

School board awards \$9.4 million contract for junior high schoo

By JOHN A. MOSELE News Editor

Big Spring's new junior high school will be built by Monterey Construction Co. Inc. of Wolfforth after school board members awarded the contract for the \$9.4 million project during their regu-lar meeting Tuesday night.

Voters in the Big Spring Independent School District approved a \$12.5 million bond issue in September of last year, some \$10 million of that to construct the new junior high school.

Monterey Construction was the apparent low bidder when proposals from six companies were opened last week. Its base bid was \$8,888,000, a figure that could have been increased to

as much as \$9,564,400 with the addition of 18 alternate bids.

Instead, trustees opted for 16 of the alternate bids - one more than had been recommended by BSISD administrators - which left the projected price tag at \$9,401,400.

Superintendent W.A. "Bill" McQueary and his staff had recommended that trustees approve 15 alternatives. The difference was that the staff recommended approving a roof that would have had a 10-year warranty.

The board, however, opted for a roof that would provide a 20-year, no dollar limit warranty at an added cost of \$11,300.

With the old Boydstun Elementary School building already removed from the new school's site, board members Park, Colo., on April 18-20. scheduled an 11 a.m. Thursday, March 6. groundbreaking ceremony.

The district's architect for the project, Tommie Huckabee of Huckabee & Associates Inc. from Stephenville, told trustees he expected to be able to have all contracts for the project signed in the near future, perhaps on the same day as the groundbreaking.

"Construction usually begins around 10 days after execution of the contracts," Huckabee said.

Trustees also approved a \$69,369.30 computer maintenance and services contract with the IBM Corporation.

The board gave its approval to the Big Spring Steer Band's spring trip. The band is scheduled to attend the Winter Park Music Festival in Winter

Administrators stressed that no district monies would be spent on the trip. All costs for the trip are being raised by the band members. However, the trip would require the students to miss one full day of school, thereby requiring the board to give its approval.

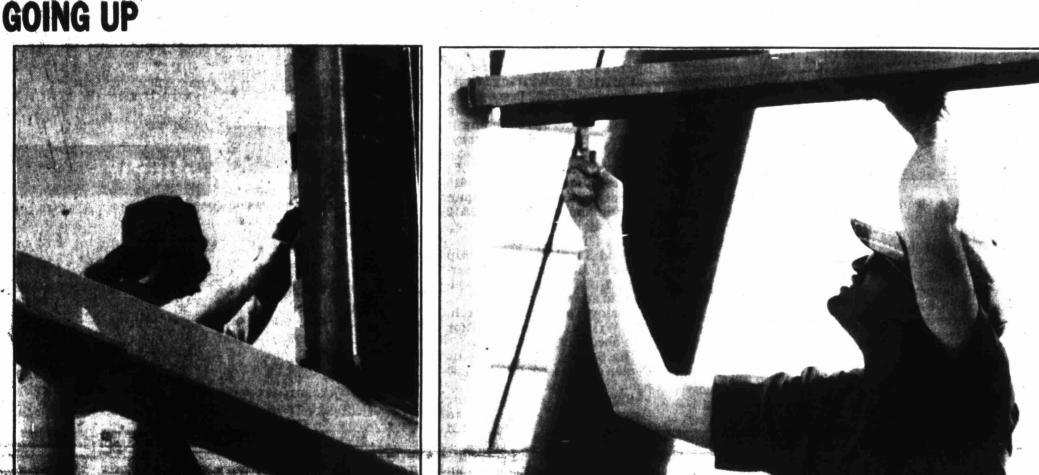
Assistant Superintendent Murray Murphy noted that the district will conduct a public hearing on textbook recommendations for the 1997-98 school year at 3:45 p.m. on Feb. 27 in the board's meeting room at Big Spring High School.

The board will be asked to approve those recommendations during its March 3 meeting.

In other business, the board

approved the assignments for adminis trators, directors and coordinators for the 1997-98 school year and approved two-year contract extensions --through the 1998-99 school year - for **Big Spring High School Principal Kent** Bowermon, Athletic Director Dwight Butler, Murphy, Assistant Business Manager Ron Logback and Ron Plumlee, the assistant superintendent for business.

