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Jury slaps O.J. with \$8.5 million judgement

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) — This time, it fit.

The accusations, the evidence, the once-unthinkable notion an amiable ex-football star could slash two throats and leave his two young children without a mother — it all struck a jury as true.

In a hot, stuffy courtroom full of reporters, cops and tears, a jury decided it was payback time, and O.J. Simpson was to do the paying.

Jurors slapped Simpson with an \$8.5 million judgment on Tuesday night,

deducing from evidence old and new that he was liable for the slashing deaths of ex-wife Nicole Brown Simpson and her friend Ronald Goldman the night of June 12, 1994.

The decision didn't have to be unanimous, but it was: 12-0. And that was just the beginning.

The jury's findings of malice and oppression triggered the second phase to determine punitive damages — money assessed to punish Simpson. The panel returns Thursday for a hearing on Simpson's financial status.

For relatives of the victims, the end of their painful 2-year odyssey drew near.

Shouts of "Yes!" rose in the courtroom as the verdict was read. Afterward, the victims' sobbing relatives hugged each other and their lawyers.

"We finally have justice for Ron and Nicole," said Fred Goldman, the aggrieved father who doggedly pursued Simpson to civil court after denouncing his October 1995 acquittal.

As the verdict was read, the 49-year-old Simpson stared straight ahead, as one of his lawyers, Phillip Baker, gently patted his back. The Simpson team then walked out of the courtroom and into a maelstrom.

Outside the building, a crowd estimated by police at 2,000 gathered and chanted "Killer, killer, killer" before Simpson emerged to a mixture of boos and cheers.

On his way home, he dashed into an ice cream shop to buy a cup of chocolate cookie dough ice cream for his 11-year-old daughter, Sydney.

Reached by telephone later at his home, Simpson told The Associated Press, "I'm sitting with my kids right now," but he refused further comment.

The timing of the verdict spared TV networks the choice of O.J. Simpson or President Clinton, who was giving his State of the Union address. The verdict, delayed more than three hours to allow lawyers and families to get to the courthouse, came just as the president wrapped up his hour-long speech.

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United Way allocating drive funds

By JOHN H. WALKER
Managing Editor

Nearly \$144,000 in United Way, Combined Federal Campaign and State Employee Combined Campaign contributions were allocated Tuesday night during the annual meeting of the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County.

A total of 11 agencies received funding, with the American Red Cross again being funded monetarily after receiving in-kind services in 1996.

Allocation totals include: American Red Cross, \$5,835; Boys Club, \$31,057; Boy Scouts, \$5,037; Dora Roberts Rehab, \$14,122; Northside Community Center, \$15,363; Rape Crisis/Victim Services, \$9,504; Salvation Army, \$18,285; Girl Scouts, \$4,051; Westside Community Center, \$7,520; Westside Day Care Center, \$20,475 and YMCA, \$12,565.

Members of the allocations committee included Steve Jeter, Sylvia Casas, Lee Emerson, Esther Lopez, Laura Martin, Clarence Hartfield, Cheryl Parrish, Shirley Shroyer and Julie Wolf.

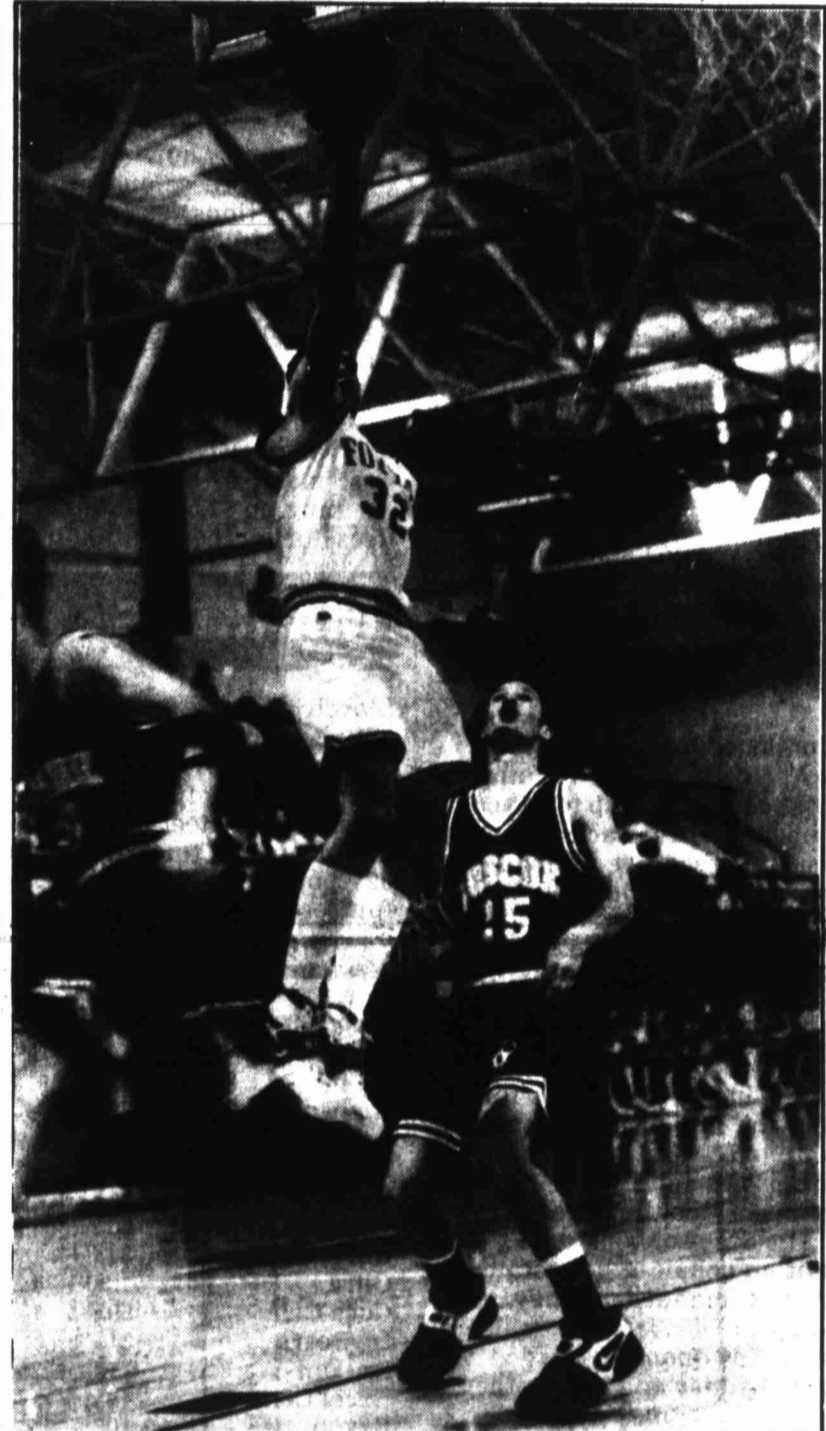
For the first time in several years, the United Way reached its goal, raising \$212,275 against a goal of \$210,000.

"Because we reached our goal, we were able to provide funding to all member agencies," explained Carroll Jennings, executive director of the local United Way.

"I thought some additional money might come in, but it didn't," Jennings explained.

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READY FOR SHOWDOWN



Forsan's Josh Gaston (32) goes in for a layup as Roscoe's J.D. Underwood (25) defends. Forsan's 56-39 win, coupled with a Coahoma loss to Winters, leaves the two Howard County teams tied for first place in District 8-2A. Forsan and Coahoma will play in the regular season finale Tuesday in Forsan. Please see related story, Page 1B.

BSISD slates Thursday public forum on sex ed

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

A sex education curriculum for the Big Spring Independent School District (BSISD) will be the focus of a public forum slated for 10 a.m. Thursday in the board meeting room at Big Spring High School.

It's a chance for concerned residents to voice their concerns about the four proposed curriculums the district is considering using.

BSISD Curriculum Director Helen Gladden said the forum is for citizens who want to speak about the issue.

"The purpose is to give time to the public so they can make their feeling known," Gladden said. "We want to know what they think. This forum is not to give time to the committee that studied the curriculums."

BSISD board members and administrators plan to have a sex education curriculum, as required by Senate Bill 1, approved and in place by the start of the 1997-98 school year.

Prior to December's semester break, Assistant Superintendent Murray Murphy updated board members and administrators as to the progress of the Health Advisory Council (HAC), also a requirement of S.B. 1.

Six parents from around the district and four BSISD administrators make up the HAC, which began meeting in September 1995 with the intent of reviewing the district's current sex education curriculum.

According to Murphy, during the 1995-96 school year, all cur-

rently used health related materials were reviewed for grades K through 12. As a result of this review, it was the general concern of the HAC that more information needed to be placed in the hands of students in grades seven and eight.

After careful review and several discussions had taken place, the HAC, through the work of a subcommittee, selected four abstinence-based sex and health education related curriculum.

The subcommittee that reviewed the curriculum was headed by Gladden and includes Gary Phillips, youth minister at Hillcrest Baptist Church; the Rev. Carroll Kohl, pastor at St. Paul Lutheran Church; HAC members Terri Blackshear, Brenda Gainey and Estella Ruiz; and Royce Cox and Jean Broughton.

The curriculum studied by the subcommittee include Choosing the Best by Bruce Cook; Sex Respect by Respect Incorporated; Sex Can Wait by ETR Publishers; and RSVP (Responsible Social Values Program) by Abstinence, The Better Choice Inc.

According to Murphy, the HAC has also discussed implementing some type of sex education curriculum in sixth grade classes as well, but the primary focus is at the junior high school level.

"During the review of our current curriculums, we found that we have some good programs in place, but in grades six through eight we have some real voids where sex education curriculum is concerned," Murphy

said. "It was the thinking of the HAC that kids were making life-altering decisions at these grade levels."

Sex education is already in place at the high school level as health and child development electives.

During the week of Jan. 20-24, the district opened its administrative board room for public review of the curriculum being studied.

Thursday's public forum will be followed by the subcommittee making its recommendation to the HAC of curriculum for the district to adopt.

"We do have people very interested in this," Murphy said. "There could be one curriculum in one grade level and another curriculum at a different grade level. There are some very good curriculums here and I feel like the district can come up with one from this group."

Curriculum will have to be approved by the BSISD board of trustees by June in order to be implemented for the 1997-98 school year.

The course or courses selected will be two-week sex education programs, which will be optional for each student.

Signed permission slips will be required of each student before they will be allowed to participate in any curriculum.

"If a parent does not want a child to participate in the curriculum, they have that choice," Murphy said. "This is a strong enough issue from a health standpoint alone, that we feel like we owe it to our students to provide them the best information possible."

Reinvestment zone offering tax breaks

By CHRYS GOFF
Staff Writer

Moore Development for Big Spring and city officials are offering business owners a tax break available through a downtown reinvestment zone.

The zone is a section of the downtown area that includes some buildings that need to be filled with businesses. Officials are hoping to revitalize the area by attracting more business to downtown so that the area doesn't appear deserted.

The section of town included in the zone is a square area from First and Gregg, east to Johnson Street, south to Fourth Street, back west to Gregg and back up to First Street.

To qualify for the reinvest-

ment zone, your business has to be located within the zone, you have to meet all city ordinances, you must be current on all property taxes and you have to commit to adding at least \$10,000 to the value of the property. Businesses qualify for the incentives for five years following designation.

This investment program has been available for about a week. Moore Development officials will help business owners with the application procedures, certify you for the reinvestment zone and offer a tax abatement based on the level of dollars you spend.

The following criteria is being used to determine the amount of abatement granted:

- 20 percent abated if capital

cost is \$10,001 to \$50,000.

- 30 percent abated if capital cost is \$50,001 to \$100,000.

- 40 percent abated if capital cost is \$100,001 to \$500,000.

- 50 percent abated if capital cost is \$500,001 to \$5 million.

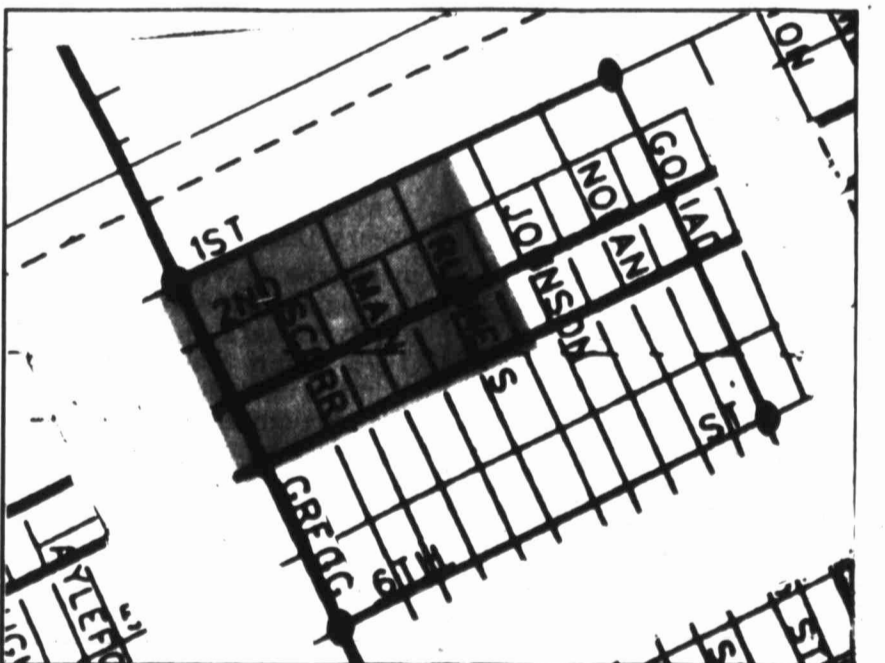
The city of Big Spring will waive 50 percent of all building-related fees charged by the city to a qualified business located within the zone. However, all permits must be obtained and all plans and construction must be approved and meet the applicable city codes. Reduced fees may include fees for the building, electrical, gas, plumbing, heating and vent permits, various inspections, plan review, water tap, sewer tap and curb breaks.

- Other incentives, negotiated

on a case-by-case basis, may include: accelerated zoning and permit procedures and transfer of city-owned surplus property at below market prices for the public purpose of economic development. The applicant must submit a project application form and other required information as listed in the form or as requested by the Tax Abatement Advisory Committee or the city council. Projects are reviewed by the abatement committee and recommended to the city council for final approval.

"The goal of this project is to encourage redevelopment into those old buildings, to get owners to do something with them and to get activities back into

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The outlined portion of this map shows where the Downtown Reinvestment Zone is located. It includes the area from First and Gregg, east to Johnson, south to Fourth Street and back west to Gregg Street.

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TODAY'S WEATHER

▲ Highs
▼ Lows

Today: Cloudy. High in the upper 40s. Low in the lower 30s.

Thursday: Mostly cloudy. High in the mid 40s. Low in the lower 30s.

Extended outlook: Friday and Saturday, cloudy with a chance of rain both days. Highs in the 50s. Lows in the 30s. Sunday, cloudy with a chance of rain. High in the 60s. Low near 40.

Kerr County jury sentences Darlie Routier to death

KERRVILLE (AP) — Gone are the days when Darlie Routier drove carpools in a Nissan Pathfinder and planned birthday parties replete with pinatas and water pistols.

The former Rowlett homemaker accused of fatally stabbing her two young sons is bound for death row.

Routier, 27, stood stone-faced Tuesday as Judge Mark Tolle read a jury's verdict then sentenced her to die by lethal injection for killing her 5-year-old son Damon in a grisly knife attack June 6, 1996.

"She's realistic," said defense attorney Doug Mulder, explaining her indifferent reaction. "She was ... disappointed in the conviction and felt in all likelihood this was coming."

Prosecutors, who'd made much of Routier's lack of emotion after her sons were slain, said Routier's response in court was typical for her.

