter-in-law of former state Sen. Bill Moore, D-Bryan.

OTHER CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

Attorney General Dan Morales advised several hundred state employees who work in two state office buildings to take a day off while bomb-sniffing dogs, state troopers and other investigators combed the buildings for explosives.

Morales' office received a threat apparently connected with his dispute with the so-called "Republic of Texas," an anti-government group.

Gov. Bush appointed John Hill, former chief justice of the Texas Supreme Court, to the three member Texas Lottery Commission on Jan. 3. Hill, who formerly served as Texas

attorney general, joined Lottery Commission Chairwoman Miers and commissioner Anthony Sadberry on Jan. 7 in voting to fire Linares.

The three-member Texas Railroad Commission elected Commissioner Charles Matthews as chairman on a 3-0 vote. Matthews, a former mayor of Garland, was elected to the commission in 1994. As chairman, he succeeds Carol Keeton Rylander, who remains a commissioner. Rylander and Matthews, as well as Commissioner Barry Williamson, are Republicans. The TRC regulates the state's oil and gas production industry.

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Woman rescued in Dakotas blizzard after cell phone tracked by pilot in search aircraft

SIoux FALLS, S.D. (AP) — A pilot flying overhead helped rescuers find a woman who was stuck in a pickup for nearly 40 hours during a blizzard with wind-chill temperatures as low as 70 degrees below zero.

Karen Nelson talked to the pilot on her cellular phone, guiding him to her location by telling him whenever she could hear his plane.

Rescuers on the ground finally reached the 51-year-old woman late Friday.

"She's in good spirits and is warm, but is tired and cold," said Max Tite, general manager of a Watertown cellular phone company that helped locate her.

Nelson slid off the road into a ditch Thursday morning near

Webster, in the northwest corner of the state.

Rescuers arrived by snowmobile, wrapped her in a heavy blanket, put her on a sled and took her to an ambulance. A nurse at Lake Area Hospital said Nelson was in stable condition early today.

Nelson had a sleeping bag, coats and a blanket but had been without heat since 4 p.m. Thursday.

The storm, expected to last through the weekend, has shut down almost the entire interstate highway system in South Dakota. Authorities recommend no travel.

Nelson had called police with her cellular phone after she got stuck trying to get home to

Webster from her job in Roslyn, 12 miles away.

Police were in contact with Nelson every half hour Thursday night. But she was told to restrict her phone use Friday to preserve the battery.

At one point Friday, officials thought her car battery, which was running the phone, had gone dead after they temporarily lost the signal. But Tite said the battery was still functioning and contact was re-established.

Law enforcement officials and volunteers formed a convoy that included snowmobiles, plows and an ambulance to try to get to the spot where they believed Nelson was stranded.

Sheriff Doug Nelson, who is not related to the woman, said

the situation should make it clear that traveling anywhere in extreme weather is simply a bad idea.

"When we say no travel advised, this is the reason. What the family is going through, what the searchers are going through, what the victim is going through. I just can't believe that anything is that important that you can't heed that warning," he said.

There have been several reports of missing people throughout the state.

One person has died because of the storm. An unidentified Wapala woman died Thursday after her pickup was found stuck in snow drifts on the Standing Rock Reservation.

Israelis, Palestinians reach accord

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Israel and Palestinian negotiators are essentially in agreement on a troop withdrawal from Hebron, but are still arguing over the specifics of a larger pullback from the rest of the West Bank, U.S. envoy Dennis Ross said Saturday.

"We're working with the two sides to see if we can find and develop a kind of common ground to come to a conclusion," Ross said.

Ross met with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak Saturday after the president held private talks with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat. Arafat left Al-Fithadiya Palace and the country without speaking to reporters.

Chief Palestinian negotiator Saeb Erakat said the Egyptian role "is indispensable to the peace process."

U.S.-brokered peace talks between Israel and the Palestinians remain deadlocked over a timetable for a three-phase Israeli troop withdrawal from West Bank rural areas. The withdrawal was to have begun last fall.

Israel had insisted on tighter

security arrangements for the 400 Jewish settlers who live among more than 180,000 Palestinians in the town.

"Basically, we've resolved the Hebron issues. We are working with the non-Hebron issues," Ross said after the hourlong meeting with Mubarak. "We've achieved a great deal of progress, but we haven't overcome all the differences."

Ross did not meet Arafat in Cairo, but he did meet with Erakat and Marwan Kanafani, a top Arafat aide.

Ross did not appear happy after the session at the Egyptian Foreign Ministry and told reporters: "I am not going to go into specifics. We are still discussing the non-Hebron issues."

He then left the ministry. Egyptian officials said they believed Ross planned to consult with Israeli negotiators by telephone and then return to the ministry.

Egypt, which in 1978 became the first Arab nation to sign a peace treaty with the Jewish state, has been a key mediator.

People who are in need can get help on the internet

DEAR ABBY: It seems everyone is aware there is a dark side to the Internet, but I would like to let you know about another side of it.

There are many ongoing charity projects on the Internet, like the Linus Project and the ABC Quilts, which provide quilts for children with AIDS.



Abigail Van Buren
Columnist

After the Oklahoma City bombing and again after the recent California fires, the chat rooms and newsgroups were full of people offering various kinds of help. Quilts were made honoring the children who died in Oklahoma, and supplies were shipped to Californians who lost their homes.

A man called Magic Mike who has access to scraps from a fabric factory now sends those scraps to quilters across the country who craft for charities, for the price of the postage. He is not only reducing the size of landfills (where the scraps would otherwise go), but he is also providing very low-cost supplies to charities

that need them.

There are whole communities of people on the Internet who have never met face-to-face or spoken on the telephone, but are ready, willing and able to act whenever a call for help is transmitted.

The Internet has more caring people than it has the bad seeds we read about in the paper. It's time to turn the spotlight away from the few who are giving it a bad name and shine it on those who are quietly making this a better world through their use of this Information Age tool. — LESA FARMER, KANSAS CITY, KAN.

DEAR LESA: Your letter is very timely, and I am pleased

to help highlight the good side of the Internet.

The Internet provides millions of people with access to the information superhighway, an electronic assortment of resources, information and communication. Today's computers make navigating the Internet so easy that almost anyone can do it, and the cost is becoming more reasonable every day.

People communicate with one another through newsgroups, mailing lists, e-mail and chat areas, where they can ask for and receive information, share experiences, and access worldwide resources on virtually any topic.

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The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) If you have to work, you'll breeze through it. Maintain a high profile. Make meetings happen. Your insight is highly desired. Others seek you out for your perspective, including a boss. It is OK to offer an opinion. Tonight: Do something relaxing, yet fun. ****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Imagination is triggered by a movie, book or news. Let your mind drift. You come up with several ideas worth their weight in gold. Find a loved one, and make plans. The good parts of life need to dominate. Tonight: Go where there is mischief! *****

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Family matters take precedence. You are on the verge of making a major purchase or investment. Get feedback from

a money expert before you take the grand leap. You might need to obtain a loan, to afford this item. Tonight: Invite friends for an impromptu pizza. ****

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Others are delighted to hear from you. A co-worker touches base, full of happiness, wanting to share. This exchange fosters more goodwill than you have felt in a while. Make appointments, catch up on news. Tonight: Go out to a favorite spot. ****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You feel like indulging a child or loved one. That looks like the perfect thing to do. Your playful side emerges dealing with this person. Still, you need to handle certain business and financial matters. Your energy is required at work. Tonight: Balance your checkbook. ****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You draw others, and they seem to be in the mood to tell all. Maintain a sense of humor as you take it all in. Your ingenuity comes out with others, work and whatever you touch in the coming year. Be direct and imaginative in communications. Tonight: Fun is at home! *****

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Much is going on behind the scenes. Establish stronger ground rules with others, or they could take advantage of you. Intuition may be more right on than you care to admit. A family member gives you key feedback. Listen. Tonight: Hold an important discussion. ***

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Emphasize making what you want happen and sharing news. You are heard clearly. There is reason for celebration. Trust gut feelings. Honor an attitude

shift or change in mood from a friend. You might need to cut back on spending. Tonight: Go where the gang is. *****

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Accept the limelight. Others come to you for advice, and are drawn by your general demeanor. You could be sidetracked if you are not careful. First, take care of business, then make time for fun. Efficiency counts. If you want playtime! Tonight: Make a "must" appearance. ****

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Reach for another who is at a distance. Seek out information. You have a special secret, but you choose to keep it to yourself. Make travel plans, even if only for a few days off. You need a change of pace. Tonight: Be experimental. *****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) One-to-one relating is important for financial decisions. You need to clear your mind. Express strong feelings in a manner another can hear. A friend tries to encourage you off the beaten path. Make it OK

to change your approach. Tonight: It's time for a get-together. *****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Defer to another, and provide input. You find a boss in a positive, ebullient mood. Emphasize friendship, long-term goals and fulfillment in life. Ascertain whether or not you are on the right track. Then, make adjustments accordingly. Tonight: Accept an invitation! *****

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"But give (Western) credit," he added. "They gave us a lot of different looks on defense, and we had to make some adjustments in the second half. Defensively, we got some points off turnovers, but we didn't perform as we're capable."

Howard returns to action Monday evening at Hobbs, N.M. against New Mexico Junior College. Game time is 6:50 p.m. for the women and 8:50 p.m. for the men.

WJCAC Women's Standings

| Team | League | Season |
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| Howard | 4 2 | 14 3 |
| Oklahoma | 2 3 | 3 14 |
| NMJC | 1 2 | 4 10 |
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Disputed shot call clouds Forsan victory

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

FORSAN — Did he or didn't he? Did Eldorado's Zane Bruce make a short jumper with 17 seconds left in the Eagles' game with Forsan, or didn't he?

That was the main topic of discussion in the wake of the Buffaloes' 63-56 victory over Eldorado Friday night. While it is debatable whether Bruce's basket would have affected the outcome, the controversy over the shot did cast a bit of a cloud on Forsan's victory.

Eldorado, which had trailed Forsan by as many as 12 points in the fourth quarter, closed to within 59-54 when Bruce drove the baseline and collided with a Forsan player with 17 seconds remaining.

That a foul occurred was not in question. Whether Bruce had sank a shot while being fouled was.

While some observers said Bruce did indeed make a shot, neither of the two referees or the scorekeeper or timekeeper saw the basket. Therefore, no score was recorded. Instead, Bruce was awarded two foul shots, both of which he made to cut Forsan's lead to three points.

Any controversy surrounding the mystery basket was soon quenched, as Forsan's Daniel Davis canned a jumper and Robert Hillger added a pair of free throws down the stretch to ice the game.

That late run bolstered Forsan coach Terry McDonald's argument that the non-shot wasn't much of a factor.

Parcells the mentor faces Coughlin the pupil today in Foxboro

FOXBORO, Mass. (AP) — When he looks across the field to the other sideline Sunday, Bill Parcells will feel proud. He'll also feel uncomfortable.

The man performing the same chores on the other side of Foxboro Stadium in the AFC Championship game will be Tom Coughlin, a longtime friend and a former assistant coach under Parcells. That's great — and terrible.

"I don't enjoy it. It's not pleasant for either of us," Parcells said of facing Coughlin

when the New England Patriots play the Jacksonville Jaguars for the right to represent the conference in the Super Bowl.

"But that's the way the business is."

"He is one of my favorite guys I ever coached with. It's simple, really: I like him. Of all the things that are very important in a coach, he is all of those things. And he is not

afraid. That is the main thing. He's got conviction."

Parcells remembers how Coughlin was characterized as being dictatorial and a rigid taskmaster in the Jaguars' first year.

"Now I don't hear much of that," he said. "I think the results speak for themselves. He's his own guy. He has done this on his own."

What Coughlin has done is simply amazing. Given virtually complete authority on personnel decisions, he's built a title contender in two years. He took an expansion team to four wins in its debut season — even if that was overshadowed by Carolina's seven victories in its first year. And he's guided the Jaguars from a 4-7 record to the playoffs, and then to stunning road wins at Buffalo and Denver.

Coughlin left the Giants to become head coach at Boston College just after New York won the 1991 Super Bowl. Parcells left a few months later and spent two years in broad-

casting.

Coughlin was enticed back to the NFL by Jaguars owner Wayne Weaver's offer to let him have free rein. So far, Coughlin and his boss are pleased with the result.

"It's a melting-pot process," Coughlin said. "People come together and formulate a team. In some cases, it's slower than others."

"We felt we had the right individuals. We had to be

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Forsan's Josh Gaston (32) scores a basket during the Buffaloes' 63-56 victory over Eldorado Friday in Forsan.

An 'oh no' kind of year for Cowboys

IRVING — It was New Year's eve morning when the telephone call came from day desk supervisor Sylvia Wingfield.

Sylvia and I have worked together for more than two decades in the Dallas Associated Press bureau and I could tell by the tone of her voice she wasn't on the phone with holiday greetings.

"There's a report two Dallas Cowboys have been accused of rape..."

"Oh, no," I said.

"Oh, yes," she replied.

I was on my way to Valley Ranch, again, for another chapter in the craziest, wildest, hardest season of my 30 covering the Cowboys.

This season wasn't a lot of fun. For example, on New Year's day instead of covering the Cotton Bowl, I was at Valley Ranch writing stories about Michael Irvin and Erik Williams and interviewing lawyers and trying to track down agents. These were just accusations against the two Cowboys, not charges, but some news outlets were running it ahead of the Peruvian hostage crisis.