Trustees also approved a number of budget amendments and the district's calendar for the 1997-98 school year. The board also gave its OK to the retirement of Gene Adkins, the district's director of special education. and the resignation of Sandra Klatt, a seventh-grade language arts teacher at Goliad Middle School.



Videotape captures shootout

WILMINGTON, Ohio (AP) Police are asking the public for help in identifying two men involved in weekend shootouts with police, one of which was videotaped by a patrol car camera.

The shootings happened Saturday after a trooper stopped a Chevrolet Suburban because it had expired Washington state plates.

There were conflicting reports about who owns the vehicle.

Police released the videotape Tuesday to see if anyone would identify the men. Investigators said they did not have enough information to identify or issue warrants for the two men



HERALD photo/Jor Mark Lackey (photo at left), an employee of SIGNCO Inc. of San Angelo levels a new sign at the Texaco station at the intersection of FM 700 and Gregg Street. John Higginbotham (above) applies a coat of paint to the sign's supports.

involved in the shootouts. After the traffic stop, the

Suburban's driver got out but refused to be searched. The driver ran from the trooper and a deputy sheriff.

and a passenger fired several shots at the officers and ran away, police said.

Constitutionality of religious freedom law at issue

(AP) WASHINGTON Congress improperly stripped the courts of some of their authority to interpret the Constitution when it passed a 1993 law to promote religious freedom, a lawyer for a Texas city told the Supreme Court today.

"How far can Congress go to ensure constitutional guarantees?" asked attorney Marci Hamilton, who represents a Texas town in a dispute with a Catholic ohurch that could lead to one of the high court's most important religious freedom decisions.

"Our argument is it certainly can't go to the point where Congress can reinterpret the meaning of the Constitution."

savs government cannot "substantially burden" a person's religious freedom unless there is a compelling government interest.

Hamilton said the law also improperly overrides state laws, subjecting them to the tough constitutional standard.

University of Texas professor Douglas Laycock, representing the church, defended the law, calling its impact "a mile wide and an inch deep." Also, he said Congress always has had the power to "make constitutional rights effective in practice."

Several justices questioned whether the 1993 law can be used by religious institutions to free themselves from other government rules. Justice Sandra At issue is the Religious Day O'Connor asked whether Freedom Restoration Act that religious groups could avoid

paying state taxes on non-religious businesses.

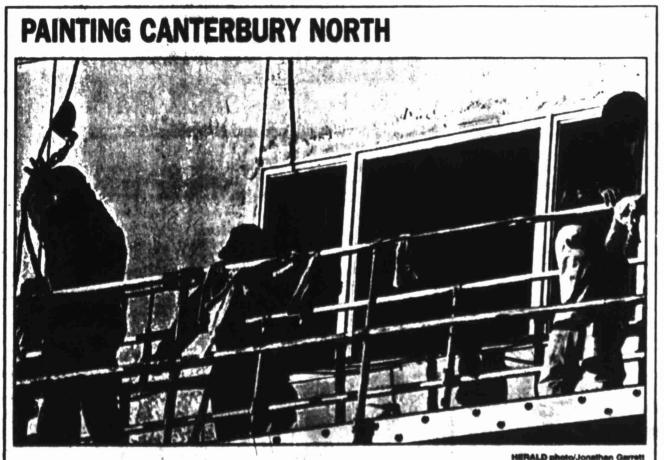
Acting Solicitor General Walter Dellinger, the Clinton administration's top courtroom lawyer, said the answer is no. He noted religious groups first must prove such rules constitute a substantial burden.

The case stems from a dispute over building permits between a Catholic church in Boerne, Texas, and city officials.

The justices are expected to rule by July.

The question was: Does St. Peter the Apostle Church have the right to tear down all but the facade of its building to expand its sanctuary?

Squeezed for space because of a growing congregation, St. Peter's petitioned to expand its 230-seat sanctuary. The town of



Two unidentified workers on a mechanical scaffold paint the east side of Canterbury North **Retirement Center.**

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Boerne refused to give permission in 1994 on grounds that the church, an imposing Spanishstyle structure built in 1923, is in a historic district.