"It sunk in," said Toby Shook, one of the prosecutors. "She's not going to give the satisfaction of showing a reaction. I don't think it even got her heart rate up."

Routier was accused of stabbing Damon and 6-year-old Devon then slashing her own throat to make it look like an intruder attacked her and her sons in their suburban home near Dallas. A charge covering Devon's death is still pending.

The case was moved to Kerrville because of publicity in North Texas.

A seven-woman, five-man jury found Routier guilty of capital murder Saturday after ten hours of deliberation. Deliberations in the trial's punishment phase took four hours

Tuesday. "We knew what was going to happen," said defense attorney Richard Mosty. "I started preparing her ... I said, 'Darlie, there's no chance they're going to do anything but give you death.'"

The Dallas County District Attorney's Office hailed the outcome, saying only a death sentence was appropriate for the crime.

"It sent a very strong, clear message to her and others like Please see ROUTIER, page 2A

OBITUARIES

Woodrow Granville Shipman

Funeral service for Woodrow Granville Shipman, 80, Big Spring, were 11 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 4, 1997, in the Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial was at Tahoka. Mr. Shipman died Sunday, Feb. 2, in a local hospital following a short illness. He is survived by three daughters: Glenda Williams, Big Spring, and Wanda Bohannon, Hobbs, N.M., and Fay Caraccia, Palm Springs, Calif.; one son: Donnie Shipman, Clarmont, 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. Paid obituary

Dorothy Ford Humphreys

Service for Dorothy Ford Humphreys, 74, Sweetwater, formerly of Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

She died Wednesday, Feb. 5, 1997, in Sweetwater.

Gladys Ogle

Funeral services for Gladys Ogle, 100, will be held at the First United Methodist Church of Big Spring at 1:30 p.m., Feb. 6, 1997. Chapter 67, The Order of Eastern Star will present a memorial service. Dr. Ed Williamson, pastor, will be officiating and burial will follow at Mount Olive, Ellis Funeral Home of Midland are handling the arrangements.

Gladys was born to James A. Woodward and Eva Leona McKeen on April 1, 1896, 25 miles north of Clarendon on the Cree Ranch where her father was foreman for the Cree's. Gladys was the second oldest of five siblings. She had one brother, Don and three sisters, Agnes, Leona and Edith, all deceased. Gladys spent most of her childhood on the Cree Ranch, and at the age of nine, her job

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL 24th & Johnson 267-8288

NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH Funeral Home Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory 906 Gregg St. (915) 267-6331

Fred "Fritz" Ernst, 75, died Sunday. Rosary will be at 7:00 PM Friday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Funeral Mass will be 10:00 AM Saturday at St. Lawrence Catholic Church. Interment will follow at St. Lawrence Cemetery. Dorothy Ford Humphreys, 74, died Wednesday. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

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Wanda Baize Gannaway

Funeral service for Wanda Baize Gannaway, 70, Abilene, will be 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 6, 1997, in the Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home Chapel of Memories, Abilene, with Paige Baize officiating. Burial will be in the Hamby Cemetery.

Mrs. Gannaway died Tuesday, Feb. 4, in an Abilene hospital.

She was born in Tuxedo and moved to Abilene in 1939. She graduated from Abilene High School in 1944. She lived in Pecos from 1952 to 1962 when she returned to Abilene. Mrs. Gannaway had lived in the Hamby area. She married Bill Gannaway on Sept. 15, 1944. He preceded her in death. She was a homemaker and a member of the 19th and Clinton Street Church of Christ.

Survivors include: a son, Lynn Gannaway, Big Spring; three daughters, Carole Hamilton, Lana Jenkins, and Sharon Hale, all of Abilene; three brothers, Audie Baize, Tuxedo, Novel Baize, Baird, and Gayle Baize, Coleman; a sister, Grace Cox, Pecos; 15 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be sent to Hospice of the Big Country; 3113 Oldham Lane; Abilene, Texas; 79602 or to the donor's favorite charity.

Arrangements under the direction of Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home, Abilene.

Zone

Continued from page 1A that part of town," said Danette Toone, Moore's executive director.

Lee Corson, the city/county grant writer, added, "There are too many vacant buildings in the zone area that with some work could beneficially be used for several activities."

Moore Development officials said the following factors will be used to determine whether to designate individual projects:

- Financial capacity to carry out the proposed project.
- Creation of commercial activity in the zone.
- Type and value of proposed improvements.
- The impact on the business opportunities of existing businesses within the zone.
- Applicant's commitment to the revitalization of the zone.

A few cities in the West Texas area are involved in similar projects. However, Big Spring is the first city to implement this exact project.

If you need more information about the project, contact Lee Corson or Danette Toone at 264-6032.

Funds

Continued from page 1A referring to the fact the campaign goal was actually exceeded the day before the campaign's official closing date.

Dates for the 1997 campaign include a June 16 announcement of the campaign goal, a July 21 start for the Pacesetter campaign and a Sept. 9 formal campaign kickoff. This year's campaign is scheduled to end on Dec. 15.

Officers elected for 1997 include Bob Scott, president; Archie Kountz, first vice president; Richard Steel, second vice president; Linda Weaver, secretary and Carla Guinn, treasurer.

Routier

Continued from page 1A her: This will not be tolerated," prosecutor Greg Davis said.

Routier becomes the seventh woman on Texas' death row.

While Texas has put 107 men to death by injection since 1982 and 361 in the electric chair from 1924 through 1964, records show it has been 134 years since a woman was executed in the state. Chipta Rodriguez was hanged in 1863 for the murder of a horse trader.

The women of death row are housed in a one-story red brick bungalow in Coryell County about 40 miles west of Waco. Routier will be assigned to a 6-by-9 cell with a dark red concrete floor.

While she awaits death, her attorneys will work on her auto-

BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

Texas Lottery

PICK 3: 7, 6, 6
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Her attorneys said it is too early to tell what the appeal will be based on. But they have criticized the fact that an FBI violent crimes specialist was permitted to give jurors his opinion of the evidence and that the defense wasn't allowed to pursue questions about the Rowlett police bugging of a Routier family prayer service.

"There are a lot of things that happened in this case that were unusual," Mulder said. Mosty described Routier as "numb yet resolved."

"This is the first step in a long battle," he said.

As jurors deliberated her punishment, Routier peeked out the second-floor window of her holding cell and waved at her husband, Darin Routier, who waited outside. At one point, Darin Routier said to her, "I'll see you in heaven."

Panelists had to consider whether Routier presented a continuing threat to society and whether there were mitigating circumstances that should make her eligible for a life prison sentence instead of death.

After the sentencing, jurors were whisked away from the courthouse in a van. They said they didn't want to speak with reporters, according to prosecutor Davis.

Defense attorneys had pleaded for jurors to give her a life sentence, saying she might one day be proved innocent.

"I suspect every one of you — every one of you — will wake up some night saying 'What if?'" Mosty said, standing beside his client, placing his hand on her shoulder.

Verdict

Continued from page 1A

At one point, Simpson's police-escorted trip to the courthouse in his black Suburban was televised live nationally on a split screen just as Clinton began his address.

Later, Clinton said: "We have to respect the jury verdicts that Americans bring in a situation like this."

The \$8.5 million represented the value of Goldman's funeral and the loss of his companionship to his parents. Ms. Simpson's family did not seek compensatory damages.

Ms. Simpson's parents filed a suit on behalf of her estate and also demanded money from Simpson for fatally assaulting her. Any money awarded will go to Sydney and her brother, 8-year-old Justin.

The verdict and its immediate aftermath proved, dramatically, how different the civil trial was from the criminal trial, which divided the nation over issues of police racism, domestic violence and the quality of justice.

This time around, a mostly white jury used the lesser standard of "preponderance of evidence" rather than the "beyond a reasonable doubt" standard the mostly black jury used in the first trial.

The civil trial was also conducted outside the camera's eye by lawyers under a gag order, unlike the televised criminal trial.

Former Detective Mark Fuhrman was mostly a memory in the second trial and Simpson was mostly on the defense, buckling under one adverse ruling after another and having to sit, uncomfortably at times, in the witness chair.

The defense, faced with the less friendly burden of proof, tried a modified version of

Police

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 8 a.m. Tuesday and 8 a.m. Wednesday:

•ROBERT VALENCIA, 18, of 507 N.W. 11th, was arrested on local warrants. •MICHAEL SEAN KELLEY, 39, no known address, was arrested for public intoxication. •ANDREW CHARLES SHELDON, 40, no known address, was arrested on local warrants.

•DISTURBANCE/FIGHT in the 2900 block of W. Eighth; and the 300 block of N.W. Seventh.

•THEFT in the 1700 block of Wason; 200 block of W. Marcy; 1000 block of E. 15th; and the 1000 block of Stadium.

•CRIMINAL TRESPASS in the 1600 block of Gregg. •ASSAULT/FAMILY VIOLENCE in the 100 block of Cedar.

•DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE in the 1300 block of Mulberry. •BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE in the 1800 block of Winston.

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The biggest, newest weapon this time were 31 pictures of Simpson wearing the same model of Bruno Magli shoes that left bloody prints near the bodies — shoes Simpson said he never owned.

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MARKETS

March cotton 74.40 cents a pound, down 11 points; Feb. crude oil 24.01, down 1 point; Cash hogs steady at \$1 higher at 55; slaughter steers steady at 65; Feb. lean hog futures 75.80, up 32 points; Feb. live cattle futures 63.95, up 22 points.

Courtesy: Delta Corporation. Noon quotes provided by Edward D. Jones & Co.

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CLARIFICATION

In Monday's paper, a story about a fight at the Howard County Fair Barns indicated Joe Louis Miramontes, 24, of 1110 Johnson, was arrested for disorderly conduct by fighting. The arrest report shows the charge against Miramontes was changed from disorderly conduct-fighting to disorderly conduct by using abusive language.

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Women's Care Update by Michael S. Phillips, M.D. Diplomatic American Board Obstetrics & Gynecology MATTERS OF FEMALE HEALTH Whatever myths, stereotypes or perceptions surround women, they possess a unique physical nature that requires certain specific needs and understanding. To address the concerns that arise from matters of female health maintenance, related disease and reproductive well being, a branch of medical science known as Obstetrics/Gynecology has emerged. This field of medicine confines its focus to women, but the benefits of its endeavors ultimately touch us all, regardless of gender. As human beings, we are concerned with the reproductive fitness of our species and the health of our entire population. To this end, this column will devote itself to making general information related to women's health available to all its readers. While the material may be most relevant to women, men concerned with the well-being of women and children should also find it interesting. Welcome to our new weekly column. At our office, your views and satisfaction are most important elements of our work. As health care providers, we take the time to discuss your questions and concerns; and offer sound, experienced advice. I look forward to a pleasant relationship as we become partners in your health care. If you are looking for a Physician, we are currently accepting new patients at our office in Big Spring. For more information about our services or to schedule an appointment for our office in Big Spring at the Medical Care Plaza, 1300 Gregg St., call (915) 522-2222. Happy Valentine's Day from all of us to all of you!

Pain may be eliminated for millions (SPECIAL) — A drug that is exciting researchers in the treatment of pain has been formulated into a new product known as "Arthur Itis," and is being called a "Medical Miracle" by some, in the treatment of debilitating conditions such as arthritis, bursitis, rheumatism, painful muscle aches, joint aches, simple backache, bruises, and more. Although the mechanism of action is unclear, experiments indicate that Arthur Itis, relieves pain by first selectively attracting, and then destroying the messenger chemical which carries pain sensations to the brain, thus eliminating pain in the affected area. Arthur Itis, is available immediately without a prescription in an odorless, greaseless, non-staining cream or new easy applicator liquid form. Arthur Itis, is guaranteed to work or your money back. AVAILABLE AT: Leonard's Pharmacy 308 Scurry St. 263-7344

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TEXAS BRIEFS

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Routier caring but had typical problems, neighbors say

ROWLETT — Neighbors who remember Darlie Routier for giving Christmas gifts to the blind and entertaining kids on the block shudder to realize she's now a condemned child killer. "To me, it has been a nightmare for almost nine months," said Mercedes Adams as she stood across the street from the two-story suburban home where Routier was accused of fatally stabbing two of her sons. "Every morning, I'm looking up to ask God why, why don't we have an answer?" said Adams, who described the convicted housewife as her best friend and refused to accept her conviction by a Kerrville jury Tuesday. "In my heart, I don't believe Darlie did it," Adams said. "I've known Darlie for a long time and there is something missing we don't know about. I know what is missing — the real killer."

Committee OKs bill to crack down on teen DWIs

AUSTIN — Alice London told state senators that she wanted to put a human face on the fact that Texas leads the nation in alcohol-related traffic fatalities involving minors. The Senate Criminal Justice Committee voted 7-0 on Tuesday to approve a bill by Sen. Royce West, D-Dallas, that would crack down on underage drinkers who drive. The bill now goes to the full Senate for consideration. Rep. Allen Place, D-Gatesville, is sponsoring the bill in the House.

Testifying before the committee, Mrs. London gave senators pictures of her 19-year-old stepson, Daniel, who was killed last June, along with his girlfriend, Bethany Early, 17, in a head-on crash involving a 19-year-old driver who police say was drunk. Andrew Papke was charged with two counts of intoxication manslaughter and one count of intoxication assault after his 1991 Acura crumpled Daniel London's red, 1974 Volkswagen Beetle on a winding Austin road. Papke's case has not yet gone to trial.

Local TV may show movie about love-triangle slaying

FORT WORTH — A movie about two former military cadets accused in a love-triangle slaying may be shown locally despite arguments that it will jeopardize a fair trial, a judge has ruled. Attorneys for former Naval Academy midshipman Diane Zamora, 19, argued that Dallas-Fort Worth's NBC affiliate, KXAS, should not be allowed to show "Love's Deadly Triangle: The Texas Cadet Murders."

District Judge Joe Drago on Tuesday denied Zamora's request for an injunction blocking the broadcast, but he urged residents not to watch it.

AT&T subsidiary moving into Lubbock, to create 955 jobs

LUBBOCK — An old corporate giant is making a new imprint on a job market that could use it. AT&T reached out and touched Lubbock on Tuesday, announcing the addition of nearly 1,000 new jobs that should help the city better weather the loss of its Air Force base.

Jacksonville, Fla.-based American Transtech Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of the communications giant, plans to build its eighth service center here by mid-1997. "We chose Lubbock for our newest business center because of the area's highly skilled work force and the excellent training support we'll receive from South Plains College," said Monica Mehan, ATI president and chief executive officer.

The training partnership wasn't the only carrot drawing ATI. Market Lubbock, the city's economic development arm, will provide the company with up to \$700,000 in public funds.

New interim director for Lottery appointed

AUSTIN (AP) — The new director of the Texas Lottery says she won't keep the job any longer than necessary. The Texas Lottery Commission on Tuesday named Kim Kiplin, the agency's top attorney, as acting executive director, one day after former acting executive director Zoann Attwood resigned.

Attwood replaced former executive director Nora Linares for less than a month after she was fired on Jan. 7. Kiplin, 37, has worked as general counsel for the lottery since September 1993. She said she has no desire to become executive director and wants to continue her job as general counsel after a new director is named. "I'm happy to help the agency

anyway I can," Kiplin said. "I think I better serve and it serves the agency better in the long run to be their lawyer."

Linares was fired after months of questions about a \$30,000 contract between her friend Mike Moeller and lottery contractor GTECH. Linares said she knew nothing about the contract, but the three-member lottery commission said Linares could no longer be effective as director. She's suing the agency for wrongful termination and wants her job back.

Attwood, former director of the Montana Lottery, was named acting executive director after Linares' firing. She had served as deputy director under Linares for 4 1/2 years. Attwood abruptly resigned Monday, giving hours notice that she was stepping down. She said she wanted to take advantage of other opportunities, according to Harriett Miers, chairwoman of the commission. Miers called an emergency meeting Tuesday to replace Attwood. She said having no acting executive director in place would leave the agency without a person in charge of day-to-day operations.