The saga ended Friday with police saying the accusations against Irvin and Williams were false. A police spokesman said the 23-year-old woman could be charged with filing a false report, which is a misdemeanor.

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Denne Freeman
AP Columnist

Packers must beat both Carolina and pressure to make Super Bowl

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) — A burdensome history against no history at all.

That's what makes Sunday's NFC title game between the Green Bay Packers and Carolina Panthers so intriguing.

History is the Packers, a team with superstars like Brett Favre and Reggie White trying to live up to the legend of Vince Lombardi and his champions of 30 years ago. Its biggest burden might be its long-ago success.

No history at all is the Panthers, a team that didn't exist two years ago. In their second season, they beat San Francisco twice to win the NFC West, then beat defending champion Dallas last week, humbling the mightiest the

words from the team's vocabulary.

Now, a game away from New Orleans, Holmgren has given up trying to stop such talk.

"Two more games," said White, a perennial All-Pro without a Super Bowl ring, "and we can take the rest of our lives off."

Everything seems to point that way.

Green Bay enters this game with a 17-game winning streak at Lambeau Field, where temperatures are expected to be near zero at game time Sunday. Carolina was only 4-4 on the road, and in its two years has played at no colder a place than Washington, where temperatures were in the high 20s and low 30s in the final game last

season.

If the Packers win, they'll go to New Orleans as a solid favorite to become the 18th straight NFC team to win the Super Bowl. That's because Denver, the team that seemed its equal during the regular season, was upset by Jacksonville, the other 1995 expansion team, last Saturday in the AFC playoffs.

That's enough incentive for anyone.

"This one," said Favre, who won his second consecutive NFL MVP award this season, "is for Reggie and Sean Jones and Eugene Robinson, all those guys who have played so well and so long and never been to a Super Bowl."

But for White, Jones and

Robinson to get there, the Packers will have to beat no ordinary expansion team. Like its AFC counterpart from Jacksonville, Carolina has done what no second-year team has done before by advancing to a conference championship.

The Panthers have six defensive starters over age 31, 12 players who have been to Super Bowls and six who have Super Bowl rings. Only two Packers have been to the title game: wide receiver Don Beebe, who was in four Super Bowls with Buffalo, and backup quarterback Jim McMahon, the starter on the Bears' 1986 Super Bowl champions.

The Panthers are led by Sam Mills, an all-Pro linebacker who was 0-4 in playoff games

until last week.

"Sam? He's 40 years old and still playing great," said White, adding three years to the 5-foot-9 Mills' actual age.

Mills and the defense, one of the NFL's few remaining 3-4 schemes, led the NFL in sacks this season with 60. Kevin Greene, who played with Pittsburgh in last year's Super Bowl, had 14 to lead the league and Lamar Lathon, the other outside linebacker, had 13.

That allows the Panthers to play a low-risk offense, led by Kerry Collins, their first-ever No. 1 draft pick.

"He's not your average second-year quarterback," said Collins' backup, Steve Buerlein.

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"In the first half, we didn't come out with the necessary intensity, and it showed in our defense — (WTC) shot over 51 percent from the floor in the first half," Corkery said. "In the second half, we needed to improve on our defense and our intensity."

"But give (Western) credit," he added. "They gave us a lot of different looks on defense, and we had to make some adjustments in the second half. Defensively, we got some points off turnovers, but we didn't perform as we're capable."

Howard returns to action Monday evening at Hobbs, N.M. against New Mexico Junior College. Game time is 6:50 p.m. for the women and 8:50 p.m. for the men.

WJCAC Women's Standings

| Team | League | W | L | Season | W | L |
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| Midland | 5 | 0 | 11 | 2 | | |
| SPC | 3 | 1 | 14 | 1 | | |
| Howard | 4 | 2 | 14 | 3 | | |
| Odessa | 2 | 3 | 3 | 14 | | |
| NMAC | 1 | 2 | 4 | 10 | | |
| WTC | 1 | 4 | 4 | 10 | | |
| FPC | 0 | 4 | 2 | 13 | | |

Disputed shot call clouds Forsan victory

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

FORSAN — Did he or didn't he?

Did Eldorado's Zane Bruce make a short jumper with 17 seconds left in the Eagles' game with Forsan, or didn't he?

That was the main topic of discussion in the wake of the Buffaloes' 63-56 victory over Eldorado Friday night. While it is debatable whether Bruce's basket would have affected the outcome, the controversy over the shot did cast a bit of a cloud on Forsan's victory.

Eldorado, which had trailed Forsan by as many as 12 points in the fourth quarter, closed to within 59-54 when Bruce drove the baseline and collided with a Forsan player with 17 seconds remaining.

That a foul occurred was not in question. Whether Bruce had sank a shot while being fouled was.

While some observers said Bruce did indeed make a shot, neither of the two referees or the scorekeeper or timekeeper saw the basket. Therefore, no score was recorded. Instead, Bruce was awarded two foul shots, both of which he made to cut Forsan's lead to three points.

Any controversy surrounding the mystery basket was soon quenched, as Forsan's Daniel Davis canned a jumper and Robert Hillger added a pair of free throws down the stretch to ice the game.

That late run bolstered Forsan coach Terry McDonald's argument that the

non-shot wasn't much of a factor.

"(Eldorado) got hot and hit some big baskets down the stretch," McDonald said. "But I thought our kids did a good job responding to the run. They never looked rattled. I knew if we could just hit a shot or two, we'd be OK."

Josh Gaston scored 16 points to lead Forsan, while Hillger and Steve Osburn added 15 and 13 points, respectively, for the Buffs, who improved to 16-6 overall and 2-1 in District 8-2A.

Eldorado, which fell to 2-15 and 1-2, was led by Bruce's 21 points.

Although Eldorado held a 14-11 lead at the end of the first quarter, Forsan controlled most of the game's action. The Buffs regained the lead in the second quarter, then pushed their advantage to five points at the half and nine points at the end of three quarters before taking a 55-43 lead on a Hillger jumper with 5:15 remaining.

But Eldorado went into a press on defense, which fueled an 11-4 lead down the stretch, setting the stage for Bruce's controversial shot.

Girls' game

The Forsan Queens remained winless in District 8-2A action by dropping a 58-33 decision to the Eldorado Lady Eagles Friday night.

Forsan scored the first five points of the game, but Eldorado rallied to take a 15-8 lead after one quarter, and was never threatened after that.

Nicole Johnson scored seven points to lead Forsan, which plays at Roscoe Tuesday.



Forsan's Josh Gaston (32) scores a basket during the Buffaloes' 63-56 victory over Eldorado Friday in Forsan.

An 'oh no' kind of year for Cowboys

IRVING — It was New Year's eve morning when the telephone call came from day desk supervisor Sylvia Wingfield.

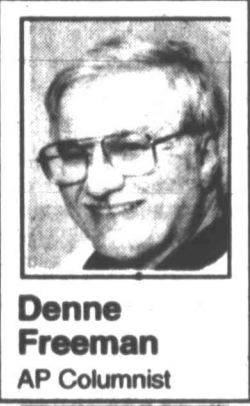
Sylvia and I have worked together for more than two decades in the Dallas Associated Press bureau and I could tell by the tone of her voice she wasn't on the phone with holiday greetings.

"There's a report two Dallas Cowboys have been accused of rape. ... 'Oh, no,' I said. 'Oh, yes,' she replied. I was on my way to Valley Ranch, again, for another chapter in the craziest, wildest, hardest season of my 30 covering the Cowboys.

This season wasn't a lot of fun. For example, on New Year's day instead of covering the Cotton Bowl, I was at Valley Ranch writing stories about Michael Irvin and Erik Williams and interviewing lawyers and trying to track down agents. These were just accusations against the two Cowboys, not charges, but some news outlets were running it ahead of the Peruvian hostage crisis.

The saga ended Friday with police saying the accusations against Irvin and Williams were false. A police spokesman said the 23-year-old woman could be charged with filing a false report, which is a misdemeanor.

The worst job in America? Try being the Cowboys Rich Dalrymple for just a day. The



Denne Freeman
AP Columnist

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Parcells the mentor faces Coughlin the pupil today in Foxboro

FOXBORO, Mass. (AP) — When he looks across the field to the other sideline Sunday, Bill Parcells will feel proud. He'll also feel uncomfortable.

The man performing the same chores on the other side of Foxboro Stadium in the AFC Championship game will be Tom Coughlin, a longtime friend and a former assistant coach under Parcells. That's great — and terrible.

"I don't enjoy it. It's not pleasant for either of us," Parcells said of facing Coughlin

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when the New England Patriots play the Jacksonville Jaguars for the right to represent the conference in the Super Bowl. "But that's the way the business is."

"He is one of my favorite guys I ever coached with. It's simple, really: I like him. Of all the things that are very important in a coach, he is all of those things. And he is not

afraid. That is the main thing. He's got conviction."

Parcells remembers how Coughlin was characterized as being dictatorial and a rigid taskmaster in the Jaguars' first year.

"Now I don't hear much of that," he said. "I think the results speak for themselves. He's his own guy. He has done this on his own."

What Coughlin has done is simply amazing. Given virtually complete authority on personnel decisions, he's built a

title contender in two years. He took an expansion team to four wins in its debut season — even if that was overshadowed by Carolina's seven victories in its first year. And he's guided the Jaguars from a 4-7 record to the playoffs, and then to stunning road wins at Buffalo and Denver.

Coughlin left the Giants to become head coach at Boston College just after New York won the 1991 Super Bowl. Parcells left a few months later and spent two years in broad-

casting.

Coughlin was enticed back to the NFL by Jaguars owner Wayne Weaver's offer to let him have free rein. So far, Coughlin and his boss are pleased with the result.

"It's a melting-pot process," Coughlin said. "People come together and formulate a team. In some cases, it's slower than others."

"We felt we had the right individuals. We had to be

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Packers must beat both Carolina and pressure to make Super Bowl

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) — A burdensome history against no history at all.

That's what makes Sunday's NFC title game between the Green Bay Packers and Carolina Panthers so intriguing.

History is the Packers, a team with superstars like Brett Favre and Reggie White trying to live up to the legend of Vince Lombardi and his champions of 30 years ago. Its biggest burden might be its long-ago success.

No history at all is the Panthers, a team that didn't exist two years ago. In their second season, they beat San Francisco twice to win the NFC West, then beat defending champion Dallas last week, humbling the mightiest the

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NFL has had to offer this decade.

"People keep saying we're only playing an expansion team," Green Bay defensive end Sean Jones said.

"They beat San Francisco. They beat Dallas. They had the second best record in the NFC. As far as I'm concerned, they're a very good team, however old they are."

The Packers are the NFC's best team, 13-3 during the regular season to 12-4 for Carolina.

Picked by many during the preseason to win the Super Bowl, they came to camp with hopes so high that coach Mike Holmgren had to ban those two

words from the team's vocabulary.

Now, a game away from New Orleans, Holmgren has given up trying to stop such talk.

"Two more games," said White, a perennial All-Pro without a Super Bowl ring, "and we can take the rest of our lives off."

Everything seems to point that way.

Green Bay enters this game with a 17-game winning streak at Lambeau Field, where temperatures are expected to be near zero at game time Sunday. Carolina was only 4-4 on the road, and in its two years has played at no colder a place than Washington, where temperatures were in the high 20s and low 30s in the final game last

season.

If the Packers win, they'll go to New Orleans as the solid favorite to become the 13th straight NFC team to win the Super Bowl. That's because Denver, the team that seemed its equal during the regular season, was upset by Jacksonville, the other 1995 expansion team, last Saturday in the AFC playoffs.

That's enough incentive for anyone.

"This one," said Favre, who won his second consecutive NFL MVP award this season, "is for Reggie and Sean Jones and Eugene Robinson, all those guys who have played so well and so long and never been to a Super Bowl."

But for White, Jones and

Robinson to get there, the Packers will have to beat no ordinary expansion team. Like its AFC counterpart from Jacksonville, Carolina has done what no second-year team has done before by advancing to a conference championship.

The Panthers have six defensive starters over age 31, 12 players who have been to Super Bowls and six who have Super Bowl rings. Only two Packers have been to the title game: wide receiver Don Beebe, who was in four Super Bowls with Buffalo, and backup quarterback Jim McMahon, the starter on the Bears' 1986 Super Bowl champions.

The Panthers are led by Sam Mills, an all-Pro linebacker who was 0-4 in playoff games

until last week.

"Sam? He's 40 years old and still playing great," said White, adding three years to the 5-foot-9 Mills' actual age.

Mills and the defense, one of the NFL's few remaining 3-4 schemes, led the NFL in sacks this season with 60. Kevin Greene, who played with Pittsburgh in last year's Super Bowl, had 14 to lead the league and Lamar Lathon, the other outside linebacker, had 13.

That allows the Panthers to play a low-risk offense, led by Kerry Collins, their first-ever No. 1 draft pick.

"He's not your average second-year quarterback," said Collins' backup, Steve Buerlein.

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GUYS & DOLLS

RESULTS - Big Spring State Park over A Bye, 8-0; Lucky's Brooms over Headhunters Beauty Salon, 6-2; Jim's Again over Hester's Mechanical, 6-2; Federal Oil tied Fifth Wheels, 4-4; hi sc. game and series (man) Jim Reese, 209 and Merlin Purnea, 534; hi sc. game and series (woman) Yvina Campbell, 184 and 527; hi hdp game and series (woman) Nancy Wolcott, 239 and 676; hi sc. team game and series, Head Hunters Beauty Salon, 658 and 1876; hi hdp team game and series, Jim's Again, 832 and Big Spring State Park, 2406.