The archbishop of San Antonio sued, saying the 1993 law shields the church from historic preservation ordinances. A federal judge sided with Boerne.

The archdiocese appealed to the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, which reversed the judge. The town then appealed to the Supreme Court.

Boerne officials are asking the Supreme Court to rule that the violates the 10th law Amendment rights of states and local governments by forcing them to allow more protection for religious beliefs than the Constitution requires.

Mystery power surge hits downtown, Herald

TO OUR READERS:

A power surge at approximately 10:50 a.m. today that hit much of the downtown Big Spring area also hit the Herald, resulting in a complete computer failure.

As a result, today's front page includes two wire stories that we would not normally have used and does not include four locally produced stories from Big Spring, Coahoma and Garden City.

These stories will appear in Thursday's edition of the Herald, as well as a story on the power outage and the problems it caused in the community.

> **JOHN H. WALKER Managing Editor**

Guess decides to seek re-election to council

By CARLTON JOHNSON Staff Writer

After many hours of weighing the pros and cons associated with the position, District 4 City Councilman Tom Guess has decided he will seek a second term in the May 3 election. Guess officially filed for re-

election today. Monday, the first day for fil

ing, Guess was presented an opponent when Howard college instructor Tommy Tune announced for the race. "I feel as though I can

GUESS still contribute," Guess said. "The expe-

rience I've had in the last three years along with the fact that I'm retired and can research issues, played a part in my deciding to seek re-election.*

Guess said he is pleased with Please see GUESS, page 2A

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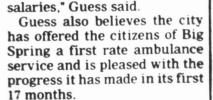
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three items in particular that have taken place during his first term: the city's increased tax base; the performance of the ambulance service since the fire department took it over; and the agreement between the city and Cornell Corrections for the management of the Big Spring Correctional Centers.

Guess added that he will work with anyone to expand the city's tax base.

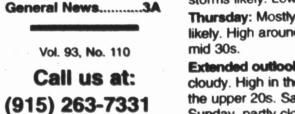
The city's tax base has increased by \$81.9 million or 22 percent during Guess' time on the council, from a little more than \$370.2 million in 1994 to just over \$452.2 million in 1996. "Without an expanded tax base, we would not have been able to increase employee

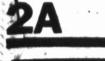




Tonight: Showers and thunderstorms likely. Low around 45. Thursday: Mostly cloudy with rain likely. High around 60. Low in the mid 30s.

Extended outlook: Friday, partly cloudy. High in the mid 50s. Low in the upper 20s. Saturday and Sunday, partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 60s. Lows in the lower 30s.





OBITUARIES

Carrie Magdalean Gandy

Graveside service for Carrie Magdalean Gandy, 88, Stanton, will be 2 p.m. today in **Resthaven Memorial Park in** Midland with Rev. Skip Hodges, pastor of the First United Methodist Church in Stanton, officiating.

Mrs. Gandy died Monday, Feb. 17, 1997, in Stanton after a lengthy illness.

She was born on Nov. 30, 1908, in Wortham, and attended Baylor University. She married Monte B. Gandy on Feb. 28, 1934, in Crane. He preceded her in death in 1979. She had lived in Midland, Breckenridge, and Columbus and in Stanton for the past five and a half years.

Survivors include: two daughters, Joan Lawson Austin, Cleburne, and Cindy Riney, Stanton; three grandchildren; and one great-grandson.

Arrangements under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home, Stanton.

Evelyn Parkhill Hanson

Graveside service for Evelyn Parkhill Hanson, 77, Big Spring, will be 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 20, 1997, at Mt. Olive Memorial Park with Rev. Herbert McPherson, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, officiating.

Mrs. Hanson died Tuesday, Feb. 18, in a local hospital after a seven year illness.

She was born on May 18, 1919, in Knox County, and came to Big Spring in the 1930's. She married Lester (Shorty) Clark on Oct. 15, 1945, in Big Spring. He preceded her in death on March 21, 1954. She then married Bruce Hanson of Feb. 3, 1978, in Big Spring. Mrs. Hanson was a Baptist and was a homemaker.

Survivors include: her husband, Bruce Hanson, Big Spring; one son, Bobby Clark, Frisco; one daughter, Shirley Juliana, Roswell, N.M.; two step-sons, Lee Hanson, Pennsylvania, and Donald Hanson, Alaska; one stepdaughter, Debbie Cochrah. Pampa; one brother, Marvin Parkhill, Big Spring; nine grandchildren; eight stepgrandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

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Guess

Continued from page 1A "The city's ambulance service has not received a written complaint about the service since the fire department took it over in October 1995," Guess said.

Guess is a member of the joint cuy/county committee to save tax dollars, the tax abatement committee and worked with county commissioners to help form the Howard County/Big Spring Grant Partnership. Guess also continues his work promoting the city's compost facility.

In a second term, Guess said he would like to continue to help broaden the city's tax base and work to bring the city's infrastructure up to date.

"If we can do these things on a day-to-day basis, it will eliminate us (the city) having to look at a large bond election to rebuild in the future," Guess said.

Guess added it also doesn't bother him that he seems to be on the end of a lot of controversial issues, afterall, it was the asking of hard questions that resulted in the city receiving a \$3.7 million payment from its agreement with Cornell rather than \$1.75 million, which was first offered.

The filing period for a those interested in seeking one of the three council seats will run through March 19.

City takes animals in cruelty case

HERALD Staff Report

The City of Big Spring went to court Tuesday to seize three dogs, a cat and a bird from Fred Turner because of his neglect of the animals.

City animal control officials went to Turner's residence at 1107 1/2 Johnson on Feb. 8 after being notified that three adults dogs and one puppy were emaciated and without food, water or shelter in the yard.

According to animal control, the puppy has since died.

Turner testified that either he or his father had fed and watered the dogs on a daily

basis although Animal Control

THE TEXAS DEPART-MENT OF Health is sponsoring day time prenatal classes starting Monday, March 3, from 1 to 2:30 p.m. The instructor is Laurie Burks, B.S.N. All expectant parents are welcome. Call 263-9775 to register.

LOCAL

recipes from appetizers to main

dishes and desserts. The cook

book is dedicated to the stu-

dents of Sands CISD and all

proceeds from the book will be

used to provide scholarships

In Big Spring, contact Connie

AT Malone & Hogan Clinic is

performing free blood pressure

checks from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

and from 2 to 4 p.m. weekdays.

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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

THURSDAY

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for the students.

VOLUNTEERS WITH THE VOLUNTEER Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program assist in the preparation of 1996 income tax returns at First Presbyterian Church, Eighth and Runnels, each Monday from 9 a.m. to noon through April 14.

This program is available to all senior citizens, and others who have income from wages, tips, interest, or dividends, and who may be able to receive an earned income credit, a credit for the elderly or child care credits. Bring all your W-2's, 1099's and your 1995 tax return. This is a free service. For further information call 398-5522 or 263-4211 or come to the First Presbyterian Church on Monday mornings.

THE BIG SPRING FAMILY YMCA is having an organizational meeting for the Adult **Recreation Volleyball League** Thursday at 7 p.m.

For more information, call the YMCA at 267-8234.

RAPE CRISIS/VICTIM SERVICES is currently recruiting individuals who want to make a difference in the community and someone's life. The agency depends on volunteers to be the initial contact and support of victims of crime, such as assault, sexual assault and domestic violence.

Those interested must be at least 18 years old, complete an application, interview and 40hour orientation, be willing to commit to a minimum of three "on call" 12-hour shifts per month and pass a criminal background check prior to becoming a volunteer.

Orientation for volunteer advocate trainees is each Saturday in March from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, contact Ann Farley Addy, assistant director, by calling 263-3312.



Texas Lottery

Dunlap's, the Chamber of POLICE **Commerce or First Bank of** West Texas. Symphony office open from 1 to 3 p.m. during

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Zant at Elrod's or Dorothy Call 264-7223. Ringner at Jiffy Car Wash for •Kid's Dental Fair, 10 a.m. to the cook books. You may call 1 p.m., Howard College Dental Sands School, Zelda Bilbo 353-Hygiene Department. Bring 4314, Sharon Hambrick 353-4744 your old toothbrush and trade or Alison Foster at 353-4574 for it for a new one. There will be popcorn. balloons, games and door prizes. THE RSVP VOLUNTEERS

the week of the performance.

SUNDAY

•Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, has services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend. •Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, 11 a.m. closed meeting and 7 p.m. open meeting.

MONDAY

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

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

•TOPS Clubs (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) 5:30 to 6 p.m. weigh in and 6 p.m. meeting, Carriage Inn, 501 W. 17th. Call 263-1340 or 263-8633.

MARKETS

March cotton 71.85 cents a pound, up 20 points; Feb. crude oil 22.61 up 9 points; Cash hogs steady at \$1 lower at 50; slaughter steers steady higher at 64; •Good Shepherd Fellowship April lean hog futures 72.50, up Church, 610 Abrams, has ser-42 points; Feb. live cattle vices 7 p.m. Everyone is welfutures 66.42, up 75 points. Courtesy: Delta Corporation. •Spring Tabernacle Church,

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BIG SPRING HERALD

Wednesday, February 19, 1997

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The Big Spring Police

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Tuesday and 8 a.m. Wednesday:

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38, of 910 Scurry, was arrested

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The Howard County Sheriff's

Department reported the follow-

ing activity during a 24-hour

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BAKER, 30, of 205 Galveston,

was arrested for driving with

an invalid license, and released

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was arrested on a motion to

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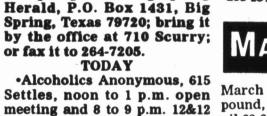
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Roberts Rehab Center, Third , Atmos Energy

Officer John Leidecke testified that the dogs "appeared to be dying of starvation ... one dog was even eating its own feces." City Judge Gary Tabor awarded the animals to the Humane Society for their care and possible adoption.

Turner could still face animal cruelty charges in regards to the incident.

BRIEFS

THE FORSAN

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL **District Board of Trustees meet** Thursday at 7 p.m. for a regular meeting to discuss or take action on the following items: • Consider policy update BED (local) from Update 53.

 Report on technology process.

• Report on roof repair plans. Present recommendations for ADA compliance repairs at elementary campus.

• Discuss superintendent's evaluation form for 1997-98.

• Call election and appoint election judges. Amend budget in Function

33.

· Discuss TIF grant application.

 Consider personnel issues including employment, resignations, assignments, benefits, etc. The board may enter into executive session.

• Contract extensions for principals Jim Yancey, Richard Light and Wayne Rotan.

THE BIG SPRING SYM-**PHONY** continues its season with a performance Saturday entitled "Music for the Young at Heart." Performance time is 8 p.m. in the city auditorium. Buy your tickets in advance at Blum's Jewelers, Dunlap's, the **Chamber of Commerce or First** Bank of West Texas. The Symphony office is open in the afternoons from 1 to 3 p.m. during the week of the concert for your convenience or call 264-7223.

THE CITY-WIDE LITTLE League Baseball and United Girls' Softball Association signups are Saturday through March 1 at the Big Spring Mall from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturdays and from 5 to 7 p.m. on weekdays. Ages five and up are welcome and you must have birth certificate and current utility bill.

THE MOBILE MEALS **PROGRAM**, also known as Meals on Wheels, needs volunteers to deliver meals.

If you can spare one hour per week to deliver eight or 10 meals, we need you. About 85 to 90 meals are prepared, packaged and delivered within the city limits of Big Spring. If you can volunteer, please call 263-4016 before 3 p.m.

ANYONE INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING in the 1997 **Relay For Life event May 16** and 17 may contact Judi Johnston at 267-1014 (work) or 267-1904 (home). The committee needs help with on-site events. It is now time to assemble walking teams for the relay. Information is available from Jay or Kim Phinney at 267-1480.

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

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•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.

•Masonic Lodge No. 1340, 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster. Call Preston Harris, 263-7136. •Rackley-Swords Chp. 379

Vietnam Veterans of America, 7 p.m., 124 Jonesboro Road. •American Legion, Post 506, 7

p.m. Call 263-2084. 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.

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

•City wide Little League Baseball signup, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., Big Spring Mall, ages five

Bites, Heritage Museum, 5:30-7:30 p.m., tickets are \$7.50 for adults and \$4 for children. Call 267-8255 for more information.

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•GERARDO AGUILAR HIDROGO, 23, of Irving, was arrested for public intoxication. SOCORRO AGUILAR, 25, of Irving, was arrested for driving without a license.

RECORDS

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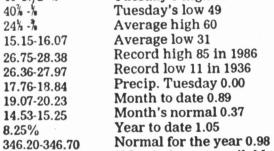
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GENERAL NEWS

tests for children would measure some basic sk

WASHINGTON (AP) President Clinton has offered millions of children the chance two years from now to take tests that many will fail.

It's a challenge that's bound to make states and school districts nervous. But the administration says that without the voluntary math and reading tests, paid for by federal taxpayers, no one can tell whether children have mastered the basics.

"Yes, there may be a high failure rate in the very beginning," **Education Secretary Richard**

Riley said Tuesday. "But in time we will have a high success rate as well - if all Americans see themselves as part of the solution."

Governors last March set a two-year deadline for creating goals in each state for what students should be able to know and do, and for testing them.

The administration says the proposed national tests, providing some teeth to those standards, would gauge the right skills at the right time.

But Clinton's call for volun-

tary tests has met resistance minority children will bear the from some Republican governors. They complain about eventual federal control of what children are taught, a matter properly left to states.

States pay almost all the costs of education, they say, and will pay the roughly \$40 million cost to give all future tests after the government hands out a free sample in 1999.

In addition, as in earlier debates on standards, some critics worry that poorly funded

argued against lifting a

statewide ban on carrying con-

cealed handguns into churches.

The teen-ager who wore them

was a church usher, dreamed of

becoming an engineer and died

when he was shot by a robber in

For Thomas Reilly's memory.

McCarron urged the Senate

Criminal Justice Committee

Tuesday not to pass a bill that

could make guns more wide-

opposes, which critics say

would remove many important

protections in the 1995 con-

cealed handgun law, to a sub-

"For Thomas' sake, we do not

need to increase the reach of

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ered and treasured as a sacred

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committee for more work.

The panel sent the bill she

a fast-food restaurant

spread.

stigma of low scores. Teachers will depend on rote instruction.

"We will no longer be able to tell what kids really know from what they just memorized for the test," said Monty Neill, associate director of the National Center for Fair and Open Testing, a Cambridge, Mass., group that helped fight national testing.

Yet, the idea also has garnered wide support. Republican Governor John Engler of

accountable. Engler wants the state to be able to take over school districts where students do poorly.

The nation's top business leaders back the idea as a way to make sure new workers have some basic abilities. Employers, facing worldwide competition. worry about what their young workers know.

A Republican "education president," George Bush, in 1991 floated the idea of a standard schools with large numbers of Michigan says the plan will national test for high-schoolers.

help states make schools It was shelved because of complaints the test would be unfain and expensive and would lead to national textbooks.

The Clinton administration says the proposed national tests would gauge the right skills at the right time.

Pupils who learn to read by the end of the third grade can read for a lifetime. Eighthgraders who know the basics of math, including some algebra and geometry, can take on tough math and science courses in high school. lessening gun restrictions sent to subcommittee

includes Patterson; Sen. Royce

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AIDS group pulls national ad campaign after complaints

DALLAS - An AIDS charity has pulled a nationwide ad cam paign declaring that "Prayer won't cure AIDS - Research will' from buses and billboards after complaints in North Texas.

The American Foundation for AIDS Research campaign, which was to have continued through March in 19 major markets, met opposition in Dallas-Fort Worth earlier this month and was canceled by transit agencies in both cities.

Two other ads in the campaign read:

- "Sexual abstinence won't cure AIDS. