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Americans' income rise is best showing in six months

WASHINGTON (AP) — Americans' incomes rose 0.8 percent in December, the best showing since June, but spending increased just 0.5 percent during the all-important holiday shopping season.

The Commerce Department said today the income gain lifted earnings for the year by 5.5 percent, down from a 6.3 percent jump in 1995. Spending rose 4.6 percent, compared with 4.8 percent a year earlier.

Stock and bond prices fell in early trading. The Dow Jones industrial average was off more than 35 points. The drop in bond prices pushed yields on 30-year Treasury bonds up to 6.80 percent from 6.78 percent late Friday.

Another report showed the nation's manufacturing economy contracted in January following months of surpris-

ing strength. The National Association of Purchasing Management, which conducts a widely followed survey of corporate executives, said today its index fell to 52 percent last month from a revised 53.8 percent in December.

In a separate report, the department said construction spending rose 4 percent last year, held back by a 0.7 percent drop in December when severe storms swept many Western states. It was the first monthly drop since spending fell 0.7 percent last July.

Residential, nonresidential and government spending totaled \$587.7 billion at a seasonally adjusted annual rate in December, down from \$591.6 billion a month earlier.

Today's figures are among the last before Federal Reserve policy-makers

meet for two days beginning Tuesday to decide whether to adjust interest rates. Many analysts predict the Fed will leave rates unchanged, anticipating a slower economy.

The monthly increase in incomes was the largest since a 0.9 percent jump last June. It reflected growth in employment, hours worked and hourly earnings.

The spending data confirmed earlier reports that the Christmas shopping season was lackluster, although not the disappointment that many merchants experienced a year earlier.

The slower than hoped-for pace was attributed to heavy debt, foul weather and five fewer shopping days between Thanksgiving and Christmas. The holiday season often accounts for half of merchants' annual sales and profits.

Consumer spending represents about two-thirds of the nation's economic activity.

Analysts expected both incomes and spending to rise in December.

Incomes totaled \$6.64 trillion at a seasonally adjusted annual rate, up from \$6.58 trillion a month earlier. Spending totaled \$5.27 trillion, up from \$5.24 trillion in November.

Private wages and salaries, the most closely watched component of income, rose \$45.5 billion to \$3.76 trillion compared with a \$27.4 billion increase a month earlier.

Disposable income rose 0.8 percent, faster than the 0.6 percent advance in November.

The combination of incomes and spending meant that Americans' saving rate was 5.4 percent, up from 5.1

percent the previous month.

Spending on durable goods meant to last more than three years rose 0.6 percent after remaining unchanged in November. Spending on such items as cars and computers had risen 1.6 percent in October.

Spending on nondurable goods such as food and fuel also rose 0.6 percent after increases of 0.1 percent in November and 0.7 percent in October.

Spending on services slowed to a 0.4 percent gain from 0.6 percent a month earlier.

The income and spending figures were not adjusted for inflation. When adjusted, disposable incomes were up 0.6 percent, compared with a 0.4 percent increase in November. Spending rose 0.3 percent, up from 0.2 percent the previous month.

Accident, gas threat scrambles crews

Big Spring man's condition 'stable' today at SMMC

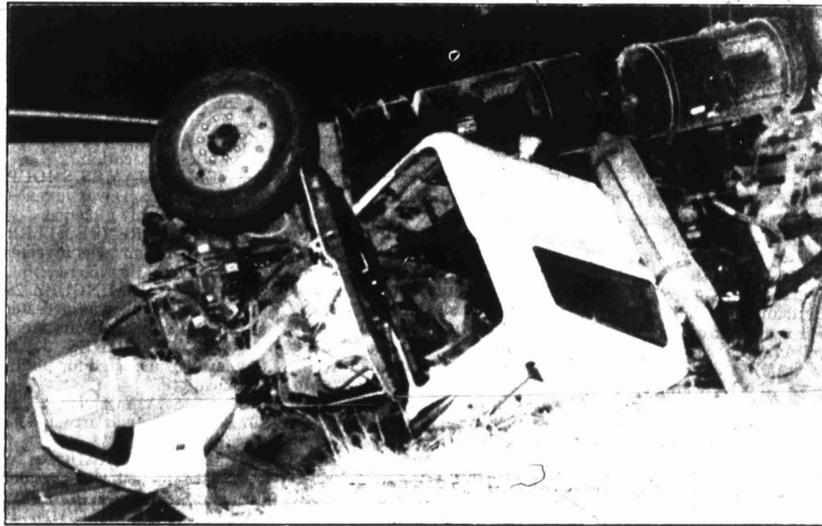
By CHRYS GOFF
Staff Writer

A Big Spring man was listed in stable condition at Scenic Mountain Medical Center today after having suffered severe injuries Saturday night when the water truck he was driving overturned on the Andrews Highway overpass at Interstate 20.

Wayne Henry of Big Spring was apparently trying to turn onto Interstate 20 at the 176 mile marker when he lost control of the tractor-trailer around 9:30 p.m., according to information provided by Department of Public Safety officers at the scene.

"The vehicle evidently lost control when coming around the curve sideways, and hit the side of the curve (bridge) when it flipped over," Big Spring Fire Department Lt. James Smith said.

The truck was full of hydrogen sulfide gas (H2S) residue and Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) crews were called to pump the mate-



HERALD photo/Chrys Goff

An water truck, loaded with hydrogen sulfide gas residue and driven by Wayne Henry of Big Spring, overturned at the intersection of Interstate 20 and Andrews Highway Saturday evening. Henry was taken to SMMC where he is listed in stable condition. Transportation Department crews transferred the truck's contents to another vehicle without incident.

rials from the wrecked vehicle into another truck.

Material was leaking in the ditch, so they called some crews to come dike it up so it would not get into the water

supply." TxDOT supervisor Johnny Moore explained as the crew completed the transfer.

Officials at the scene said Henry had not been working very long for the company

which owned the truck.

Personnel from Big Spring's police and fire departments were also called to assist DPS and TxDOT personnel at the scene.

Holiday Inn Express construction could begin in few months

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
News Editor

Construction on a new Holiday Inn Express motel for Big Spring should begin in "about two or three months," according to Dr. P.V. Patel.

"We now have the property cleared and I'm waiting on the final plans from my architect," the Midland cardiologist said.

Patel, who's PVP Hotel Inc. will be building the new inn, said last September that Dallas architect Art Williams Jr. was expected to put the final touches on engineering plans in few days.

However, when contacted Friday afternoon, Patel said it could be another 30 days or so before Williams is ready to submit plans to Patel, who will then have to submit them to Holiday Inn officials in Memphis, Tenn.

Patel anticipates another 30-day wait while Holiday Inn personnel examine the plans. "Once they give their OK,

though, we ought to be able to begin construction pretty quickly," he said.

Speculation that Patel had abandoned the motel project earlier this month when the City of Big Spring was forced to find a firm to clear the site of the old Broughton Implement Co. building. That property is the site on which Patel plans to build the motel.

"Holiday Inn has already given us approval for the motel and the money for the project has been committed," Patel continued, explaining that the project carries a price tag of approximately \$2 million.

The new motel was originally planned to have 100 rooms, large enough to qualify for a tax abatement Patel originally sought from the city of Big Spring. Plans for the facility were later downgraded to 66 rooms, which did not qualify for an abatement.

Patel said no changes have been made in the proposed size of the motel.

Golf course break-in, fight give officers busy weekend

By CHRYS GOFF
Staff Writer

Big Spring police officials are still following up today on a busy weekend.

Police continue their search for those who took some golf carts for a joy ride early Sunday morning and spending part of their night Saturday breaking up a fight at the Howard County Fair Barn.

Assistant City Manager Emma Bogard reported the golf course criminal mischief and burglary of a building to the Big Spring Police Department, stating four carts were stolen from Comanche Trail Golf Course. The suspects broke into a storage building to remove the carts and damaged the door in the process.

The suspects then fled to Berea Baptist Church, 4200 Wasson Rd., demolishing swing sets, slides and monkey bars with an estimated cost of around \$1,200.

The golf carts were damaged, and found in various locations — including the golf course, the church, and on Parkway, outside the city limits.

According to the police, there are no suspects in the incident and the department has no leads. If you have any information about this crime, contact the police department at 264-2550 or CrimeStoppers at 263-TIPS (8477).