STANDINGS

Team 4, 5-3; Team 10, 0-0; Team 2, 4-4; Team 6, 6-2; Team 8, 0-8; Team 3, 3-5; Team 9, 8-0; Team 1, 4-4; Team 5, 2-6; Team 7, 8-0; hi sc. team game and series, Total Impact, 461 and 1422; hi hdp team game and series, KC JRS, 618 and 1717; hsc. game and series (Div. 1), Dustin Morgan, 189 and Michael Rowden, 725; hi sc. game and series (Div. 2), Natasha Brink, 181 and 474; hi hdp game and series (Div. 1), Jerry Baeza, 247 and 616; hi hdp game and series (Div. 2), Tracy Fann, 232 and 632; most over average (game and series) (Div. 1), Jerry Baeza, 75 and 100; (Div. 2), Tracy Fann, 58 and 110.

STRIKERS

RESULTS - Hot Girls, 4-4; Predators, 4-4; Comedy Team, 2-6; Hot Stuff, 2-6; Mighty Ducks, 6-2; Three Stoges, 2-6; hi sc. team game and series, Hot Girls, 378 and 941; hi hdp team game and series, Hot Girls, 498 and 1401; hi sc. game and series (Div. 1), Natasha Mitchell, 135 and 331; (Div. 2), Stephen Ewing, 123 and 320; hi hdp game and series (Div. 1), Jenaeane Richard, 180 and 453; (Div. 2), Justin Rau, 203 and 516; most over average (game and series), (Div. 1) Jenaeane Richard (game), 36; Melissa Daniels (series), 35; (Div. 2), Justin Rau, 63 and 96.

LADIES MAJOR BOWLING

RESULTS - Mitchell Co. F.C.U., 6-2; Gene's Dream, 2-6; Here Comes Trouble, 2-6; Adventures By Gail, 6-2; Tank Saffy Gauge & Inc., 6-2; Northwest Bank Team, 2-6; Day & Day Builders, 0-8; Barber Glass & Mirror, 8-0; Rocky's 4-4; Toy's 4-4; Green House Photography, 2-6; Pin Blasters, 6-2; Unnamed Points, 0-6; 4 Amigos, 8-0; Max-L Tires, 4-4; Rank-N-Senders, 4-4; Just Us "4", 4-4; Big Spring Music, 4-4; Federal Oil, 6-2; Cline Construction, 4-4; Campbell Cement Construction, 4-4; Neighbors Auto Sales, 2-6; K.C. Kids, 6-2; hi sc. team game and series, Big Spring Music, 778 and 2288; hi hdp team game and series, Federal Oil, 969 and Big Spring Music, 2782; hi sc. game and series, Joyce Davis, 280 and 761; hi hdp game and series, Joyce Davis, 302 and 827.

STANDINGS

Team 10, 9-0; Team 9, 8-0; Team 8, 7-1; Team 7, 6-2; Team 6, 5-3; Team 5, 4-4; Team 4, 3-5; Team 3, 2-6; Team 2, 1-7; Team 1, 0-8; hi sc. team game and series, Team 10, 943 and 2733; hi hdp team game and series, Team 10, 943 and 2733.

DOUBLE TROUBLE

RESULTS - Don's Truck & Tire over Arrows Refrigeration, 8-0; Carlos over Bob's Custom Woodwork, 8-0; J's Body Shop over Cellular One, 6-2; Fina tied 4 R's, 4-4; hi sc. game and series (man) John Jackson, 268 and 652; hi hdp game and series (man) John Jackson, 278 and 676; hi sc. team game, J's Body Shop, 744 and Carlos, 2118; hi sc. game and series (woman) Evelyn Williams, 192 and 528; hi hdp game and series (woman) Mary Ann Rocha, 242 and Melissa Phillips, 638; hi hdp team game and series, J's Body Shop, 863 and Don's Truck & Tire, 2461.

STANDINGS

Team 10, 9-0; Team 9, 8-0; Team 8, 7-1; Team 7, 6-2; Team 6, 5-3; Team 5, 4-4; Team 4, 3-5; Team 3, 2-6; Team 2, 1-7; Team 1, 0-8; hi sc. team game and series, Team 10, 943 and 2733; hi hdp team game and series, Team 10, 943 and 2733.

279 and 661; hi hdp game and series (man) Cory Elliott, 269 and 656; hi sc. team game and series, Don's Truck & Tire, 755; hi sc. team game, Fina, 2242; hi sc. game and series, Irons, Calvo, 182 and Evelyn Williams, 498; hi hdp game and series, Irons, Calvo, 214 and Laura Rawls, 597; hi hdp team game and series, Don's Truck & Tire, 501 and Cellular One, 2498.

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LADIES MAJOR BOWLING

RESULTS - Pin Blasters, 6-2; Pack-N-Senders, 2-6; Big Spring Music, 6-2; Tank Saffy Gauge & Inc., 2-6; Adventures By Gail, 1-7; Campbell Cement Construction, 7-1; Barber Glass & Mirror, 8-0; Amigos, 0-8; Gene's Dream, 4-4; Mitchell Co. F.C.U., 4-4; K.C. Kids, 2-6; Max-L Tires, 6-2; Federal Oil, 6-2; Toy's, 6-2; Rocky's, 2-6; Just Us "4", 6-2; Green House Photography, 0-0; Neighbors Auto Sales, 9-0; Cline Construction, 6-2; Here Comes Trouble, 2-6; Nonwest Bank Team, 6-2; E.P. Driver Insurance, 8-0; Unnamed Points, 0-8; hi sc. team game and series, Pin Blasters, 788 and Big Spring Music, 2288; hi hdp team game and series, Pin Blasters, 975 and Big Spring Music, 2792; hi sc. game and series, Joyce Davis, 280 and 761; hi hdp game and series, Paige Griffin, 308 and Joyce Davis, 827.

MEN'S CAPROCK

RESULTS - W.G.A.S. over Team #14, 8-0; Bud Light over Team 10, 6-2; Patterson over Rowden Const., 6-2; Tough As Nails over Just Piddlin, 6-2; Nasty Boys over Willes Boys, 8-0; Bates Spirey Inc. over Burgess Auto, 8-0; Chili Peppers over Team #11, 8-0; hi sc. game and series, Chris Jones, 279 and Chuck Carr, 753; hi hdp game and series, Chris Jones, 289 and Chuck Carr, 753; hi sc. team game and series, Burgess Auto, 980 and Team 10, 2413; hi hdp team game and series, Burgess Auto, 910 and Patterson Const., 2567.

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STANDINGS

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VA COUPLES

RESULTS - Team Eight over Team Three, 8-0; Team Ten over Team Two, 6-2; Team Five over Team Nine, 6-2; Team Two over Team Twelve, 8-0; Team Seven over Team Four, 8-0; hi sc. team game and series, Team Eight, 736 and 2020; hi sc. game and series (man) Abe Yanez, 259 and 678; hi sc. game and series (woman) Leslie Johns, 185 and Patti Hill, 532; hi hdp team game and series, Team Eight, 882 and 2488; hi hdp game and series (man) Abe Yanez, 278 and 730; hi hdp game and series (woman) Samantha Horton, 228 and 624.

STANDINGS

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BASKETBALL

College scores

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Army 76, Holy Cross 63
Bucknell 75, Loyola, Ill. 48
Colgate 64, Navy 60
Fairfield 66, Conn. Connecticut St.
64 George Washington 60, Duquesne
65 James Madison 81, American U.
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SOUTH

Appalachian St. 81, W. Carolina 76
Auburn 79, Florida 58
Clemson 76, Florida St. 70
Florida A&M 83, Md.-E. Shore 70,
OT
Louisville 90, Georgia Tech 56
Middle Tenn. 80, Tennessee Tech
72 Mississippi 73, Kentucky 69
SW Texas St. 65, NW Louisiana
58 South Carolina 73, Mississippi St.
65 Syracuse 70, Alabama 66
W.-Chattanooga 81, Vill 76
Va. Commonwealth 75, N.C.-
Wilmington 53

MIDWEST

Bradley 64, Evansville 50
Butler 89, Loyola, Ill. 48
DePaul 64, South Florida 54
E. Illinois 86, Monmouth 65
Iowa St. 82, Oklahoma 65
Minnesota 70, Michigan 64
N. Illinois 56, Wright St. 55
Nebraska 74, Texas A&M 72
Ohio U. 67, Akron 64
Purdue 78, Northwestern 53
Troy St. 72, Youngstown St. 63
Valparaiso 62, NE Illinois 60, OT

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Kansas 67, Baylor 66
Oklahoma St. 68, Missouri 67
Arizona 92, Arizona St. 84

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Miami 25 10 714 1/2
Washington 18 15 545 6 1/2
Orlando 12 18 400 11
New Jersey 9 22 200 14 1/2
Boston 8 24 250 16
Philadelphia 8 26 235 17
Central Division
Chicago 30 4 .882
Detroit 25 8 758 4 1/2
Cleveland 21 12 638 8 1/2
Atlanta 20 11 645 8 1/2
Charlotte 18 15 529 12
Milwaukee 17 17 500 13
Indiana 16 18 500 13
Toronto 11 22 333 18 1/2
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Utah 19 19 670 9 1/2
Minnesota 15 19 441 11 1/2
Dallas 11 20 355 14
San Antonio 9 24 273 17
Denver 6 25 265 17 1/2
Vancouver 7 28 200 20
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patient, stick with the guys and what we believed in. I wanted to build through the draft with selective free agents who we could build with. I never said there was a timetable. I wanted to be as good as we could as fast as we could." And they are, faster than anyone could have imagined. But Coughlin isn't about to forget his roots. How can he, with all his ties to Patriots, who has taken the Patriots from the bottom of the league to the AFC East crown? "Bill had a tremendous effect on me. He taught me how to win and put it all together. I am forever grateful," Coughlin said. "He's always been strong for me with help and guidance."

But does that give these two coaches extra insight into another's game strategy? Parcels doesn't think so.

The Patriots know they must stop the running of Natrone Means and the improvisation of quarterback Mark Brunell. The Jaguars must do the same with running back Curtis Martin and the Drew Bledsoe-Terry Glenn passing combination. Still, they aren't likely to stop trading compliments after the game. "I am proud of Tom and what he has done," Parcels said. "He's a terrific coach." "He's been there for me in good and bad," Coughlin said. "The friendship will go beyond this game."

Big Spring sweeps Andrews

Andrews. The Steers led by only 58-57 heading into the final quarter, but were able to outscore Andrews 27-19 to wrap up their first district win of the season in two tries. Big Spring is 8-12 overall. Big Spring's guard duo of John Smith and Justin Myers again were the major offensive weapons for the Steers, scoring 24 and 21 points, respectively. Chad Warren added 11 points and Greg Wollenzien 10 for Big Spring, which returns to action at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at home against Pecos.

HERALD Staff Report

ANDREWS - The Big Spring Lady Steers turned to two reliable old standbys to grab sole possession of first place in the District 4-4A girls' race. The Lady Steers, long known for their pressure defense and post-oriented offense, rode those two factors to a 50-42 victory over Andrews in a battle of league unbeaten Friday. While Big Spring's pressing defense was holding Andrews - which features a trio of six-footers in its lineup - at bay, post player Kim Robertson had her best game of the year, pouring in 18 points for the Lady Steers. "Kim had by far her best game of the year," BSHS coach Ron Taylor said. "And I was real pleased with our defense. Their post players really didn't hurt us all night, and we blocked out well." Kara Hughes was the other Big Spring player in double figures with 11 points. Andrews jumped out to a 13-10 lead after one quarter, but the Lady Steers regained the lead at halftime, and gradually put the game away in the second half, despite missing 10 free throws in the fourth quarter alone. "It was good to get a win over there," Taylor said. "We had way too many turnovers and missed free throws ... but overall, I thought we had a great effort." Big Spring also won the junior varsity girls' game by a 39-35 score. The Lady Steers (12-9 overall, 4-0 in district play) return to action Tuesday when they host Pecos at 6 p.m. in Steer Gym. Steers win The Big Spring Steers picked themselves up and put themselves right back into the District 4-4A race. Three days after being on the receiving end of a 31-point mugging at the hands of Sweetwater, the Steers rebounded to take an 85-76 victory over the Andrews Mustangs Friday night in

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From arrests to injuries, it was an unsettling year for Dallas

IRVING (AP) — It all started with the NFL bombshell ordering Michael Irvin to miss the first five games of the season because he was found in a hotel room with drugs.

It ended with Irvin standing on the sidelines in a gold suit and designer sunglasses with his arm in a sling as the defending Super Bowl champion Dallas Cowboys lost 26-17 to the Carolina Panthers. Irvin hurt his shoulder in the first quarter and the Dallas offense couldn't do without him.

At the end of the game, the Cowboys trudged to the locker room, seemingly numbed by a rough season that took its toll.

There was little anger shown. There were no excuses. The Cowboys accepted their fate like they knew it was inevitable at the end of one of the longest, hardest seasons in their history.

At least this crippled and psychologically shell-shocked team didn't have to go to Green Bay and face the possibility of getting ripped apart on the tundra of Lambeau Field by the revenge-seeking Packers.

The preseason started in an unsettled manner for the Cowboys, who were involved in money-making scrimmages and international exhibition games instead of getting down to the repetitions a team needs going

into the regular season.

Quarterback Troy Aikman often referred to the preseason as "unfortunate."

He needed more time to get on the same page with his receivers, particularly since Irvin was going to miss the early part of the season and tight end Jay Novacek was out with a bad back.

