

Lubbock arrest made in serial rapist case

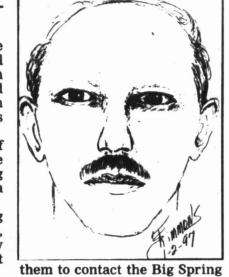
By JOHN H. WALKER Managing Editor

A 32-year old white male remains in Lubbock City-Jail under a \$100,000 bond today on charges of sexual assault and faces similar charges in Howard County following his arrest Monday.

Ricky DeWayne Howell, 32, of Snyder, is believed to be the serial rapist sought by both Big Spring and Odessa police in a series of sexual assaults.

According to Big Spring Police Sergeant Victor Brake, Howell was arrested Monday following a sexual assault that morning.

"After they made the arrest, they located evidence that led



Police Department," Brake said. "We sent Det. Tony Hill,

the lead detective on the case, to Lubbock and he called late Monday afternoon to tell us he believed the subject to be our suspect.'

Brake said Hill will return to Big Spring today to begin the process of filing paperwork and warrants for his arrest.

According to the BSPD, after warrants are obtained for aggravated sexual assault, Howell will be charged in Howard County.

Howell is 5-feet, 8-inches tall and weighs 156 pounds.

the throughout Police Permian Basin had been on the look-out for a white male subject following sexual assaults in Odessa and Big Spring where the perpetrator dressed as a woman.

Two sexual assaults in Big Spring occurred on Dec. 20 and Dec. 28, in the east/southeast part of town, prompting the BSPD to warn local residents to use caution if out after dark or during the early morning hours.

Victims in Big Spring Odessa are described as white females in their early to mid 50s.

Based on the description given by the Big Spring victims, of the attacker, Odessa authorities became interested in the case because the description also fit one given by an Odessa woman who was attacked on Dec. 14.

Herald staff writer Carlton Johnson contributed to this report.

Jury slams O.J. Simpson with \$25 million verdict

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) Fast-Khazaee, a white woman - A jury Monday heaped \$25 million in punitive damages on O.J. Simpson for the slayings of his ex-wife and her friend, saddling him with more than twice the debt even his pursuers say he can pay.

The judgment is on top of \$8.5 million in compensatory damages awarded last week when the jury repudiated Simpson's murder acquittal and found him liable in the 1994 slashing deaths of Nicole Brown Simpson and Ronald Goldman.

"Finding O.J. Simpson liable of the murders and acting with oppression and malice was one of the easiest decisions I have ever had to make," juror Laura

in her 30s, told a post-verdict news conference.

"I didn't believe in any credibility on Mr. Simpson's behalf," said Stephen J. Strati of Playa del Rey, who served as foreman for the punitive damages phase. "I did have problems with some of his testimony - In his denials of testimony, in his absolute that 'I have never wore the shoes, I would never own these shoes, I have never hit Nicole."

As for Simpson's claim he was framed, juror No. 186, a white man in his 20s, said: "There's just no way anyone could have planted all that evidence. It doesn't make sense."

Thursday declared as statewide day of prayer by Gov. George Bush

By KELLIE JONES

Features Editor

Gov. George W. Bush has proclaimed Thursday as the Texas Day of Prayer and Big Spring Mayor Tim Blackshear will be in Austin that day to join in a morning prayer breakfast. It's scheduled for 7:30 a.m. at the Four Seasons Hotel in Austin.

According to State Rep. David Counts (D-Knox City), the second annual event is being coordinated by the House Bible Study Group composed of legislators who meet weekly for Bible study and fellowship during the legislative session. Counts said, "The purpose of the occasion is to bring Texans from all faiths together in their communities and congregations to pray for this state and all of its national, state and local officials. This is a worthy endeavor and we hope everyone will take part. "For some time now, we have celebrated a National Day of Prayer. The members of the House Bible Study Group wanted to have our own Day of Prayer here in Texas," Counts said. Counts added if anyone wants to attend the breakfast, they should call his Austin office and he will arrange for them to receive tickets. Secretary of the Navy John Dalton is the guest speaker. A series of prayers and



San Angeloan hired to replace fired housing director

By CARLTON JOHNSON Staff Writer

After searching for almost three months, the city of Big Spring has announced the hiring of Mark L. Gentry of San Angelo to direct the city's Housing Assistance Program.

Gentry replaces Marva Scurlark, who was fired in November after an audit found there was a misappropriation of funds as well as a failure to follow personnel policies and procedures.

Assistant City Manager

York and has four 1996 housing certificates in the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) areas of manager of housing (CHH); maintenance manager (CMM); occupancy specialist (COS); and housing counselor (CHC).

According to Bogard, the salary for the housing director's position will remain in the \$24,000 per year range.

The controversy in the department stemmed from a large amount of travel expenses and the lack of documentation for those expenses.

As far as the city is involved

scripture readings from Jeremiah 29:10-14 and Matthew 5:1-12 highlight the non-denomi-

Courtesy photo

Gov. George W. Bush recently signed a proclamation designating Thursday as the Texas Day of Prayer. Also pictured are (left to right): State Rep. Bob Hunter, State Senator Florence Shapiro, State Senator David Sibley, State Rep. David Counts and State Rep. David Swinford. Counts and other legislators are part of the House Bible Study Group who are coordinating the event that includes a prayer breakfast in Austin Thursday morning.

national event.

Counts continued, "I want to emphasize for those who can't attend the breakfast, to be in prayer for our leaders from city hall to the White House on Thursday. I encourage each individual church to be in

whose objective at Monday's

prayer during this time as well as the business community. I ask for those civic clubs who have meetings Thursday to remember our leaders during their prayer on this special day for Texas."

Blackshear said, "This is a

backgrounds to gather for one main purpose and that's for a day of prayer."

Along with the proclamation from the governor, both the Texas House and Senate passed concurrent resolutions to designate Thursday as the Texas Day of Prayer.

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Extension Service concerned about relocation rumor

By CARLTON JOHNSON Staff Writer

Howard County Extension Richardson Agent Don addressed the Howard County **Commissioners'** Court Monday in regards to rumors of his department being relocated, and asked commissioners to give him an official decision at to the fate of his department.

Richardson recently received a call while attending the Fort Worth Stock Show from a member of his department informing him that the extension office would be moving to the basement of the courthouse.

The extension office outgrew its present space about 10 years ago, according to Richardson,

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meeting was to find out what commissioners were planning. Richardson and County **Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences Dapa Tarter** prepared a list of needs for the extension office, which included space for three private offices; a computer work station to accommodate an existing computer table, two computers and a laser printer; a meeting area to accommodate table, chairs and 12 to 15 people; and storage room for supplies associated with the Howard County Fair Association, Junior Livestock Show, 4H Club activities, audio visual equipment, office supplies and concession stand equipment.

The extension office would also has a need for two telephone lines (preferably rotating), and lines for a computer modem and fax machine, and six telephone jacks; and area to display publications, brochures and resource information; and an office accessible to staff after the normal business hours of 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

"I'm also concerned about the security (if the extension office is moved to the basement) for the women and children that meet with Dana (Tarter) on various programs," Richardson said. "Especially at night and on weekends."

Commissioners did not give Richardson a definite answer as to whether he would be moving into the basement of the courthouse and did not address the security issue, but according to Commissioner Sonny Choate, moving to the basement would mean Richardson's office would have 1,380 square feet, minus bathrooms, compared to its present space of 1,460 square feet.

One idea discussed that has been on the table for a while is to allow County Clerk Margaret Ray to use the basement vault to store several volumes of books that currently have to be stored on the floor of her current office.

When the courthouse was originally planned, it was not planned for us to add 50 volumes of books a year, which is

what we're doing."

Ray is not too particular about having the basement space because it would mean she would have to run her office from three different locations in the courthouse. The county clerk's office is currently in two offices across from each other on the west end of the first floor.

As for Richardson's dilemma, County Judge Ben Lockhart said the Sheriff's office, also on the first floor, doesn't have adequate office space either and it has 26 employees.

'We also have to do something for the Sheriff too," Lockhart said. " He has 26 people and one little office. Here, we're talking about three offices for three people (referring to Richardson, Tarter and County Extension Agent for Agriculture Keith Klement)."

Some of the storage problems Ray's office has could be solved if she receives permission from the Texas State Library to destroy several old records.

Lockhart suggested to Richardson that the basement space be partitioned .o accommodate three offices to see if that would work.

Commissioners did not have to take any action on the item, but Choate and Commissioner Jerry Kilgore will be looking into the space problem plaguing the various departments in the courthouse.

Emma Bogard completed her interviews of four finalists on Friday and announced Gentry's hiring Monday.

Bogard said 21 applications were submitted to her office by people interested in the federally funded program.

Bogard added, the city was definitely be looking for someone with experience in a housing program. Qualifications included, but were not limited to a four-year degree in business, public administration or some other related field.

Gentry who comes from a military background and has experience in housing programs, is expected to begin his new position on Feb. 24.

His experience includes the following areas: Economic Development-ICD Institute of Cognitive Development Coordinator for the San Angelo Family Emergency Shelter (August 1996 to the present); project coordinator for the city of San Angelo's Public Housing Authority (from April 1996 to July 1996); and training with the National Center of Housing Management from February 1996 to April 1996.

Gentry also has a bachelor of science degree from the University of the State of New

concerning the termination of the former director, the case in now in the hands of the Texas Rangers.

"We've turned over everything we had to the Texas Rangers." Bogard said. "What they will do with it, we don't know."

Prior to being fired, Scurlark had held the position for two and a half years.

According to Bogard, in order to avoid a repeat of what has happened in the department, the city's finance department will play a major role in the program in the future.

"Things will have to go through the city's finance department as does other programs," Bogard said. "The program will be closely monitored." One of the problems with the programs under Scurlark, according to Bogard, was that it was a stand-alone department using federal funds.

Bogard said that won't be the case in the future.

"What we've tried to do now is get the person with the best abilities, background and education," Bogard added.

Currently there are about 300 families and individuals in Big Spring that receive rental assistance through the housing program.

Condemned killer executed for murder of 19-year-old

(AP) HUNTSVILLE Condemned killer Richard Brimage Jr. quietly and voluntarily went to his death exactly nine years after a jury convicted him of abducting, raping and killing a 19-year-old woman.

Brimage, 41, declined to pursue appeals and win what his attorney said would have been a certain reprieve t⁺ at would have kept him from lethal injection Monday evening.

"He felt like he got what he deserved," lawyer Sam Fugate, who met with the inmate earlier in the day, said.

Brimage was executed for the slaying of Mary Beth Kunkel. The former high school homecoming queen from Kingsville was a freshman at Texas A&I University - now known as Texas A&M at Kingsville when she was murdered Oct. 5, 1987

Miss Kunkel was found dead two days later, her bound body tossed into the trunk of a

Cadillac parked at the Kingsville home of Brimage's parents, who were on vacation at the time.

Five members of Miss Kunkel's family - including her mother, brother and two sisters - watched through a thick plastic glass in the death chamber as Brimage made a brief final statement in which he urged people to help children.

"They are the key for making the world a better place, Brimage said before succumbing to the drugs flowing into his arms.

It marked only the second time under a recently implemented law that relatives of the murder victim viewed the execution of thekiller.

"I did get cold," Francis Kunkel, who lost her daughter, said. "It bothered me a little bit but I got over it.

"I'm pleased. I thanked the Lord that it was over."

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of rain in the morning, possibly mixed with snow. Colder, with highs in lower 40s to lower 50s. Lows in the 20s.

cloudy with chance of rain. Friday, chance of snow. Warmer Saturday.

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Wednesday: Cloudy with a chance

Extended outlook: Thursday, mostly



OBITUARIES

Natividad "Snydo" C. Nunez

Rosary for Natividad "Snydo" C. Nunez, 62, Big Spring, will be 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 12, 1997, in the Martinez Funeral Home Chapel, Odessa. Funeral service will be 10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 13, in the St. Joseph Catholic Church in Odessa with Father David Herrera officiating. Burial will be in the Rosehill Cemetery, Odessa

Mr. Nunez died Sunday, Feb. 9, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

He was born May 24, 1934, in Marfa. He was a self-employed carpet layer. He retired in 1983 after 28 years of service. He was a veteran of the United States Marine Corp. He was a resident of Big Spring for the last 25 years, previously living in Odessa.

Survivors include: his wife. Irene Thelma Nunez, Big Spring; two sons, Natividad Nunez, Jr., Elko, Nev., and Armando Nunez, San Antonio; two daughters, Veronica **Esquivel and Velma Torres**, both of Odessa; four sisters, Eva Lechuga, Socorro Garza, Eduviges Orona, all of Odessa, and Consuelo Bersosa, San Angelo; and five grandchildren. The family will receive friends at the funeral home in Odessa from 12 to 10 p.m. tonight, 9 to 10 a.m. on Wednesday, and from 9 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. on Thursday.

Arrangements under the direction of Martinez Funeral Home, Odessa.

Lillian Alice Tamsitt Dugan

Lillian Alice Tamsitt Dugan, 93, a homemaker, died Saturday, Feb. 8, 1997, at home. Funeral will be 1 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 12, at Chapel of the Chimes in Laurel Land Memorial Park in Fort Worth with Dr. Dan McClellan, Southwestern Theological Seminary, officiating. Burial will be in Laurel Land Memorial Park. Visitation will be from 4 to 6 p.m. Tuesday at Robertson Mueller Harper Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association.

Dallas, and James William Dailas, and James William Kent and his wife, Thelma Lee Kent of Fort Worth; daughter Evelyn Dugan Sommers and her, husband, 'John Paul Sommers of Bethesda, Md.; grandchildren, Cristina Elaine Dugan, Sherry Kent Burgeson and her husband, James Burgeson and Mike Kent; grant. Burgeson and Mike Kent; greatgrandchild, Michael Burgeson; and cousin, Ruth Matthews of Rockville, Md. Arrangements under the

direction of Robertson Mueller Harper Funeral Home, Fort Worth.

Paid obituary

Bessie May Bigony

Service for Bessie May Bigony, 99, Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. She died Monday, Feb. 10,

1997, in a local nursing home.

BRIEFS

THE HERALD IS CUR-**RENTLY seeking submissions** to its monthly Readers Corner that runs the last Wednesday of each month.

Stories or poems should be about a page and a half in length. Photos should be in focus and not too light or too dark. Make sure you identify who or what is in the picture and who took the photograph.

When space is limited, submissions will be held over for the next month. Photo suggestions: children or pets doing funny or interesting things and five-generation family pictures. The next Readers Corner is

scheduled for Feb. 26 and the deadline to turn in your submissions is Feb. 17. If you have any questions, contact Kellie Jones, 263-7331 ext. 235.

BIG SPRING STATE HOS-PITAL Volunteer Services Council is sponsoring their fifth annual Valentine fund raiser. Remember someone special with two carnations arranged in a bud vase, a balloon bouquet, or bear and balloons, \$8 each. Delivery service is provided by BSSH volunteers. Want something really spe-

cial? Voluntéers will deliver a singing telegram and carnation for \$20.

benefit the school's library. Computer software will be for

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

TACO BELL, 2311 S. GREGG, is sponsoring a Kids' Day Saturday from 2 to 5 p.m. The Big Spring Police Department is taking children's fingerprints to be filed in case identifying a child is necessary. All children receive a free balloon and an order of cinnamon twists.

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

BIG SPRING HIGH SCHOOL Class of 1967 is planning its 30th reunion for June 21. A number of our classmates are "lost" and cannot be found. If anyone knows the addresses of any of the following people, please contact Deanna Foresyth at 267-5420. Maiden names of females are in parentheses. Missing classmates are:

Linda (Caldwell) Aeron, Rodrigo Armendariz, Larry Amhart, Harolene Cindy Bailey, David Beard, Tommy Bell, Larry Bentley, Gary Bevill, Sandra Biffle, Linda Gay Blackwell, Bobby Bowers, William Boyett, Dennis Brewer, Kristine Britain, Rodney Buchanan, Linda Burnett. Vicki (Holland) Canfil, Frank Chavez, John Cockerham, Jerry Cook, Lonnie (Fullbright) Cox, Janice Elaine Craig, Jimmy Cunningham, Debbie (Douglas) Curry, Jerry Dalton, Allen Daniels, Adele Deming, Gregg Devlin, Benny Dixon. Ronald Dooley, Florentino. Doporto, Sara (Holloway) Dubose, Frank Fierro, Judy (Aleman) Fierro, Larry Foster, Pam (Faulkner) Franklin, Kevin Fryer, Anice Fulcher, Susie Garcia, Concha Garza, Russell Gary Hamm, Lela (Neill) Harding, Judy Hart, Janie Hartman, Thomas Heaton, Joe Hernandez, (Arguello) Rosemary Hernandez, Felix Hilario, Danny Hooten, T.C. Hudgins, Debbie Jones, Mary Juarez, Lucy Keene, Wayne Kennedy. Donna (Smith) Krenek, Glynda (Kilgore) Lang, Jon Lebkowsky, Lawrence Long, Ruben Lopez. Myra (Harris) Mann, Hughlon Marberry, Toni Mayberry, Burma McCarta, Georgia McDonald, Marion Butch McMains, Sally Miller, Tommy Moore, Wanda (Williamson) Moss, Ricky Olsen, Bill Owens, Barry Olen Parker, Brian Peay, Cooper Proctor, Bobby Ray, Barbara (Crenshaw) Richmond, Eddie Rogers, Carol Russell. Mike Russell, Mike Shafer, Linda (Teague) Shaw, John Howard Smith, Diane Lynn Smith, Glenda Smith, Grover Smith, David Sowell, Linda Steagald, Arlena (McCartney) Stevens, Steve Stinson, Pamela Sue Sutton, Jerry Tate, Larry Allen Tatum, Cindi (Bool) Taylor, Mary (Forman) Taylor, Diane Todd, Janet (James) Tucker, Gary Turner, Rayfield Turner, Ron Walker, Sally (Wade) Warrick, Albert Weinkave, Carolyn West, Glenda (Cass) Wheeler, Donna White, Donna Whitten, Becky Williams, James Worthan, Marcy (Dement) Wright and Jesse Zapata.



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17th St.

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Texas Lottery

SATURDAY

Settles, open meetings at noon,

Club, 7:30 a.m., Masonic Lodge,

21st and Lancaster. Breakfast

served (\$4). All Scottish Rite Masons welcome.

Alzheimers support group,

•Kid's Day sponsored by Taco

Bell, 2-5 p.m., 2311 S. Gregg.

Members of police department

will take children's finger-

SUNDAY

Church, 610 Abrams, has ser-

vices at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

Settles, 11 a.m. closed meeting

and 7 p.m. open meeting.

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Alcoholics Anonymous, 615

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•Good Shepherd Fellowship

10 a.m., Carriage Inn

Retirement Center, 501 West

8 p.m. and 10 p.m.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 615

Howard County Scottish Rite

TODAY

LOCAL

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

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

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

•Al-Anon, 8 to 9 p.m., 615 Settles.

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

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

•MS group, 6:30 p.m., Canterbury South. Call Diane at 263-0148.

 Howard/Glasscock unit of the American Cancer Society meeting, 12 noon, Scenic Mountain Medical Center first floor classroom.

•National Baseball League, 7 p.m., Big Spring Training Center.

THURSDAY

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

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

Center art classed, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., 55 and older.

Roberts Rehab Center, Third and Lancaster.

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

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

 American Legion Auxiliary Post 506, 7 p.m. Call 263-2084.

•Christmas in April, noon 1607 East Third. Call Theresa Hodnett, 263-0147.

Howard College POLICE Auditorium. Free admission.

The Big Spring Police Department reported the follow-ing activity between 8 a.m. Monday and 8 a.m. Tuesday:

BIG SPRING HERALD

Tuesday, February 11, 1997

•ERIK SHERROD FRANKS, 20, of Odessa, was arrested for evading arrest/detention.

•RUPERTO RAMOS, 55, of 910 E. 15th, was arrested for driving while intoxicated, no seatbelt, and failure to dim lights.

JESSIE MARTINEZ SAL-GADO, 50, of 105 Dillworth, was arrested for possession of marijuana and public intoxication.

 MICHAEL ALLEN SEAY, 18. of HC 61 Box 97, was arrested for possession of marijuana.

•CHRISTOPHER SCOTT HOLMES, 24, no known address, was arrested on local warrants.

•CRIMINAL MISCHIEF in the 1600 block of Bluebird; 1200 block of Stadium; 100 block of Washington: 3600 block of E. 11th; 2000 block of Goliad; and the 1600 block of Lincoln. •GAS THEFT in the 400

block of Gregg •DOMESTIC DISTUR-

BANCE in the 2600 block of Dow.

•THEFT OF SERVICE in the 900 block of Gregg.

•THEFT in the 1100 block of N. Lamesa; 1700 block of E. Marcy; and the 1500 block of E. Third.

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following activity between 8 a.m. Monday and 8 a.m. Tuesday: •ANTONIO DELOSSANTOS, 24, of 706 E. 13th, was arrested on a revocation of probation warrant from Hale County and for failure to identify.

BILLY PAUL HERL, 19, of 120 Airbase Road #32, was arrested for two counts of bur-

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March cotton 74.30 cents a pound, up 4 points; Feb. crude oil 22.28 down 18 points; Cash hogs steady at 53; slaughter steers steady at 63; Feb. lean hog futures 74.25, down 7 points;

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DuPont

Exxon

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Atlantic Richfield

Atmos Energy

Feb. live cattle futures 64.05, up •Big Spring Senior Citizens 62 points. Courtesy: Delta Corporation.

Noon quotes provided by Edward D. Jones & Co. •Support Group for Depression, 7 p.m., Dora Index 6838.49 Volume 175,154,160

Mrs. Dugan, a native and granddaughter of one of the pioneer and founding families of Big Spring, was preceded in death by her husband, William Hugh Dugan, who died in 1974.

Before moving to Rockville in October 1996, she was a member of University Baptist Church. She was also a member of the Ladies Railroad Auxiliary. In her younger years, Mrs. Dugan often visited the elderly in nursing homes bringing smiles and flowers.

Survivors include: sons, Jack R. Dugan and his wife, Andrianna Klentos Dugan of

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

Mary Sayers, 66, died Saturday. Services will be at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday at Myers and Smith Chapel. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.



Bessie May Bigony, 99, died Monday. Services will be 10:30 AM Thursday at First United Methodist Church. interment will follow at **Trinity Memorial Park.**

Something new this year is a volunteer-operated valentine stand located at the front of the campus. Everyone is welcome to come out and shop for valentine gifts, cash and carry.

Call 268-7533 or 268-7535 to place your Valentine order or to volunteer your talent and time. Proceeds from this fundraiser go to the patient benefit fund to be used for special activities and needed clothing and grooming items.

LOCAL HUNTERS EDUCA-**TION INSTRUCTOR** Boyce Hale announce a class of gun and bow safety is in the Chamber of Commerce conference room March 13-15, beginning at 5 p.m.

Hale reminds us that anyone born on or before Sept. 2, 1971, is required to successfully complete this course before they can legally hunt in Texas.

The cost is \$10 and is a lifetime certification.

For further information call 267-6957 or preregister at Dibrell's Gun Shop at 1307 Gregg.

THE HERITAGE MUSE-UM'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 provide 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 Saturday and forms can be obtained by calling the Heritage Museum at 267-8255. Tickets will go on sale for the food tasters Saturday.

ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL SCHOOL is hosting a Scholastic Book Fair this week. Admission is free and the public is welcome to come. Proceeds from the book fair



SPRINGBOARD

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

February is CUSTOMER APPRECIATION **Month At** izza Inn **2**99 Buffe days a week 1702 Gregg 263-138

West Texas Republican Women's Club, noon, Big Spring Country Club. Masonic Lodge No. 598, 7:30

p.m., 219 Main. West Texas Opportunities, Inc., will distribute commodities, 1607 East Third, 8:15 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call 267-9536. Those certified through Feb. 12, may pick up their food. FRIDAY

•Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Music by CW & Co. Area seniors invited. •Good Shepherd Fellowship

Church, 610 Abrams, 7 p.m. Bible study. Alcoholics Anonymous, 615

Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. Big Book Study.

•Signal Mountain Quilting Guild, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281. Bring a lunch. Gold Silver

•Big Spring Gospel Opry, 7

Non-Sat. 10 am-6 p

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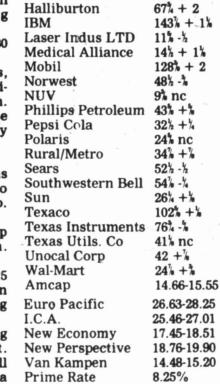
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glary of a building. Each count received a bond of \$4,000.

 AMANDA BROWN, 17, of 4112 Parkway, was arrested for burglary of a building. Bond was set at \$4,000.

•ROBERT DALE HUTCHE-SON, 33, of 106 Algerita, was arrested for driving with a suspended license.

•CHARLES BERRY, 42, no known address, was arrested for parole violation.

RECORDS

Monday's high 57 Monday's low 34 Average high 59 Average low 29 Record high 84 in 1922 Record low 9 in 1981 Precip. Monday 0.00 Month to date 0.50 Month's normal 0.17 Year to date 0.66 Normal for the year 0.78 **Statistics not available



Malone and Hogan Clinic, P.A. will be honoring

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Scenic Mountain

Medical Center

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263-1211

Dr. Melvin A. Porter

at a Retirement Reception

The public and all of Dr. Porter's patients, friends and colleagues are invited to attend. Please join us.

> Date: February 12, 1997 Time: 4:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m. Place: Malone and Hogan Clinic, Ob/Qyn Department, 2nd Floor

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GENERAL NEWS

merican, pilots begin mediation

WASHINGTON (AP) Federal mediators are referee ing difficult stalks between American Airlines and its pilots, seeking to avoid a strike that could shut down one-fifth of the nation's air-travel capacity this weekend.

"It will be contentious, but mediators are eternal opti-mists," said Harry Bickford, who came out of retirement to work as a consultant for the National Mediation Board.

American and the pilots began presenting arguments. Monday about the contract negotiations, a dispute that threatens 90,000 jobs at the nation's largest domestic airline and travel plans for more than 200,000 people a day.

The deadline is midnight Friday.

Amid mounting tension, pilots walking informational picket lines say they have been targets of taunts and obscene gestures from other employee groups. There also have been reported threats against the pilots.

James Sovich, the union president, asked the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Federal Aviation Administration to look into alleged threats made against pilots, The Wall Street Journal said today. He referred to anonymous letters and stickers placed in logbooks and cockpits

ing more inspectors to

Sovich said in a taped mes-sage to pilots, "Minor incidents such as grease being placed on shoulder harnesses and other more serious incidents have been reported. The letters threaten reprisals against our pilots or their aircraft."

American, based in Fort Worth, Texas, urged its employees to refrain from any threats. "People are anxious, but that

doesn't mean they should take it on themselves," said airline spokesman Chris Chiames. "The pilots are not the enemy." Pilots have threatened a strike if no agreement is reached by the end of the federally mandated cooling-off period. The airline says it will shut down if there is a strike. That could leave one of every five flying travelers looking for another ride.

The federal mediators, shuttling proposals between airline representatives and the Allied Pilots Association, are trying to calm the troubled waters.

Kenneth Hipp, chairman of the mediation board, refused to guess how talks would progress.

"I think we're going into this with an open mind. It's a very focused situation," he said. "We hope it will be a short week."

The contract under dispute became amendable in 1993 and a tentative version was voted on by the company's 9,300 pilots last month. It lost by a 60-40 The FAA responded by assign- margin. Soon afterward American's parent company,

into mediation.

American and the union, which represents only American pilots and flight engineers, are butting heads over compensation and job security, although other contract issues could be discussed.

The pilots, who have not had a basic wage increase since 1993, are asking for raises more than double what the company offered.

The company had agreed to increase salaries by 3 percent this year and 2 percent in 1999. It also had added stock options that were understood to represent retroactive pay since the contract has already been the subject of talks for more than two years.

The union is seeking raises of about 11 percent over four years, plus increased stock options. American pilots earn an average \$120,000 a year.

Although pay plays a large role, the second and possibly more divisive issue is who should fly the company's small jets.

AMR had hoped to buy small 67 jets to be flown by its commuter division, American Eagle. American pilots, wanting Eagle to remain strictly the "propeller division," opposed the plan.

Airline President Donald J. Carty said the issue is American's competitiveness; the union says it believes American pilots can fly the American, USA Today reported. AMR Corp., moved the dispute small jets at comparable costs.

Training-flight halt extends to Gulf of Mexico WASHINGTON (AP)

Federal investigators now are looking into four encounters last week between civilian airliners and Air Force fighter jets.

The Air Force suspended all training flights over the Gulf of Mexico after two new reports of close encounters between F-16s and commercial planes over New Mexico and Texas.

The Air Force said the suspensions would remain in effect until all units review their procedures. That review was expected to be completed today.

The encounters in New Mexico and Texas occurred Friday. Although the incident over New Mexico set off the collision avoidance warning on the jetliner, spokesmen for airlines indicate there was no danger to passengers in either

The two encounters occurred the same day four Air National Guard F-16s came close to a commercial flight off the coast

of Maryland. Two days earlier, a fighter came close enough to a jetliner off the New Jersey coast to activate the larger plane's collision avoidance warning.

The FAA and the NTSB have all four incidents under investigation.

Aviation specialists say such incidents occur far more often than most people are aware, including more than 1,200 times last year.

David Stempler, a former executive director of the International Airline Passengers Association, said he sees "no reason why military and civilian planes have to share the same air space."

Stempler, an aviation attorney, asserted that the incidents indicate military aircraft have been in the habit of practicing their intercepting techniques with commercial aircraft.

The incident over New Mexico involved two F-16s and an American Airlines passenger jet near Clovis, N.M., said Air Force spokesman Capt. Leo Devine. At 1:37 p.m. CST, two F-16 fighters flew out of a military training area without authorization.

A collision warning was triggered aboard an American jetliner, which was en route from Dallas-Fort Worth to Palm Springs, Calif.

The second incident involved an F-16 and a Northwest Airlines Airbus. It occurred about 70 miles southwest of Palacios, Texas, at 3:47 p.m. CST.



Senate votes to crack down on under age drinkers

AUSTIN (AP) — With a display of 1,782 pairs of shoes to show lives lost to alcohol-related traffic crashes in just one year, state senators voted Monday to crack down on Texans under 21 who drink.

'This bill ... will save lives in the years to come," Sen. Royce West, D-Dallas, said Monday. His "zero-tolerance" bill is

among measures backed by Mothers Against Drunk Driving, which brought the shoe display to the Capitol.

West's bill would suspend the driver's licenses of those under e 21 caught in possession of alcoholor driving with even a trace in Texas in 1995.

of alcohol in their system. It passed the Senate without objection Monday.

As senators debated the measure, workers and visitors in the Capitol extension walked by rows of shoes lining a hallway to symbolize the lives already lost to drunken driving.

A toddler's tiny sneakers, house slippers shaped like fuzzy bear paws, a 6-year-old boy's scuffed-toe black shoes, women's high-heeled sandals and men's cowboy boots there was a pair for each of the 1,782 people that MADD says died in alcohol-related crashes

Under current law those under 21 can lose their driver's license if they're found to have a blood-alcohol level of 0.07. The legal intoxication level for adult drivers is 0.10.

Under West's bill, any detectable amount of alcohol would be illegal for drivers under 21.

Other proposals would: • Ban open containers of alcohol from the driver and passenger compartments of motor vehicles. Current law allows an arrest only if the driver is seen drinking from the container.

· Allow law officers to set up temporary checkpoints on Texas roads to determine whether drivers have been drinking.

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"Necessity does the work of courage." -George Ellot

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OUR VIEWS

Welcome home, Furr's

Turr's Cafeterias officially makes its return to Big Spring on Wednesday and, judging from the number of people who participated in last Saturday's walk through and Monday night's open house, the return in eagerly anticipated.

Furr's CEO Kevin Lewis told us Monday afternoon that more than 1,200 persons visited the facility over a three-hour period Saturday and a capacity-plus crowd of more than 300 persons were served in little more than an hour Monday night.

While Furr's adds to the variety of our food fare, the company's return to **Big Spring also means growth for** our community through individuals and families who have relocated here as part of the Furr's - and now, Big Spring, family.

As stated in this column several months ago, we believe Wednesday's ribbon cutting and grand opening to be significant on two fronts - Furr's return to economic good health and the company's faith in a community that supported it for more than a quartercentury.

Welcome back, Furr's ... we're glad to have you home in Big Spring — where you belong.

Touchy subject of sex almost part of BSISD curriculum

What will undoubtedly be a touchy, controversial subject for years to come is almost a part of the Big Spring Independent School District's (BSISD) health education



such as depictions of male and female genitals that have been infected by various sexually transmitted diseases, which is all the more reason for showing young men and young women, together, what the consequences can be of premarital sex. The argument posed at Thursday's forum was that the more you talk about sex education the more teens are going to want to do it. Let's get real! Monkey see, monkey do is a concept that is used to teach kindergarten children, but somewhere along the line it became a convenient way for people, including young people, to ditch being responsible for their own actions. Sure television shows, including daytime soaps and primetime dramas, are full of sex and sexual innuendo and of course there are your box office movies, which don't come anymore without at least two dozen sex scenes per movie, but my point is this you don't have to go to the movies and you don't have to watch television. It all boils down to choices. The media is going to be blamed and rightly so, but there is such a thing as a remote control for your television and there is always more than one movie to choose from. Charles Lusk addressed the subcommittee Thursday and what he said stood out because he never once named any one of the curriculums being considered, but he referred to God. I'm wondering if because we have thrown God out of the classroom if we didn't throw out the one human instruction manual we can all read and understand. Young men and young women need to be instructed together because knowing the hurt and destruction one can cause the other may help open some eyes. Peer pressure is strong because young people refuse to be an Ashley or a Rachel - which is being true to yourself and true to what God has ordained. It's considered boring and out



Bill Clinton preaches against 'payback'

More frequently of late, President Clinton seems intent on being the national preacher.

At his second inauguration, he made a point of telling everyone, he took the oath of office on

Isaiah

58:12:

"Thou

Ann **McFeatters** White House Watch shalt raise

up the foundations of many generations, and thou shalt be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of paths to dwell in." And he asked the pastor to presidents, Rev. Billy Graham

used to install such people as Alan Greenspan, chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, in that place.

Before sending his new budget up to Congress this month, he went to the National Prayer Breakfast, as his predecessors did. But Clinton seemed to want to give the sermon. He said that everyone is called upon to help the poor with a hand up, not with a handout. And, he said, "repairing the breach" means repaying the debt the United States owes the **United Nations and helping** downtrodden people around the world.

Then he got personal. "This town is (full of) people who are self-righteous, sanctimonious, and hypocritical. All of us are that way sometime. I plead guilty from time to time.

'It's payback time.' I said. 'What do you mean?' They said, 'Well, they think the Democrats in Congress did this to the Republican presidents.' I said, 'I didn't even live here then. Why are they paying me back?' They said, 'Oh, you don't understand. You just got to pay back.' So then pretty soon I was behaving that way. I'd wake up in the morning, my heart was getting a little hard. And I thought 'Now, who can I get even with?""

Clinton added, "And sometimes you can't get even with the person that really did it to you, so you just go find somebody else because you got to get even with somebody. Pretty soon everybody's involved in this great act."

Clinton went on to say, "I try to tell everybody around the White House all the time, I have concluded a few things in my life, and one of them is that you don't ever get even. The harder you try, the more frustrated you're going to be, because nobody ever gets even. And when you do, you're not really happy. You don't feel fulfilled. So I ask you to pray for

this phenomenal opportunity and responsibility before us.

Clinton, a Baptist who now goes most of the time to his wife's church (Foundry Methodist here, not far from where former President Jimmy Carter taught Sunday school), noted the pastor recently quoted from Romans 12:16-21. Clinton said he was moved by such passages as "Do not be wise in your own estimation." And "Never pay back evil for evil to anyone. If possible, so far as it depends upon you, be at peace with all men."

In all these prayer breakfasts there's a theme. He invariably uses them to insist people have to get along and that he did not make a mistake signing the welfare bill last year, which for the first time in 60 years took away the federal guarantee of

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cation Last Thursday, several resi dents, concerned par ents and even a cou ple of students addressed their concerns about

Carlton Johnson Staff Writer sex education in the classroom to the

BSISD's Health Advisory Council (HAC) subcommittee and indicat ed which of the four proposed curriculums, reviewed by the committee, they approve.

Students Ashley Burson and Rachel Ray were very eloquent in addressing some very sensitive issues such as seeing pregnant girls walking school halls, separate areas for boys and girls during sex education instruction, virginity and what it means to maintain it, condoms and contraceptives, and abortion and homosex uality, which inevitably will come up in a sex education cur riculum.

What is so remarkable about the comments made by Ashley and Rachel is that on this particular issue, comparing them to their peers, they probably constitute a minority voice

Why? Peer pressure! Both of these young women

received a heart-felt round of applause from the crowd in attendance for taking a stand and speaking up for what they believe

Unfortunately, it's not a common thing for young people to take the bull by the horns, especially when the subject is one that has more than just a few people split on the issue.

I do have to disagree with one thing that was said at the forum - separating male and female students during sex education instruction.

No one has come right out and said it so I will, girls will always get the short end of the stick when it comes to sexual activity among teens and teen pregnancy, because society is structured that

No one works harder at maintaining a relationship than a young woman, because a young woman seems to mature much faster than a young man her own age. That's no secret.

At a time when some young women are looking for something special, some young men are doing their Billy the Kid imitation trying to get that next notch on the end of their guns.

lome of the curriculums eviewed by the HAC subcommit-ee do include graphic materials

of touch. Let me say this much. It's thinking like what Ashley and Rachel are doing that will keep them from being statistics.

I know were talking about seventh and eighth graders, but if we don't give them the best information possible now, there will be more Ashleys and more Rachels seeing more and more pregnant girls walking the halls.

Remember one thing if you don't remember anything else! Separating boys and girls in sex education classes is a contradiction because what they don't know is what leads them to each other in the first place. Curiosity isn't killing that cat

in this instance, it's creating too many teen pregnancies. (This is the first in a three-part

series of opinion on the need for sex education.)

to give the invocation.

Many think the most emotion he displayed during the long inauguration weekend was the two-and-a-half hour prayer service just before he took the oath. He sang and prayed and rocked back and forth with as much fervor as the various ministers, choirs and singers

At his State of the Union address, he asked the Rev. Robert Schuller, the TV "Hour of Power" evangelist, to sit in the seat of honor, next to Hillary Rodham Clinton. He

We also tend to get -- we spend an enormous amount of time here in Washington trying to get even. And it doesn't matter who started it.

"I remember when I came here one time, I got so mad at our friends in the Congress and the Republican Party because they were real mean to me over something. I went back to the White House and I asked somebody who'd been there a while in Washington, I said, 'Now, why in the world did they do that?' They said,

Pray, Clinton said, "for the people in public office, that we can rid ourselves of this toxic atmosphere of cynicism and embrace with joy and gratitude

us.'

cash assistance to the poor. He's now making a pitch everywhere he goes for private corporations and non-profit institutions to hire welfare recipients.

In truth, he sounds a little defensive, a little guilty. It's as if he thinks that if enough people pray for him, his conscience will be clear and there won't be any payback.

(Ann McFeatters covers the White House and politics for Scripps Howard News Service.)

How February sets the tone in Washington It is the Silas Marner of

By CHARLES McDOWELL

Richmond (Va.) Times Dispatch

WASHINGTON – Back in the 1970s, I began to be attracted to February as a subject of my newspaper column. Here was the shortest month of the year and the last full month of winter - the bridge to spring, President Clinton might call it. What interested me about

February was how long it seemed, how bleak and relentless, how humorless and, at the same time, how full of mockery for optimists and for groundhogs who thought they had seen a signal of better times. I checked with the climatologists, who confirmed that February was the coldest month in this part of the world, and with the psychologists, who said it was a big, mean influence on humanity. So ! began to write annually

of February's qualities: "It is longer than the War of

the Austrian Succession and less exhilarating than the flu. months...a month of Mondays, a month that warms no heart but a virus's, a month that presents an addled sequence of snow, sleet, rain, freezing rain, fog, freezing fog, melting and refreezing ice, floods, mud, drizzles...storms of old oak leaves, trash, parking summonses, forgotten Christmas bills, surly solicitations and expensive prescriptions.

"February congeals the mind as well as the nasal passages, and it depresses the spirit progressively. It can make a sunrise melancholy and a sunset grim. It can make people lose their cleaning tickets, trip over the dog's dish, get mad at wire coathangers. February is the season there is no man for.' After I had memorized all those lines and had lost all

shame at using them over and over through the 1970s and most of the 1980's, I began to notice something new in the late Eighties. February seemed slightly less outrageous. In February 1989, I saw a man

remove his shirt to take a sunbath in a park near the White House.

I remembered I was a journalist and telephoned the Weather Bureau. The temperature was 72 degrees at 2 p.m., Feb. 1, 1989. In 1990, the daily high and low temperatures averaged 8 degrees above normal in Washington. In 1991, the average temperatures were 7 degrees above normal here. In 1992 and 1993 the warmer mood of the month continued, and I wrote joyfully about "natural and man-made gases trapping solar heat in the Earth's atmosphere."

A reader wrote that only leftists believed in global warming, and I admit now that February was blustery and colder in 1995. I wrote a column in the first week, by the way, mentioning a forecast of deep snow and wondering whether President Clinton would be able to deliver his budget-message to Congress. And I said the storm might immobilize Washington and

allow us "to sit back and watch the O.J. Simpson trial like the rest of the nation.'

How about that? Anyway, in 1996 February was pretty cold. This year, as the news media has noted in our own scientific way, the key groundhog did not see his shadow on Feb. 2 and the end of winter might just be upon us.

Whatever the weather for the rest of the month, I am tempted to think February 1997 provokes a cranky and unsettling mood not much related to climatology. O.J. Simpson again was on trial, this time in the civil suit brought in the slayings of Nicole Brown Simpson and Ronald L. Goldman. As the verdict was coming out against him, the President of the United States was making his "State of the Union" speech to Congress, and the mighty storm in the American TV culture was truly awesome.

The state of the union, as reflected in all this, is not entirely reassuring.

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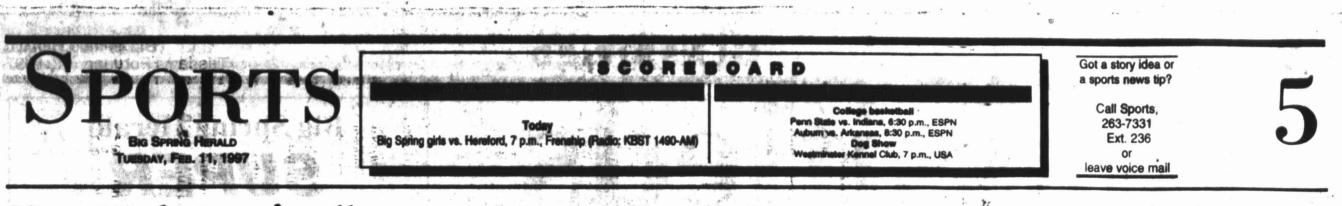
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New York Jets finally get to hire Bill Parcells as coach — for a healthy price NEW YORK (AP) - In hiring time you showed up," one man his fourth season in New

their fifth new coach in five years, the New York Jets put on a bizarre show-reminiscent of the team they put on the fieldthe past few seasons.

But they finally got Bill Parcells — without giving up the first pick in April's draft.

NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue brokered a deal between the Jets and New **England Patriots on Monday** that will allow Parcells to coach the team immediately without spending a year in the nebulous position of "consultant."

New England gets four draft picks - the Jets' third and fourth this year, second in 1998 and first in 1999. The Jets get Parcells, who coached the Patriots to the AFC title last season and the Giants to NFL championships in 1986 and 1990.

'We're very happy. The commissioner did a hell of a job,' said Leon Hess, the Jets' 82-yearold owner, who made a rare public appearance.

"Hey, is that Hess? It's about

velled at the owner during a rush-hour news conference in the lobby of a midtown office building that was the site of the six hours of negotiations.

Today, it's Parcells who shows up - now officially the Jets' coach and chief operating officer, a position he would have had to wait a year to take had the Jets not compensated the Patriots.

He's the fifth coach in five years, counting the six-day tenure of Bill Belichick, Parcells' longtime right-hand man who last Tuesday was named the 1997 coach while the Patriots and Jets haggled over Parcells. Belichick now moves over to assistant head coach and defensive coordinator.

Parcells arrives with a contract to coach at least four years, and perhaps five.

It's an apt number — he won the Super Bowl in his fourth season with the Giants, again four years later, and then took the Patriots to the title game in England. They lost to Green Bay, 35-21, and Parcells almost immediately severed his ties with the Pats.

But his return to New York was a test for the Jets.

Rich Kotite left seven weeks ago following two years in which the Jets went 4-28. "I didn't quit and I wasn't fired," he said, although it was clear the latter would have occurred had Kotite not stepped down.

For the ensuing seven weeks, while nine other teams were interviewing prospects and filling vacancies, the Jets interviewed no one, clearly waiting for Parcells. Throughout Super Bowl week, the coach was the focus, dodging questions about his future, usually unsuccessful-

But the week after the title game, Tagliabue perused his contract with New England and ruled that Parcells could hold no other coaching job "or comparable position" in 1997.

Undeterred, the Jets named

Belichick their coach for next Tagliabue said. "Both teams had year, said Parcells would be a "consultant," and then signed him to a six-year deal as coach and chief operating officer. It's likely to make him the highest paid coach in the NFL and perhaps in pro sports — estimates of its value go as high as \$20 million

That led to Monday's hearing, at which Tagliabue was to determine whether "consultant" violated his directive.

It turned out instead to be a day-long mediation session.

For five hours, Hess and president Steve Gutman of the Jets and owner Robert Kraft of the Patriots presented alternating deals, the Pats starting out with their original request for the Jets' top overall pick in April's draft.

Then Tagliabue proposed that he be an arbitrator, with his decision to be binding.

"There were wide differences and both thought it should be resolved today, and they authorized me to make a decision,"

to give a little and neither got exactly what they wanted." Twenty minutes later, he had

a deal.

"I wanted to get this over with," Kraft said. "Bill gets to work this year and we get our draft choices. I'm just glad it's settled.'

"I did what I think was fair to both sides," Tagliabue said. "I looked at a young team with talented players like the Patriots and gave them choices that would ensure their future as they begin to lose veterans to the salary cap.'

Parcells, in a statement released by the Jets, said, "I can't wait to get to work tomorrow morning to start rewarding the tremendous confidence Leon Hess has placed in me."

"That's a lot of draft picks we can build on," Patriots linebacker Marty Moore said. "I think it's beneficial. I think Kraft was really wanting the first-round pick, and he got one down the road, so he got what he Bowls.

wanted and Parcells got what he wanted."

Parcells now heads for the **headquarters** Jets' in Hempstead, 25 miles east of where the talks were held on Monday.

But his absence didn't keep the crowds away.

As officer workers came out for lunch and saw the media parked in the building's lobby, word spread that "Parcells is here.

But despite being told that he wasn't, people continued to congregate. At one point, television lights came on, cameras pointed to a bank of elevators and a group of young women began to point, bringing even more fans.

But at least the fans of a franchise that's gone longer without a title of any kind than any NFL team have reason to hope - not since 1970 have the Jets won as much as a division championship. Parcells has won four of those since 1986

Not to mention two Super

1 C. 's 36 shoots Lady Hawks

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

MIDLAND — With the biggest game of the season on the line, no one played bigger than Kyna Cosby.

Cosby scored 29 of her 36 points in the second half to lead the Howard College Lady Hawks to an 81-77 victory over Midland College is a showdown of Western Junior College Athletic Conference co-leaders Monday night in Midland.

The victory gave the Lady Hawks (22-3 overall, 12-2 in conference) sole possession of the WJCAC lead, and a one-game lead over the Lady Chaps, who fell to 20-4, 11-3 with the loss and South Plains at 22-2, 10-2. Cosby sat much of the first half with foul trouble and collected only seven points before halftime, which saw Midland holding a 40-37 lead. But in the second 20 minutes, Cosby took over.

build leads of six points in the second half, only to watch Midland whittle the lead to as little as a point with 3:11 remaining in the game.

Cosby responded with a pair of free throws, but Kellina Bradshaw and Ndiasse Ndiaye gave the Lady Chaparrals a 77-76 lead with only 34 seconds remaining.

So all Cosby did was change the momentum around again. She did so by driving the lane for a leaning jumper, was fouled and hit the charity shot to give Howard a 79-77 advantage. Then, after Cisse Fatou missed a shot for Midland, Cosby added a pair of one-andone free throws with seven seconds left to ice the game for the bady Hawks. to take notal

She's a good player on both offense and defense," said teammate La'Tonya Kindle, who added 23 points to the Lady Hawks' attack. "We tried to get her the ball as much as we

Twice, she helped Howard Howard's inside quartet helped the Lady Hawks build a 46-35 advantage in rebounding.

"We have such good players on the perimeter, we feel they can carry a lot of the offensive load," coach Matt Corkery said. "But I'm proud of the way the kids rebounded tonight ... They understand that it's a team game, and that what shows up on the stat sheet isn't always what's most important."

The Lady Chaps were led by Cisse with 18 points and Ndiaye, who added 17.

Although the victory was understandably crucial, Corkery downplayed its significance afterward.

"It's just one conference game, and we've got to keep that in perspective." he said. "Midland College and us are at the top of the conference ... but we're going to focus on the rest of our games and getting ready for the regional tournament." The Lady Hawks return to action Thursday at home against Odessa College. Game time is 6 p.m.

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MIDLAND – The time, the Howard Hawks did it with offense

When the Hawks faced Midland College last month in **Big Spring**, it was their defense that paved the way to a 92-80 victory. Monday night, however. Howard relied on the scoring of Elmer Brown and Will Jones to lead the Hawks to a 80-79 win in Chap Center.

Brown scored 22 points including five very big ones down the stretch – and Jones added 16 to pace the Hawks, who evened their Western Junior College Athletic Conference record at 4-4 (16-9) The Chaps, who fell to 2-6 in WJCAC play, were led by Ceedric Goodwyn with 22 and Todd Jones with 16.

a double-digit lead, only to watch Midland rally to within close range. In the end, it came down to free throws - and one very big three-pointer from Brown in the final minute.

With foul shooting at a premium, the Hawks responded by canning seven of their final eight charity shots, but that wasn't enough to shake the Chaps, who closed to within 75-74 with 55 seconds left.

That's when Brown responded to give the Hawks a four-point. cushion with little more than 30 seconds remaining.

They needed all the cushion they could get. Todd Jones answered Brown's three-pointer with one of his own to once again cut Howard's lead to a point, but Brown was fouled on the ensuing possession and calmly hit both free throws with seven seconds remaining to finally ice the game. This marks the second straight win for the Hawks after four straight losses. The Hawks return home Thursday at 8 against Odessa.

Hawks' offense topples Midland this time, 80-79 Staff Writer

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She scored her team's first two points of the second half, and continuously came up with big baskets just when the Lady Hawks needed them most. "My teammates are always going to be there for me, so I have to be there for them," Cosby said. "We just had to calm down — the whole team

our game."

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could tonight." Also scoring in double figures for Howard was Shawnta Johnson, who scored 14 points. Not to be overlooked, however, was the contribution of inside players Niki Sherlock, Nesha Gamble, Ellen Rice and Latraica Spencer. Although

they were outscored 45-7 by their Midland counterparts,

HOWARD COLLEGE 81, MIDLAND COLLEGE 77

HOWARD (81) - Johnson 7 0-0 14; Kindle 8 3-6 23; Cosby 13 8-13 36; Horton 1 0-0 2; Spencer 2 1-2 5; Sherlock 0 1-2 1; totals 31 13-24 81

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Halftime - Midland 40, Howard 37 Three-point goals - Howard 6 (Kindle 4, Cosby 2), Midland 4 (Finley 3, Cisse) Turnovers - Howard 20, Midland 21 Rebounds - Howard 46 (Johnson 15, Sherlock 9), Midland 35 (Ndiaye 8, Finley 6, Bradshaw 6); Total fouls Howard 24, Midland 19; Fouled out Spencer; Technical - Horton.

HERALD photo/Tim App

Grady's Cody Peugh drives past a Westbrook defender and into the free throw lane during Monday's 78-59 win. The victory sends Grady into the Class A playoffs as the No. 1 seed from District 27-1A. The Wildcats will face Eden in the first round of the playoffs at a site to be determined.

LOCAL BRIEFS

Howard's baseball Hawks fin-Ish 1-2 at Galveston tourney

The Howard College baseball team won one game and dropped two others at last weekend's Galveston Junior College Baseball Tournament.

Howard (3-2) opened with an 8-6 win over Hill College before losing 5-2 to Texarkana and 7-5 to host Galveston.

The Hawks return to action Thursday at the Western Junior College Athletic First-Pitch Conference **Tournament** at Christensen Stadium in Midland. Howard plays Frank Phillips in the tournament's first game at noon.

Big Spring High School swimmers 11th at regional

The Big Spring High School girls' swim team finished 11th at last weekend's Region I Swimming and Diving Championships in Lubbock.

Michelle Tuttle had the highest individual finish for a Big Spring swimmer, placing fourth in the 100 breastroke in a time of 1 minute 12.23 seconds.

Other BSHS individual finishes included: Somer Leubner, sixth in the 200 individual medley and eighth in the 100 freestyle: Stephen Smith, eighth in the 200 individual medley; and Brent Sasson, 11th in boys' onemeter diving.

The relay team of Slate Broyles, Billy Beckworth, Stephen Smith and Jason McVean finished seventh in the 200 medley relay and eighth in the 200 freestyle relay.

Hunter safety course set for Saturday at Chamber

Local Hunter Education instructor Boyce Hale announced that a gun and bow safety class will be held Thursday-Saturday at the Chamber of Commerce conference room.

Classes begin at 5 p.m. each day.

Hunters born on or before Sept. 2, 1971 are required to successfully complete this course before they can legally hunt in Texas.

Cost of the class is \$11, and is good for lifetime certification.

For more information, call 267-6957 or pre-register at Dibrell's Gun Shop at 1307 S. Gregg St.

Big Spring Jr. Development Tennis program continues

The Big Spring Junior **Development Tennis Program** continues its spring session Monday 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.

Chicano Golf Association holds tournament today

The Big Spring Chicano Golf Association will hold a golf tournament today at Comanche Trail Golf Course. Tee times are between 10 a.m.-noon. For more informacontact Gilbert tion, Rodriguez at 263-7741.

The taller Chaps raced out to an 11-2 lead early and, for a while, it looked as if a rout was in the making. But then the Hawks got hot from the outside, as Jones and Jack Owens each hit a pair of three-pointers to spark a rally that cut Midland's advantage to only 28-27.

The Hawks then went on another run, using a pair of three-pointers from Brown to pass the Chaps and take a 38-34 lead at intermission.

In the second half, it was the Hawks who started hot, and they built their lead to as much as 12 points with 15:10 left to go. But Midland responded with a

15-5 run. Over the course of the final 10

minutes, the Hawks again built

HOWARD 80, MIDLAND 79

HOWARD (80) - Martinez 3 5-7 11; Cook 2 0 0 4; Owens 5 1-2 14; Brown 7 3-4 22; W. Jones 5 4-8 16; Maroney 4 0-0 9; Clover 2 0 2 4; Lewis 0 0-1 1; totals 28 13-24

MIDLAND (79) -- Kirk 7 2-3 16; T. Jones 4 7-9 18; Reed 3 3-4 9; Waters 1 0-0 3; Warmack 3 0.07; Kainga 2 0-0 4; Goodwyn 8 6-10 22; Ondeng 0 0-3 0; totals 28 18-29 79. Halftime - Howard 38, Midland 34; Three-pointers - Howard 11 (Owens 3, Brown 5, W. Jones 2, Maronev), Midland 5 (T. Jones 3, Waters, Warmack); Turnovers - Howard 17, Midland 22; Howard 32 (Lewis 6, Rebounds Martinez 6), Midland 28 (Goodwyn 7); Total fouls - Howard 25, Midland 22; Fouled out Kainga.



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Howard College's Jack Owens (20) gets off a shot as he goes airborne against Midland Monday night, Owens had 14 points in the Hawks' 80-79 WJCAC win.

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TAURUS (April 20-May 20) some reason, you don't have comes out OK. Think through a the right answers. Confusion is decision with care, and ask considerable, as you try to important questions. Eliminate maintain control. Have a talk red tape, and be more efficient with a partner. Together, you can handle what is happening. You come out soaring. Tonight: You feel empowered!****

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tion. Plans change and may upset you. Do not listen to gossip. Stay centered. Initiate displeased by the answers. Go to the source, and don't do anyfind the solution!**

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Stay focused on your objecsure they aren't. Tonight: Pay tives, and don't let flak get to you. At first, a partner's reaction may floor you; but with A boss shakes you up, and for discussions and logic, it all all around. Tonight: Make it happen!*****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Stay in control at work. Associates are testy and are not working with you. Events challenge you. Use your superior communication skills to find an answer. A partner will be open, once vou calm down. Tonight: Make a "must" appearance.***

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

You need determination and detachment to manage several jolts that come your way. You might not have all the answers. but you have the resources to find them. Invest energy and funds into making what you want happen professionally. Tonight: Go to the movies.**** LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

You could become upset at what a loved one is capable of. Discussions could be wild, but your ability to handle ruffled feathers prevails. One-to-one relating makes for security, especially when approaching a problem together. Tonight: Work on closeness.****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Listen to another, but realize

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DEAR ABBY: Your recent printing of the Judeo-Christian Ten Commandments has no doubt produced an avalanche of



feel undermined by what is happening, but staying level is key. Understand what makes this person tick. Heartfelt discussions, in which you express vulnerability, ease pressure. Tonight: Go with another's scheme!****

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Lay down some key terms. Someone perceives a situation differently than you. You focus on getting your work done, while others seem to need your attention. Be willing to state boundaries. Conferring about your goals helps enlighten another. Tonight: Work late.*** CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Use every ounce of ingenuity to handle a financial change. Avoid any risk. Seek out an expert, for a fact-finding mission. Information can help resolve this swing; it isn't as difficult as you think. Solutions are forthcoming. Tonight: Begin important talks.****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

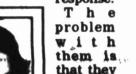
You are shaking foundations a bit hard. If you notice others are having a strong reaction. you aren't far from wrong. You are cognizant of what you are up to, but others see you as an enigma. Communications level out misunderstandings. Tonight: Order a pizza, and talk it out.***

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

You are making something much bigger than it is. Remain secure. You are more on target than you are aware. Initiate talks, and listen to feedback. You understand what is going on as a result. Someone makes the first move. Tonight: Dine at a favorite spot!****

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that heareth the word of the prophesy of this book, if any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book; and if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book. Every "jot and tittle" written in God's word is extremely important. No human has the right to tamper with it in any way. The reason people do not know what the Ten Commandments say is just a matter of priorities. God's word is not important enough for them to spend time searching the Scriptures and applying the instructions to their lives. People are "too busy" these days with the "cares of this life." And one of these days, it will be TOO LATE. Signs of the end of time are fast fulfilling all around us, and people are as blind and unbelieving as they were in the days of Noah. Abby, I challenge you to print this letter in your column, and end it by printing the entire wording of all of the Ten Commandments, and I challenge your readers to read Exodus 20 for themselves. If it makes a difference in only one person's life for eternity, it will be well worth honoring this request. - HELEN L. SELF, MORGANTON, N.C. DEAR MS. SELF: I'm printing your letter, but space limitations prevent me from printing the entire wording of the Ten Commandments according to each of the denominations that registered complaints about my having printed the King James version. My apologies to those who were offended. Abby shares more of her favorite, easy-to-prepare recipes. To order, send a business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, More Favorite Recipes, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, III. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

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5:15 p.m. In the Council

Chambers, City Hall, located at 310 Nolan, to hold a public hearing

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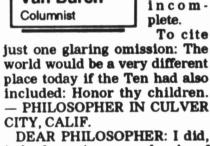
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DEAR ABBY: Recently you printed the Ten Commandments. In doing so you referred to the "Old Testament." Jews prefer to refer to it as the Hebrew Bible. By calling it the "Old Testament," it implies that God has made a new covenant with mankind, a concept Jews do not accept. Also, the proper translation of commandment No. 6 is, "Thou shalt not MUR-DER," not "Thou shalt not kill." They are distinctly different words in Hebrew, as they are in English. — LANCE LUBIN, GULFPORT, FLA.

DEAR LANCE: Please don't think I'm being defensive, because some of my best friends were Jewish - my mother and my father — and I was taught to call it the Old Testament. But thanks for the rest of the input.

DEAR ABBY: There is no reason for anyone to be ignorant of God's word, especially the Ten Commandments. If everyone obeyed these clear and simple rules, all the problems in the world would disappear! As a matter of fact, the Ten Commandments are the transcript of God's character and the pure foundational law of his universal and eternal government.

I noticed that you did not print the entire wording of the Ten Commandments in your column. You left out a portion of the wording in the First, Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth Commandments. Why? Have you never read verses 18 and 19 from the 22nd chapter of the Book of Revelation? It says,

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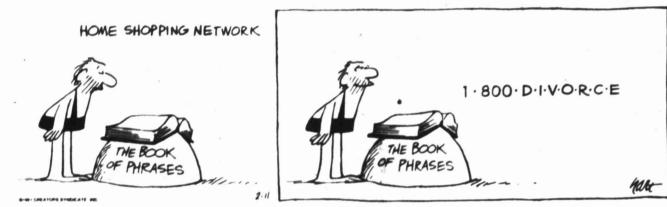
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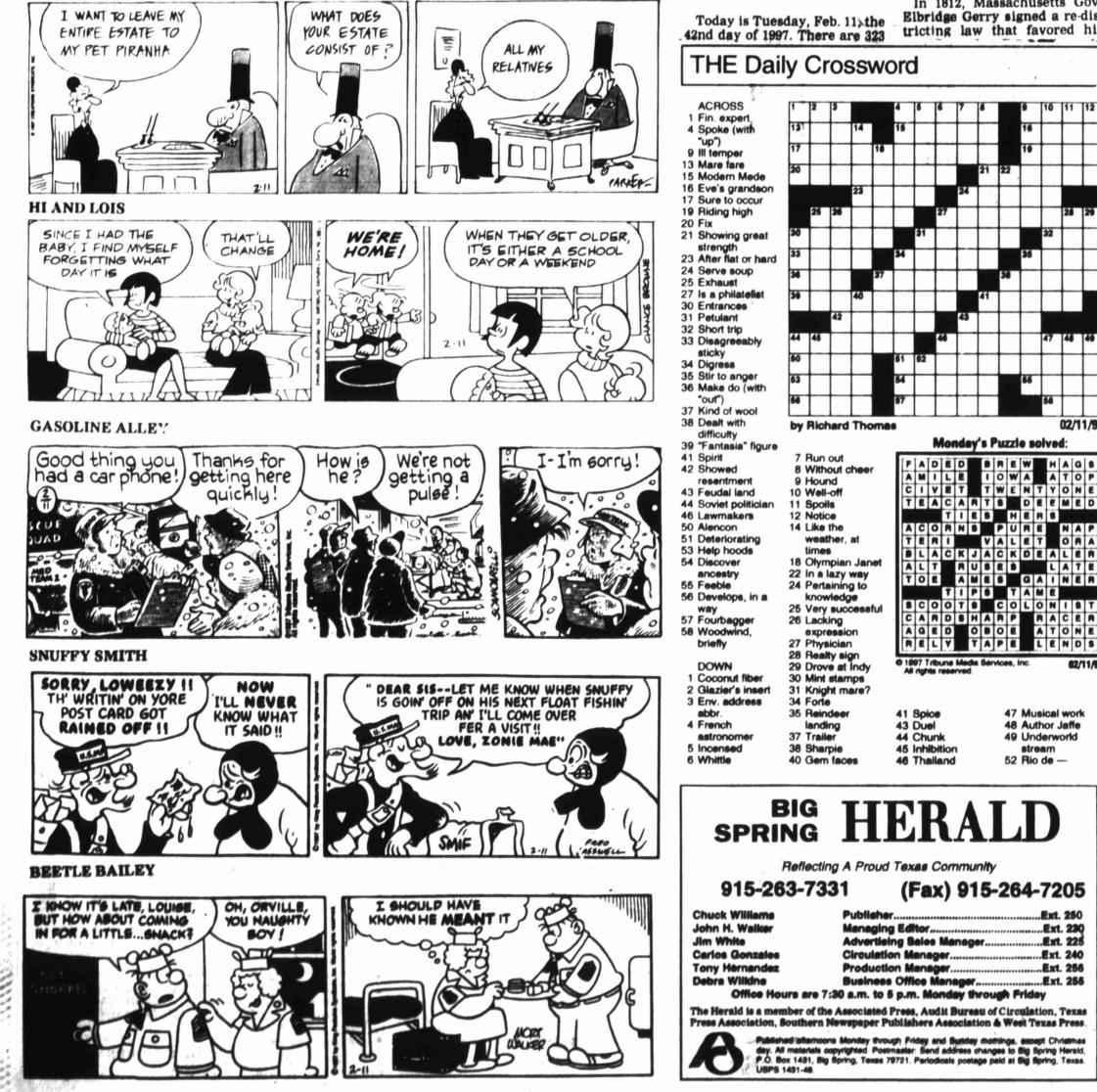
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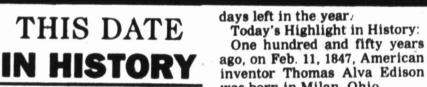


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In 1861, President-elect Abraham Lincoln departed Springfield, III., for Washington.



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Five years ago: Secretary of State James A. Baker III, on a tour of six former Soviet republics, visited Armenia, where he heard an appeal from the republic's president for U.S. help in resolving a bloody feud with neighboring Azerbaijan,

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