Meanwhile, several people were arrested for public intoxication, fighting and outstanding local warrants following a fight at the fair barn.

The incident was reported

shortly before midnight Saturday. Those arrested were:

- Michael A. Salgado, 25, from San Antonio, was arrested for local warrants.

- Paul Catano Delao, 50, of Stanton, was arrested for public intoxication.

- Joe Arthur Juarez Jr, 24, of 1508A Sycamore, was arrested for public intoxication.

- Raymond Castillo, 40, of Stanton, was arrested for public intoxication.

- Joe Louis Miramontes, 24, of 1110 Johnson, was arrested for disorderly conduct by fighting.

- Isa Mojica Castellano, 24, of 406 Benton, was arrested for public intoxication.

Two others reported their tires had been slashed and a rock was thrown through their car window while their vehicles were at the Fair Barn.

WETS IT DOWN



HERALD photo/Jonathan Garrett

William Postoa sprays water over the rubble of the Boydston Elementary School to protect area residents from the large amounts of dust the demolition project causes.

City participating in failure to appear program

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

A contract with the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) was recently approved by the Big Spring City Council allowing the city to participate in the failure to appear program.

State law provides for political subdivisions to contract with the DPS to deny renewal of a driver's license for a failure to appear offense. The program went into effect for offenses that

occurred on or before Sept. 1, 1995.

Now that the contract has been approved, the city will await further instructions and procedures from OmniBase Services Inc., the vendor contracted by DPS to administer the program.

Because the Class C misdemeanor of failing to appear results in fines not being paid, cities as well as the state have experienced a significant loss in revenue.

The intent of the failure to appear program is to establish a

system that requires a traffic violator to appear before a court for final disposition.

Senate Bill 1504 affects Class C misdemeanors traffic offenses in which violators are given 10 days to appear in court for the prosecution of the offense.

According to provisions of the program, a peace officer who is authorized to issue citations shall issue a written warning to each person for a traffic law violation. Warnings will be in addition to any other warnings required by law.

Suggested language of the

warning in similar to "if you fail to appear in court as required by law, you may be denied the renewal of your driver's license and assessed an additional fee."

According to the DPS, it is estimated that as few as 25 percent of the warrants issued are brought to final disposition, meaning that more than 1.75 million offenders are not brought to justice.

Under the new program, DPS estimates are that 95 percent to 98 percent of failure to appear offenders will comply.

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TODAY'S WEATHER

67 ▲ Highs 33
Lows ▼

Today: Mostly sunny with a high in the upper 60s. Low in the lower 30s.
Tuesday: Mostly sunny and cooler. High in the upper 50s. Low in the lower 30s.

Extended outlook: Wednesday, mostly cloudy. High in the 50s. Low in the 30s. Thursday through Friday, cloudy with a chance of rain. Highs in the 50s. Lows in the 30s.

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OBITUARIES

Woodrow Granville Shipman

Funeral service for Woodrow Granville Shipman, 80, Big Spring, will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 4, 1997, in the Myers & Smith Chapel. Graveside service will be 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, in the Tahoka Cemetery, Tahoka, with Rev. Elden Shipman officiating.

Mr. Shipman died Sunday, Feb. 2, in a local hospital following a short illness. He was born on May 5, 1916, in Dublin. He married Betty Lee Brewer in 1946. She preceded him in death in 1980. He grew up in Dawson County and had been a resident of Big Spring since 1961. Mr. Shipman worked most of his life in a potash mine and later in road construction for Cage Construction and then later for Price Construction. He had lived the last 11 years at Canterbury North and was a member of Trinity Baptist Church.

He is survived by two daughters: Glenda Williams, Big Spring, and Wanda Bohannon, Hobbs, N.M.; one son: Donnie Shipman, Clarendon, Okla.; two sisters: Lavona Sharp, Dublin, and Maudine Apple, Lamesa; three brothers: Eldon Shipman, Marshall, Linden Shipman, Gorman, and Neldon Shipman, Alvin; 12 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; and 11 great-great-grandchildren.

Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel.

Terry Cheateam

Graveside service for Terry Cheateam, 48, Levelland, and formerly of Big Spring, will be 3 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 4, 1997, at Trinity Memorial Park with Dr. Kenneth Patrick, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating.

Mr. Cheateam died

Saturday, Feb. 4, after an 18-month illness. He was born on Nov. 22, 1948, in Ancon, Canal Zone. He grew up in Big Spring, graduating from Big Spring High School in 1966. He then attended Howard County Junior College and Texas Tech. Mr. Cheateam lived most of his adult life in Lubbock from 1968 to 1993. He then lived in Levelland from 1993 to 1997.

Survivors include one daughter: Tawnya Cheateam, Seoul, Korea; his parents: Ann and Silas Cheateam, Big Spring; one sister: Cindy Miller, San Antonio; and one nephew. The family requests memorials be made to Nurses Hospice; 710 Gregg, Big Spring, Texas; 79720.

Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Juanita F. Zubia

Rosary for Juanita F. Zubia, 69, Big Spring, will be 8 p.m. tonight at Myers & Smith Funeral Home Chapel followed by a prayer service at 8:30 p.m. Funeral mass will be 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 4, 1997, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with Rev. Cornelius Scanlin, pastor, officiating. Interment will be in Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Mrs. Zubia died Sunday, Feb. 2, in a Midland hospital following a long illness.

She was born on Feb. 28, 1927, in Taft. She married Jose C. Vera in 1946, in Taft. He preceded her in death on Sept. 22, 1963. She then married Jesus Zubia in 1975 in Midland. He also preceded her in death in 1994. She moved to Big Spring on Oct. 1, 1958, from Taft, moving to Midland in 1975 and returning to Big Spring in 1995.

Mrs. Zubia was a homemaker. She is survived by five sons: Jesse Vera, Joe Vera, both of Big Spring, Richard Vera, Denver, Colo., Armando Vera, Albuquerque, N.M., and Alfonso Vera, Lubbock; two brothers: Pedro Flores, Corpus Christi, and Sonny Flores, Portland, Ore.; six sisters: Eloisa Pena, Redding, Calif., Virginia Rodriguez, Fort Worth, Sofia Obregon, Corpus Christi, Micada Gomez, Adelp Longoria and Lola Trevino, all of Taft; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel.

Geraldine "Jeri" Daniels

Graveside service for Geraldine "Jeri" Daniels, 71, Big Spring, will be 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 4, 1997, at Trinity Memorial Park with Rev. Bob Brown officiating and assisted by Dr. Robert Lacey. Mrs. Daniels died Sunday, Feb. 2, in a local hospital.

She was born on June 12, 1925, in Wichita Falls. She had been a resident of Big Spring since 1952 and had worked as a real estate officer at Webb Air Force Base until her retirement in 1978. She was a member of Airport Baptist Church.

Survivors include a son: A.R.illard, Jr., Long Beach, Calif.; two daughters: Susan Myers, Phoenix, Ariz., and Jan Gregory, Andrews; one sister: Doris Booth, Big Spring; six grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to: American Cancer Society; c/o Lucy Bonner, P.O. Box 2121; Big Spring, Texas; 79721-2121. Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Fred "Fritz" Ernst

Service for Fred "Fritz" Ernst, 75, St. Lawrence, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. He died Sunday, Feb. 2, 1997, in Florida.

Oklahoma Thornton, Sr.

Service for Oklahoma Thornton, Sr., 86, San Antonio, will be 9 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 4, 1997, in Mission Park Funeral Chapel South with burial in Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery. Mr. Thornton died Friday Jan. 31, at his residence. He was born on Dec. 29, 1910 in Briggs. He was a retired master sergeant in the Army and had served in World War II and the Korean War.

Survivors include his wife: Frances B. Thornton, San Antonio; a daughter: Linda Inez Elssner, Leander; a son: Okla W. Thornton, Jr., Ballinger and of the Colorado River Municipal Water District; and five grandchildren.

Local, area youth sell stock at Fort Worth show

HERALD Staff Report

FORT WORTH — Eight animals shown at the 101st Fort Worth by Big Spring and area youth were among 253 that qualified for annual auction sale at the conclusion of the show Saturday.