Miers said the commissioners will decide Feb. 14 how to conduct a nationwide search for a permanent executive director. "These three commissioners are dedicated to move that process forward as quickly as we possibly as we can," she said.

"The commission has one interest: that the public of Texas have the utmost confidence in the effective, beyond-reproach operation of the lottery games to produce revenue for the state of Texas and the enjoyment of those who chose to play the game." Miers said she expects at least some officials from within the agency to seek the executive director position. She said naming Kiplin acting executive director was fair to all candidates since Kiplin doesn't want the permanent job. Meanwhile, the lottery on Tuesday announced that a "name-clearing hearing" sought by Linares had been rescheduled from Thursday until Feb. 20.

Routier's sentence puts seven women on death row

GATESVILLE (AP) — Darlie Routier's arrival at a one-story red brick bungalow in the picturesque hills of Coryell County will boost to seven the number of women who live on Texas' death row.

The small building in a tiny corner of the Mountain View Unit of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice — about 40 miles west of Waco — is separated from the rest of the prison by a 12-foot-high chain-link fence topped with curly razor wire. Routier's prospects for a

quick execution are slim. While Texas has put 107 men to death by injection since 1982 and 361 in the electric chair from 1924 through 1964, records show it's been 134 years since a woman was executed in the state. Chippita Rodriguez was hanged in 1863 for the murder of a horse trader.

A couple of the women now on death row have had execution dates, which subsequently were put off while appeals continued. The longest-serving inmate is Pamela Lynn Perillo, on death row since Sept. 4, 1980 for a robbery-slaying that same year in Houston.

Routier, found guilty of a capital murder charge in the June 6, 1996, stabbing deaths of her two young sons at their suburban Dallas home, will be assigned a 6-by-9 cell. One side of the cell includes a bunk. She may be allowed to have a clip-on light to fasten to the bunk and a small plastic fan. There's a small bookshelf at the foot of the bed and she may be permitted to have a radio. At the opposite end of the bed

is a sink and a commode along with a two-drawer chest and a chair. The concrete floor is dark red. She can expect to be allowed to add a few personal touches to her cell, like painting the walls or using a personal bedspread. The lone television is across the room, outside the cells, in an area known as the day room. It's where the women also can eat their meals at a table. An area carpet helps give the place a living-room atmosphere. Next to the TV is a filled bookshelf.

Consumers, others want Legislature to protect homestead law

AUSTIN (AP) — Consumers, organized labor, builders and others say the state's homestead law is too valuable a protection to risk as lawmakers debate allowing second mortgages. "It's hard to see where the protection of billions of dollars of wealth in home equity has hurt our economy. But it has kept generations of Texans in their homes when bad times hit," said Joe Gunn, president of the Texas AFL-CIO.

The state Constitution prohibits the forced sale of a borrower's homestead to repay debts except for the original mortgage, property improvements or taxes. As a result, Texas is the only state where lenders don't offer home equity loans or other forms of second mortgages.

Measures have been introduced in the House and Senate that would allow second mortgages on home equity. Backers argue that a homeowner's equity is his own money, and should be able to do with it as he pleases. Appearing at the Travis County Courthouse, opponents

said the state's unique homestead protection should be preserved. "The argument for changing the law sounds simple and alluring: People should have the right to borrow money against their greatest asset ... But the reality is more accurately stated this way: Bankers should be able to foreclose on the home of any person who can't pay their debt for any reason," said Lyle A. Johansen of the Texas Association of Builders.

While advocates of second mortgages say they could be used to pay for college education, medical bills or starting businesses, Tom Smith of the group Public Citizen said there's a downside to that. "Bankers make home loans sound like money just hanging off of trees, but these home loans still have to be repaid. And if they change Texas' 150-year-old homestead protections, you lose your home if you have a medical crisis, if your company closes down or if you can't pay your loan for some other reason that is not your fault," Smith said.

Teen accused of stealing officer's horse

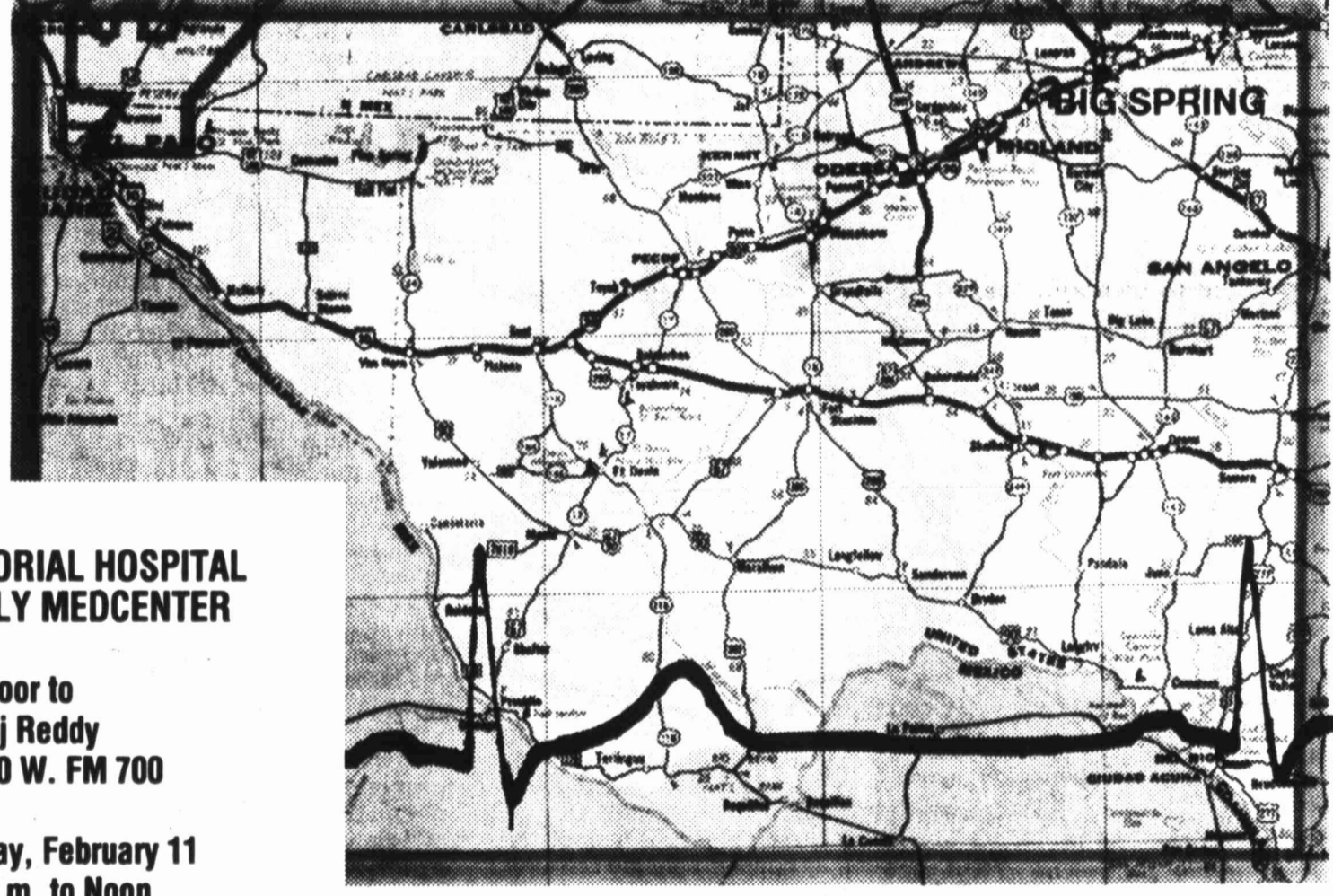
FORT WORTH (AP) — It was like a scene out of the Old West: a police officer walks out of a downtown business and finds his horse stolen from a hitching post.

Fort Worth police officer C.W. Moyers thought someone was playing a joke on him when he noticed his mount, a bay gelding named Nacona, missing on Tuesday.

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"Liberty means responsibility. That's why most men dread it."
-George Bernard Shaw

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OUR VIEWS

Firefighter's bingo a unique proposal

Members of the Howard County Volunteer Fire Department have presented county commissioners with, to say the least, a unique proposal for raising their own revenue.

Because there are a number of legal questions that must be answered about the proposals, commissioners declined at their last meeting to make a yes or no decision to Volunteer Chief Tommy Sullivan's request that the department begin operating a bingo game three nights per week.

Sullivan's proposal is that the fire department would hold games three nights weekly at the Howard County Association of Retarded Citizen's Bingo Hall, which has yet to begin operations in the former Elrod's building on East 4th.

Sullivan says the group can make even more money because firefighters will work the bingo games.

Legal questions notwithstanding, the idea that the firemen could fund their own department is unique. It is an idea that caught the attention of commissioners and it is something that could allow for an easing of the tax burden on Howard County taxpayers.

Commissioners will have to wrangle with at least two contradictory legal questions, which include:

- A constitutional requirement that the county control the expenditure of funds for public safety, which includes fire control.

- A state law that requires the non-for-profit agency (volunteer fire department) conducting bingo games to also be the agency that controls the expenditure of the monies.

We wonder if a tax-supported volunteer fire department can also be considered a non-profit organization along the lines of the Lions Club or a church.

We also wonder how long it will take before working the bingo games will get old to the volunteers?

We're not questioning the commitment of the firefighters, but rather the fact that just about every one of the volunteers holds a full-time job and for them to be expected to add another couple of hours to that work day three days a week is going to get old in a hurry.

As with many proposals, there are kinks to be worked out in this one. It is an idea that may or may not fly, but it is an idea that we believe deserves recognition because of the fact these volunteers are seeking methods in which they can raise the monies they need without continually returning to the commissioner's court with hands outstretched.

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TRICKLE-DOWN POLITICS

RENEE ALBRECHT-JAMES

Jealous women pick apart works by other women

Women writers don't help one another out like men writers do.

There is no sorority of scribes like the brotherhood of male authors who brag on one another in public, at least — who rhapsodize on book jackets and swap the names of literary agents at cocktail parties.

Women writers, being women, eye one another jealously, and when one gets something published the others study it and pick it apart as if it were a too-tight party frock, a red one at that.

And the men writers, of course, pretty much ignore the women writers, at least until they become impossible to

ignore.

Down deep men like to think of writing — even reading — as a fierce and exclusively male occupation. George Orwell once said about Joseph Conrad:

"One of the surest signs of his genius is that women dislike his books." (For the record, I happen to love Conrad.)

James Charlton included that snotty Orwell quote in his book "Fighting Words," a collection of barbed comments writers made about other writers. Charlton doesn't make the gender distinction that I do, but theorizes that writers who have daily contact are the ones who regularly release venom.

"London in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, Paris in the 1920s, Greenwich Village in the 1950s — here, where the writers drank and ate together, argued, compared notes and drafts, is where the barbs are sharpest."

Ernest Hemingway and William Faulkner were perhaps his best examples. John Steinbeck said it was "almost

as though they (Hemingway and Faulkner) were fighting for billing on the tombstone."

Faulkner accuses Hemingway of never using a word "that might send a reader to the dictionary."

Hemingway harrumphs back: "Poor Faulkner. Does he really think big emotions come from big words?"

And Dorothy Parker said of Hemingway: "The effect upon women is such that they want to go right out and get him and bring him home stuffed."

Mostly the women writers in the book have to mention and take up for themselves. As Carson McCullers did when she said: "I have more to say than Hemingway, and God knows, I say it better than Faulkner."

Abhorring a vacuum, I take every chance I get to promote women writers. When a bookstore doesn't have Bailey White's essays on hand, for instance, I complain to the clerk. When they are there, I buy. I have several copies of both of Bailey's books, which I

dispense to friends like political fliers. But I can never just leave one on the store shelf.

I don't know Bailey, but I desperately want her work to be there alongside that of Roy Blount and Larry L. King and the usual suspects among male Southern humorists. I love seeing a modest, South Georgia woman do well.

That brings me to novelist Janice Daugharty, currently writer-in-residence at Valdosta State University. She has a fine new story in the winter edition of The Georgia Review. The story has the slow rhythm of her region, and the things that happen in it very well could.

If you haven't read Janice, do. Her novels include "Dark of the Moon," "Necessary Lies" and "Pawpaw Patch."

But maybe I'm missing something obvious here. Maybe I could help her more by saying something nasty and overtly jealous. (And I am jealous.) So...

Janice Daugharty writes like a little woman.

Albright thinks there is consensus on foreign policy

In a pitch for bipartisan support for foreign policy, the new secretary of state, Madeleine Albright, listed a number of things on which she claimed there is already a broad consensus.

The list gives you a good idea of what is wrong with American foreign policy. Let's look at it.

No. 1 on her list was "to promote prosperity at home by promoting an open and global economy." Many would strongly disagree that an open and global economy contributes to American prosperity. Of course, "global economy" is just a meaningless buzzword anyway. There is, and always has been, a global economy long before Americans came to these shores.

But to encourage multinational corporations to put their production facilities in cheap-labor countries does not pro-

mote prosperity at home. To allow foreign producers to dump their products into the American market does not promote prosperity at home.

What will promote prosperity at home are lower taxes, fewer regulations, fewer multinationals involved in offshore production and a sensible trade policy that will provide a level playing field for American businesses and farmers.

Next, she says there is a consensus that we ought to create an "increasingly united, democratic and stable Europe." Well, I didn't know Europe was undemocratic. I don't think the Europeans need to have American politicians lecture them on democracy. After all, the ideas of political freedom came to North America from Europe.

As for unity, that's the business of the Europeans. This notion that we can create unity and stability in another continent is arrogant nonsense. Albright ought to look around. We aren't doing so hot in the unity and stability departments ourselves.

But while we're governing Europeans, she also wants us to hop over to Asia and "build" an Asian-Pacific community

with shared economic and security goals. Again, arrogance. Again, beyond our capability. Again, we have no right to dictate to other countries.

And, as if that isn't enough to do, the eager Madame Secretary thinks we should help resolve disputes in the Middle East, halt the spread of weapons of mass destruction and combat terrorists, drug dealers and international criminals.

Of course, all of this was a just a buildup to her pitch to Congress: Fund foreign aid, the United Nations and the World Bank, as if those three had anything to do with the other stuff she mentioned.

In the past, whenever the United Nations tried to resolve dangerous disputes in the Middle East, the United States vetoed its efforts. The World Bank often provides capital for projects that compete with Americans and thus does not promote prosperity at home. Foreign aid is largely a boondoggle and has often caused more misery than it has cured.

A sound foreign policy would be based on the country's legitimate interests. Those are relatively simple. Freedom of the seas, for example, which today

nobody challenges. Fair trade with all, to paraphrase George Washington, but entangling alliances with nobody. Respect for the sovereignty of all nations. A strict policy of non-interference in the internal affairs of other countries and of not allowing them to interfere in our internal affairs.

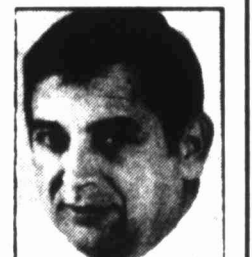
But Albright is right: There is a consensus among the political elite in the Tweedledee and Tweedledum parties, to support the same interventionist, interventionist foreign policy that violates the Constitution, harms prosperity at home and causes human misery and death abroad.

Frankly, it is atrocious when you think about the domestic needs of this country that are going unmet. The foreign interventionist policy does not cost just the 1 percent of the budget Albright claims. It also costs a huge percentage of the defense budget. And it costs a percentage of the welfare budget when imports and offshore production throw productive Americans off the payrolls and onto the welfare rolls.

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Helicopter accident called Israel's worst military air disaster

SHAAR YESHUV, Israel (AP) — The ball of fire fell from the sky with a deafening roar. Rushing to the scene of the helicopter crash that killed 73 soldiers in northern Israel, Dalia Golan heard faint cries. "They must have been the last cries of the wounded," the nurse said Tuesday night, still in shock after witnessing Israel's worst military air disaster.

Two CH-53 Sikorsky helicopters collided in northern Israel, five miles south of the Lebanon border, around 7 p.m. One of them smashed into an empty house, which exploded into flames.

The crash occurred in rain and fog, but the military said the weather was not to blame. No one on the ground was reported hurt.

All bodies were retrieved by early today. Israelis planned funerals for today and observed a day of mourning as Cabinet ministers, members of parliament and school students stood in silence to honor the dead. Flags were lowered to half-staff, and places of entertainment were ordered closed.

The accident raised new questions about Israel's costly involvement in Lebanon. The troops had been on their way to southern Lebanon following a day of hit-and-run attacks by Shiite Muslim Hezbollah guerrillas on Israeli positions there.

More than 200 Israeli soldiers have died since 1985, when Israel carved out its so-called "security zone" in southern

Lebanon while pulling troops out of a larger area of Lebanon that it had occupied. The buffer zone was to prevent guerrilla attacks on northern Israel.

"There is no tool, no trick ... the Israeli Defense Forces haven't tried in order to reduce the losses of this war, but the war keeps winning," the Yediot Ahronot daily newspaper said in a front-page commentary today.

Witness Albert Elfasi told The Associated Press he heard the helicopters approaching and then saw them collide in the sky above his house: "Suddenly there was a collision, and a big explosion." Golan, the nurse, said she rushed over to help any survivors and heard "very, very weak cries" coming out of an empty building a helicopter crashed into. Struggling to see in the dark, Golan bent over the first body she found, "but there was no pulse and everything was torn apart."

Soldiers and police picked through the wreckage, pulling out charred army shirts and scorched rifles. A dented propeller stuck out of the roof.

Investigators arrived this morning at the crash site. Israel's worst previous accident was a 1977 helicopter crash that killed 54 people.

"This is a grave disaster, and a heavy heart goes out to the families of the victims," said Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu.

Netanyahu canceled a trip to Jordan today.

GOP trying to turn issues back on Clinton

WASHINGTON (AP) — Summoned by President Clinton to "seize the days and the century," Republican lawmakers are trying to turn the challenge back on the Democratic White House to show the way to a balanced federal budget with tax relief.

"Words are nice. We're waiting for the deeds," Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., said Tuesday night after Clinton's State of the Union address before a packed House chamber and a nationally televised audience. "Is this truly the end of big government as we know it or will we find dozens of new Washington spending programs in the president's budget?"

And despite bows all around to the ideal of cooperation, there was ample evidence that partisanship was alive and well.

Lott scheduled the opening of Senate debate for today on a constitutional amendment to

balance the budget — a key Republican priority that Clinton argued against Tuesday night as "unnecessary and unwise" and a potential threat to Social Security.

For his part, the re-elected president opened his remarks with a none-too-subtle message that the political tables were turned from two years ago, when the GOP unquestionably was ascendant. "I think I should start by saying, 'Thanks for inviting me back,'" he declared to the delight of Democrats.

Clinton received a president's customary standing ovation as he entered the House chamber. But this was a night unlike any other, and even his audience's attention was split between the speech and word that a verdict was imminent in the O.J. Simpson wrongful death case.

"What's the O.J. verdict?" Sen. Rick Santorum, R-Pa., asked a group of reporters as he

left the hall following Clinton's 60-minute speech during which the president urged Congress to complete work on three items of "unfinished business," including balancing the budget, reopening the new welfare law to restore benefits to legal immigrants and enacting campaign finance reform by July 4.

He outlined steps that would boost education spending by 20 percent, to \$51 billion for fiscal 1998, including tax breaks for college. Americans, he said, must have "the best education in the world." To build public support for his proposal, Clinton arranged a trip today to Georgia, the first in what would be a series of appearances.

He said the 1998 budget he will send to Congress on Thursday would "balance the budget and provide middle class tax relief to pay for education and health care, to help raise a child, to buy and sell a home." He noted that there were just

over 1,000 days remaining until 2000, and added, "let us seize the days and the century."

For their formal response, Republicans turned to Rep. J.C. Watts of Oklahoma, the only black GOP member of Congress. "The strength of America is not in Washington," Watts said. "The strength of America is at home, in lives well lived in the land of faith and family."

But for all the party's effort to showcase Watts, it is the response of Lott and other GOP leaders that will matter most in the months ahead, beginning with Clinton's and his return trip to the Capitol to meet with congressional leaders.

"I am very pleased that President Clinton has so heartily endorsed the Republican agenda," said Rep. Tom DeLay of Texas, the House GOP whip. "The president has proven time and again that he can talk the talk. The question tonight is: Can he walk the walk?"

Army says it's willing to reconsider co-ed training

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Army is prepared to re-examine whether it should continue training men and women together in light of widespread allegations of sexual misconduct by military instructors, a top Army officer says.

The Army's chief of staff, Gen. Dennis Reimer, told the Senate Armed Services Committee the Army may review its training policies if a task force looking into the issue decides it was a contributing factor to abuses.

"Some of the reports that I have seen said that this improves the performance of female soldiers in the gender-integrated training; others have said, no, it causes a problem," Reimer told the panel Tuesday.

"So I think we have to lay that all out and look at it and make a determination as to what is best for the United States Army."

The Army has been training men and women together since 1974, Reimer said. The Marine Corps maintains separate training programs.

Several senators questioned whether the Army should continue to mix men and women in basic training, given the fact of youthful sex drives.

"Many people believe there's an inherent conflict," said Sen. Rick Santorum, R-Pa. "That's sitting there with a match near some gun powder and expecting a spark not to fly now and then."

Sen. Joseph Lieberman, D-

Conn., disagreed, saying segregating training would amount to "punishing women twice" — once when they're exposed to harassment, and a second time when they're placed into separate training.

The Army has been hit by high-profile charges of sexual harassment by one of its highest officers and a new rape charge at a major base.

Army officials struggled Tuesday to respond to the latest revelation, saying they had no explanation why the sergeant major of the Army — Gene C. McKinney — was put on a panel studying the service's sex abuse problems months after assault allegations were made against him by one of his female aides.

Nor could they explain why the

woman's charges hadn't been more fully investigated several months ago.

Meanwhile, Army officials at Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Md., where multiple allegations of sexual misconduct surfaced last fall, reported that a seventh instructor, Staff Sgt. Vernell Robinson Jr., had been charged with rape, extortion, assault and threatening three trainees — the most serious charges so far.

Testifying before the Senate committee, Army Secretary Togo West told lawmakers he had learned of allegations against McKinney only Monday, although Col. Robert Gaylord, deputy chief of Army public affairs, had heard about the allegation in June.

AFL-CIO opposes Republicans' proposal allowing workers a "comp time" option

WASHINGTON (AP) — Intent on protecting the standard 40-hour work week, organized labor is again opposing Republican-sponsored legislation to let hourly employees take time off instead of extra pay for working overtime.

"We don't see where in the bill there is a guarantee that you could keep a 40-hour standard and get overtime pay," Karen Nussbaum, director of the AFL-CIO's working women's project, said in an interview Tuesday.

House Republicans want to give hourly employees the option of 1.5 hours of compensatory time off for each hour of overtime — instead of pay.

The Senate would go further, also allowing them to work 80 hours over a two-week period in any combination of hours. Hourly employees with few chances to work overtime also

could log more than 40 hours in a week and take the extra hours as time off at a later date.

The House passed a "comp time" bill in the last session of Congress, but it stalled in the Senate.

Congressional Republicans have made it one of their top legislative priorities for the current session, and President Clinton endorsed the concept in the State of the Union speech Tuesday night.

Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, who co-sponsored the Senate bill, said it will help people — particularly the 75 percent of working women with school-aged children — juggle family and work responsibilities.

"This is adding to opportunities," she told a Senate Labor employment and training subcommittee hearing Tuesday. "It's not taking anything

away." Government, salaried and many unionized employees already have these scheduling options. Hutchison and business representatives who testified said they've worked so well that hourly workers should benefit, too.

"The employers I represent know that providing flexibility in the workplace is a win-win," said Sandra Boyd, who represents a coalition of more than 50 companies and business groups supporting the "comp time" bill.

But Democrats and labor unions opposing the measure say they want to prevent scenarios under which employers could force employees to work overtime against their wishes and without due compensation.

"It's unclear to us how that's accomplished in the bill," said Nussbaum of the AFL-CIO.

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Do you have a good story idea for the *life!* section? Call 263-7334, Ext. 235.

Statistics show heart disease still No. 1 killer in Texas

By KELLIE JONES
Features Editor

Recent statistics show on an average day in the Lone Star State, 150 Texans die from cardiovascular disease.

The information was gathered from the Texas Department of Health and released to the American Heart Association in conjunction with February being American Heart Month.

In 1995 in Howard County, 35 percent of the deaths were attributed to heart disease. The report shows 371 people died in Howard County in 1995, the most recent year's statistics available, and out of those, 130

were heart-related deaths. In 1994, the rate was higher at 38.4 percent or 139 out of 362 deaths. The year before, 39.4 percent of the deaths were classified as cardiovascular disease-related with 138 out of 350 people dying from the disease.

Taking a closer look within the city limits of Big Spring during the same three years, 298 people died in 1995, with 109 (36.6 percent) dying from heart problems. In 1994, the percentage was 43.3 percent (123 out of 284 deaths) and in 1993, 40.1 percent were heart-disease related, or 111 out of 277 deaths.

Officials with the American Heart Association state cardiovascular disease remains the

number one killer of Texans, claiming 54,677 people in 1995. That was 39.8 percent of the 137,549 residents that died.

"As a comparison, in the same year cancer was the state's second leading cause of death, claiming 31,571 lives. Accidents accounted for 6,402 deaths and 2,764 people died of AIDS in 1995," said Shannon Boggus, director of community-wide marketing for AHA.

Some reasons for the slow decline in the number of people who die from heart problems is the total number of United States residents, in particular middle-aged and elderly, is on the rise. "Another reason is recent advances in medical

treatment have allowed more people to survive fatal cardiovascular events and now these people are dying of subsequent cardiovascular illnesses."

two out of three deaths (66.7 percent).

• Dawson County -- 1995, 46 out of 130 deaths (35.4 percent); 1994, 47 out of 130 deaths (36.2

deaths (57.1 percent).

• Martin County - 1995, 24 out of 50 deaths (48 percent); 1994, 18 out of 41 deaths (43.9 percent); 1993, 22 out of 49 deaths (44.9 percent).

• Mitchell County - 1995, 51 out of 131 deaths (38.9 percent); 1994, 44 out of 106 deaths (41.5 percent); 1993, 60 out of 119 (50.4 percent).

The AHA recommends having your blood pressure checked regularly, not to smoke, eat nutritious foods in moderate amounts, have regular medical checkups and exercise to help reduce your risk of heart attacks and strokes. For more information about AHA, call 1-800-AHA-USA1.

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Shannon Boggus

Boggus added.

Some other statistics from surrounding counties:

• Borden County - 1995, no CVD deaths; 1994, two out of five deaths (40 percent); 1993,

percent); 1994, 55 out of 140 deaths (39.3 percent).

• Glasscock County - 1995, two out of eight deaths (25 percent); 1994, three out of six deaths (50 percent); 1993, four out of seven

Ask Betty

Dear Betty,
After years of living alone, last year my grown children finally convinced me to sell the home I shared with my late husband Edgar, and move to a retirement community. Now I wonder what took me so long. With three suitors vying for my attention and Valentine's Day coming up, I need an idea for making the day special. — Del Ray Beach, Fla.

Since a romantic dinner for four is probably not in the cards, go with a solid cookie strategy — preferably a recipe you know and love. If you're short on inspiration, here's my Ultimate Valentine's Day Sugar Cookie recipe, perfect for your bevy of beaux, and just about anyone else:

1 cup powdered sugar
1 cup margarine or butter, softened
1 T. vinegar (for just the right touch of tartness)
2-1/4 cups all-purpose flour
1-1/2 tsp. ground ginger
3/4 tsp. baking soda
1/4 tsp. salt, 6 drops red food color
Heat oven to 400°. Mix powdered sugar, margarine and vinegar in large bowl. Stir in remaining ingredients except food color. Divide dough in half. Mix food color into one half.

If dough is too dry, work in milk, 1 teaspoon at a time.
Roll dough 1/8 inch thick on lightly floured cloth-covered surface. Cut into various size heart shapes with cookie cut-

ters. Mix and match sizes and colors. Place about 2 inches apart on ungreased cookie sheet.

Bake 5 to 7 minutes or until set but not brown. Cool slightly. Carefully remove from cookie sheet. Cool completely.

Make an extra batch — one for your new valentines, the other for everyone else dear to you.

Dear Betty,
With the start of the new year we've resolved to prepare healthier meals.

This is one resolution we want to keep. Any guidance on lower-fat cooking that doesn't sacrifice flavor and variety? — Tucson, Ariz.

You're absolutely right to emphasize flavor. Good cooking is not only healthy for your heart, but also satisfies the senses and nourishes your soul.

I agree with those who say 75 delicious dining years are better than 150 boring ones. Fortunately, reducing the amount of fat and cholesterol in your diet doesn't have to mean bland meals or an end to all your favorite recipes.

For starters, here are my "Five Tips for Forcing Out Fat." 1) pick up a good non-stick skillet. It's the best friend

a healthy home can have. 2) Say goodbye to butter. Use margarine or an unsaturated oil in cooking and baking, and fat-free cooking spray for frying. 3) Switch to fat-and-cholesterol-free egg products. 4) Sauce selectively. Use mustards, marinades and salsas instead of oils, gravies and cream-based concoctions. 5) Reduce or replace. Almost any recipe can be made heart-healthy by reducing the amounts of high-fat ingredients or replacing them with low-fat and low-cholesterol alternatives.

These are just five techniques that cut the fat, not the flavor. Here's one area where you can be truly creative; I'd love to hear your ideas for preparing food that makes flavor—not fat—your heart's desire.

February is American Heart Month - Happy and Healthy Hearts to You All.
Write Betty at "Ask Betty Crocker," One General Mills Blvd., Minneapolis, Minn.: 55426, or call toll free 1-888-ask betty.



Betty Crocker

Next Week: For the birds

SUPPORT GROUPS

MONDAY

•Al-A-Teen, 7:30 p.m., 615 Settles.

•Turning Point A.A., 8-9 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Goliad. Open to all substance abusers.

•TOPS Club (Take off pound sensibly), weigh-in 5:30 to 6 p.m., Carriage Inn, 501 W. 17th, meeting starts at 6 p.m. Call 263-1340 or 263-8633.

•Project Freedom, Christian support group for survivors of physical/emotional/sexual and/or spiritual abuse. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241 for dates/times of upcoming groups.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.

•Encouragers Support Group (formerly Widow/Widower support group) first and third Mondays each month. First Monday meetings are at a local restaurant at 6 p.m. Third Monday meetings are at 5:30 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church Seventh and Rannels (enter through north door). For more information call 398-5522 or 399-4369.

•Big Spring Group of Narcotics Anonymous, 6 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad.

TUESDAY

•Support for MS and Related Diseases, 6:30 p.m. second Tuesday of each month, Canterbury South. Public invited. Call Leslie, 267-1069.

•Al-Anon, 8 p.m., 615 Settles.

•Seniors' diabetic support group, 2 p.m., Canterbury South. Call 263-1265.

•Compassionate Friends support group for parents who have experienced death of a child, 7:30 p.m. first Tuesday in February, April, June, August, October and December in the Family Life Center Building, First Baptist Church, 705 West Marcy. Enter by southeast door. Call 267-2769.

•Diabetes support group, second Tuesday of each month, 7 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center classroom.

•Cancer support group, first Tuesday of each month, 7-8 p.m., VA Medical Center room 213. Call Beverly Rice, 268-5077.

•"Most Excellent Way," a chemical dependency support group, Tuesdays, 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.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. closed meeting.

•Family Education and Support, sponsored by Howard County Mental Health Center, meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. at the Corral, 611 E. Third, followed at 7 p.m. by the monthly meeting of the Big Spring Alliance for the Mentally Ill.

•Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas will have Dr. Ronald Meyer, D. Min., LCDC, LMFT, specializing in individual and marriage counseling, Attention Deficit Disorder and chemical dependency, available for clients at the First Christian Church. Appointments for counseling services are made by calling 1-800-329-4144.

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

WEDNESDAY

•Gamblers Anonymous, 7 p.m., St. Stephen's Catholic Church, room 1, 4601 Neeley, Midland. Call 263-8920.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. 12 and 12 study.

•Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas will have Sharon Beam, who is a licensed professional counselor interim specializing in play therapy for children, adolescent counseling and women's issues, available for clients at the First Presbyterian Church, Rannels and Eighth St. Appointments for counseling services are made by calling 1-800-329-4144.

THURSDAY

•Salvation Army drug education program, sponsored by Permian Basin Regional Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, 7 p.m., Salvation Army building, 308 Aylford.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.

•A.D.A.P.T. non-profit support and learning organization about attention deficit disorder, learning disorders and dyslexia: Meets second Thursday in February, March, April and May, Cerebral Palsy building, 802 Ventura, Midland.

•Grief Support related to the death of a loved one. Call Nurses Unlimited, Inc., at 264-6523.

•Alzheimer's Association Support Group, fourth Thursday of the month, Comanche Trail Nursing Center, 3200 Parkway, 7 p.m.

•Support Group for Depression meets every Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Rehab Center, Third

Please see SUPPORT, page A7

Free newsletter provides heart tips

In conjunction with American Heart Month the Texas Agriculture Extension Service in Howard County is offering a free monthly newsletter entitled "Change of Heart." If your blood cholesterol is 240 or greater, you have an increased chance of experiencing heart disease. Fortunately for most, high blood cholesterol is one of the major risk factors that you can do something about. The "Change of Heart" newsletter will help you get started.

The six issues of the "Change of Heart" newsletter will be mailed to your home over the next six months. These newsletters will help you learn how to shop, cook and eat to lower your blood cholesterol.

Each issue contains a Heart Quiz to help you test your knowledge. For example: True or False - You should avoid all

red meat if you're trying to reduce your blood cholesterol?

False. It isn't necessary to cut red meat from the diet, select leaner cuts such as chuck roast, round steak and sirloin. Trim all excess fat before cooking.

Tips for the month are a feature of each newsletter - did you know that many food labels proclaim "no cholesterol" yet that doesn't mean "no fat!" Check all food labels

Please see HEART, page A7



Dana Tarter
Extension Agent

Rutabagas and kohlrabi in the microwave

Scrrips Howard News Service

Kohlrabi and rutabagas are available year-round now, but somehow I think of them as winter vegetables. Maybe that's because they're related to those two common winter veggies, cabbage and turnips.

Kohlrabi, in fact, is a combination of two German words — kohl (cabbage) and rabi (turnip). The leaves of the kohlrabi are like cabbage and the taste is somewhat like turnip, just a little sweeter.

Kohlrabi can be substituted for turnips in recipes, can be used in stir fries, and works well in the microwave.

If you've never confronted a kohlrabi before, it can be a little intimidating. Just cut off those spines (some people eat

them raw; I toss them out), peel the bulb and slice, dice or whatever you need for your recipe.

For this recipe, cut the kohlrabi into thin, matchlike strips.

KOHLRABI WITH CURRY SAUCE

4 medium (2- to 3-inch diameter) kohlrabi, peeled and julienned
1/2 cup water
2 T. butter
2 T. flour
1 tsp. curry powder
1/4 tsp. salt
1/8 tsp. freshly ground white pepper
1 cup milk
Put kohlrabi and water in 2-quart casserole. Cover. Zap on high 6-8 minutes, until just tender, stirring twice. Drain. Put butter in 4-cup measure.

Microwave on high 1 minute to melt. Blend in flour, curry powder, salt and pepper. Whisk in milk.

Zap on high 3 to 4 minutes until thick. Pour sauce over kohlrabi. Serves 4.

Source: "Glorious Vegetables in the Microwave" by Patricia Tennison

Rutabagas aren't the beauty queens of the vegetable world either. Some of the big brown ones, covered in thick wax to prevent loss of moisture, are downright ugly.

But it's what's inside that counts. And inside is a potato-like texture somewhat like a turnip, but sweeter. That may be the reason rutabagas are sometimes called yellow turnips.

They have other names, too. In England, they're Swedes or

Swedish turnips, possibly because the Swedish name for this vegetable is rotabagge.

In Scotland, they're neeps and traditionally are paired with haggis and whiskey.

Cut a rutabaga as you would a pineapple. Slice off the bottom and top, stand it up on the cut base and slice off vertical strips of peel, following the contour of the vegetable. The wax coating comes off with the peel. Rutabagas are essential in many old-time stew recipes.

This easy microwave preparation goes well with pork or chicken.

RUTABAGA WITH THYME

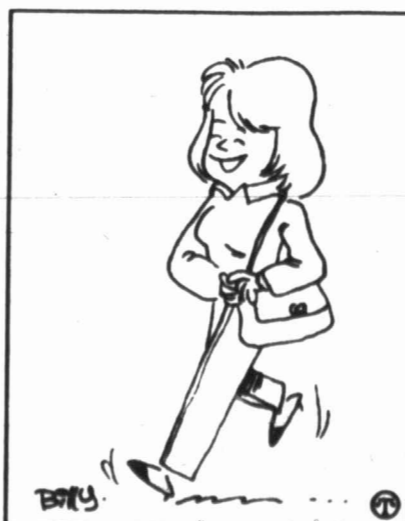
1 T. butter
2 T. chopped onion
1 1/2 pounds rutabagas, peeled and cubed

Please see RECIPE, page A7

TIPS 'N' TRIVIA

Don't let stress go to your feet:

- (NAPS) - Some foot exercises:
- Shake your feet as you would your fingers to loosen tight muscles and relax.
 - Sit on the floor with your feet pointing straight ahead. Curl your toes under and, with your heels on the floor, turn your feet inward. Hold for a count of two. Relax. Repeat 10 times.
 - To strengthen your foot muscles, try picking up marbles with your toes.
 - Try to walk as much as you can. Use the stairs instead of the elevator. Walk to work.
 - Keep your feet parallel to each other and pointed straight ahead when walking.
 - When you walk, try to move at a steady pace, brisk enough to make your heart beat faster. Breathe more deeply as you do so.
 - Keep your head erect, back straight, abdomen flat, legs out front and knees slightly bent as you walk. Swing your arms freely at your sides.
 - Land on the heel of your foot and roll forward to push off on the ball of your foot. Take time to cool down after your walk.



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Around the World in 80 Bites

The Heritage Museum's Around the World in 80 Bites is Feb. 22. Chefs are welcome to prepare a favorite exotic recipe for the special evening. As one of the featured cooks, you will be providing food samples for at least 300 people. The event is from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$7.50 for adults and \$4 for children. Chefs will receive two free tickets and a chef's pass.

Food tasters will select the "World's Greatest Chef" with the winner to be presented an award in their honor. All chefs must reserve their place by Feb. 15 and forms can be obtained by calling the Heritage Museum at 267-8255. Tickets will go on sale for the food tasters Feb. 15.

THE LAST WORD

I would rather see one of my children's faces kindle at the sight of the quay at Calais than be offered the chance of exploring by myself the palaces of Peking.

J.B. Priestley

Civilization is, before all, the will to live in common. A man is uncivilized, barbarian, in the degree in which he does not take others into account.

Jose Ortega y Gasset

Next to knowing when to seize an opportunity, the most important thing in life is to know when to forgo an advantage.

Benjamin Disraeli

IN THE BAG

Scripps Howard News Service

Indian chai is the latest beverage craze. It's a blend of Eastern Indian spices and tea leaves brewed in milk. There's a coffee version, too, found at some coffee bars.

At home, add a touch of brown sugar, grated nutmeg, allspice, cardamom pods and cinnamon sticks to 4 cups skim or 1 percent milk, plus a table-

spoon of brewed coffee. Wow, that's heavy on moo, light on beans. Adjust proportions, depending on how much calcium you crave.

The more low fat milk, the better calcium content of your diet. Calcium helps maintain strong bones, as do weight-bearing exercises. Serve coffee chai hot or on ice.

Only one in nine Americans consume the recommended number of fruits, vegetables and whole grains. To remain healthy, we need to eat more than 40 different nutrients. No

single food supplies all of them, so a variety of foods is important.

When reading nutrition labels, what do shoppers look for? A whopping 80 percent focus on the fat content and 51 percent look for the total number of calories, according to a survey done for Prevention magazine.

In third place — sodium, which 33 percent take note of, followed by vitamins (15 percent) and cholesterol (11 percent). The rest of the information — saturated fat, protein

and fiber — is all in the single digits.

Chocolate lovers, if you're going to be in Boston in the next month or two, consider taking the Chocolate Trolley Tour, which includes stops at chocolate landmarks and best of all, samples from mousse, ice creams, tarts, cakes and croissant pudding.

For more information, call toll-free 888-see boston, open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern Time.

Support Heart

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FRIDAY
•Turning Point A.A., 8-9:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Goliad. Open to all substance abusers.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. Big Book Study.

SATURDAY
•Alzheimer's Association Support Group, second Saturday of the month, Carriage Inn Retirement Center, 501 W. 17th, 10 a.m.

•Family support group for current and former patients and their families, 1 p.m. weekly, Reflections Unit of Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Call Beverly Grant, 263-0074.

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

•"So I Forget," Attention Deficit Disorder support group for individuals and couples, first Saturday of the month from 9 to 10:30 a.m., Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas, Inc., Midland. Call the center at (915) 563-4144 or 1-800-329-4144. Cost is \$15.

•West Texans Living with Chronic Fatigue & Immune Dysfunction Syndrome/Fibromyalgia, 1-3 p.m., on different Saturdays of the month, HealthSouth facility at Hwy. 191 and Loop 250, Midland. Call Joann Carney, (915) 686-7977, or Marsha Brunet, (915) 337-4829 to get the correct meeting date.

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

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for the amount of fat they contain. Some products claim "no cholesterol" but are high in fat. Remember only animal products have cholesterol.

Most of the newsletters contain "Meals in Minutes" ideas for quick fixes and even some recipe "redos." These tips will help you see where you can cut fat and cholesterol in your everyday recipes. Each newsletter focuses on a main point such as, dining out, food labels, the Food Guide Pyramid.

This might be the newsletter for you if you have found yourself needing to cut cholesterol and fat and don't know quite where to start. Or maybe you just need a little encouragement along the way to help you stay on track.

To subscribe to a "Change of Heart" newsletter series send your name and address to the Howard County Extension office, ATTN: Dana Tarter; P.O. Box 790; Big Spring; 79721.

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By age 6, signs are clear of who will smoke and drink

Scripps Howard News Service

Personality and behavior traits apparent in boys as young as 6 years old can predict whether a child will smoke cigarettes, drink alcohol or use illegal drugs as a teen, a new study suggests.

Boys who are most inclined to seek new thrills and least fearful of possible dangerous situations are at greatest risk of starting to use alcohol, tobacco or drugs between ages 10 and 15, according to a report in the American Medical Association's Archives of General Psychiatry.

Researchers Louise Masse of the University of Texas-Houston and Richard Tremblay of the University of Montreal said they found the predictions were as good at age 6 as they were when measurements were taken again at age 10.

They suggest that assessments of children's behavior in kindergarten rather than late childhood or adolescence could be used to focus preventive efforts, noting that some substance-abuse prevention experts already are considering preschool intervention strategies.

They measured childhood personalities of nearly 800 boys at age 6 and 10 using teachers' ratings of their behavior. Then, each year when the boys were between the ages of 11 and 15, they asked the same boys about their use of cigarettes, alcohol and illicit drugs.

Three personality traits were measured:

• "High novelty-seeking" was defined as behaviors that suggest being "impulsive, excitable and exploratory" and is exhibited in such classroom behavior as being restless, running about or jumping up and down and being squirmy and

flighty.

• "Harm-avoidance" involved cautious, apprehensive or inhibited behavior, such as worrying about many things, being afraid of new things or situations and crying easily.

• "Reward dependence" was defined as being warm, sympathetic and sentimental and involved such conduct as helping another child who is sick or hurt, helping to clean up a mess, praising others and inviting others to join in a task or play.

While traits of "high novelty seeking" and "low harm avoidance" "significantly predicted onset of substance abuse in adolescents," the researchers didn't find any correlation between a child's warmth and later behaviors.

The classification technique correctly predicted future drug abuse in 77 percent of the boys and was correct for drinking 74 percent, but fell off to 58 percent for cigarette smoking.

Masse and Tremblay said the poorer predictive value of their tests for smoking "may reflect that smoking is less deviant behavior" than early alcohol or drug abuse.

And they found that the boys were likely to take up drinking first. "Experimenting started at age 13 for getting drunk, but it was delayed by one year for other drug use," they said. Smoking also started at age 13 on average.

Most experts now believe that human brains come genetically predisposed to substance abuse to some extent, but the researchers note that while the building blocks of personality "may be inherited, the social and mental health problems that develop from these personalities are influenced by the quality of the environment in the preschool years."

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED



Big Spring Herald Managing Editor John H. Walker (left) congratulates Clint Caudill on his selection as the recipient of the \$500 John H. Walker Journalism Scholarship from Cap Rock Electric. Caudill, a 1996 graduate of Big Spring High School, is currently attending Howard College and hopes to major in journalism at the University of North Texas. The scholarship carries Walker's name as recipient of Cap Rock's 1996 Public Service Award.

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Recipe

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4 to 6.

1/4 cup water
1 T. butter
1/2 tsp. dried thyme
1/4 tsp. salt
1/8 tsp. freshly ground pepper
Put 1 tablespoon butter and onion in 2-quart casserole. Zap on high 1-2 minutes, until tender.

Add rutabagas and water. Cover. Microwave on high 10-12 minutes, until almost tender, stirring once. Let stand 2 minutes. Drain.

Stir in 1 tablespoon butter, thyme, salt and pepper. Serves

Source: "Glorious Vegetables in the Microwave" by Patricia Tennison

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Steers land playoff berth with victory over Lake View

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

SAN ANGELO — Justin Myers' high, arcing three-point shots fell like hailstones Tuesday night — and the San Angelo Lake View Chiefs felt every one of them.

Myers canned six three-pointers, including all three of his attempts in the pivotal fourth quarter, to lead the Big Spring Steers into the Class 4A playoffs with a 71-66 victory over Lake View Tuesday night.

The Steers (13-14 overall, 6-3 in district play) wrapped up either the second or third playoff slot from District 4-4A with the victory. This marks the

third time in four years Big Spring's boys have qualified for the playoffs.

The victory also denied Lake View's effort to make the playoffs for the first time since 1959, although the Chiefs didn't die easily. Playing before a near-capacity crowd in their home gym, the Chiefs rallied from an early 10-point deficit to grab a 53-52 lead early in the fourth quarter.

That's when Myers went to work. The senior shooting guard, held to less than 10 points the last time the two teams met, scorched the Chiefs for 25 points Tuesday night — 14 in the fourth quarter.

His first three-pointer of the

fourth gave the Steers a 55-53 lead with 7:17 remaining. Then, after Richard Luna gave Lake View the lead again on one of his seven three-point shots, Myers again hit from three-point range, and the Steers had the lead again.

The teams went back and forth for much of the quarter before Myers gave Big Spring the lead for good with a basket and foul shot with 2:49 remaining.

Jorge Villarreal brought the Chiefs to within 63-62 with a pair of free throws, but Myers again connected from three-point range, giving Big Spring a four-point bulge with 2:18 remaining.

Lake View once again closed to within a point, but John Smith found Aaron Bristow all alone near the basket for an easy two points and a 69-66 lead with 43 seconds left, then Myers added the final margin with a jumper with 29 seconds remaining.

Myers said he used his performance in the last Lake View-Big Spring game as incentive this time around.

"I wanted to show them I could shoot the ball," Myers said. "At first, they were leaving me open, so I made them pay for that."

At the center of the happy Steers' locker room was coach

Gary Tipton, who said there was no comparing any of his playoff teams.

"They're all different," he said. "But one thing I've always been proud to say is that I coach the Big Spring Steers. I really think a lot of these kids and the community."

One person who was in a comparative mood was senior point guard Smith, who went to the playoffs with the Steers two years ago.

"It feels way better this time," Smith said. "Now, we know we're in it for sure. We don't have to worry about winning at Fort Stockton (Friday)." Big Spring also won the

junior varsity game by a score of 56-49. Chauncey Ford led the JV Steers with 21 points.

The Steers conclude the regular season Friday night at Fort Stockton. Game time is 7:30 p.m.

BIG SPRING (71) — Smith 9 1-2 20, Myers 9 1-1 25; Mitchell 3 0-0 6; Warren 2 1-2 5; Wollenzien 0 1-2 1; Bristow 2 2-2 6; Foresyth 4 0-0 8; totals 29 8-9 71.
LAKE VIEW (66) — Robinson 1 0-0 3; Velez 6 4-5 17; Stubblefield 2 0-0 5; Luna 8 0-1 23; Williams 1 0-1 2; Villarreal 3 5-6 11; Rantro 2 1-3 5; totals 23 10-15 66

Score by quarters
Big Spring 21 15 16 19 — 71
Lake View 14 20 18 14 — 66
Three-point goals — Smith, Myers 6, Robinson, Velez, Stubblefield, Luna 7. Total fouls — Big Spring 18, Lake View 14. Fouled out — Velez.

Coahoma, Forsan tied for lead in District 8-2A race

HERALD Staff Report

WINTERS — The Coahoma Bulldogs lost more than a game Tuesday — They also lost sole possession of first place in District 8-2A.

The Bulldogs rallied from a 14-point halftime deficit, but couldn't go any further as they dropped a 49-44 decision to the Winters Blizzards Tuesday night.

The loss drops Coahoma (18-9, 8-2) into a tie with Forsan for first place in District 8-2A. Forsan defeated Roscoe 56-39 Tuesday.

The game was eventually decided at the free throw line, where the Blizzards had a distinct advantage, attempting 36 charity shots to only six for Coahoma.

Blake Nichols was the only Bulldog in double figures, scoring 20 points.

The Bulldogs return to action Friday at home against Ozona. Game time is 8 p.m.

Coahoma girls 71 Winters 62

The Coahoma Bulldogettes lost a chance at the playoffs but earned a victory with a 71-62 overtime victory over the Winters Lady Blizzards.

The score was tied at 58-58 at the end of regulation, but the Bulldogettes outscored Winters 13-4 in the extra period to claim the win.

Cassie Tindol scored 23 points and Tara Sterling 18 to pace the Bulldogettes, who return to action Friday at home against Ozona. Game time is 6:30 p.m.

Forsan boys 56 Roscoe 39

FORSAN — The Forsan Buffaloes decided to invite themselves to the District 8-2A throne room.

The Buffaloes jumped into a

AREA ROUNDUP

tie with Coahoma for first place in the district standings with a 56-39 victory over the Roscoe Plowboys Tuesday night.

Forsan (21-7, 8-2) led by seven points at halftime before cementing matters with a 13-8 third quarter.

Robert Hillger led the Buffs with 16 points, while Steven Osburn had 11 points for Forsan, which returns to action Friday at Eldorado. Game time is 8 p.m.

Roscoe girls 33 Forsan 23

The Roscoe Plowgirls clinched second place in the District 8-2A girls' race with a 33-23 victory over Forsan Tuesday night.

The Queens stayed close for a half, trailing by only two at intermission, but a 12-5 third quarter advantage by Roscoe helped earn the victory for the Plowgirls.

Amie Evans and Nicole Johnson scored 8 points each to lead the Queens, who return to action Friday at Eldorado. Game time is 6:30 p.m.

Stanton boys 62 McCamey 57

MCCAMEY — The Stanton Buffaloes clinched the District 6-2A boys' title with a 62-57 victory over the McCamey Badgers Tuesday night.

The No. 5 Buffaloes (27-1, 9-0) were led by a trio of players in double figures — Leo McCallister (19 points), Kyle Herm (15 points) and Chad Smith (10 points). Marcus Washington led Stanton on the boards with 15 rebounds and four blocked shots.

The Buffs return to action Friday when they travel to Tornillo. Game time is 8 p.m.

Stanton girls 65 McCamey 48

The Stanton Lady Buffaloes cranked up their offensive attack in the second half to take a 65-48 victory over McCamey Tuesday night.

The Lady Buffs (16-12, 4-5) led by only three points at the half, but a 14-7 advantage in the third quarter helped them gain control of the game.

Randi Simer led the Lady Buffs with 27 points.

Garden City boys 85 Sanderson 48

GARDEN CITY — The Garden City Bearkats rode a second-quarter explosion to an 85-48 victory over Sanderson Tuesday night.

The Bearkats trailed by a point after one quarter, but soon regained control of the game, outscoring Sanderson 29-14 in the second quarter.

Kelly Lankford scored 32 points and Bradly Batla added 22 for the Bearkats, who improved to 15-9 overall and 2-0 in the second half of district play with the win.

Garden City returns to action Friday night in Mertzon against Irion County High School. Game time is 8 p.m.

Garden City girls 66 Sanderson 30

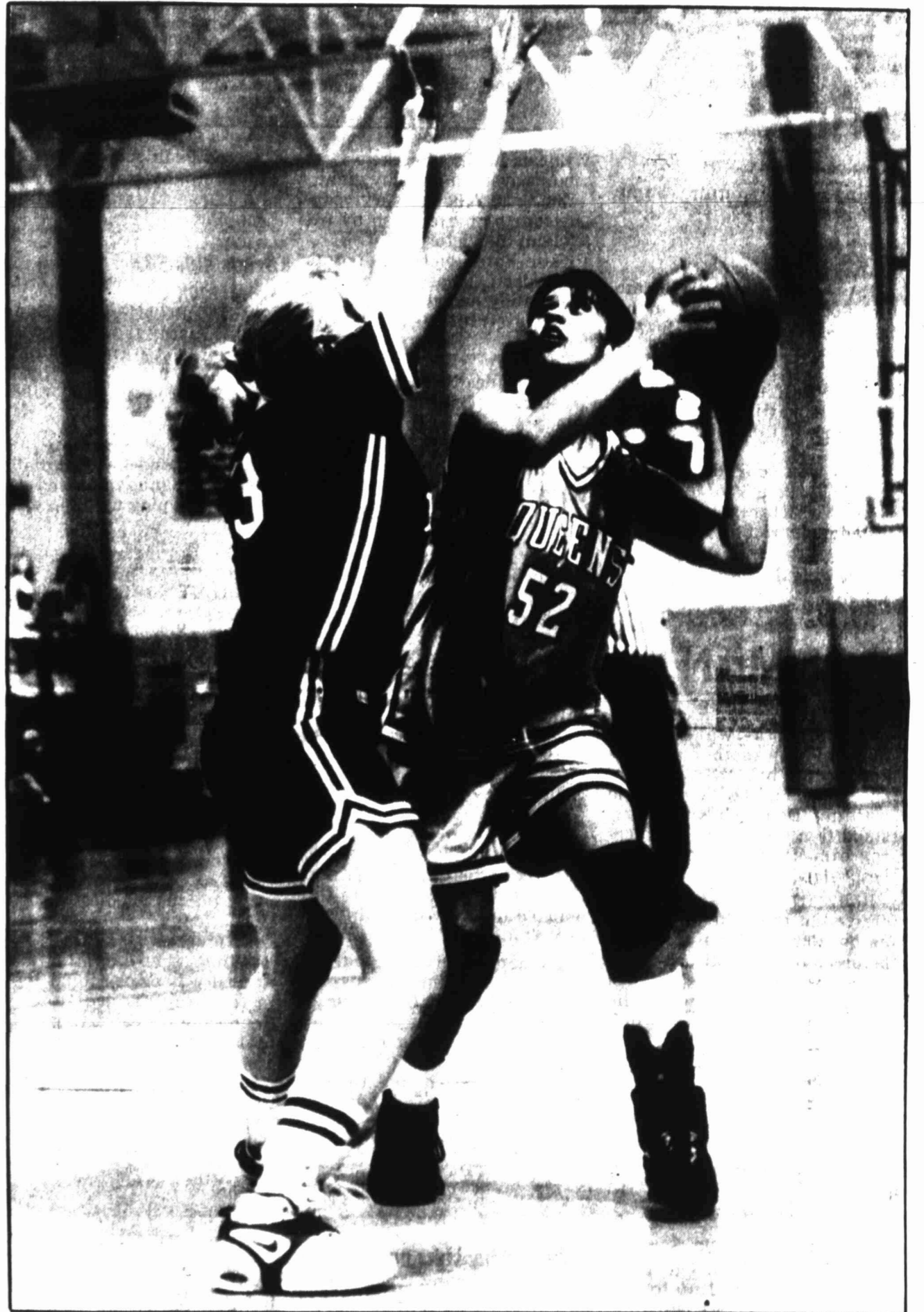
GARDEN CITY — The Garden City Lady Bearkats remained perfect in district play with a 66-30 victory over Sanderson Tuesday night.

The Lady 'Kats gained control of the game early, outscoring Sanderson 26-7 in the first quarter.

Kim Harp and Tiffany Maxie led Garden City (18-7, 9-0) with 18 points each.

The Lady Bearkats return to action Friday at Mertzon

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Forsan's Nicole Johnson, right, looks to shoot the ball while under defensive pressure from an unidentified Roscoe player during their game in Forsan Tuesday. Herald photo/Tim Appel

Jets try end run around Parcels issue; name him consultant

HEMPSTEAD, N.Y. (AP) — It figured that in this season of coaching upheaval, the final opening would be filled by two men.

Maybe.

The New York Jets, forbidden by commissioner Paul Tagliabue from hiring Bill Parcels as their coach-director of football operations until next February, got around that with a bit of inventiveness. They hired Parcels on Tuesday as a consultant for 1997 and picked his longtime aide, Bill Belichick, to coach the upcoming season.

Parcels will take over on Feb. 1, 1998, with Belichick becoming his second in command.

Not surprisingly, the New England Patriots are challenging New York's contractual end run. Last week, Tagliabue ruled that only with the Patriots' permission could Parcels coach or hold any other comparable position for another NFL team this year.

"We will immediately ask commissioner Paul Tagliabue to review this agreement between the Jets and Bill Parcels to determine if there has been a violation of Parcels'

agreement with the Patriots and the commissioner's ruling last week, which prevents him from serving in this de facto coaching position for another NFL team in 1997," the Patriots' statement said.

"This so-called consulting agreement is a transparent farce, the latest in a series of acts by the Jets and Bill Parcels, which further demonstrates it has been their intention all along to have Bill Parcels become head coach of the Jets for the '97 season," a release from the Patriots said.

Parcels insists what the Jets have hired him to do can't be construed as a coaching position.

"I don't feel the role of consultant, with a limited amount of time and a limited amount of money, can be termed anything near a comparable position," Parcels said.

That will be up to Tagliabue to decide. The league said Tuesday "the Jets were neither denied nor given permission to make a consulting agreement with Parcels for 1997."

Eleven NFL coaching jobs have changed hands in the last three months. The Jets' job opened when Rich Kotite didn't resign and wasn't fired on Dec.

20, but vacated the position. On Tuesday, in the same auditorium where Kotite made his unusual announcement, the Jets staged another theater of the absurd.

Belichick was introduced by the Jets' evasive president, Steve Gutman — try getting a straight answer out of him — as the coach and chief of football operations for '97. Parcels was introduced as the future occupant of those jobs, beginning when he is completely free of the Patriots next February.

Parcels was not on hand, but was made available by conference call, something of a sporting specter. Whether he will land in Hempstead this year will be determined by Tagliabue — unless, somehow, the growing animosity between the two teams can be overcome and a compensation settlement made.

No settlement will include the top overall choice in April's draft, the Jets claim. Patriots owner Robert Kraft, in turn, insists that pick must be a part of any deal.

"I think that No. 1 pick represents a tremendous asset to the future of the organization," Kraft said.

While the Parcels-Belichick

combination has been fruitful — Parcels was head coach and Belichick was offensive coordinator for the 1987 and 1991 Super Bowl-winning Giants, and they helped the Patriots win the AFC crown this season — Belichick was less successful on his own. He was 36-44 as coach in Cleveland before the Browns moved and he was fired following the 1995 season.

"We're here to try and get this team where we've been able to get a couple of other teams," Parcels said of the only NFL franchise not to win any kind of title since the merger was completed in 1970. "We pledge to the Jets fans we won't rest until we get that done. This isn't any one- or two-year deal. I think the Jets have a system in place that will allow us to succeed in the future."

Several players were on hand at the Jets' training facility, undergoing physicals or working out. They liked the two-Bills approach.

"It was more confusing when we didn't have a coach," quarterback Neil O'Donnell said. "They were just at the Super Bowl two weeks ago. They bring a winning attitude.

Contrite Rodman reinstated by NBA; returns next week

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Dennis Rodman, mindful that he could face banishment from the NBA if he takes another wrong step, returns to the Chicago Bulls next week. And he'll be playing for free until next month.

Suspended without pay by the NBA since kicking a court-side cameraman during a game between the Bulls and Minnesota Timberwolves on Jan. 15, Rodman was reinstated by the league Tuesday, effective after the All-Star break.

"I think it's unfortunate for the fans and everybody else that it occurred," Rodman said Tuesday night at halftime of the game between the Los Angeles Lakers and Los Angeles Clippers at the Anaheim Arena. "I'm glad I can come back and play like I do again."

"I could say I'm sorry until I'm blue in the face, and it wouldn't prove anything. But I'm going to play for free. That shows that it isn't all about money."

Rodman's agent, Dwight Manley, said earlier in the day that his client, as a gesture of

appreciation to his fans, will play his first 11 games after the suspension "for free, and donate the money on behalf of himself and the Bulls to 11 assorted charities."

When it ends, the suspension will have lasted 11 games, costing Rodman more than \$1 million in salary and incentives, not to mention the \$200,000 Rodman agreed to pay cameraman Eugene Amos after being suspended.

Rodman is eligible to play next Tuesday night against the Charlotte Hornets at the United Center.

When asked if he was returning with a clean slate, Rodman said, "I just live life day-to-day. I'm not going to change the way I am. My goal is still to contribute and be on one of the greatest teams of all time."

Bulls coach Phil Jackson said Rodman will be welcomed back.

"Dennis is an important aspect of our game," Jackson said. "We miss his defense, his rebounding and we're very pleased to have him back."

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SPORTS EXTRA

BASKETBALL

College scores

EAST

Boston College 79, Syracuse 71
St. Bonaventure 73, Temple 55
Villanova 81, West Virginia 70

SOUTH

Clemson 65, W. Kentucky 55
South Carolina 84, Kentucky 79

OT

Virginia Tech 45, George Washington 43

MIDWEST

Iowa 75, Indiana 67
Missouri 98, Kansas 94, 2OT
N.C. Charlotte 58, DePaul 54
Notre Dame 75, St. John's 70
SW Missouri St. 80, N. Iowa 70
St. Joseph's 89, Dayton 82

SOUTHWEST

Oklahoma 62, Texas A&M 59, OT

NBA standings

All Times local

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
Miami	34	12	730	—
New York	33	14	702	1 1/2
Orlando	23	20	535	9 1/2
Washington	22	24	478	12
New Jersey	13	32	289	20 1/2
Boston	11	33	250	22

Central Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
Chicago	42	8	894	—
Detroit	33	12	733	8
Atlanta	31	14	699	10
Charlotte	28	19	596	14
Cleveland	25	21	543	16 1/2
Indiana	22	23	489	19
Milwaukee	21	25	457	20 1/2
Toronto	16	29	356	25

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
Utah	32	14	698	—
Houston	32	15	681	1/2
Minnesota	22	25	468	10 1/2
Dallas	16	28	364	15
Denver	15	32	319	17 1/2
San Antonio	11	32	256	19 1/2
Vancouver	9	41	180	25

Pacific Division

W	L	Pct	GB	
L.A. Lakers	34	13	723	—
Seattle	32	14	696	1 1/2
Portland	25	23	521	9 1/2
Sacramento	21	27	438	13 1/2
L.A. Clippers	19	25	432	13 1/2
Golden State	17	29	370	16 1/2
Phoenix	16	31	340	18

Monday's Games

Boston 114, Toronto 102
Sacramento 85, San Antonio 79
Utah 111, Washington 89

Tuesday's Games

New Jersey 111, Vancouver 105
Orlando 111, Indiana 87
Charlotte 115, Minnesota 101
New York 99, Houston 95
Cleveland 79, Milwaukee 78
Dallas 104, Sacramento 98
Chicago 88, Portland 84
Atlanta 107, Golden State 85
L.A. Clippers 108, L.A. Lakers 86

Wednesday's Games

Miami at Boston, 6 p.m.
Cleveland at Toronto, 8 p.m.
San Antonio at Philadelphia, 6:30 p.m.

Utah at Seattle, 7 p.m.
Washington at Denver, 8 p.m.
Atlanta at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Chicago at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.

Thursday's Games

San Antonio at New York, 6:30 p.m.
Indiana at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
Boston at Orlando, 6:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at Miami, 6:30 p.m.

Transactions

Philadelphia 76ers—Signed F-C Adrian Caldwell for the remainder of the season. Placed C-F Mark Bradke on the injured list.

UTAH JAZZ—Signed F Stephen Howard for the remainder of the season.

FOOTBALL

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

ARIZONA CARDINALS—Named Bob Ferguson vice president of player personnel.

ATLANTA FALCONS—Announced the resignation of Ken Herock, vice president of player personnel. Named Rennie Simmons receivers coach.

JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS—Signed OT Marcus Price, RB Chris Parker and P Pat O'Neil.

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS—Named Steve Sidwell defensive coordinator, Dante Scarnecchia defensive assistant coach and Johnny Parker strength and conditioning coach.

NEW ORLEANS SAINTS—Fired Rusty Kasmirsky, media relations director.

NEW YORK JETS—Named Bill Belichick coach and Bill Parcells consultant.

SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS—Named John Marshall defensive coordinator and Richard Smith linebackers coach.

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

NHL—Suspended Dallas Stars F Todd Harvey for two games and fined him \$1,000 as a result of a flagrant elbowing incident against Buffalo Sabres F Matthew Barnaby in a Jan. 31 game. Suspended Washington Capitals F Peter Bondra for one game and fined him \$1,000 as a result of a kneeing incident against Florida Panthers F Ray Sheppard in a Feb. 1 game against Florida.

Tuesday

BASEBALL

American League

ANAHEIM ANGELS—Agreed to terms with OF Kevin Base on a minor-league contract.

BALTIMORE ORIOLES—Agreed to terms with OF Jeffrey Hammonds on a one-year contract.

BOSTON RED SOX—Agreed to terms with RHP Pat Mahomes on a one-year contract. Named Butch Hobson special assignment scout.

CHICAGO WHITE SOX—Named Nathan Durrant and Jack Hubbard full-time scouts and Tom Coustan part-time scout.

NEW YORK YANKEES—Named Tony Perezchica hitting coach of Norwich of the Eastern League and Tom Nieto manager of Greensboro of the South Atlantic League.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

HOUSTON ASTROS—Agreed to terms with RHP Tommy Greene on a minor-league contract.

MONTREAL EXPOS—Agreed to terms with INF Doug Strange on a minor-league contract.

NEW YORK METS—Agreed to terms with LHP Jesus Sanchez, LHP Joe Crawford, OF Carlos Mendoza, OF Preston Wilson and RHP Octavio Dotel on minor-league contracts.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

NBA—Reinstated Chicago Bulls F

Biggest prize slips away, but Texas colleges land recruits

DALLAS (AP) — The Texas Longhorns continue reaping the rewards of winning the first-ever Big 12 football title. Texas today was expected to bring in the best recruiting class in the Big 12 South, although rival Texas A&M wasn't far behind. Houston and Rice also expected to benefit from early success in their new leagues.

Although the state was able to retain a majority of top talent for the first time in many years, the biggest prize of all slipped away. Tyler John Tyler defensive end David Warren — among the top defensive prospects in the country — said Tuesday he would commit to Florida State.

Of the state's top 100 recruits, Texas expects to sign 17, Texas A&M 15 and Texas Tech 13. But that depends upon how many "commitments" slip away.

The Longhorns had been on the verge of one of the nation's best classes had they snagged Warren and La Marque linebacker Roylin Bradley, but lost both. Bradley decided to sign with the Aggies instead.

The Longhorns also lost

receiver Cedric Cormier of Galena Park North Shore, who backed out of a verbal commitment and opted for Colorado, and defensive back Samir Al-Amin of Garland Lakeview, who switched his commitment on Tuesday from Texas to Baylor.

Yet, coach John Mackovic's Class of 2001 is still the best of the bunch.

Texas filled needs on both lines, especially when mammoth Leonard Davis of Wortham backed out of an early Texas A&M pledge, and in the secondary, while also beefing up its depth at skill positions.

The Aggies, coming off a disappointing season, weren't far behind. They also got beefy linemen, speedy defensive backs and a handful of skill players.

Texas Tech snagged a few big-name guys and took in plenty of others who Spike Dykes hopes will become the next Zach Thomas-type of over-achievers.

It'll be tough to replace Byron Hanspard, but the Red Raiders hope to try with Jason Coffey

of North Mesquite, Ricky Williams of Duncanville and Dominic Rhodes of Abilene Cooper, who might not make it academically.

Grapevine receiver Jack Brewer originally committed to Texas Christian and switched to Texas Tech, but on Tuesday promised "big news" on signing day.

Offensive lineman Jason Stevenson of Killeen Ellison committed to Texas Tech, but changed his mind and said he'd go to Kansas instead.

Dallas Bishop Lynch quarterback Robert Williams committed to Texas A&M, but said Tuesday he still was considering Miami.

New Baylor coach Dave Roberts may be a recruiting whiz, but he'll have to wait until next year to prove it. He got a late start after replacing Chuck Reedy and has only a so-so class to show for it.

Houston, buoyed by a good start in Conference USA and plans for a new athletic complex, may end up with a better class than Baylor. The Cougars loaded up on defensive players.

AREA

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against Irion County. Game time is 6:30 p.m.

Grady boys 77

Ira 52
IRA — The Grady Wildcats broke open a tight game in the third quarter en route to a 77-52 victory over Ira Tuesday night.

Ira held a two-point advantage at halftime before the Wildcats rallied for a 24-12 advantage in third-quarter scoring.

Brad Cox scored 26 points and Cody Peugh added 21 for Grady, which remained undefeated in district play.

Grady girls 47

Ira 42
IRA — The Grady Lady

RODMAN

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On Stern's warning to Rodman that another incident could end his NBA career, Jackson said, "That's an ample warning. Dennis has to understand that the league is watching him. He has to be on his best behavior."

Rodman and Manley, who arrived at the Lakers-Clippers game with 4 minutes left before halftime, sat courtside underneath one of the baskets. They were left alone by the fans until halftime, when Rodman was besieged by autograph seekers, many of whom he accommodated.

Speaking from his office in Newport Beach, Calif., earlier in the day, Manley said

Wildcats held on to take a 47-42 victory over Ira Tuesday night. The Lady Wildcats survived a late fourth-quarter rush by Ira to claim the victory.

Katie Yates scored 18 points and Alison Cooper added 11 to pace Grady, which improved to 3-2 in district play with the win.

The Lady Wildcats return to action Friday at home against Westbrook. Game time is 6:30 p.m.

Westbrook 67

Sands boys 46
WESTBROOK — The Sands Mustangs were never able to recover from a 13-5 first-quarter disadvantage as they dropped a 67-46 decision to Westbrook Tuesday night.

Hollie Zant scored 18 points, Mindy Floyd added 14 and Shauna Nichols 12 for the Lady Mustangs.

Jerrold Beall scored 12 points to lead the Mustangs, who fell to 5-21 overall and 1-4 in district play.

Sands girls 84 Westbrook 59
WESTBROOK — The Sands Lady Mustangs clinched the District 27-1A girls' championship with an 84-59 victory over Westbrook Tuesday night.

The Lady Mustangs raced out to a 20-13 lead after one quarter, and were never headed after that. Sands improved to 5-0 in district play with the victory.

Hollie Zant scored 18 points, Mindy Floyd added 14 and Shauna Nichols 12 for the Lady Mustangs.

Rodman will probably watch tonight's Bulls-Lakers game at the Forum in Inglewood, Calif. — the 11th and final game of the suspension — on television at Manley's house.

Manley said Rodman will donate his regular-game salary, not his deferred money, and that the suspension plus the donated money will total "well over \$1 million."

Rodman, ordered to undergo counseling during his suspension, met with NBA commissioner David Stern last Friday to make his case for reinstatement.

"I am satisfied that Dennis recognizes that his conduct in the Minnesota game was unacceptable," Stern said. "Dennis

told me that while he does not plan to change the way he plays the game, he will conform his conduct on the playing court to acceptable standards, and he knows that any further incidents of this nature may end his career in the NBA."

Also at the meeting was Dr. Lloyd Baccus, medical director of the league's player assistance program.

"What the commissioner wanted was professional input in reaching his decision and the doctor was able to provide that," NBA spokesman Brian McIntyre said.

It was not clear whether Rodman actually underwent the counseling ordered by Stern.

LOCAL BRIEFS

Lady Hawks move up
The Howard College Lady Hawks have moved up to 12th in the most recent National Junior College Athletic Association women's basketball poll.

The Lady Hawks (20-3) were ranked 16th in last week's poll.

Other Western Junior College Athletic Conference teams in the rankings are Midland College, fifth in the women's poll, and Odessa College, 15th in the men's poll.

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 continues
The Big Spring Junior Development Tennis Program continues its spring session at Figure 7 Tennis Center.

The sessions, which begin at

5:30 p.m., are open to children in grades 1-6.

For more information, contact 264-9229.

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Apply: West Texas State Operated Community Services 501 Birdwell Lane, Suite 28-A, Big Spring, TX 79720

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EOE

NOW ACCEPTING applications for Management positions and delivery drivers. Must be honest, hardworking and professional. Little Caesar's Pizza 2111 Gregg

-TDMHMR- MENTAL RETARDATION AIDE

Provides training and supervision for people with mental retardation as they learn work and social skills. Certified Nurse Aide not required, but helpful. Will office in Big Spring, Texas. West Texas State Operated Community Services 501 Birdwell Lane, Suite 28-A, Big Spring, TX 79720

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EOE

COMPUTER USERS needed. Work own hours. 20K-50K/yr. 1-800-348-7186 x976.

Nursefinders of Big Spring PHYSICAL THERAPIST 1 year recent PT experience. Medicare Home Health experience, licensed in TX. Contact M. Byars, RN at 915-263-7011.

Will do yard work, housecleaning, errands. AFFORDABLE! Call 263-2425.

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HORSES

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AUCTIONS

*** PUBLIC AUCTION EVERY THURSDAY 7PM. DOORS OPEN @ 4pm. 2000 W. 4th Furn, Appl., Glassware, Antiques, Tools Spring City Auction, 263-1831 TXS-7759. ***

DOGS, PETS, ETC

FREE KENNEL CLUB BREEDER REFERRAL SERVICE Helps you find reputable breeders/quality puppies. Purebred rescue information. 263-3404 daytime.

GARAGE SALES

Moving Sale Sat. Feb. 8th 11 am - 5 pm. Furniture, Appliances & misc. American Storage FM 700 UNIT # 129

You know we are here but you don't know what we have! Come and see Fri. All Day & Sat Afternoon. 2210 Main

MISCELLANEOUS

30 gal. Hot Water heater. 2 1/2 years old. \$50. 267-7707.

Obedience Class Thursday, February 13, '97. 8 week classes, Puppy class 10 weeks - 5 months Household class 5 months & up. For more information call 267-7387.

Sports Cards for sale or Buy. Packs, sets, Rookies, And lots more. Call 264-6225

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BAHAMAMA CRUISE! 5 days/4 nights. Underbooked! Must Sell! \$299/Couple. Limited Tickets. (800)935-9999 ext 2028.

MISCELLANEOUS

WEDDINGS, ETC. Cakes, Flowers, Arches, Abras. Jan. & Feb. Discount 267-8191

PORTABLE BUILDINGS 12x24 GARAGE/SHOP - Overhead door, heavy duty floors. Delivery and financing available. 563-3108.

SPAS

ALL Hot Tubs reduced for coming show. Save 25% to 40%. Financing and delivery available. 563-3108.

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10 ACRES with water well in Silver Hills. Ponderosa off Driver road toward the Country Club. \$20,000. 263-0102.

BUSINESS PROPERTY

REDUCED NOW! Office space adjacent to KBST building. call 267-6391.

COMM. REAL ESTATE

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HOUSES FOR SALE

NEW LISTINGS COAHOMA ISD 3/2 on 4.75 acres-Sand Springs; 3/2 fireplace & 2-car garage. Coahoma. Charles Smith/agent 263-1713 or South Mountain Realtors 263-8419.

WAS 27, Now 16 HOME SITES LEFT in Coronado Hills !!! Very competitive pricing! Don't be fooled by others misleading ads. Know your true bottom loan & payment up front. Call Key Homes Inc. 1-915-520-9848.

3 bd, 1 bt., fenced backyard. \$37,500. Asking \$25,000 down, will finance the rest. Call 263-7625 ask for Jim.

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OWNER MUST SELL 2 Bedroom, 2 bath, fenced yard, central HT & Air, Garage, Large metal shop in rear. Call 267-9141 between 5-10. Ask for Julie.

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MOBILE HOMES

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* 1997 18x76 Fleetwood 3 bedroom 2 bath, huge pantry, walk in closets, and storm windows. only 5% down, \$286.13 month, 360 months, 9.75% apr var Homes of America Odessa, TX- 1-915-363-0881 1-800-725-0881

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* 3 bedroom furnished mobile home for sale 550-4033

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* Income Tax time means Home ownership time. Bring what you have to Homes of America, we have 1st time buyers program, low down payment, and a very understanding banker. Homes of America Odessa, TX. 1-915-363-0881 1-800-725-0881

* Invierta su income tax en una casa usada de 3 recamaras y dos banos con una inmensidad de gabinetes y cajones. Solo 5% de enganche y \$196 por mes, 120 meses, 11.25% apr var pregunte por Dimas Avalos, Homes of America Odessa, TX. 1-915-363-0881 1-800-725-0881

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60x90 SHOP on 5 acres with separate office. Located on Snyder Hwy. 263-6021 or 267-8696.

OFFICE SPACE or Retail, located at 4th & Benton. 263-6021 or 267-8696.

Very nice 4 room 900 sf office. Bills paid, Central H/A, 450 per month. See at 307 Union ST. 263-3182

For lease 510 Est. 1st. Large building with offices, overhead door, 300.00 month, 150.00 deposit call 263-5000.

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FOR RENT: Small building or car lot, 810 E. 4th. \$200.00/month, \$100.00 / deposit. Call 263-5000.

FURNISHED APTS.

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ONE-TWO Bedroom apartments, houses, or mobile home. Mature adults only. No Pets. 263-6944 or 263-2341.

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Furnished 1br, clean, no bills paid. \$ 225/ month 263-7648 or 263-3855

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RENT HOUSES 2 or 3 bedrooms 264-6898.

1 BEDROOM, 1 BATH, 1102 Sycamore. No Pets. 267-3841, 556-4022.

1 BR Owen Canceled, 1709

3 bedrooms, garage, \$415.00. No pets. 267-2070.

3 bd, 1 bt, garage, fenced yard, unfurnished. \$250./mo, \$100./dep. 267-5386.

1710 ALABAMA: Clean 3 bedroom, central heat and air. Call 263-3350.

1605 E. 5th 3 bds. Cntl. air/heat, 450/mo + dep. Available Feb. 16. 263-5519.

3 bedroom, 2 bath. 1104 Sycamore. Call 267-3841 or 556-4022.

House For Rent: 2br Den, LVR, 1bth. 1206 Lancaster 350/month 268-9289.

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Weekend help needed to assist at Arts and Crafts Shows. Must be able to work Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays. Must be able to work well with public, be well groomed, able to travel, and do moderate lifting. Mature college students and entry-level individuals considered. Above average salary. Call 263-7690 for appointment.

WANT TO LEASE: 3 bedroom home in Kentwood. Ron Shafer 915-572-3032.

Herald Classifieds works. Call us at 263-7331.

FOR LEASE

1990 SOUTHWIND Motor Home. 454 Chev. 33' Clean. 36K. \$38,500. Days 267-3817. Nite 394-4494.

\$99 MOVE IN PLUS DEPOSIT. Nice 1,2,3 bedrooms, electric, water paid. HUD accepted. Some furnished. Limited offer, 263-7811.

* ATTN: Big Spring * Postal positions. Clerks and sorters. No experience required. Benefits. For exam, Salary, and testing information call 1-(630)906-5370 ext 2543 8am-8pm

CrossRoads Fellowship GARAGE SALE THIS SAT., FEB 8. 9am-4pm. Corner of FM 700 & E. 11th Place. No early birds - doors unlock at 9am.

For Sale by owner '90 Cadillac Deville 4-door, fully loaded, good tires, good mileage call 267-2673

Garage Sale 1311 Madison Thurs. - Sat. 8am - 7 25' T.V. Girls bikes cloths & misc.

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Noticed to the attention of the State Property Tax Code, Section 26.05, which provides for the deferral of collections of certain taxes...

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HOWARD COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT 1997 EXEMPTIONS AND VALUATION APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS...

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT... Ocala Oil & Gas Corporation P.O. Box 5206, Wichita Falls, Texas...

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR THURSDAY, FEB. 6:

You could experience a new beginning this year. You must relinquish the status quo if you are to find happiness...

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

Reach out for another who is at a distance. Remain sure of yourself with news you receive...

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

One-to-one relating is necessary with finances. Handle what appears to be a wild run of luck...

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Listen to others, but don't get involved. Multiple points of view might overwhelm you...

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Think through a work-related event that may force you to accept new technology...

HOROSCOPE

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Someone provokes you with his behavior. To move beyond this, you must discover what is triggering your emotions...

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

A family member behaves unexpectedly, when you least expect it! Remain anchored in your choices...

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Comprehend what others are saying, or better yet, what they think they are saying...

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Any extra care you take with finances will have a positive effect. Double-checking is a smart move...

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

You are full of vitality. Recognize your limits with others. You are volatile and excitable...

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

Take a back seat. Observe, and know that you are on the roller-coaster ride of the week...

BORN TODAY

Singer Natalie Cole (1950), singer Fabian (1943), former President Ronald Reagan (1911)...

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RESIDENTIAL HOME OWNERS - HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION. I. All residential homeowners who acquired their home in 1996...

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

Direct your energy during a discussion with an authority figure. When faced with a burst of the unexpected, you will suc...

DEAR ABBY: I need your help. Please print this for the people in Edgewater, Fla., to see.



Abigail Van Buren Columnist

Our son is 14 years old, but he looks 18. I have caught him smoking several times. He keeps promising to quit, but I know he is still smoking because I can smell it on his clothes and in his hair...

Mom pleads with town to help raise son smoke-free

who buy cigarettes for underage smokers are doing them no favor.

DEAR ABBY: I want to give recognition to a wonderful person. She is my ex-husband's new wife.

I had conflicts with his girlfriends in the past. Our son lives with him, and it's been difficult for me to deal with another woman telling my son what to do, etc. However, Erica (10 years younger than I am) opened up and told me some background about herself and her family...

DEAR ABBY: As a 16-year-old Canadian living in Toronto, I would like to clear up some misconceptions that people have about us Canadians:

- 1. We don't live in igloos; we have regular beautiful houses.
2. It's not freezing year-round. Yes, it does get cold in the winter, but it also gets pretty hot in the summer.
3. Michael Johnson is not the fastest man in the world! Donovan Bailey is, because he won the 100 meters in the Olympics in record time...

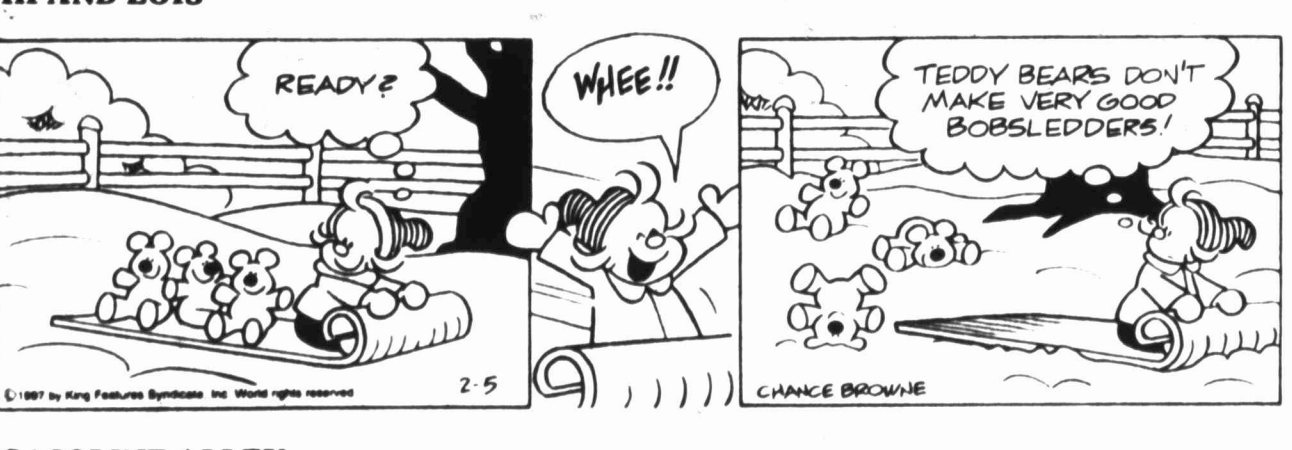
DEAR ABBY: Perhaps the white settlers used the phrase "Indian giver" with each other when giving something they expected back, just as they knew that when their government gave land to the Indians...

DEAR ABBY: Perhaps the white settlers used the phrase "Indian giver" with each other when giving something they expected back, just as they knew that when their government gave land to the Indians, the government would eventually take it back. The same could be said for "Indian" being used as a synonym for bogus or false...

LOTTO Texas Players Have A Choice. Starting February 10, 1997, you can pick how you get paid if you win the jackpot prize. Mark the new "Cash Value Option" box if you want approximately half of the estimated jackpot all at once. Or mark the "25 Annual Payments" box if you want your prize paid over 25 years. Includes image of a lottery ticket and LOTO TEXAS LOTTERY logo.

Scenic Mountain Medical Center. 1601 W. 11th Place 263-1211. TRIVIA. The writing of Charles Dickens (1812-70) is said to have influenced Russia's Fedor Dostoyevsky (1821-81).

WEDNESDAY												FEB. 5											
	KMID (2)	KPEJ (3)	KERA (3)	FAM (8)	KOSA (7)	WFAA (1)	KWES (1)	WTBS (11)	UNI (13)	DISN (14)	NASH (15)	TMC (16)	SHOW (20)	HBO (22)	KMLM (24)	A&E (25)	DISC (26)	TNT (28)	FSN (29)	ESPN (29)	AMC (31)	SET (32)	
	Midland	Odessa	Dallas	Dallas	Odessa	Dallas	Midland	Atlanta	Spanish	Premium	Nashville	Premium	Premium	Premium	Odessa	New York	Discovery	Atlanta	Sports	Sports	Classics	West End	
6 PM	News Wt. Fortune	Simpsons Home Imp.	Science Guy Creations	Wallace Home Imp. (58860)	News (750) Ent. Tonight	News Wt. Fortune	News (467) Baseball	Home Videos Home Videos	Bandita Mentrira (22562)	Movie: Peta's Dragon (CC)	Dukes of Hazzard	(1100563) (22) Judge	(2813483) Married (CC) (775722)	Life of Billy Ray Cyrus	Equalizer (439650)	Wings of the Red Star	In the Heat of the Night	FOX Sports News	Sports College Basketball	Classics (CC) (2496747)	HL List (887650)		
7 PM	Grace Under Coach	Beverly Hills, 90210	National Geographic	Miracles and Wonders	Nervy Pearl	Grace Under Coach	Wings Chicago Sons	NBA Basketball	Maria la del Barrio	(1234969)	Life of Billy Ray Cyrus	Dredd (CC) (93567369)	Movie: Otello (CC)	Rebound-- Legend of	Biography (886679)	Wild Discovery	Movie: Mr. Horn	FOX Sports NHL Hockey	Pittsburgh at Miami	Classics (CC) (2496747)	WENN (228747)		
8 PM	Drew Carey Ellen	Party of Five (CC) (24327)	Living Edens (CC) (44105)	Rescue 911	Miss USA Paganini (CC)	Drew Carey Ellen	Newsradio Men-Body	Utah Jazz at Seattle	Sentimientos Ajenos	(-10) Peter Pan (CC)	Prime Time Country	Movie: Stir Crazy	Earl Manigault	Prime Time	American Justice	Discover Magazine	Movie: Mr. Horn	Tampa Bay Lightning at	College Basketball: Duke	Weather (429834)	Stormy		
9 PM	Primetime Live	Babylon 5 (CC) (74673)	National Geographic	700 Club (127563)	(11211)	Primetime Live	Law & Order (CC) (40747)	SuperSonic NBA Basket-	Fuera Lente Loco	(87224495)	Road (891281)	(3027056) Bad Com-	Movie: Bal 21 (91282124)	Comedy Hour (252696)	Prime Time	Law & Order	Wild Discovery	Dallas Stars (541834)	At Wake Forest (231105)	Movie: That's My Boy (347211)	Comolow (228747)		
10 PM	News Cheers	Mad Abb. You In the Heat of	News-Latvnr	Carson Carson	News Late Show	News Nightline	News (6872) Tonight Show	ball Chicago Bulls at Los	P. Impacto Noticiero Uni.	Squanto: A Warrior's Tale	Dallas (948368)	(9-51) Stand- Movie: Under	Movie: Bal 21 (4551143)	Ground Zero (CC)	Prime Time	Biography (851143)	Discover Magazine	FOX Sports News	Rodeo Riders Rodeo Riders	WENN (250230)	Talk (130018) Benson		
11 PM	Nightline Politically Inc.	The Night Martin	Nature (CC) (33259)	Three Stooges	Married... With	Ent. Tonight (36) Rolonda	Late Night	Angels Lakers	La Tocada (720853)	Tale Art Garfunkel	Dukes of Hazzard	(38007853) Movie: Under	Movie: Bal 21 (4551143)	Ground Zero (CC)	Prime Time	Biography (851143)	Discover Magazine	FOX Sports News	Rodeo Riders Rodeo Riders	WENN (250230)	Rep City (713850)		
12 AM	Roseanne Bible Lesson	Universe H Patrol	Joy of Snakes (335612)	Paid Program Paid Program	Late Late Show	(2513834) Politically Inc.	Cops	Inede-NBA Movie:	Juntos-No	Conquest of	Prime Time Country	the Gun (271259)	The Pamela	Prime Time	American Justice	Wildest of Tribes	(782230)	Big 12 Show Tlc Price	Billiards	Weather (107485)			



THIS DATE IN HISTORY

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Wednesday, Feb. 5, the 36th day of 1997. There are 329 days left in the year.

THE Daily Crossword

by Daniel J. Read 02/05/97

ACROSS

- "Porgy and..."
- "Zoo Story" author
- Neither's partner
- Comic Johnson
- RFD part
- Deal with
- Went completely around
- Warms up
- Popeye's affirmative
- Shows boredom
- Distinctive doctrines
- Sports arena
- Gluttonous one
- Middle East garments
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- Dull pain
- Water channel
- A Donahue
- Stiff hair
- Distinctive airs
- Italian wine
- US president
- Frenchman's income
- Attempt
- Musician Brian
- Rocket
- "— Lay Dying"
- Inlets
- Store sign
- Some colors
- Actor James
- Military titles
- Work-out places
- Hunting expeditions
- By — (alone)
- Waste maker
- Arctic or Indian
- Chimney ducts
- Rotates
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- German composer
- PA port
- Honest
- Denominations
- Branch
- Moon goddess
- Donkey's sound
- Roof edge
- Actor Wallace
- In spite of
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England.

In 1783, Sweden recognized the independence of the United States.

In 1881, Phoenix, Ariz., was incorporated.

In 1887, Verdi's opera "Otello" premiered at La Scala opera house in Milan, Italy.

In 1897, 100 years ago, the Indiana House of Representatives passed, 67-0, a measure redefining the area of a circle, effectively declaring the value of pi to be 3.2. (The bill died in the Indiana Senate.)

In 1917, Congress passed, over President Wilson's veto, an immigration act severely curtailing the influx of Asians.

In 1917, Mexico's constitution was adopted.

In 1958, Gamal Abdel Nasser was formally nominated to become the first president of the new United Arab Republic.

In 1962, French President Charles de Gaulle called for Algeria's independence.

In 1994, white separatist Byron De La Beckwith was convicted in Jackson, Miss., of murdering civil rights leader Medgar Evers in 1963.

Ten years ago: The Dow Jones industrial average ended the day above the 2,200 level for the first time, closing at 2,201.49.

Five years ago: The House of Representatives authorized an investigation into whether the 1980 Reagan-Bush campaign conspired with Iran to delay release of the American hostages. (The task force investigating the "October Surprise" allegations later said it found no credible evidence of such a conspiracy.)

One year ago: John C. Salvi III went on trial in Dedham, Mass., in the shooting deaths of two receptionists at abortion clinics. (Salvi was convicted and sentenced to two life terms; he was found dead in his cell in November 1996, an apparent suicide.) Actress Elizabeth Taylor filed for divorce from Larry Fortensky, her seventh husband.

Today's Birthdays: Comedian actor Red Buttons is 78. The Rev. Andrew M. Greeley is 69. Baseball Hall-of-Famer Hank Aaron is 63. Actor Stuart Damon is 60. Financial writer Jane Bryant Quinn is 58. Television producer writer Stephen J. Cannell is 56. Singer-songwriter Barrett Strong is 56. Football Hall-of-Famer Roger Staubach is 55. Singer Cory Wells (Three Dog Night) is 55. Singer Al Kooper is 53. Actress Charlotte Rampling is 51. Actress Barbara Hershey is 49. Actor Christopher Guest is 49. Actress Jennifer Jason Leigh is 35. Rock musician Duff McKagan (Guns N' Roses) is 33. Rock singer Chris Barron (Spin Doctors) is 29. Singer Bobby Brown is 28.