The Dallas passing game was a hit-and-miss affair even when Irvin came back after a 2-3 start. Tight end Eric Bjornson was injured most of the time and Aikman couldn't get into a pattern. Running back Emmitt Smith, injured in the season opener against Chicago when he fell on his head, struggled in the offense.

The defense, although it only had four starters (Tony Tolbert, Darrin Smith, Darren Woodson and Deion Sanders) available in the playoffs back from the 27-17 Super Bowl win over Pittsburgh, held the team together.

Dave Campo's defense was rated No. 1 the entire season until the last game of the year against Washington when players were rested for the first game of the playoffs.

Dallas won the NFC East for the fifth consecutive season, then whipped Minnesota 40-15 in the wild-card playoff game which was the Cowboys best

offensive performance of the season.

It said a lot for the Cowboys they could win without their best receivers, Irvin and Novacek, and their best defenders, Charles Haley with a back problem, and Leon Lett, who missed the last three games of the regular season and the playoffs when he ran afoul of the NFL's substance abuse testing.

Defense and placekicker Chris Boniol carried the team. Boniol kicked seven field goals in one game to beat Green Bay and four in another to beat New England. Dallas couldn't score a touchdown in either game.

It also should be remembered Boniol kicked the game-winning field goal in overtime to beat San Francisco.

The story of the season for Dallas was the team couldn't score touchdowns and had to settle for field goals. It was the main reason the Cowboys fell two games short of winning a record fourth Super Bowl in five seasons.

"The playoff game against Carolina was the same old story for the season," Switzer said. "We were inside their 20 four times and scored one touchdown. We have to find a way to get that corrected for next season."

HIGHS AND LOWS

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The highs and lows of the Dallas Cowboys 1996 season in which they fell three wins short of earning their fourth Super Bowl in five years.

THE LOWS:

—A miserable training camp in which the Cowboys played in two countries and scrimmaged in five different cities. Quarterback Troy Aikman said not having the training camp regime hurt during the regular season.

—Michael Irvin missing the first five games of the season on NFL suspension after receiving a four-year probated sentence for a no contest plea of drug possession.

—Running back Emmitt Smith falling on his head in the first game of the season against Chicago. Smith quit trying to dive for touchdowns after that and never had the monster season expected of one of the NFL's all-time top runners.

—Dallas losing 10-7 to Buffalo to fall to a 1-3 record. No team has ever started 1-3 and won a Super bowl.

—The realization that, because of back problems, tight end Jay Novacek wasn't going to play this year and defensive end Charles Haley needed an operation on his back.

—Leon Lett running afoul of the NFL substance abuse program. The Cowboys were able to get into the playoffs without the league's top run stopper but the Carolina Panther's ran at will against the defensive line in the divisional playoff game.

—Irvin and Erik Williams accused of rape by a 23-year-old woman who claimed Irvin held a gun to her head while Williams attacked her. The pair denied the allegations but it was the big story, not football, the week before the Carolina game.

—Irvin and Sanders both getting injured against the Panthers, who won 26-17 and applied what many deemed a mercy killing for a distracted, beatup football team that probably would have been doomed on the frozen tundra of Lambeau Field.

—Sanders as a receiver bust. He caught only 36 passes for

475 and just one touchdown.

THE HIGHS:

—Despite every piece of bad luck one could imagine, the Cowboys still won their fifth consecutive NFC east title with a 10-6 record.

—They flashed their old Super Bowl form, both defensively and offensively, in running over Minnesota 40-15 in the NFC wild-card game.

—Beating Green Bay, San Francisco, New England and Miami and former coach Jimmy Johnson.

—Chris Boniol tying an NFL record with seven field goals in the Cowboys seventh consecutive defeat of Green Bay in Texas Stadium.

—Boniol's field goal in overtime to beat the 49ers.

—Beating Washington on Thanksgiving Day to get into a tie for the NFC East lead.

—Beating Bill Parcells and the Patriots in the 15th game of the season to clinch the division title on four field goals by Boniol.

—Having Troy Aikman say he'll likely play again next year.

COWBOYS

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public relations director of the Cowboys never got a day's rest. It wasn't a football only kind of year.

It all started in a high school press box in Austin when the NFL ruling came down that Michael Irvin was going to be suspended for five games.

Instead of watching the scrimmage with the Houston Oilers, we all scrambled to the nearby track field to hear owner Jerry Jones explain what happened.

It began a season of consistently bad news for the Cowboys. Soon following were reports that tight end Jay Novacek was probably lost for the year, that Charles Haley's back was bad enough for an operation, that Emmitt Smith's injuries wouldn't go away, that tight end Eric Bjornson had two sprained ankles, that every offensive lineman in the starting lineup was nursing an injury of some sort.

You've heard of the bad news Bears?

These were the bad luck Cowboys. Dallas has had bad luck before like the year a mirror fell on and broke Tony Dorsett's toes; or the year a top lineman suffered a torn hamstring in a dance hall.

But this was ridiculous. The

Irvin-Williams case was being treated like it was up there in the same league with O.J. Simpson's trial.

It seemed something was always throwing the Cowboys off balance. Normally, they handle distractions well but another hard one to take was Leon Lett's second brush with the NFL's substance abuse policy.

Lett could have been the NFL's defensive player of the year. All of a sudden he left a huge gap in the Cowboys defensive line which was exploited by the Carolina Panthers' in their 26-17 NFC divisional win.

Dallas won't get him back again until next December.

It's a wonder the Cowboys won their consecutive NFC East division title. It's a wonder they won 10 games but their defense and kicking game carried them until they had to step it up a level in the playoffs.

It was almost a relief when they finally lost. Few folks thought they could beat Green Bay at Lambeau and then win a Super Bowl with a depleted lineup.

It was also a relief for those covering the team. The football part was fun.

CHARGES

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much attention as the accusations were given.

"Rerun it, rewrite it, reprint it," he said. "Just like you did, with the same intensity that you did — the same intensity. Don't lose the intensity. Don't lose the intensity."

His attorney, Royce West, criticized media coverage for being "so overwhelming that young women may very well get in their minds a situation or a project, if you will, to make some fast money."

Ginsberg said he expects police to investigate whether Shahravan was "in cahoots

with anyone else ... who may have helped manipulate the situation."

West, while not saying whether Irvin planned to sue Shahravan, said anyone who makes up a story about his client in the future would wind up in court.

"Whoever decides to bring

false accusations against Mr. Irvin again can expect us to retaliate in terms of using the legal system in order to seek restitution for damages done," West said.

Cowboys owner Jerry Jones did not immediately return a telephone message left at his home by the AP.

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Palmer reveals he has cancer

CARLSBAD, Calif. (AP) — Arnold Palmer, whose hard-charging style and easy charm made him one of the most popular athletes in any sport and gave golf a jolt of popularity four decades ago, has prostate cancer.

Palmer, 67, found out the results of his biopsy Friday when he checked into his hotel at the Mercedes Championships where he was attending the annual PGA Tour awards dinner.

"I just learned about it," Palmer said Friday night at the dinner.

Palmer said he had withdrawn from next week's Bob Hope Chrysler Classic and said he would not play competitively again until the cancer was "taken care of."

He is scheduled to play the Senior Skins Game in Hawaii in two weeks, and the PGA Tour said in a release that Palmer had not withdrawn from that event yet, pending the results of additional tests.

Palmer said he was returning to his home in Florida for the tests.

"Now we decide what course of action is best," Palmer said.

Palmer gave no indication what stage the cancer is in nor the prognosis for recovery. Prostate cancer is a slow developing cancer that can be successfully treated if detected early.

One source familiar with the situation told The Associated Press that Palmer has had regular blood tests and twice they indicated a problem.

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Annual dog show is opportunity to have animals microchipped

By KELLIE JONES
Features Editor

A pet that runs away from home or is stolen can be a traumatic experience for the owner. One way to help in the recovery of animals is to have a microchip implanted in the pet so it can be returned to its owner. The Big Spring Kennel Club is sponsoring its annual dog show Saturday and Sunday and will also provide an opportunity for residents to bring their pets to the Microchip Clinic.

The microchip is a relatively new technology where a rice grain-sized chip is injected into the animal between their shoulder blades. The pet owner must register with an animal retrieval system such as the American Kennel Club's Companion Animal Recovery program so when the pet is lost or stolen, the chip can be scanned to find out who the owner is.

The chip, made by HomeAgain, is a transponder encased in bio-compatible glass and has no active parts. It's encoded with an unalterable identification number and is a permanent, painless form of identification, according to Carole Owen, dog show chairman and corresponding secretary of the Big Spring Kennel Club.

The cost is \$32 per dog and no preregistration is required. Any dog, regardless if it's in the show or not, can be

microchipped at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. They will be set up in the northeast corner of the coliseum concourse Saturday and Sunday from 9 a.m. to noon and 1-4 p.m. The \$32 price includes \$25 for the chip and \$7 for enrollment in the AKC Companion Animal Recovery Database.

You will need to bring the following information with you on the day of the clinic: name of dog, registration number and any tattoo ID's, date of birth, name of your veterinarian, address and phone number, and an alternate contact, address and phone number. Dr. Debra Hill with Western Hills Animal

Clinic and Dr. Scott Burt with Highland Animal Hospital will be the vets in charge of implanting the microchips.

Owen said any pet can be microchipped as well such as cats, birds, ferrets and horses. It's also a good idea if you bring your dog to be microchipped, take the animal

home before you watch the competition so your pet doesn't disturb the ones at the show.

Since AKC began its recovery program two years ago, 120,799 animals have been enrolled. The 24-hour pet recovery service has reunited 2,742 animals with owners. That's a 100 percent rate so far, according to Owen.

Another attraction of the dog show is the 20 vendors who will be displaying a variety of items for sale. "Many unusual dog supplies and services not available in West Texas will be for sale from the vendors," Owen said. "Two popular booths will be a pet photographer and a pet artist. Dog care items, canine collectibles, dog books, jewelry, dog art, kennel crates, lamb-swool crate liners, toys and many other specialty items will be offered at the concessions."

One popular part of the weekend show is the obedience competition. Obedience events in the coliseum's East Room will include scent discrimination exercises, jumping, retrieving and signal commands.

This is also a good opportunity for people who are thinking about buying a pure bred animal to meet responsible breeders. Owen said, "This is a chance to talk to breeders about the type of dog you are thinking about buying. Not every dog is suited for every person. Right now, everyone wants a Dalmatian and dog owners need to know how to choose a

dog," Owen added.

At least 750 to 800 dogs are registered to be in the show. An interesting note is only three dogs from Howard County will be participating: Les White's Pug and Hazel Baker's two Chihuahuas. Many dog owners from Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Louisiana, Colorado and other states make the trek to Big Spring to participate in this annual event. Owen said it's unusual for a town this small to have such a big show because they are usually conducted in large cities. Admission to the event is free.

The Big Spring Kennel Club publishes "So You Want a Puppy" and "Good Breeding Practices" for free area distribution, according to Owen. There will be a public education table at the show and there will be important dog information available for the community.

Club members recently donated an AKC Gazette subscription to the Dora Roberts Howard County Library. The AKC's new *The Complete Dog Book for Kids* and their new tape *The Right Dog for You* were both donated to the local library and the Midland County Library. *The Complete Dog Book* was also donated to the Big Spring Humane Society to help with breed identification, Owen said.

"Our largest educational project of 1996 was assembling 300



Dr. Debra Hill, left, and Traci Myrick prepare to put a microchip in Patch at the Western Hills Animal Clinic. Hill and Dr. Scott Burt will be on hand at the Big Spring Kennel Club's annual dog show Jan. 18 and 19 to microchip animals to aid in their recovery if lost or stolen. The cost is \$32 and the AKC Companion Animal Recovery program has a 100 percent return rate.



Coahoma resident Hazel Baker demonstrates how she shows one of her Chihuahuas. Baker's two dogs are among the three from Howard County that will be shown in the annual Big Spring Kennel Club Dog Show Saturday and Sunday at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.



Above: This is the other Chihuahua Hazel Baker has entered in the dog show. Admission is free and a microchip clinic will be offered where pet owners can have a microchip implanted in their animals so if the pet ever runs away or is stolen, they can be recovered.



These pictures were taken at past shows and represent some of the breeds that have been shown. The pet show is a good opportunity for people to meet responsible breeders and to find out if the type of dog you are thinking about buying is right for you and if it fits your personality.

Today's calendars are offering personality at a glance

Who am I? The answer used to be so simple. You bought a bumper sticker that said, "Baby on board" and that was that.



Mickey Guisewite
Columnist

Who am I? It used to be so easy. You bought a mug that said, "Overworked and underpaid" and the world knew where you stood. Who am I? I used to be so uncomplicated. You bought a T-shirt that said, "I (heart) basset

hounds" and you had pretty much summed yourself up.

But now it is 1997. Who I am is a person who wouldn't think of making a personal statement with a bumper sticker, coffee mug or T-shirt.

Who I am is a person who has just spent the last month in and out of the mall attempting to define myself at the wall-calendar display.

Am I a bird person? A cat person? A horse person? A cow person? A dog person? And if so, what breed?

Am I a serious art lover or a goofy-cartoon-drawing person? A free-spirited hot-air-balloon admirer or a down-to-earth herb enthusiast?

Am I the poignant-philosophical-quotes-about-the-human-con-

dition type or the pigs-dressed-up-in-seasonal-attire sort?

Do I want to spend the next 12 months seeing artists baring

Who I am is a person who wouldn't think of making a personal statement with a bumper sticker, coffee mug or T-shirt.

their souls or firemen baring their all?

When did it happen? When did the calendar you used to get for free at the dry cleaners turn into a multi-billion-dollar industry so huge even the Weather Channel has its own version of it?

There are calendars of people who have better rear ends than you.

Calendars of babies dressed

as fruits and vegetables. Calendars of motorcycle grandmas. My question is this: With so many ways to express yourself, who can limit themselves to just one?

I happen to be interested in dogs, Renoir, ballet, otters,

chocolate and Seinfeld.

Do I pin my entire 1997 identity on otters? Rotate who I am by buying several calendars and changing them daily like outfits?

Lead a double life by being a dog person at home and a Seinfeld person at the office?

Tired of all the indecision, I marched into the store yesterday prepared to buy.

"Where are all of your calendars?" I asked the clerk.

"Everything that's left is over there," she said, pointing to a card table with a scant assortment of calendars on clearance: motorboats, tractor equipment and chimpanzees in Shakespearean costumes.

"But what happened to the arty black-and-white dog pho-

tography calendars? Where are all the beautiful impressionist-painting calendars?"

"Those were gone two weeks ago."

It was as I wandered out of the store with a 75 percent-off calendar tucked under my arm I realized I had ultimately found the calendar that says exactly who I am: If a calendar featuring a monkey dressed as Hamlet doesn't scream to the world, "The woman who bought this is a procrastinator!" I don't know what does.

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WEDDINGS

Kennedy-Henry

Pamela C. Kennedy, Big Spring, and Jason L. Henry, Coahoma, were united in marriage on Jan. 1, 1997, at the First Assembly of God with Rev. Stephen Grace, pastor, officiating.

She is the daughter of Ralph and Charlene Kennedy, Big Spring.

He is the son of Gene and Martha Henry, Coahoma.

The couple stood before a gold archway and a candelabra.

Lovette Grace was the instrumentalist and Jason Henry was the vocalist.

Given in marriage by her parents, the bride wore a white wedding gown and carried a black and white bouquet.

Matron of honor was Dianne Gonzales, sister of the bride.

Holley Gonzales was the flower girl, and Brandon Olivetti was the ringbearer.

Sammy Gonzales, bride's brother-in-law, served as best man.

Sammy Gonzales was the usher and candlelighter.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the fel-



MRS. JASON HENRY

lowship hall.

The wedding cake was a two layer black and white cake.

The bride attends Big Spring High School.

The groom attends Coahoma High School.

Following a wedding trip to San Antonio, the couple will make their home in Big Spring.

HUMANE SOCIETY



Pictured: "Roughneck" Large ship and Retriever mix. Would make a great watchdog.

Special Note: All dogs and cats presently available for adoption at the shelter have received their vaccinations, including rabies.

"Mary" small Pekingese mix, block wonderful disposition and good with kids.

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"Jackie Russell" Female Jack Russell Terrier medium size dog. Would love to have a family to call her own.

"Lady Black" Unusual black spayed chow mix about 3-years-old, would make a good companion.

"Bingo" Red female mix about 5-years-old, very calm and friendly. Good outside dog.

"Derby" A month old pit mix, neutered. Needs someone that is very active and likes to play. Demands a lot of attention.

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.

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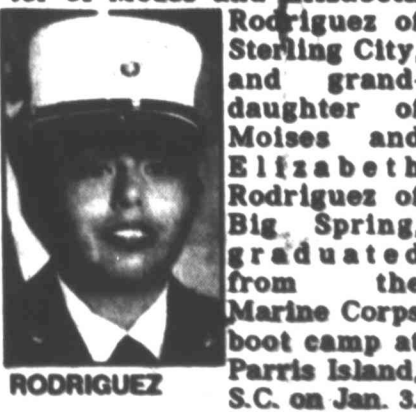
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U.S. Navy Reunion for the U.S.S. Sperry (AS-12) Submarine Tender, 1942 through 1962, is June 26-28, at Branson, Mo. For more information call or write to: Jim Taylor, President; USS Sperry (AS-12) Association; 5001 Holly Farms Drive; Virginia Beach, Va.; 23462, (757)490-2462.

Pvt. Amy Rodriguez, daughter of Moses and Elizabeth Rodriguez of Sterling City, and granddaughter of Moises and Elizabeth Rodriguez of Big Spring, graduated from the Marine Corps boot camp at Parris Island, S.C. on Jan. 3.

She will return to Parris Island for Marine Combat Training on Jan. 13, 1997.

She is a 1996 graduate of Sterling City High School and joined the Marines in October of 1996.



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Don't waste your time reading R.L. Stine's book

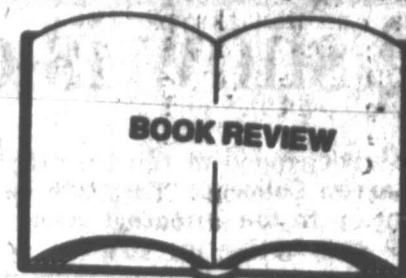
By TRICIA LEE
Book Reviewer

Superstitious. R.L. Stine. October 1996. Warner Books, Inc., New York. 388 pages. \$6.99.

After being away for a couple of years, Sara Morgan returned to graduate school at an Eastern college. As she began to settle into school routines, Sara became more integrated into campus life. Her social acquaintances included both students and teachers, but among them was a young Irish professor of literature and folklore who began to date Sara on a continuing basis. As they began to know more of each other, Sara became aware of Liam O'Connor's extensive knowledge of superstitions and unique old-world mannerisms. These retold tales and ritualistic activities made Liam seem mysterious, charming and entertaining to Sara.

During the next several weeks, there were four young women viciously murdered in the town. The circumstances surrounding the bodies were described in horrifying detail; each account related the death as if a powerful being had torn each body apart, tearing skin from bones, and scattering innards everywhere. Sara became frightened by the events which drove her to look to Liam for kindness and refuge, soon their friendship and affection developed into a love for each other.

After a short courtship, Sara and Liam married. At first, the only difficulty Sara found in



her marriage was the intrusive way in which Liam's sister pushed into their everyday lives. As the weeks progressed, Liam's habit of obeying superstitions, which once amused Sara, now became an apparent obsession of Liam's which dominated every aspect of his life and those around him. He would quickly become enraged if Sara inadvertently crossed a superstitious rule that Liam had made for the household.

As another murder took place, Sara began to examine the oddities of people and circumstances which surrounded her, and as a result she became afraid for her own safety. Her dilemma was whether to share her thoughts and fears with Liam, or whether she should be afraid of him. As she finally runs to him to beg for his help, she finds him in circumstances which repel her and force her to take other action.

R.L. Stine has had tremendous reception among young people with his prolific series of Goosebumps, related televi-

sion shows, and franchised items for sale. Superstitious is his first published effort written in the adult horror genre. The language is for adults only. The four-letter word usage adds nothing to the suspense or the story line; at times it is merely intrusive. The romantic scenes are often too steamy and blatant. It seems as if Stine was trying to write a romance/mystery/horror book that would appeal to everyone. If so, he failed.

The superstitious beliefs of Liam are interesting to read, as many of them are unfamiliar to today's world. According to lore, superstitious rituals are performed to keep the demons away.

Some practices are as simple as not talking while a clock is chiming, or being sure to get out of bed on the right side; some involve actions such as not using soap that has been passed from one person to another, or eating eggs that had been bought after dark.

Stine's close is truly unique and unexpected. Depending on the reader's situation or background, the ending leaves many unanswered questions or it gives one good answer. Adult readers who hunt for new, different, and descriptive horror stories may enjoy Superstitious. For others, they will find only flat characterizations, romance with no roses, and a surprise ending that was a disappointment.

Rating: * (Save your time and money!)

Dog

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New Dog Owner Packets for distribution to persons adopting pets from Big Spring Humane Society, Big Spring Animal Control and Midland Animal Control, Owen added. The Big Spring Kennel Club is comprised of Howard County

residents as well as people from Midland and Colorado City.

For more information about the dog show, microchipping, Big Spring Kennel Club or other dog concerns, contact Carole Owen at 263-3404 or Susan Roiser in Midland at (915) 680-8199.

STORK CLUB

Ashley Nicole Smith, five pounds 12 ounces, Dec. 24, 1996; parents are Ellis O. and Julie Smith.

Grandparents are Bobbie Henson and Ellis R. and Betty Smith, all of Big Spring.

Noah Paul Wagenman, Dec. 15, 1996, 9:40 a.m.; parents are John and Jeannette Wagenman, Groton, Conn.

Grandparents are Jack and Debra Wagenman, Big Spring, and Manfred Genofsky, Viersen, Germany.

Alfredo David Stroman, seven pounds two ounces and 20 1/2 inches long, Jan. 3, 1997, 6:37 p.m.; parents are David and Aida Stroman.

Grandparents are Lee and Beverly Stroman, Amarillo.

Sunday deadlines

All Sunday items (weddings, anniversaries, engagements, birth announcements, Who's Who, military) are due to the Herald office by Wednesday at noon.

Wedding, engagement, anniversary and birth announcement forms are available in the editorial department.

Pictures are to be picked up no later than 30 days after publication or they will be discarded.

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WHO'S WHO

The following students made the honor roll at Howard College and SWCID for the Fall 1996 semester. The honor roll consists of students who are enrolled for a minimum of 12 college-level semester hours and whose grade point average is 3.25 or above.

Those from Big Spring include: Leslie C. Adkins, Bobby Lee Anderson, Debra Lynn Anderson, Holley Kay Armstrong, Brandy R. Atkinson, Linda K. Barnes, Dana Bearden, Brandee K. Benaley, Stephanie R. Bedwell, Beth A. Bevinas, Jennifer K. Brown, Melissa R. Brown, Patti J. Brown, Danielle R. Bruns, Irene Cantu, Omar Alex Carrizales (SWCID), Betty L. Carroll, Nancy M. Castaneda, Julie K. Coates, Misty D. Compton, Karyl A. Davis, Jolene Deel, Michael Shane Denson, Amy J. Earnst, Melissa Dawn Edenfield, Jason L. Edens, Cory Elliott, Leslie K. Elrod, David D. Fisher, Clayton N. Fryar, Dawn Fryar, Lorinna Ann Gang, Isabel Barrientes Garcia, Linda A. Gonzalez, Sarah Griffin (SWCID), Lynda M. Harman, Joshua K. Hedges, Jason N. Henry, Shawn L. Hill, Jeff Johnston, Chanda E. Lawdermilk, Connie Lesser, Hao Li, Deborah J. Light, Laurie M. Light, Pam C. Longley, Jimmy B. Low, Heather A. Manell, Tim W. Marino, Kathy L. Matthews, Julie M. McKinnon, Melissa M. Merrell, Mark W. Miller, Jason O'Brien, Joshua C. Peters, Linda M. Petree, Thomas Lance Purcell, Brenda Randall, Lark M. Ray, Jesse Rios, Justin T. Robertson, Kimberly D. Roman, Anthony Salazar, Krystal H. Schuck (SWCID), Brandon K. Shifflett, Michael S. Sims, Karhrin Smith, Thad K. Sneed, Michael Quintinn Stewart, Ronel R. Sulatan, Cameron S. Thayer, Jill A. Hunt Tubb, Tonya L. Vess, Rebecca Villanueva, Tracy D. Watson.

Laurie Wells, Windy E. Wentz, Julianne J. Willis, Shawnda Lannette Wilson, Clayton Woods, and Amber Zertuche.

Those from Coahoma include: Kathryn E. Billington, Jerrilann Mitchell, Jennifer L. Sullivan, Allison E. Wallace, and Matthew A. White.

Jeremy L. Louder, Stanton, and Delynn G. Reed, Ackery, were also among those listed.

Shanna Dickens, a senior at Big Spring High School, was awarded a \$550 scholarship Jan. 8 at the Sand Hills Hereford and Quarter Horse Show and Rodeo at the Ector County Coliseum in Odessa. The award was presented during their Christmas Yuletide at the rodeo. Testimonies by Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association cowboys and cowgirls were given as well as country and western gospel music by various Christian artists.

The scholarship was based on home, church and school involvement and participation as well as a 500-word essay submitted by Shanna. She plans to attend Howard College next year.

She is the daughter of Randy and Jann Dickens.

Five Big Spring students at Angelo State University were among 276 students to receive degrees during the fall commencement at the university. They include:

Kimberly Kaye Bailey received a Bachelor of Business Administration with a major in Business; Kathy Ann Darnell received a Bachelor of Business Administration, Cum Laude, with a major in Finance; Jim B. Kelly received a Bachelor of Business Administration, with a major in Management; Paula Jean Underwood received a Bachelor of Arts, Cum Laude, with a major in English and Spanish; and Nancy Lee Wolverton received a Bachelor of Business Administration, Magna Cum Laude, with a major in Finance.

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Sherry Cordle, LVN

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SPRING CITY CITIZENS CENTER LUNCH
MONDAY - 5 potatoes; 3 crisp; 1 crisp.

TUESDAY - 100; cauliflower; salad; milk/roll.

WEDNESDAY - rice; squash; milk/cornbread.

THURSDAY - quarts; macaroni; turnip greens; 1 fruited gelatin.

FRIDAY - Ch potatoes; cucumber/tom milk/rolls; fruit.

BIG SPRING BREAKFAST (All Schools)

MONDAY - graham cracker milk.

TUESDAY - P or breakfast milk.

WEDNESDAY - fruit muffin; ch

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FRIDAY - Po bar; sausage; milk.

LUNCH (Elementary First Choice)

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TUESDAY - whipped potato

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SPRING CITY SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER LUNCH

MONDAY - Smothered steak; potatoes; green beans; mandarin oranges; milk/rolls; apple crisp.
TUESDAY - Chicken; potato; cauliflower and peas; fruit salad; milk/rolls; pie.
WEDNESDAY - Pork chops; rice; squash; spinach salad; milk/cornbread; pudding.
THURSDAY - Salmon croquets; macaroni and cheese; turnip greens; slaw; milk/rolls; fruit gelatin.
FRIDAY - Charbroiled steak; potatoes; carrots; cucumber/tomato salad; milk/rolls; fruit.

BIG SPRING SCHOOLS BREAKFAST (All Schools)

MONDAY - Cereal choice; graham cracker; chilled fruit; milk.
TUESDAY - Pancake on stick or breakfast bagel; fruit juice; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Cereal choice; fruit muffin; chilled fruit; milk.
THURSDAY - Breakfast pocket or breakfast pizza; fruit juice; milk.
FRIDAY - Pop-tart or cereal bar; sausage; chilled fruit; milk.
LUNCH (Elementary and Secondary First Choice)
MONDAY - Barbecue rib sandwich; onion rings; green beans; mixed fruit; milk.
TUESDAY - Chicken strips; whipped potatoes; gravy; black-

eyed peas; peaches; hot roll; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Mexican Jambalaya; rice; corn; salad; orange; milk.
THURSDAY - Pepperoni pizza; carrot sticks; pineapple tidbits; pasta salad; Jell-o; milk.
FRIDAY - Sloppy Joe; French fries; pinto beans; pickle slices; orange cream bar; milk.
LUNCH (Secondary Second Choice)
MONDAY - Meatloaf; onion rings; green beans; mixed fruit; hot roll; milk.
TUESDAY - Ham and cheese croissant; whipped potatoes; gravy; black-eyed peas; peaches; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Chef salad; crackers; orange; milk.
THURSDAY - Pig-in-a-blanket; carrot sticks; pineapple tidbits; pasta salad; Jell-o; milk.
FRIDAY - Green enchiladas; French fries; pinto beans; pickle slices; orange cream bar; corn bread; milk.

SANDS SCHOOL BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Biscuit and sausage; jelly; milk; juice.
TUESDAY - Cereal toast; milk; juice.
WEDNESDAY - Pancakes and sausage on stick; juice; milk.
THURSDAY - Cinnamon rolls; juice; milk.
FRIDAY - NO SCHOOL, BAD WEATHER DAY
LUNCH
MONDAY - Burritos; broccoli and carrot sticks with dressing; corn; cake; milk.
TUESDAY - Fried chicken; mashed potatoes with gravy; green beans; hot rolls; Jell-o; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Beef and cheese enchiladas; pinto beans; corn bread; salad; pudding;

milk.
THURSDAY - Country fried steak; whole new potatoes; black-eyed peas; hot rolls; fruit; milk.
FRIDAY - NO SCHOOL, BAD WEATHER DAY

STANTON SCHOOLS BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Cheese toast or assorted cereal; buttered toast; fruit juice; milk.
TUESDAY - Pancakes or assorted cereal; buttered toast; fruit juice; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Bagel/peanut butter or assorted cereal; buttered toast; fruit juice; milk.
THURSDAY - Break bar or assorted cereal; buttered toast; fruit juice; milk.
FRIDAY - Oatmeal; cinnamon toast; or assorted cereal; buttered toast; fruit juice; milk.

ELBOW SCHOOL BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Cereal; toast; juice; milk.
TUESDAY - Waffles; sausage; juice; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Oatmeal; cinnamon toast; juice; milk.
THURSDAY - Sausage; biscuits; juice; milk.
FRIDAY - Scrambled eggs; toast; juice; milk.
LUNCH
MONDAY - Ravioli casserole; English peas; applesauce; crackers; milk.
TUESDAY - Taco/sauce; cheese; Spanish rice; fruit; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Steak fingers; mashed potatoes; green beans; peaches; hot roll; milk.
THURSDAY - Chili and beans; corn; fruit; cornbread; milk.
FRIDAY - Bologna and cheese sandwich; potato chips; apple;

COAHOMA SCHOOLS BREAKFAST

MONDAY - Cereal; graham crackers; fruit; milk.

TUESDAY - English muffin with ham and cheese; fruit; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Pancakes; ham; syrup; fruit; milk.
THURSDAY - Scrambled eggs; toast; jelly; fruit; milk.
FRIDAY - STUDENT HOLIDAY LUNCH
MONDAY - Pizza; tator tots; fresh fruit; bread; milk.
TUESDAY - Spaghetti with meat sauce or corn dog; pineapple cup; corn; bread sticks; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Baked or fried chicken with gravy or burrito; mashed potatoes; green beans; hot roll; milk.
THURSDAY - Cheeseburger; French fries; pickles; onions; lettuce; tomato; milk.
FRIDAY - STUDENT HOLIDAY

carrot and celery sticks; milk.
FORSAN SCHOOLS BREAKFAST
MONDAY - Hash browns; biscuits; jelly and butter; juice; milk.
TUESDAY - Pancake and sausage on a stick; syrup; juice; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Apple fritters; juice; milk.
THURSDAY - Texas toast; jelly and peanut butter; juice; milk.
FRIDAY - Cereal; toast; raisins; milk.

GARDEN CITY SCHOOL LUNCH
MONDAY - Chicken nuggets; gravy; ketchup; sweet peas; mashed potatoes; applesauce; hot rolls; low fat variety milk.
TUESDAY - Italian spaghetti; tossed salad; corn; oatmeal cookie; garlic bread; low fat variety milk.
WEDNESDAY - Beef stew; coleslaw; cheese sticks; saltine crackers; pear halves; low fat variety milk.
THURSDAY - Beef tacos; pinto beans; cheese lettuce; tomato; pineapple cup; cornbread; low fat variety milk.
FRIDAY - Sandwiches; tuna; peanut butter; pimento cheese; fries; pork and beans; apple Betty; low fat variety milk.

WEDNESDAY - Chicken sandwich; French fries; salad; pickles and onions; banana pudding; milk.
THURSDAY - Taco salad;

Reviews of newly-released videos

Scripps Howard News Service

KINGPIN: Woody Harrelson is a loser managing an Amish bowler played by Randy Quaid. The story is mostly tired raunch and mean-spirited sleaze. (PG-13)
GREAT WHITE HYPE: A hilarious boxing-world satire, with Samuel L. Jackson as a flamboyant fight promoter.
FARGO: Frances McDormand is deadpan brilliant as a pregnant, rural police chief investigating a bungled kidnapping in this comic crime noir by Joel and Ethan Coen.
TIN CUP: Kevin Costner plays a likable loser who runs

a driving range. Rene Russo is a "pretty girl with an ugly" golf swing. Writer-director Ron Shelton's film has an arrhythmic bounce and cockeyed buoyancy.
A FAMILY THING - Robert Duval plays a redneck who learns he is black by birth and has an older brother played by James Earl Jones. A simple, sentimental and quietly profound story about racial identity, self-identity and family.
A TIME TO KILL - Matthew McConaughey is a lawyer who defends a black man, played by Samuel L. Jackson, who kills the rednecks who raped his daughter.

ODDS & ENDS

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) - An ex-cook at the Erie County Hall cafeteria has been accused of leaving his co-workers something to remember him by - bleach in the coffee urns.
Walker Terrell, 33, of Buffalo, was fired last week after being accused of stealing.
But police say he returned on Saturday, poured bleach into the coffee urns and on 56 chicken breasts. He is also accused of unplugging ice machines and stealing orange juice.
No one indulged in the tainted chickens or coffee. Cafeteria workers immediately noticed the damage when they returned to work.
Terrell was being held on charges of reckless endangerment, petty larceny, tampering with consumer products, criminal impersonation and burglary.

FREDERICK, Md. (AP) - A computer hacker who used his skills to steal thousands of dollars at a Taco Bell drive-in window is heading for the Big House.
Willis Robinson, 22, of Libertytown, was convicted of stealing \$3,600 and sentenced to 10 years in prison with six years suspended.

Robinson figured out how to reprogram his cash register so that a \$2.99 item would ring up as 1 cent, prosecutor Eric Schaffer said Thursday. Robinson would keep the difference and at the end of his shift return the register to its normal settings.
It took Taco Bell two months to figure out what was going on. The hacking prompted the fast-food chain to change its cash register software system nationwide.
Twice the franchise replaced its mainframe central processing unit in the mistaken belief that hardware problems were causing shortages.

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) - A roadside zoo here is not exactly fun for the whole family.
A television station on Wednesday captured video of one mountain lion eating another mountain lion that had

died in its cage.
And other animals look like they're on the verge of starvation, say zoo visitors.
"They're definitely underfed and starving. They look hungry and sad," zoo visitor Kenny Ball said.
"Jimmy Carter's" roadside zoo (no relation to the former president) shut down in the fall after numerous complaints, but the family that ran it is having trouble finding new owners for the more than 20 lions, tigers and other animals, including bears and llamas, that live there.
Eileen Powell, co-president of the Marion County Humane Society, said she has gotten daily complaints for several weeks. People on the verge of tears call about the animals' condition, she said.
The zoo has been charged with violating animal welfare laws, but a hearing is not scheduled to take place until February. Until then, the animals await.

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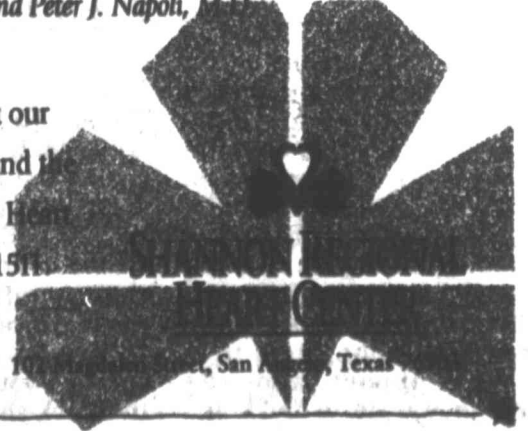
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More risk involved with new farm bill

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — Under the new farm program passed by Congress last year, farmers are taking on all the financial risks. Crop insurers and experts want to be sure the growers know what that entails.

Farmers are now free from planting constraints. They are also without a safety net — no more deficiency payments if prices fall, no federal help should natural disaster strike.

Gene Gantz, senior vice president for marketing at Rain & Hail in West Des Moines, thinks farmers generally are aware of the risks being shifted to them. But he believes many

do not fully understand the scope of the change and are not taking steps to minimize the effects.

Rain & Hail, one of the largest crop insurers in the country, has a computer program to help growers calculate their increased risk exposure under the new farm program.

By some estimates, that's about \$30 per acre for soybeans and \$100 an acre for corn.

"It's very easy for people to say, 'Yeah, we know we're assuming more risk,'" Gantz said. "But when you quantify it, that's when they get real surprised."

The U.S. Department of

Agriculture has some projects in the works, including a joint effort by the USDA, the private crop insurance industry and leading commodity futures exchanges to educate farmers.

The USDA is expected to announce details of the initiative later this month, although the program might not be launched until the spring — considered too late by many in the insurance business to help growers with decisions this year.

"From what I see, people are looking more at the long-term, almost writing off the spring decisions," Gantz said. "That worries me."

He is worried that if a natural disaster hits — such as the drought of 1988 or the floods of 1993 — many farmers won't be prepared to go without disaster payments.

Transition payments being made by the government to growers with farm program acreage are projected to be bigger this year than at any point in the seven-year phaseout of traditional crop subsidies, which began in 1996.

Farmers are no longer required to carry crop insurance, although those wanting the transition payments must either secure crop insurance or waive their rights to any future

disaster benefits. The deadline for enrolling in a crop insurance program in Iowa is March 15.

Robert Wisner, an Iowa State University Extension economist, recently wrote a paper on helping farmers sort out their options for minimizing their risk exposure in 1997.

"Marketing for many farmers is the final unconquered frontier in farm management, and we believe it is one that can be mastered," he wrote.

Wisner's calculations showed higher economic return to growers who used some form of crop insurance, along with forward pricing.

Houston voters to voice opinion on minimum wage

HOUSTON (AP) — Factions representing businesses and workers will spend hundreds of thousands of dollars in the next two weeks to sway voters' opinions on a minimum wage hike in Houston.

Union organizers and others are pressing for a minimum wage of \$6.50 per hour in the city. By collecting 47,000 signatures, advocates successfully petitioned the issue onto the Jan. 18 ballot.

If approved, Houston employers would have to pay employees above the federal minimum wage, which recently increased to \$4.75. The federal minimum will go up again in September to \$5.15.

The measure would also increase the minimum wage for waiters and other employees who receive tips from \$2.13 to \$3.25 per hour or half the new Houston minimum.

It's no surprise that business groups under the umbrella organization called Save Jobs for Houston Committee oppose the measure.

"Whether you're poor or rich, old or young, this doesn't help you," said Bill Miller, an Austin political consultant who leads the anti-\$6.50 effort. "It's likely to cost jobs, and it's likely to raise prices. The deal is not a good thing for the city of Houston."

Supporting the \$6.50 minimum is the Living Wage Campaign, a group led by Orell Fitzsimmons, state director of the Service Employees International Union.

"If a woman works 40 hours a week, she shouldn't have to go home at night and raise her children in poverty," he said. "Our campaign is based on that basic thought."

Fitzsimmons disagrees that the proposed hike will hurt the economy, saying it will put more spending money into employees' pockets, thereby spurring local sales.

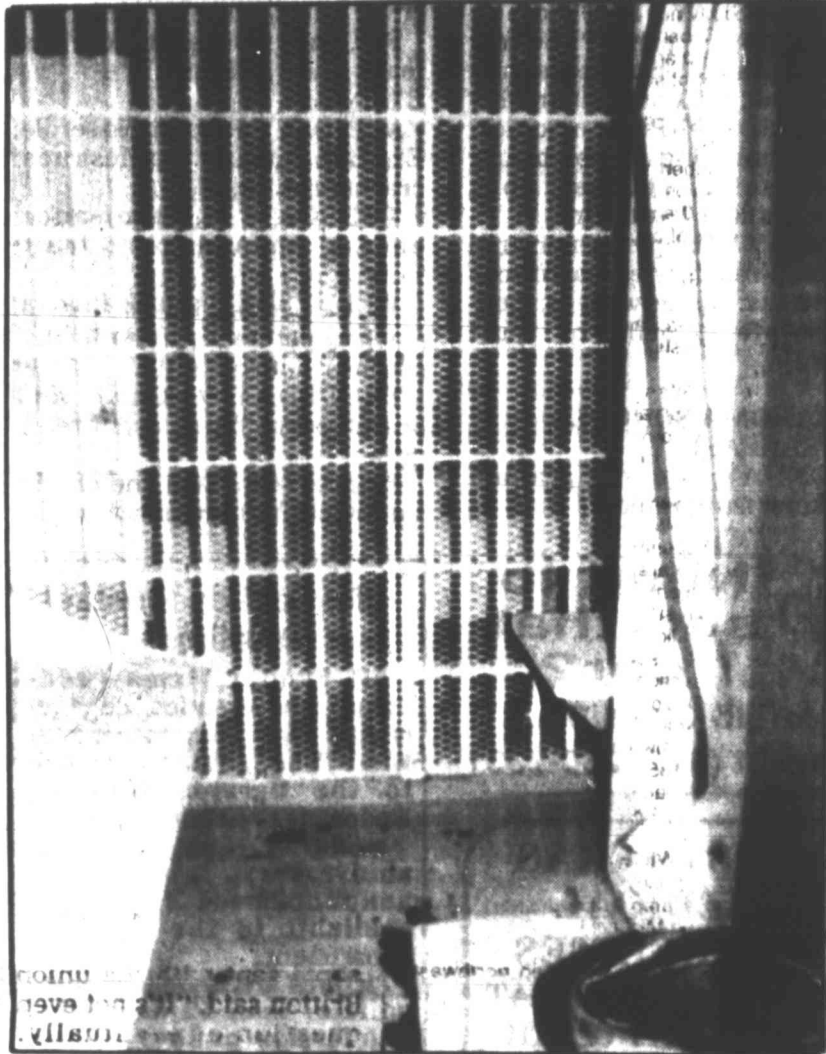
"The sad part is that we think that this will be good for business, and that the same people (who are opposing the minimum wage) will be thanking us in two years when their profits go up," he said.

Not so, according to Miller, who says local businesses will think about relocation if Houston establishes a minimum above the federally mandated wage.

A Houston business with 10 full-time minimum wage employees, for instance, could move to the unincorporated suburbs and save more than \$28,000 in annual labor costs.

"It impacts jobs and it impacts the tax base because when you lose jobs, you lose the tax base," said Miller.

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While touchups to facilities continue in the Howard County Jail, the jail remains in compliance with standards set by the Texas Commission on Jail Standards after passing Tuesday's annual inspection with relative ease. The Sheriff's Office now plans to work on other items such as creating an outdoor exercise area and forming a volunteer inmate workforce for misdemeanor offenders.

TI sells its defense arm to Raytheon

DALLAS (AP) — Texas Instruments has been helping seek and destroy the nation's enemies since World War II, when predecessor Geophysical Service, a maker of oilfield exploration equipment, won a contract to build submarine detection equipment for the Navy.

In 1948, the company received its first airborne radar contract. By last year, TI's profitable Defense Systems & Electronics Group was bringing in an estimated \$1.8 billion annually making high-profile weapons like the HARM missile and anti-tank Javelin system, and infrared sensors for the M-1 tank, F-117 stealth fighter plane and F-18 Hornet.

But as of Monday, Texas Instruments is out of defense and into "digital solutions for a networked society" — also known as semiconductors, software, laptop computers and consumer electronics. TI also makes electrical controls and metallurgical materials.

The company agreed to sell its Defense Systems & Electronics Group to Raytheon Co. of Lexington, Mass., for \$2.95 billion in cash. The deal was the industry's latest in a spiraling consolidation following post-Cold War budget cuts.

"It's the end of an era," said analyst Daniel Klesken of Robertson Stephens & Co. of San Francisco, who began his career at Texas Instruments in the 1960s working on communications for NASA.

Selling the 12,000-person defense unit leaves TI with about 12,500 workers in its North Texas operations.

Klesken said the spinoff would help the company take advantage of a semiconductor market that struggled in some segments in 1996 but is expected to grow from \$130 billion worldwide to \$1 trillion by 2010.

Texas Instruments chairman of the board Jim Adams said the company would make more acquisitions, using the Raytheon cash to pursue growth, value and diversity.

"We're basically going after getting some stable businesses, growth businesses, and adding to the economy in Texas and to the shareholders of TI," he said.

BUSINESS IN BRIEF

SOCIAL SECURITY
 WASHINGTON (AP) — Billions of dollars in Social Security money would be invested in the volatile stock market rather than in safe government bonds under proposals put forward by a splintered government panel.

A year behind schedule, the Social Security Advisory Council released its final report Monday on how to rescue the government's biggest benefit program from bankruptcy in the next century.

DOLLS REMOVED
 WASHINGTON (AP) — Mattel Inc. will pay consumers \$40 for each Cabbage Patch Kids Snacktime Kids doll returned to the company in response to about 100 reports of children getting their hair and fingers caught in the dolls' mouths, officials said.

Mattel has also announced it was withdrawing all the dolls from store shelves throughout the United States.

The doll has battery-powered, mechanical jaws that move when it is fed the plastic carrots and french fries that come with it. But in some cases the doll clamped onto the fingers and hair of children and wouldn't let go.

RENTAL MERGING
 MIAMI (AP) — The company that owns Alamo Rent A Car is buying National Car Rental System Inc. for \$600 million, bringing two of the nation's five biggest auto rental chains into one garage.

Republic Industries Inc., run by former Blockbuster Entertainment chief H. Wayne Huizenga, will absorb \$1.7 billion worth of National's debt as part of the deal, announced Monday. The combined rental operations would displace Avis as the nation's second-biggest auto chain.

Together, Alamo and National would put 225,000 cars on the street and generate annual revenue of \$2.7 billion.

CAR SALES DOWN
 DETROIT (AP) — Vehicle sales in the United States declined 4 percent in December in a sign of continuing weakness going into the new year.

Figures released Monday showed that overall truck sales were flat and car sales dropped 6 percent compared with December 1996. Among the Big Three automakers, total sales slipped 3 percent in December.

For the year, industry-wide sales increased about 2 percent, based on preliminary totals. Truck sales rose 7 percent while car sales were off about 2 percent.

PRUDENTIAL FINE
 NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — Prudential Insurance Co. of America was fined \$1 million by a federal judge for destroying potentially damaging documents relating to a class-action lawsuit over sales fraud.

U.S. District Judge Alfred M. Wolin ordered Prudential last year to save documents that may affect the case, which could cost the company more than \$1 billion. The judge found Monday that documents were destroyed in at least four offices. Newark-based Prudential said it would not appeal the ruling.

CORN SEED
 ST. LOUIS (AP) — Monsanto is buying two Iowa corn seed companies for \$1.65 billion, investing more in agricultural products a month after announcing plans to spin off its chemical operations.

The company said Monday it would buy Holden's Foundation Seeds Inc., the world's leading foundation seed corn company, and Corn States Hybrid Service Inc. and Corn States International, which market Holden's products.

LET THE HIRING BEGIN!



Furr's Cafeteria Carry-Out Manager Tim Alexander, conducts an interview with Alicia Villa. Alexander, Furr's General Manager Rodney Jones and Kitchen Manager Carl Mock, conducted interviews Tuesday and Wednesday for the position of cashier/checker in the new Big Spring cafeteria, due to open later this month or early February.

Pacific Bell to offer much faster internet hookup

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Pacific Bell plans to offer faster Internet and corporate network connections over ordinary phone lines, using an eagerly awaited technology called ADSL.

The company said Friday it was purchasing ADSL system hardware from Alcatel Telecom of Richardson, Texas. The deal, whose value was not disclosed, involved a buying consortium that included fellow Baby Bells Ameritech, Bell South and Southwestern Bell.

"This is a really killer product. It's really going to change people's experiences in the mass market" for computer-network connections, said Mark Gallegos, PacBell's direct of product management for the service.

Ordinary modems offer

access speeds of 14,400 to 33,600 bits per second. ADSL, which stands for asymmetrical digital subscriber line, provides speeds up to 1.5 million bits per second. And unlike standard connections, ADSL provides constant network access and allows simultaneous phone conversations.

Pac Bell has been testing ADSL with 11 users in San Ramon, and is expanding the test group to 100 users by the end of January. In the second half of next year, the company plans to start rolling out service commercially to thousands of customers in unspecified parts of Silicon Valley.

Pricing was not set but PacBell would offer rates roughly from \$50 to \$125 a month for unlimited service, Gallegos said.

Junior livestock show begins this week

The annual junior livestock show for youth in Howard County and the livestock projects will be Jan. 14-18, at the fairgrounds here in Big Spring. This event caters to the youngsters, for some of the youngsters, almost a year of hard work in selection, management and training of their animals.

All Junior Livestock Show Association Members, which includes all parents of 4H and FFA members, and all other

supporters, will gather at the fairgrounds at 7 p.m. Tuesday to set up arrangements for the event. Swine projects will begin arriving at the fairgrounds at 3 p.m. Jan. 15, with weighing and classifying of these animals beginning at 6 p.m.

Judging of the swine projects will be 5 p.m. Thursday. Lambs and cattle are to begin arriving at the fairgrounds at 8 a.m. Thursday. Weighing and classifying of steers will be at 4:30 p.m. Thursday and heifers will have their registration papers checked following the completion of the weighing of the steers.

Capons will arrive at 8 a.m. Friday for weighing and sifting. Judging of capons will be at 10 a.m. Friday, followed by the judging of lambs at 1 p.m.

Saturday will feature cattle judging at 8 a.m. followed by the annual Buyers' Barbecue at 12:30 p.m. This lunch is open to the public but is complimentary to past buyers. The awards and scholarship presentations will begin at 1:30 p.m. and the Premium Auction will immediately follow.

A unique feature of this county's show is its Premium Auction. This part of the program allows the business and individuals to show their support of the vital agricultural industry of Howard County by awarding premium money awards to these youngsters and their work with agricultural livestock projects.

Animals are not sold as such but remain in the possession of the youngsters, who in many cases take these projects on to

major stock shows throughout the state in the next few weeks. Association members have been soliciting community support for the past several weeks for this event. Any individual or business that has failed to be contacted personally may contact this office for details on participation in this activity at 264-2236.

Many businesses choose to not put all their donation on only one person but to place it on several, through an "Add-on" basis. This year, association leadership has requested that such individuals pick up a special form from the show sale secretaries prior to the sale. Completion of this form, which includes spaces for the names of the youngsters they wish to support and the amount they wish to "add-on,"

will hopefully assist the sale secretaries and auction committee in making it easier to give recognition to the buyers and youngsters alike.

Judges for this year's show include Hartley County Extension Agent Seth Ralston of Channing, judging swine; Chris Koontz, retired agricultural science instructor from Lubbock, judging capons; Clay Elliot of Lubbock, coach of the Texas Tech Livestock Judging Team, judging lambs; and Glascock County Extension Agent David Knight of Garden City, judging cattle.

Please contact the Howard County office of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Big Spring for additional details about this year's junior livestock show.



Don Richardson
 County Agent

Smart money on Packers for Dow's sake, old NFL teams have the edge

By AVIUM D. LANK

Milwaukee Journal Sentinel
Every investor in the country should be rooting for the Green Bay Packers to win the Super Bowl.
The reason is simple: History shows that in years in which a team from the pre-merger National Football League wins the big game, the Dow Jones industrial average almost always rises, whereas in years when a team from the old American Football League becomes champ, the Dow almost always falls.
The Packers are the only old NFL team left in the playoffs. Of the 30 Super Bowls played

so far, 23 have been won by an old NFL team (that is, all members of the NFC except Carolina and Tampa Bay, plus the Steelers, Colts and Ravens). The Dow has fallen in only three of those years.
Yet in the seven years that an old AFL team won, the Dow has fallen five times. The old AFL includes all AFC teams except the Jaguars, Seahawks and aforementioned Steelers, Colts and Ravens.
Last year, when the Super Bowl was between two old NFL teams — the Cowboys and Steelers — the Dow leaped 36 percent.
There is no good explanation

for this, but it works better than charting the Dow against women's hemlines or sun spots, two other offbeat theories to explain the market's behavior.
It's hard to predict how the market might react if the unthinkable happens and the Packers lose Sunday. It's even harder if Jacksonville beats New England for the AFC championship.
In a Super Bowl featuring the expansion Panthers and Jaguars, neither participant would have been in either the old AFL or old NFL.
Guess that mean the Dow would finish 1997 unchanged.

American pilots reject contract

FORT WORTH (AP) — American Airlines' \$5.6 billion purchase of new Boeing jets was jeopardized Wednesday when the carrier's pilots announced they had overwhelmingly rejected a new contract.
The Allied Pilots Association, which represents some 9,000 American pilots, said Wednesday that the contract was rejected by a vote of 61-39 percent. Of 3,606 pilots eligible to vote, 2,243 sent their ballots by the Dec. 30 deadline.
The four-year contract, agreed upon reached last September, offered modest pay increases and would have allowed American Eagle, American's commuter affiliate, to fly small jets with pilots represented by another union.
Ratification was essential for American to proceed with the purchase of 103 new Boeing jets. The airline announced the purchase, worth \$5.6 billion, in November.
"The Boeing deal was contingent on ratification of the APA agreement, so right now, technically speaking, the Boeing deal is off," said American spokesman Rob Britton.
"Right now, there are a lot of very disappointed people in Seattle."
Seattle-based Boeing said it had no immediate comment on the pilots' vote.
The expansion of American's fleet would mean advancement opportunities for pilots and was believed to be a strong incentive for pilots to accept an unpopular deal with the rank-and-file.
Britton said the airline is hopeful of a quick resolution in the contract dispute that will salvage the Boeing deal.
"We're going to have an agreement with the union," Britton said. "It's not even a question of eventually. I think it's sooner rather than later."
APA spokesman Gregg Overman said the next step in negotiations might be up to the National Mediation Board, which has overseen the 2-year dispute.
The panel could order American and the APA back to the negotiating table or declare an impasse in talks and offer the two sides binding arbitration, Overman said.
"It's not as if either APA or American Airlines really controls the situation from here," he said. "My answer honestly right now is I don't know. I think much of this will be determined by the National Mediation Board."
Overman, who attended a series of meetings to explain the agreement to pilots, said a primary objection to the deal was the contract provision allowing American Eagle to purchase jets.
American's commuter branch now uses turboprops instead of faster, larger jets that pilots fear could encroach into their domain.

Keeping an eye on Texas

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Ex-wife spikes pilot's bread prior to drug test

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — The former wife of a Continental pilot tried a different recipe for getting even: She secretly added marijuana to a bread mix in hopes he'd get in trouble, a lawsuit alleges.
Continental Airlines claims that Deborah Loeding's baking spree in 1994 placed its passengers at risk and led to the firing of her ex-husband, William. He was reinstated in October after Mrs. Loeding admitted what she had done, the Houston-based airline said.
A routine drug test on July 28, 1994, detected marijuana in the pilot. The random test was conducted two days after he ate the rye bread, according to a federal lawsuit filed last week in Newark.
Continental said it fired the 10-year pilot in conformance with its policies and legal obligations.
Loeding denied he had used drugs and appealed his dismissal. The first two hearing officers, unaware of Mrs. Loeding's "malicious wrongdoing," upheld the firing, Mrs. Loeding said.
But at a third hearing, Mrs.

Loeding testified she secretly put marijuana in the bread to cause him "significant distress in his personal and professional life following (her) divorce," the lawsuit charged.
A message left Wednesday for Mrs. Loeding at her home in Waldwick was not returned. Her ex-husband, who is from Ridgewood, had no comment.
The lawsuit said she knew her ex-husband would be reporting for work shortly after eating the bread, and also knew he could be tested for drugs.
The airline could not say how many flights Loeding flew before it learned about the marijuana and fired him, spokeswoman Sarah Anthony said. He served as a co-pilot, not a captain, so was not in charge of any flights, she said.
"I know that there were no incidents associated with the flights he was on," she said.
Continental is seeking unspecified monetary damages from Mrs. Loeding as punishment and also to compensate the airline for the expenses incurred in fighting Loeding's appeals.

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Davis, Betty, 705 Lottin, Big Spring.
Eparza, Joanna, 501 S. Tackitt, Seymour.
Eparza, Victoriano, P.O. Box 482, Stanton.
Glinker, Judy Lynn, 1418 Cr. 246, Colorado City.
Gomez, Elizabeth, 509 Raleigh, St. Plainview.
Guerrero, Edgardi Luis, Jr., 807 N. Nolan, Big Spring.
Hartley, Michele, 1107 Johnson (near), Big Spring.
Johnson, Miley, HC 75, Box 2220-11, Andrews.
Johnson, Ralph, P.O. Box 3585, Big Spring.
Lerma, Cyndi, Box 486, Stanton.
Lopez, Maria, P.O. Box 285, Big Spring.
Meyer, Barry P., 906 Ayleford, Big Spring.
Morris, Cory, 1108 Nicolson, Big Spring.
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Valencia, Oscar, 507 N.W. 11th, Big Spring.

grantor: Norvin Louis Hamlin, a/k/a Norvin L. Hamlin
grantee: Larry A. and Terri Jo Newton
property: lot 2, blk. 2, Indian Hills Addition
filed: Dec. 21, 1996

grantor: Bruce Carson
grantee: Robert Glenn and Denise Pearl Smith
property: lot 1, blk. 10, Monticello Addition and parcel of land out of and part of section number 26, blk. 33, T-1-N, T&P RR, Co.
filed: Dec. 31, 1996

grantor: Robert C. Smith
grantee: Robert Glenn and Denise Pearl Smith
property: East 40' of 11 and 12 in blk. 20, Original Town of Big Spring, lot 1, blk. 4, Wrights Airport Addition, lot 2, blk. 4, Wrights Airport Addition, and lot 11, blk. 3, Wrights Airport Addition.
filed: Dec. 31, 1996

grantor: David Rawls
grantee: John A. and Dorothy A. Porter
property: lots 7-9, blk. 7, Brown Addition.
filed: Dec. 31, 1996

grantor: Walter T. Parker
grantee: Wesley Alan and Betty Louise Thinton
property: West 1/2 of lot 2, blk. 3, Lockhart Addition and West 20' of east 1/2 of lot 2, blk. 3, Lockhart Addition.
filed: Dec. 31, 1996

grantor: Billy Joe Brown
grantee: Wesley Alan Thinton and Betty Louise Thinton
property: West 1/2 of lot 2, blk. 3, Lockhart Addition and West 20' of east 1/2 of lot 2, blk. 3, Lockhart Addition.
filed: Dec. 31, 1996

grantor: Jade Development, LLC
grantee: Richard and Jeanie Knoche
property: Lot 11, blk. 1, Jordan Park Estates #1
filed: Dec. 31, 1996

grantor: Gary Williams
grantee: Homer L. Williams
property: Lot 8, blk. 7, Fishall Addition
filed: Dec. 31, 1996

grantee: William B. Fraser, Jr. and Norma N. Fraser
property: Lot 9, blk. 13, Fifty Filing, Coronado Hills Addition.
filed: Dec. 30, 1996

grantor: Hayes Stripling, Jr., as attorney-in-law for Hayes & Stripling, III and Kyle Stripling, the Shoosha Ranch
grantee: Robert and Rosella Munoz
property: 1.0 acre tract of land out of the northwest 1/4 of section 24, blk. 33, T-1-S, T&P RR, Co.
filed: Dec. 31, 1996

grantor: Robert and Rosella Munoz
grantee: Kevin L. and Juanita P. Ritz
property: 1.0 acre tract of land out of the northwest 1/4 of section 24, blk. 33, T-1-S, T&P RR, Co.
filed: Dec. 31, 1996

grantor: Glynis Parker
grantee: Wesley Alan and Betty Louise Thinton
property: West 1/2 of lot 2, blk. 3, Lockhart Addition and West 20' of east 1/2 of lot 2, blk. 3, Lockhart Addition.
filed: Dec. 31, 1996

Quitclaim deed
transferor: William K. Halpeny and Ova Jean Halpeny
transferee: Karen S. Edwards, William O. Halpeny II and Michael R. Halpeny
property: West 1/2 and southeast 1/4 of section 135, blk. 29 west and northwest RR Co. Survey, southeast 1/4 and southwest 1/4 of section 126, blk. 29 west and northwest RR Co. Survey, and southeast 1/4 of northwest 1/4 of the southeast 1/4 of section 135, blk. 29 of the west and northwest Railroad Co.
filed: Dec. 16, 1996

transferor: William K. Halpeny and Ova Jean Halpeny
transferee: Karen S. Edwards, William O. Halpeny II and Michael R. Halpeny
property: East 1/2 and southeast 1/4 of section 135, blk. 29 west and northwest RR Co. Survey
filed: Dec. 16, 1996

Sherriff's Tax Deed

District Court Filings
Divorce: Beverly Arellano vs. Don F. Arroyo
Kathie Hopkins Estelina vs. Ellen Estelina
Martha L. Hernandez vs. David Hernandez
Ernest Charles Wilson vs. Paula Annette Wilson
Family: Renee Michelle King vs. Ronald Dwayne King
Casper Johnson vs. Franklin D. Roberts
Norma Jean Hernandez vs. Javier A. Hernandez
Rosaida Rios vs. Tim A. Ylvezar
Mary Jane Castillo vs. Scott Herrera
Diana Ann Sosa vs. Manuel Sosa
Dolores Garcia vs. Scott G. Goodenkerst
Glenda Baldomero vs. Henry Spears
Shannon Seals vs. Darren Holland
Sandy Ortiz vs. Armando Rubio
Mary Ann L. Samal vs. Don Lewis
Heather Fernandez vs. John G. Hayden
Laura Ann Cano vs. Martin Reyes
Injuries & damages with a motor vehicle:
Wanda Gamble vs. Chester Ballard
Accounts, note & contracts:
Gary and Laura Rains vs. Randy and Cindy Rains

District Court Filings:
Mary C. Talamantez vs. Guy C. Talamantez, disposed-family law.
Lorena Alford vs. James E. Alford, disposed-family law.
Mary Hernandez vs. David M. Hernandez, disposed-family law.
Maria Rosendez vs. Jose Rosendez, disposed-family law.
Jacqueline Smith vs. Jackie Landermon, disposed-family law.
Lana Jo Richardson vs. Jimmy Dale Baker, disposed-family law.

County Clerk's office
Marriage Licenses
Wilton Cobb, 40, and Kizzy Michel Howell, 18.
Marty Lane Brooks, 40, and Melissa Blasingame McMillan, 31.
Elazar V. Rodriguez, 45, and Marlene Fayo Rodriguez, 41.
Jeremia Colter, 20, and Stacy Lynn Brunty, 18.
Freddy Hinojosa, 19, and Mary Ann Gonzalez, 20.
Imanol Parredoz Carrillo, 30, and Charlotte Ann Bell, 24.

County Court records
Order(s) of dismissal: James Rider, Mark Allen Sphyrus, Johnny Spritwick (2), Terri Bell, Randy Dayana Stewart, Tyrone Jones, Carolyn Renee Brigham, Billy Cotton, Ernest A. Fuentes, Robert M. Garcia, Bo. Ivy Ann Asulin, Helen Shuler, Wason Little, aka, Chuck Conkey, Timothy M. Duffley, Jr. vs. Beverly, James Z. Searly, Christopher B. Wooten, Mary Rueda, Isaac Alonzo, Thomas Kirpachick, Ralph Laford Redline, Jr., Martin Silguero, Ruben Alvarado Sanchez, Donald A. Anderson, Edward Hall, Billy Joe Hall, Jr., Terri R. Ferguson, Michael Ray Anderson, Rory J. Lawson, Carl Kevin Young
Judgment and sentence DWLS: William Riley Bounds \$232 court costs and 90 days in jail, Juan Enriquez \$100 fine, \$182 court costs and 3 days in jail
Motion and order of dismissal without cause: Mark Allen Sphyrus
Order(s): Juan Enriquez, Mark Allen Sphyrus
Order granting essential need operator's license: Michael Jon Fox
Order amending conditions of probation: Guy O. Maglier
Judgment and sentence fail to identify: Gary Leon Jettin \$100 fine, \$182 court costs and 9 days in jail
Motion and order of dismissal without cause: Mark Allen Sphyrus
Deed Filings
Warranty deed
grantee: George P. and Johanna J. Ames
grantee: Kevin L. and Bonnie J. Kincaid
property: Surface estate only of a 3.0 acre tract of land out of a 105 acre tract in the east 1/2 of section 10, blk. 32, T-1-N, T&P RR, Co.
filed: Dec. 20, 1996

grantor: First Nationwide Mortgage Corp.
grantee: HUD
property: South 26' of lot 10, blk. 13, Sandasia Addition.
filed: Jan. 3, 1997

grantor: Dicher & Dicher of Oklahoma, Inc.
grantee: James W. Hala
property: Lot 2, blk. 33, College Heights Addition.
filed: Jan. 3, 1997

grantor: Dee and Lynda Elrod
grantee: Howard County Association for Retarded Citizens
property: Lots 1-3, blk. 6, Boydston Addition.
filed: Jan. 3, 1997

grantor: Polly Spitzer, aka Polly Rister and husband Robert Paul Spitzer
grantee: First Mortgage Corp.
property: Lot 8, blk. 3 & 4, Reynolds Addition, Odessa.
filed: Jan. 3, 1997

Warranty deed with vendor's lien
grantee: Troy Huff-Hansen, Inc.
grantee: Paul C. and Rhonda D. Gibbs
property: 2.307 acre tract of land out of the northwest 1/4 of section 21, blk. 32, T-1-S, T&P RR, Co.
filed: Dec. 30, 1996

grantor: Kay Hatten, Inc.

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