Big Spring youth whose animals sold included: • Trevor Bibb, a first Polled Hereford steer at \$2.50 per pound to BHT Marketing. • Natalie Nichols, a second European cross steer at \$2.50 per pound to Adams and Barclay Enterprises, Inc. • Teri Denton, a fourth short-horn steer at \$2.25 per pound to Taylor & Co. • Megan Knight, a seventh American cross steer at \$2.10 per pound to WLS Lightning. • Lindsay Moates, an eighth Polled Hereford steer at \$2.10 per pound to Cantney & Hanger.

Area youth whose animals sold included: • Grant Key, Gail, a fifth Polled Hereford steer at \$2.35 per pound to Reilly Brothers Property Co. • Tanner Poole, Gail, a sixth American cross steer at \$3 per pound to FFP Partners. • Carrie Hart, Gail, a 10th American cross steer at \$3 per pound to Indian Canyon Ranch, John and Elizabeth Boswell and Edie Boswell.

BRIEFS

VOLUNTEERS WITH THE VOLUNTEER Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program will assist in the preparation of 1996 income tax returns at First Presbyterian Church, Eighth and Rannels, each Monday from 9 a.m. to noon through April 14. This program is available to all senior citizens, and others who have income from wages, tips, interest, or dividends, and who may be able to receive an earned income credit, a credit for the elderly or child care credits. Bring all your W-2's, 1099's and your 1995 tax return. This is a free service. For further information call 398-5522 or 263-4211 or come to the First Presbyterian Church on Monday mornings.

THE CITY WIDE LITTLE League Baseball sign up is Feb. 22-March 1 at the Big Spring Mall from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturdays and from 5 to 7 p.m. on weekdays. Ages five and up are welcome and you must have birth certificate and current utility bill.

IT'S RECYCLE DAY IN Coahoma! Coahoma, Clean and Proud is accepting recyclable items in the empty lot West of Little Sooper grocery from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. All types of paper, including newspaper, pasteboard, cardboard, and feed sacks, aluminum, steel, numbers 1 and 2 plastic and carpet padding will be accepted. We will also be collecting Campbell soup labels for the schools and used eyeglasses for the Lions Club. For more information call Irene at 394-4424.

RELAY FOR LIFE COMMITTEE, sponsored by the Howard-Glasscock Chapter of the American Cancer Society, is having a meeting Wednesday, Feb. 19, at noon in the youth hall of the First United Methodist church. All interested persons invited; bring a sack lunch. This year's Relay For Life will be the third for the Big Spring area and is scheduled for May 16 and 17 at Blankenship Field.

FRIDAY NIGHT R.O.C.K. WITH Dreams of God, an alternative Christian acoustical, will be 8 p.m. at Spanky's Coffee House Friday, sponsored by Cornerstone Church.

There will also be "Saturday Night Alive" with the dance and drama team from Mid-Cities Community Church and a concert by Dreams of God 7 p.m. Saturday in the Howard College Auditorium.

ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL SCHOOL is hosting a Scholastic Book Fair Feb. 10-14. Admission is free and the public is welcome to come. Proceeds from the book fair will benefit the school's library. Computer software will be for sale.

BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

The hours are from 8 to 5:30 p.m. For more information, call Sharon Howe, 267-4302.

SPRINGBOARD

IF YOU HAVE ANY CHANGES IN A SPRINGBOARD ITEM OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT GINA GARZA, 263-7331 ext. 239, BETWEEN 8 A.M. AND 2 P.M. All Springboard items must be submitted in writing. Mail to: Springboard, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas 79720; bring it by the office at 710 Scurry; or fax it to 264-7205.

TODAY
•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 263-9633.
•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.
•Gospel singing, 7 p.m., Kentwood Center, 2805 Lynn. Call 267-6764. Guest singers from Stanton, Midland and Colorado City.
•Encourager's support group, formerly widow/widowers, 6 p.m., Spanish Inn. Call 398-5522 or 399-4369.

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.

•Compassionate Friends, support group for parents who have experienced the death of a child, 7:30 p.m., Family Life Center, First Baptist Church. Enter by southeast door. Call 267-2769.
•VFW Post No. 2013, 7 p.m., VFW Hall.
•Cancer support group, 7 to 8 p.m., VA Medical Center room 213. Call Beverly Rice, 268-5077.

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

SHERRIFF
The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following incidents during a time period from 2 p.m. Saturday to 8 a.m. Monday:
• ABEL RICARDO MORIN, 21, Snyder, was arrested by ABC officials for public intoxication.
• JOHN A. SOTELLO, 25, of 2507 Chanute, was arrested for public intoxication and disorderly conduct/fighting.
• ROBERT BAKER SR., 47, no address given, was arrested for driving while intoxicated.
• ROYCE LEE CARSON, 37, of 1404 Tucson, was arrested for aggravated assault. He reportedly went to a residence in Coahoma and threatened a woman while displaying a gun.
• MICHAEL JAMES MCGRATH, 42, no address

DOMESTIC DISTURBANCES in the 3600 block of Hamilton and 100 block of E. 16th.
• SHOTS FIRED in the 800 block of N. Scurry. Officers were unable to locate.
• ASSAULT/FAMILY VIOLENCE in the 3900 block of Dixon.
• ASSAULT BY THREATS in the 400 block of E. Seventh and 2000 block of S. Gregg.
• CLASS 'C' ASSAULT in the 1200 block of W. Sixth.
• THEFT in the 1100 block of Lamesa.
• HARASSMENT/ASSAULT BY THREATS in the 2500 block of Carlton.

RECORDS

Sunday's high 70
Sunday's low 34
Average high 58
Average low 28
Record high 81 in 1995
Record low -8 in 1985
Precip. Sunday 0.00
Month to date 0.00
Month's normal 0.03
Year to date 0.16
Normal for the year 0.64
**Statistics not available

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POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents during a time period from 2 p.m. Saturday to 8 a.m. Monday:
• RONALD PAYNE, 25, of HC 461 Box 117A, was arrested on outstanding local warrants.
• PAUL ORTEGA, 17, of 605 W. Sixth, was arrested for expired driver's license, outstanding DPS warrants and cutting across a private lot.
• WALLACE TERRY VIASANA, 42, of 1506 Mesa, was arrested on outstanding local warrants.
• LOU H. HAMILTON, 32, of 302 W. Seventh, was arrested for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and issued a criminal trespass warning.
• LONNIE GRAY, 1205 Mulberry, was arrested for no driver's license, fictitious registration, disobeying a stop sign and no motor vehicle inspection.

• CHARLIE RYERSON, 50, no address given, was arrested for public intoxication and issued a criminal trespass warning.
• PATRICK E. RODRIGUEZ, 21, of Route 2 Box 27H, was arrested on outstanding local warrants.
• IRMA BARRIENTES, 32, of 1501 Bluebird, was arrested on outstanding local warrants.
• MICHAEL DURLAND MCNAUGHTON, 50, of Quemado, N.M., was arrested for public intoxication.
• WESLEY JAMES SHOUP, 28, of 3901 Dixon, was arrested for assault/family violence.
• SHELLEY RENEE ELLER, 26, of 3901 Dixon, was arrested for assault/family violence.
• RAMIRO DOMINGUEZ, 25, of 1001 Birdwell, was arrested on outstanding local warrants.
• TROY W. JONES, 31, of Snyder, was arrested for public intoxication.

• MELISSA YOUNG, 27, of 407 E. Seventh, was arrested for assault by threats.
• EMMA ALVARADO, 31, of 1001 N. Main #56, was arrested for disorderly conduct/noise.
• CRIMINAL MISCHIEF in the 4200 block of Wason, 2500 block of W. Hwy. 80, 1400 Sycamore and 2600 block of Langley.
• INVESTIGATING SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY in the 1600 block of Young, 500 block of Golf Course Rd., 3200 block of Ave. C, 2100 block of W. Third, 1600 block of E. Fourth, 1600 block of Lancaster, 2700 block of Wason, 1300 block of Colby, 3200 block of Auburn, 300 block of Washington, 2300 block of Gregg, 400 block of Birdwell and 1100 block of Rannels.

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given, was arrested by DPS officers on an outstanding Travis County warrant on a motion to revoke his probation. He had been on probation for driving while intoxicated and bond was set at \$20,000.

• POSSIBLE PROWLER in the 5100 block of Wason Rd.
• STOLEN VEHICLE on South Johnson Street. The complainant was referred to the police department since the offense occurred in the city limits.
• POSSIBLE DRUNK DRIVER near old Howard County Airport.
• ASSIST STRANDED MOTORIST near mile marker 168 on Interstate 20.

MARKETS

March cotton 74.75 cents a pound, down 20 points; Feb. crude oil 24.08, down 7 points; Cash hogs steady at 50 cents higher at 55; slaughter steers steady at 65; Feb. lean hog futures 75.50, up 60 points; Feb. live cattle futures 64.42, down 32 points.

Source: Delta Corporation.
Non quotes provided by Edward D. Jones & Co.

Index 5779.61	
Volume 142,575,010	
ATT	39% +
Amoco	86% +
Atlantic Richfield	131% - 1
Atmos Energy	22% -
Cabot	22% -
Chevron	65% -
Chrysler	35% -
Cifra	1.31-1.35
Coca-Cola	58% +
De Beers	31% +
DuPont	109% -
Excel Comm.	19% -
Exxon	102% - 1
Finna	51% +
Ford Motors	32% +
Halliburton	72% -
IBM	156% -
Laser Indus LTD	10% +
Medical Alliance	15% +
Mobil	131% +
Norwest	47% -
NUV	9% +
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Statewide production results in decent cotton production year

STANTON — Timely late summer showers on the High Plains turned what could have been a disastrous Texas cotton crop into an average one statewide, though the results varied wildly from region to region.

"We're about 70 miles from a bumper crop," said Donald Long, who ginned about 11,000 bales this winter a quarter of what he normally processes as manager of the Farmers Cooperative Association gin in here.

In the High Plains region Long pointed to, things went much better. That West Texas region, which normally pro-

duces about half the state's cotton, outdid itself with 3.1 million bales, or 75 percent.

The region even set a production record with 615 pounds per acre planted, although about 800,000 acres normally reserved for cotton didn't go into production last spring because of drought and harsh May wind storms.

Overall, Texas cotton growers produced 4.35 million bales last year, according to recently released estimates by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service.

That's not far off the 1995 number of 4.46 million bales, an average number for the nation's No. 1 cotton patch.

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"The big rains in September sent up all kinds of red flags," said James Supak, cotton expert for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in College Station. "There could have been

an early frost, but it was warm and sunny after that, so the crops were able to utilize the water and turn all that into a good yield."

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duced nationally in 1996 ranks as the third-best production year in United States history. Texas easily remained the U.S. cotton king, besting California's output of about 2.8 million bales.

Timely rains in the region around Lubbock and northward allowed producers to make three bales per acre, more than twice their average yield in some cases.

The rain fell too late farther south, where Long says many farmers could be down to their last year in the business.

"It was kind of a feast or famine year here," said Shawn Wade, spokesman for Plains

Cotton Growers. "I talked to a friend of mine down there (Permian Basin area) who said that this was the first year he didn't make any cotton and didn't gin any either."

"What that means for him is 18 months between paychecks, and that's pretty tough."

Many Rio Grande Valley growers, still fuming about the boll weevil eradication program they abandoned last year and intrigued by high grain sorghum prices, planted just 220,000 acres.

However, limited weevil infestation and timely rains helped Valley farmers harvest 170,000 bales.

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Bar association asked to call for executions moratorium

SAN ANTONIO — Calling imposition of the death penalty "a haphazard maze of unfair practices," some members of the nation's largest organization of lawyers are seeking a moratorium on capital punishment.

Two groups within the American Bar Association are recommending such action because, they say, "efforts to forge a fair capital punishment jurisprudence have failed."

No executions should occur, they say, "unless and until greater fairness and due process prevail."

The ABA's policy-making House of Delegates, meeting at the association's national convention, was to be asked today to adopt the recommendation. If accepted, it would become the focus of 370,000-member group's efforts in Congress and state legislatures.

More than 3,000 men and women are on death rows across the nation. Most states and the federal government have laws permitting capital punishment.

Victim activists protest killer's art exhibit

HOUSTON — A display of art by a convicted serial killer has outraged victims' rights advocates.

Paintings by Elmer Wayne Henley, companion of serial killer Dean Corll, went up Friday at the Hyde Park Gallery in the Montrose area.

Among those protesting the showing was Susan McLemore, sister of one of Corll and Henley's victims.

"First it's movies and then trading cards on serial killers, and now an art show," McLemore said. "What's it going to be next?" Henley was involved in one of the state's most brutal series of murders in the 1970s.

Political, philosophical disputes split Republic of Texas

DALLAS — The Republic of Texas, a separatist group that has clogged Texas courts with lawsuits in an attempt to create chaos for the state, is suffering from some chaos within its own ranks. Since late last year, the group has had two presidents and two councils of secretaries within two separate movements, both of whom believe Texas is still an independent country illegally annexed by the United States in 1845.

Critics said the friction might signal the end of the Republic.

"The split in the leadership of the Republic of Texas may indicate it is beginning to self-destruct," said Mark Briskman, Dallas regional director of the Anti-Defamation League, which accuses the group of militant racism.

While separate, the groups appear to have identical objectives.

Texans wonder: Where are the Africanized bees?

HOUSTON — Forty years after escaping from a Brazilian lab and fleeing north, Africanized bees — known as the "bee with an attitude problem" — appear to be minding their own business.

Texas beekeepers and emergency workers, alarmed by the prospect of so-called "killer bees" spreading in the state, have poured lots of money into bee suits and training programs to deal with the aggressive insects.

But as it turns out, the bees apparently aren't doing much but making honey.

Africanized bees did arrive six years ago in Brownsville. In fact, the first confirmed killer bees captured in the United States are now dead, sitting in a Ziploc bag in a Rio Grande Valley freezer.

Their offspring are buzzing away in 88 Texas counties, but tend to confine themselves to a year-round existence in a line from south of Corpus Christi to San Antonio and Del Rio.

Possible pilot strike threatens other American employees

FORT WORTH — A threatened strike by American Airlines pilots is fraying nerves among the carrier's other 81,000 employees.

The pilots have threatened to strike if they and the company don't agree to a new contract by 12:01 a.m. EST on Feb. 15.

A walkout would paralyze the nation's second largest airline, meaning immediate layoffs for the whole company as management tries to save money. A prolonged strike could mean the elimination of some jobs altogether.

Border Patrol says it has prepared for rush of undocumented workers

DALLAS (AP) — U.S. immigration officials say they're set for a rush of undocumented immigrants that has already begun and likely will last into the spring.

Officials say many of the returnees are Mexican immigrants who had gone to their homeland for the holiday season.

"We know they're coming," John Trevino, a U.S. Border Patrol supervisor in the Rio Grande Valley, told The Dallas Morning News for a story in Sunday's editions.

"Like anyone else, they get homesick. They've been over here in a strange land, with strange food, with strange surroundings. We know they go home to Mexico, and we know they'll try to come back," he said.

Since Oct. 1, the beginning of the federal fiscal year, the Rio Grande Valley sector of the Border Patrol has apprehended 57,000 undocumented immigrants, second only to 68,000 caught in the San Diego sector.

That makes the Rio Grande Valley the second-hottest spot along the Southwest border for illegal immigration, surpassing Tucson, Ariz.

Border Patrol agents blame heightened enforcement along the border in San Diego, Tucson and El Paso for the increase.

Agents said there's an initial post-holiday surge in January, then the number of illegal border crossing attempts typically dips in mid-February.

It then shoots up again in April and May when many immigrants head north to pick crops in Texas and elsewhere.

Governors calling for welfare changes

WASHINGTON (AP) — Governors agreed Sunday that Congress should restore welfare benefits to some immigrants, breaking a partisan stalemate over whether that would lead to other changes to last year's historic legislation.

The resolution replaced a draft statement that explicitly called on Congress to restore disability and food stamp benefits to legal immigrants who are too old or sick to ever become citizens or those who are waiting to become citizens.

Under pressure from congressional Republicans, Republican governors insisted on softening the call for immigrant benefits.

The new resolution urges Congress and the Clinton administration to "ensure that the immigration system and its requirements are fair to both citizens and non-citizens" and

to "meet the needs" of those who cannot become citizens.

It also asserts that "an equitable solution to this issue could be achieved without reopening the statute." Governors explained that this could mean giving some states money through the budget process without changing the law banning federal payments to immigrants.

As the governors' meeting opened Saturday, the Republican Governors' Association said it would not support anything that would mean reopening the welfare reform law.

But Republicans with large immigrant populations in their states, including New York and California, joined with Democrats in insisting they ask for help dealing with the needs of poor, legal immigrants.

During a governors-only lunch Sunday, the group agreed to work toward a bipartisan compromise, and a small group of governors reached a deal by late afternoon. The group included the governors of Florida, California and New York, who have with large immigrant populations, along with Republican John Engler of Michigan, who vigorously opposed reopening the bill.

New York Gov. George Pataki, a Republican who held a press conference last month calling for benefits to be restored, said the lunch meeting gave him and others a chance to articulate their concerns about this "very important issue."

"It's too important to worry about the wording of a resolution. I'm worried about a resolution to the problem," he said. "I'd like to see this not become

a partisan football."

Governors avoided that by adopting a policy calling for changes to the welfare law but also saying changes are not necessarily needed.

Asked about this contradiction, Gov. Pete Wilson, R-Calif., acknowledged the mixed message. "You got it," he said.

The committee also called for other changes to the welfare law that are less controversial — at least among governors. Those include loosening the five-year time limit on assistance, lifting restrictions on how states spend federal money and removing punishments to states that fail to put enough welfare recipients into work.

The governors plan to meet today with Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., who has said he opposes significant new funding for welfare.

Clinton, GOP work for competing budget agendas

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton and congressional Republicans say it is time to cooperate over balancing the budget and other issues. But while their tone is decidedly warm and fuzzy, make no mistake: Their conflicting agendas and evenly matched power bases presage battles to come.

Republicans promise they will not slap the time-honored "dead on arrival" tag on Clinton's newest budget-balancing package when he unwraps his fiscal 1998 spending blueprint Thursday. Clinton said last week that both sides must "meet each other in good faith" as they try to strike a compromise.

But even as they assert that voters want them to work together, Clinton and Republicans cling to competing views of what government should do — and each can use votes or vetoes to derail the other.

Both sides say they want a balanced budget by 2002. But Clinton wants more spending for Medicare and education, smaller tax cuts and a more activist government than Republicans prefer.

"They still have conflicting visions about the way things ought to be," says Charles O. Jones, a political scientist at the

University of Wisconsin who has written more than a dozen books on national politics.

Jones, though, is among many people who believe the time is ripe for the grand budget compromise that eluded Clinton and the GOP last year.

Why? Both sides crave a major legislative accomplishment to tout. In addition, Republicans want to prove they are not the extremists that Democrats have portrayed them, and many Democrats want the balanced-budget monkey off their backs.

Each desires quick action while the economy is strong and before possible Whitewater

indictments, hearings into questionable campaign contributions or other ethical issues sour partisan relations.

"The president's budget will be taken seriously, we will examine it, we will consider it a legitimate point of departure from which to move toward a final product," House Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Texas, said in an interview Thursday in which he repeatedly sounded conciliatory themes.

Armey said Republicans would not renew their efforts to abolish the Education Department or "rein the excesses" of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Netanyahu: Israel, Palestinians ready for new talks

DAVOS, Switzerland (AP) — Israel and the Palestinians will resume talks this week with "a great feeling of hope" toward a wider Mideast settlement that could involve Syria, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said Sunday.

Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat signaled a willingness to compromise, saying he would accept an "international presence" to control goods arriving in Palestinian-controlled areas.

But Arafat's appearance before a global gathering of government and business leaders was a catalog of complaints rather than optimism.

"Is this a just peace?" asked Arafat, citing restrictions on Palestinians who want to work in Israel that cost them \$7 mil-

lion a day. "Sixty-five percent of Palestinian families live below the poverty line."

Netanyahu, who spoke after Arafat at the World Economic Forum, said Israelis have suffered from Palestinian terror attacks.

"Peace without security cannot last," Netanyahu said.

The Israeli leader said, however, that his talks with Arafat and Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak helped create "a new attitude, maybe a new beginning."

Israel and the Palestinians resume talks Thursday at the Erez crossing between Israel and the Gaza Strip with "a great feeling of hope" of progress toward a wider Mideast settlement, Netanyahu said.

Netanyahu also said he was looking for a way to get Syrian President Hafez Assad to resume talks with Israel. Talks broke down a year ago after bombings in Israel by Islamic militants.

"I cannot find one single real reason why Syria and Israel cannot resume the negotiations," he said.

Netanyahu and Mubarak,

standing side by side and looking relaxed and pleased, said their hour-long session had been "very good."

"We see eye-to-eye on the need for the expansion of peace and economic relations," Netanyahu said.

He said he had accepted an invitation from Mubarak to visit Egypt and would probably go there in two months.

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Quote of the Day

"In the midst of winter, I finally learned that there was in me an invincible summer."
-Albert Camus

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OUR VIEWS

Window project deserves backing

Has anyone taken a look at the Settles Hotel building of late? That's not as stupid a question as one might think, even though it's the most dominant feature in Big Spring's skyline.

There are some changes, albeit cosmetic, taking place.

Three dozen or so new windows have been installed as a result of a plan launched unilaterally by local insurance agent Tommy Churchwell that calls for replacement of the building's 300-odd windows at a cost of approximately \$150 each.

That puts a \$45,000 price tag on the project.

The handful of windows replaced to date is a far cry from the 300 or so Churchwell envisions, but they are enough — given a reasonably healthy imagination — to realize what a difference completion of the project would make.

To date, Churchwell's vision of local businesses and individuals ponying up \$150 to sponsor replacement of individual windows has been met with a number of polite smiles, raised eyebrows and rolled eyes.

A great many who hear Churchwell's plan seem to wonder what good simply replacing windows in the vacant behemoth will do. Others certainly wonder whether it's worth the \$45,000 price tag.

At the risk of seeming to be a devil's advocate, there are other questions to ask.

Perhaps the most important being: Why not?

The old hotel has changed hands at least twice when its buyers planned to renovate the building and turn it into apartments for senior citizens.

In the end, the city of Big Spring wound up with ownership of what few would question is the city's biggest eyesore.

Granted, the building doesn't look all that bad, until you get close enough to realize all its windows have been broken out and its ground entrances boarded up to keep out transients, vandals and the curious.

Once you're that close, however, the Settles becomes Big Spring's biggest scar — sending all the wrong messages to newcomers and industrial prospects.

The price?

When considered as a project that could improve the building's appearance for at least 10 years, one has to ask if it's not reasonable to spend \$45,000 to improve downtown Big Spring's looks. Chances are the city spends \$4,500 a year just repairing potholes in the area.

What's more, replacing the Settles' windows would at least halt the building rate of decay. And once it's in the "dry," there's a possibility city fathers could find a way to seal off most of the tower and put the first floor or two to practical use.

Previously, the Herald noted that the community should seriously consider a proposal that called for bricking up the building's windows and installing a lighted "Big Spring" sign atop the hotel's tower.

At this time, it seems as if the only other alternatives are demolishing the building or taking no action at all.

Demolishing the building, which would probably carry a price tag in the millions of dollars, promises to be a disaster for the entire downtown area.

Bringing down the building would more than likely result in rupturing all the city's water lines nearby, not to mention the possibility of damage to surrounding buildings.

And before the building could be imploded, what promises to be a very expensive process of asbestos abatement and removal would have to be undertaken.

Such considerations lead to still another question: If not now, when?

If nothing is done, the building will slowly continue to deteriorate, and at some time, it will become a public safety issue. Then something will have to be done, and there's no question the cost will have climbed.

All that considered, it seems to us that Churchwell's plan offers more merit than any other that's been advanced.

Therefore, in endorsing the project, the Herald is willing to put its money where its mouth is, allowing its employees to donate for the project and match those contributions.

We suggest other businesses do the same.

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Here's why we need a stronger Clean Air Act

By RICHARD WILES
Scripps Howard News Service

POINT

Maybe you heard industry's radio ad before most stations pulled it off the air.

An actor playing a doctor tells his son that EPA's new clean air standards are not justified by the science, and might mean the end of Saturday night barbecues.

Real doctors, meanwhile, are lining up by the hundreds in support of the new clean air rules. Air pollution remains a serious health problem in most metropolitan areas in the United States.

Microscopic particles of airborne pollution penetrate the deepest regions of the lungs and cause 70,000 premature deaths each year, according to the Environmental Protection Agency.

Ozone, formed when auto exhaust and industrial pollutants react with sunlight, aggravates asthma, particularly in children, impairs the body's immune system, and can reduce lung function by 20 percent in healthy adults. On bad air pollution days, thousands of children jam hospital emer-

gency rooms because they can barely breathe.

More than 5,000 people die every year from asthma, three times the rate of just 10 years ago. Last November, the Clinton administration proposed new health standards for ozone and particulates that would cut current pollution levels by about half.

The National Association of Manufacturers has attacked the proposal as junk science, too costly, and an end to barbecue grills and lawn mowers. In fact, EPA's proposals need to be strengthened to adequately protect the public health.

Before proposing the new particulate standard, EPA scientists analyzed more than 1,000 peer-reviewed studies linking particulate pollution with heart disease, premature death, asthma, and emphysema.

They then selected 186 studies for review by the Clean Air Science Advisory Board. The Board, chaired by a scientist from General Motors, concluded that the particulate standard needed to be tight-

ened to better protect the public health. It would take thousands of barbecues grilling 24 hours a day, every day, to equal the air pollution from one large steel mill.

That is why no one is proposing to regulate barbecue grills. Likewise for lawnmowers.

Reducing pollution from steel mills, electric utilities, and oil refineries is a far more cost effective pollution control strategy.

The reduced health care costs when these standards are met will save the nation between \$50 billion and \$100 billion each year. Further, the new standards are clean air (start italics) goals (end italics) that will be achieved over the next several decades.

They do not in any way regulate a specific industry, nor dictate how communities should control polluters to achieve the goals.

And in spite of industry claims to the contrary, (start italics) economic impacts are considered (end italics) when decisions are made to regulate specific polluters. True, the new health goal for ozone may provide incentives for carpooling. But it will also create mar-

kets for cleaner cars, natural gas powered buses, and much needed light rail systems.

Most of these options will be a welcome relief to commuters stuck in traffic for hours each week. Far from too onerous, the proposed health standards are not tough enough. So say the American Lung Association, state air quality officials in California, the American Public Health Association, and more than 125 doctors who have testified at public hearings on the proposal. When achieved, the proposed particulate goal will save 20,000 lives annually, yet tens of thousands of premature deaths will continue each year.

The new ozone standard could reduce the incidence of acute asthma attacks, but the rules would allow the standard to be exceeded three times each year before a violation occurred. The EPA's proposal is a step in the right direction, but it must be strengthened to guarantee clean air for future generations.

(Richard Wiles is vice president for research at the Environmental Working Group in Washington, D.C.)

Let's not be scared into a bad decision

By RICHARD KLIMISCH
Scripps Howard News Service

COUNTERPOINT

There's a lot of good news about air quality in this country. Most American cities are now in compliance with the air quality standards for five of the six criteria air pollutants regulated by the Federal Clean Air Act. And most of these places have achieved or are approaching compliance with ozone, the sixth pollutant, which is the most difficult to control.

This means that those places by definition do not have an air quality problem. Obviously, this has created a crisis for those in the environmental community who will never be satisfied until all pollutants reach zero (which is of course unachievable). Thus, the pressure on the United States Environmental Protection Agency has been intense to tighten the air quality standards, and EPA has wilted under this pressure by proposing new standards that will put most of our cities back into a non-compliance situation, dooming them to a bureaucratic trap from which there likely will be no escape.

Furthermore, these new air quality standards will force local and state regulatory agencies to impose a variety of measures that have been rejected almost everywhere, even in Los Angeles, which truly has an ozone air quality problem that is obvious to everyone.

These measures include mandatory car pooling, tougher vehicle inspection and maintenance, as well as other actions that will interfere with the lives of the average citizen and ultimately will cost us all a great deal of money — and will likely cost some people their jobs.

The sad thing is that the benefits from all this effort will be vanishingly small. Some will tell you that these standards can be met with new technology that won't cost anything and won't have adverse trade-offs. Unfortunately, that's just wishful thinking.

The scientific bases for these EPA proposed standards are very thin indeed. But that hasn't prevented EPA and its backers in the environmental community from using the

same old apocalyptic scare tactics that we have all heard in the past. Remember alar, red dye No. 2, saccharin and on and on.

The evidence linking ozone to health effects, including increased incidence of asthma attacks, is very weak and EPA appears to be ignoring evidence to the contrary. The case for particulate matter is not much better. There is almost no data about the amount of small particles in the air, so EPA is guessing what the standard should be, and what might be causing the health effects, if they exist at all. And the data on which the statistical studies are based is not available for independent review.

EPA's approach to the proposed standards is almost a definition of bad policy-making. That may explain why EPA has taken the unusual step of combining the ozone and particulate matter rule-making; it further confuses the public about an already complex issue and masks the gaping holes in EPA's arguments.

Some environmental groups are on a desperate campaign to attack the critics of the EPA proposals using their familiar

apocalyptic approach. This time we have to reject these scare tactics. There's too much at stake.

This action by EPA would set an agenda for dramatically increased air quality regulation for at least the next decade while many of the measures already on the books have not been fully implemented. That worries a number of governors and mayors who have looked at what EPA is proposing. They have written EPA and President Clinton about their concerns — that these standards would make it extremely difficult to attract new jobs to their regions. For many cities, economic growth would come to a standstill.

One thing that the past 25 years has taught us is that a lot of money can be wasted on badly conceived environmental efforts. The stakes are higher this time, and we can't afford to make costly mistakes anymore.

(Richard Klimisch is a pioneer in the development of the catalytic converter and is now vice president of engineering affairs for the American Automobile Manufacturers Association.)



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Bowler finds triple perfection, rolls three straight 300 games

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — When Jeremy Sonnenfeld of the University of Nebraska bowled his first strike, he was thinking only of getting a good start to the tournament. Then he threw another and another until the sophomore had 36 strikes in a row — in what could become the first sanctioned 900 series in bowling history. Sonnenfeld, an All-America bowler last year as a freshman, said he had bowled seven perfect games in his lifetime, but none of them consecutively.

Sunday's masterpiece came on the Sun Valley Lanes in Lincoln. "Each one is just as precious as the one before that," he said in a telephone interview. "But to have three in a row and to set a world record, well, I just don't even know what to do." An American Bowling Congress official said there have been at least four 900 series reported, but none were officially approved for various reasons, including unsanctioned tournaments and lane conditions failing to meet stan-

dards. The official said there have been three 899 series, two during the past year, and an 898 two months ago. The ABC was expected to rule today on Sonnenfeld's 900 series. John Losito, who runs Sun Valley Lanes, said the tournament was sanctioned by the Young American Bowling Alliance, an arm of the ABC. "The tournament was sanctioned by the YABA, and the lanes were inspected on Jan. 9, and that's good for 30 days,"

Losito said. "The big question is what the ABC will say." Sonnenfeld said he wasn't nervous during the game, even on that last frame of the last set. "When I got to the end of the ninth frame, I thought, 'Boy, something momentous is happening, but you've got three shots left, so just do your best,' he said. "Then I threw the first two in the 10th and I couldn't believe I had come this far. Then when I threw the strike, it was like I couldn't believe

it." Eric Aslakson, one of Sonnenfeld's teammates on the defending national champion Cornhuskers' bowling team, said his friend was "cool as ice." "No one could believe what they were seeing, the impossible of impossibles being done in front of them," he said. Sonnenfeld's coach, Bill Straub, said he was happy for the 20-year-old business management major. "Not only is this kid very tal-

ented, but as good as he is a player, he's a better person," he said. Sonnenfeld said the best thing was that it happened in front of his girlfriend, also a bowler. "She's come to games before, but I've never thrown a perfect game in front of her," he said, adding that he considers a ring she gave him a good luck charm. "But when I threw all three games, well, she just came over and gave me a great hug and it was really special to have her there."

HOWARD HOSTS FPC



Howard College women's coach Matt Corkery, lower right, talks to his team during a time out of their game with Western Texas College Monday in Snyder. The Lady Hawks host Frank Phillips College today at 6 p.m. in Garrett Coliseum. The Howard-Frank Phillips men's game follows at 8 p.m.

Grizzlies win one for new head coach

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

This win was for the coach. "It's something I really wanted to do because he's worked so hard," Shareef Abdur-Rahim said of Stu Jackson, who recently added the title coach to his other duties as president and general manager of the second-year Vancouver Grizzlies. Jackson took over as coach after he fired Brian Winters on Jan. 24. Sunday, the Grizzlies picked on somebody their own size — the Boston Celtics — and snapped an eight-game losing streak. "It feels good to get the first win," Jackson said after the 102-92 victory. "I'm happy for our kids. I wanted to win it for them." Even with the victory, the Grizzlies have the worst record in the NBA. The have won nine games — one fewer than Boston — but they have played six more games than the Celtics.

NBA

Eric Williams scored 22 points and Antoine Walker had 19 points and 16 rebounds to lead the Celtics. **Nuggets 115, Hawks 104** Seven Nuggets scored in double figures, led by Dale Ellis with 21 points, as they spoiled Dikembe Mutombo's return to Denver. Playing in Denver for the first time since leaving to sign with Atlanta, Mutombo was booed whenever he touched the ball. He wound up with three points, 10 rebounds and one blocked shot. Mark Jackson added 17 points and 14 assists and LaPhonso Ellis had 15 points and 16 rebounds for the Nuggets, who scored the most points by any Atlanta opponent this season. Mookie Blaylock had 29 points and 12 rebounds and reserve Eldridge Recasner scored 21 points for the Hawks, who lost for just the third time in 17 games. **Lakers 129, Bullets 99** Shaquille O'Neal scored 24 points before straining his right knee in the third period and leaving the Lakers' rout against visiting Washington. It was the Lakers' sixth straight victory, equaling their longest win streak of the season. Los Angeles led 46-22 at the end of the first quarter and 78-52 at the half — the first time in 11 years the Lakers had totaled that many points in a half. Rod Strickland paced the Bullets with 23 points, while Juwan Howard added 21. **Heat 80, Cavaliers 76** In Miami, reserve guard John Crotty hit two straight 3-pointers to put the Heat in front for good against Cleveland. Crotty finished with 13 points to back Tim Hardaway's game-leading 20 and Voshon Lenard's 13 in a productive night for the Heat backcourt. Center Alonzo Mourning had 15 points and 11 rebounds. Cleveland's Terrell Brandon led the Cavaliers with 16 points, while Vitaly Potanko added 14 and Bobby Phillips 12.

Million-dollar kick steals the Pro Bowl show

HONOLULU (AP) — Lance Alstodt kicked like an All-Pro. Cary Blanchard and John Kasay kicked like investment bankers. With Alstodt stealing the show by making a 35-yard field goal to win \$1 million at halftime, the AFC's Blanchard and NFC's Kasay kept the Pro Bowl going by missing. Blanchard, who was off from 41 yards moments earlier, finally hit a 37-yarder 8:15 into overtime Sunday to give the AFC a 26-23 victory over the NFC. Kasay missed a 39-yarder with 11 seconds remaining in regulation, making the overtime necessary. "I know there were some guys that were a little upset that it went so long because they needed to catch their flights," noted Mark Brunell, the Jacksonville quarterback who was a fill-in for the injured John Elway and won the Pro

Bowl's MVP Award. Ironically, Kasay gave Alstodt, an investment banker in New York, some tips on making his one kick to win the "Hershey's \$1 Million Pro Bowl Kick!" Alstodt, 26, who played soccer as a youth, coolly boomed home his kick at halftime to win \$1 million. While he went 1-for-1, the all-star kickers went a combined 3-for-8. In defense of Blanchard and Kasay, however, they were working with new holders and new snappers, and the lack of practice showed. Kasay, the Carolina Panthers' kicker, missed three of four attempts, but one of those was a 66-yarder. He seemed to be out of rhythm, working with new people. "We tried the best we could, but it didn't work out," he said. "We didn't get a chance to work on it that much."

Blanchard, of the Indianapolis Colts, agreed that timing was a problem with so little practice. "Your rhythm really isn't here because of different guys in different places," he said. "I just pulled through it (his first overtime kick), but the second one was just beautiful. The snap was perfect, the hold was perfect, and I couldn't do anything but put the ball through." Although the kickers had their problems, the game was an exciting one, with Brunell and Washington's Gus Frerotte, both invited to the Pro Bowl only after John Elway and Troy Aikman withdrew because of injuries, helping provide offensive fireworks. Brunell completed 12 of 22 passes for 236 yards, including an 80-yard pass play to Tim Brown with 44 seconds left in regulation that tied it at 23. Brunell also took the AFC on

a 66-yard drive to Blanchard's winning field goal, throwing a 43-yard pass to New England's Ben Coates along the way. "I was honored just to be out here with these players, the best in the world, let alone take home the MVP," Brunell said. After Brunell and Brown hooked up for the long scoring play in the final minute of regulation, Frerotte immediately marched the NFC back down the field, but Kasay's kick was off and the teams headed to overtime. Frerotte completed 13 of 25 passes for 193 yards, including a 53-yard TD throw to Cris Carter of Minnesota for a 23-16 lead with four minutes left in regulation. "It was kind of a crazy game," Frerotte said. "There were a lot of big plays, just the way a Pro Bowl should be. I hope this won't be my last Pro Bowl."

Patriots tab Carrol as new head coach

FOXBORO, Mass. (AP) — Pete Carroll, the defensive coordinator of the San Francisco 49ers the last two years, is the new coach of the New England Patriots, succeeding Bill Parcells. A Patriots spokesman today confirmed the appointment, which had been expected even before Parcells and the Patriots officially severed ties Friday. The announcement, which comes eight days after the Patriots lost 35-21 to the Green Bay Packers in the Super Bowl, is to be made at a news conference at noon EST. Carroll, the head coach for the New York Jets in 1994, reportedly interviewed for the St. Louis Rams coaching job but was passed over for Dick Vermeil. Carroll was bypassed by the 49ers when they hired University of California coach Steve Mariucci a day after George Seifert resigned as coach after eight seasons. Carroll, 45, was 6-10 in his one season with the Jets. He was fired by Jets owner Leon Hess after that season and then

joined the 49ers staff. Parcells and New England owner Robert Kraft split over a contract dispute in which NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue ruled in favor of the Patriots. Now the Jets, who covet Parcells for their coaching vacancy, must decide if they are willing to give up their overall No. 1 pick to the Patriots in compensation for signing the coach who won two Super Bowls with the New York Giants. Carroll has experience at both the college and pro level. His NFL stints include a stay with the Minnesota Vikings as defensive backfield coach from 1985-89 and Jets defensive coordinator from 1990 until he was made head coach for the 1994 season. After taking the Patriots from last place in the AFC East to the Super Bowl in his four seasons, Parcells stepped down because he wasn't happy not having final say over personnel moves. "They want you to cook the dinner, at least they ought to

let you shop for some of the groceries," Parcells said. Parcells' dissatisfaction in New England goes back a long way. After the team went 6-10 in 1995, he wasn't sure he wanted to meet the final year of his contract in 1997. He'd have to pay Kraft \$1.2 million to get out of that year. So he asked Kraft to remove the last year from the deal. Kraft agreed and the contract was amended Jan. 12, 1996. Parcells agreed that if he wanted to coach in 1997 it could be only for the Patriots, unless they gave their consent. On Friday, Parcells and Kraft held their own news conferences at the same lectern. Parcells said he was resigning and didn't know what his future held; Kraft insisted the two had a cordial relationship, but the organization would thrive without Parcells. "I know I'm not the easiest guy all the time but, by and large, I've been treated fairly," the ex-coach said at the time. "With me leaving, it's going to be Bob Kraft's team now."

LOCAL BRIEFS

Golfers finish third The Big Spring High School girls' golf team finished third in their division at Saturday's San Angelo Invitational Golf Tournament. Hereford won the division with a 758 total score, while Big Spring and Pecos finished regulation play tied for second with identical 808 scores. Pecos then won a one-hole playoff to claim second place. It was the first tournament of the year for the Big Spring girls. Kelly Hollar shot an 82-94-176 to win second medalist honors, while Alicia Wood was next for Big Spring with a 103-87-190. Freshman Hayley Knox, competing in her first tournament, shot a 112-108-220, Tatum Weeks scored 122-100-222 and Pricilla DelBosque fired a 134-116-252. Big Spring girls and boys are in action this weekend when they host the Big Spring Invitational at Comanche Trail Golf Course and Big Spring Country Club. **Hawks blast Ranger** RANGER — The Howard

College Hawks collected 16 hits to take a 17-5 victory over Ranger in junior college baseball action Sunday. Greenwood native Josh Jones pitched three innings of scoreless relief to take the victory. Howard improved to 2-0, while Ranger dropped to 0-2. Shortstop T.J. Runnells was three-for-six with a double, first baseman Butch Gurule was three-for-five with two doubles and second baseman Brian Phillips contributed a bases-loaded double for the Hawks. "We played a whole lot better (than Saturday)," Howard coach Brian Roper said. "The pitching was better, and our defense was a whole lot better. We've still got a ways to go, and the competition this weekend will be tougher, so we've got to buckle down." The Hawks return to action this Friday at the Galveston College junior college baseball tournament. **Baseball boosters meet** The Big Spring High School baseball boosters meet at 7:30

p.m. tonight at the high school library. All interested persons are invited to attend. **Tennis program begins** The Big Spring Junior Development Tennis Program begins its spring session today at Figure 7 Tennis Center. The sessions, which begin at 5:30 p.m., are open to children in grades 1-6. Registration will be held at 5 p.m. There is no fee, but players are required to bring a racquet and an unopened can of tennis balls. For more information, contact 264-9229. **Batla third team** Garden City's Bradley Batla was named third-team quarterback on the recently released Texas Sports Writers Association Class 1A all-state football team. Batla (6-0, 180), passed for 2,048 yards and 11 touchdowns this season for the Bearkats.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of MARY LOU OVERTON, Deceased, were issued on the 18th day of August, 1996 in Docket No. 306, pending in the County Court of Glasscock County, Texas by JESSE LOUIS OVERTON. The residence of the Administrator is in Glasscock County, Texas, the post office address of the agent is: P. O. Drawer 2117, Big Spring, Howard County, Texas 79721-2117. All persons having claims against the Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. DATED the 28th day of January, 1997. JESSE LOUIS OVERTON By: C. E. (JIM) THOMAS, III Attorney for Estate 1212 February 3, 1997

DEAR CONFUSED: Your husband is still punishing you for the incident that took place in the mall three months ago. He appears to be a very selfish man with an unforgiving nature - and petty as well - to punish you in this manner. He is cutting his nose off to spite his face... well, it's not really his nose, but you get the idea.

When the children are asleep, tell him you would like to discuss this misunderstanding that caused him to clam up,

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News from a distance has you tossing your plans in midair. Come from a point of understanding, and find out what is behind this news. Though you feel overwhelmed, don't overreact. Take time to meditate. Tonight: Do some thinking.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
You might be thrown quite the loop. Pull back, and regroup. A partner challenges you about what you want and need. You feel like yelling, but it is better to go within. Your creative self can find the answer. Tonight: Dig to the bottom of the problem.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
You feel that others are testing you, though that might not be what is happening. They are airing their opinions. But the result is that you feel saddled by events and others' decisions. Listen, but try not to make a decision yet. Tonight: Be another's sounding board.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
Dig into your day, establish priorities and resolve problems. A friend will pitch in and help you tackle a task head-on. Reach out for another at a distance, and gather information. You feel there is a blockage. Tonight: Burn the midnight oil.

and then to stop making love to you. Assure him that you love him very much and want to resolve the "misunderstanding" before any more time elapses. If necessary, suggest seeing a marriage counselor to resolve this problem. If he refuses, go without him.

DEAR ABBY: This letter is in response to "Brokenhearted Mother," whose obese son died in his sleep. I want this dear woman to know that the very day after her letter was published, I started attending Overeaters Anonymous meetings. I am in my early 20s and extremely obese. I am painfully aware that without help my life is in serious jeopardy.

Food is an addiction like no other. You can't get away from it, hide it or go cold turkey. It follows you day and night. I have an addiction and I know that I always will have. My only hope is to seek help and support. Hopefully, over time, I will become a thinner, healthier person, but there are no guarantees. I like to say that it is not just about lightening up your body, but also about lightening up your soul.

Again, to "Brokenhearted Mother," I am so sorry for your loss. You did a good thing, however, by getting out the message - "Obesity does kill!"

On a final note: The next time you see a fat person on the street, please show a little compassion. We already know we are fat. - GRATEFUL IN ONTARIO

DEAR GRATEFUL: I hope "Brokenhearted" sees your letter. For those of you who would like to contact Overeaters Anonymous, there are chapters in almost every city. If you have difficulty finding one near you, send a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Overeaters Anonymous World Service Office, P.O. Box 44020, Rio Rancho, N.M. 87174-4020.

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MONDAY

FEB. 3

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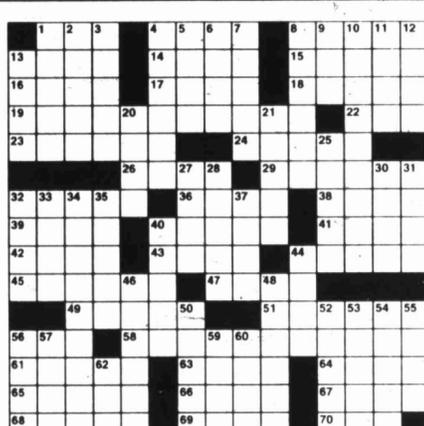
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Today is Monday, Feb. 3, the 34th day of 1997. There are 331

days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On Feb. 3, 1959, a plane crash near Clear Lake, Iowa, claimed the lives of rock 'n' roll stars Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens and J.P. "The Big Bopper" Richardson. On this date: In 1783, Spain recognized U.S. independence.

THE Daily Crossword

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by Florence C. Adler 02/03/97

Saturday's Puzzle solved:



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independence. In 1809, the territory of Illinois was created. In 1865, President Lincoln and Confederate Vice President Alexander H. Stephens held a shipboard peace conference off the Virginia coast. (The talks deadlocked over the issue of Southern autonomy.) In 1913, the 16th Amendment to the Constitution, providing for a federal income tax, was ratified. In 1916, Canada's original Parliament Buildings, in Ottawa, burned down. In 1917, the United States broke off diplomatic relations with Germany, which had announced a policy of unrestricted submarine warfare. In 1924, the 28th president of the United States, Woodrow Wilson, died in Washington, D.C., at age 68. In 1930, the chief justice of the United States, William Howard Taft, resigned for health reasons. In 1943, during World War II, the U.S. transport ship Dorchester sank after being hit by a torpedo. (Four Army chaplains gave their life belts to four other men, and went down with the ship.) In 1988, the U.S. Senate voted unanimously to confirm Anthony M. Kennedy to the Supreme Court. Ten years ago: The San Diego Yacht Club celebrated the victory of skipper Dennis Conner and the Stars and Stripes over Australia's Kookaburra III to sweep the America's Cup series. (Because of the time difference, it was already Feb. 4 in Australia, where the victory took place.) Five years ago: President Bush got into a testy exchange with Democratic governors over his economic-revival plan. Japanese Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa sparked controversy by saying American workers were losing the drive "to live by the sweat of their brow." One year ago: Sgt. 1st Class Donald A. Dugan, 38, became the first U.S. soldier killed while on duty in Bosnia when a piece of ammunition exploded in his hands. Actress Audrey Meadows died in Los Angeles at the age of 71. Today's Birthdays: Author James Michener is 90. Comedian Joey Bishop is 79. Comedian Shelley Berman is 71. Sen. Paul Sarbanes, D-Md., is 64. Football Hall-of-Famer Fran Tarkenton is 57. Singer Dennis Edwards (formerly with The Temptations) is 54. Football Hall-of-Famer Bob Griese is 52. Singer guitarist Dave Davies (The Kinks) is 50. Thought for Today: "Mediocrity can talk; but it is for genius to observe." - Benjamin Disraeli, British prime minister (1804-1881).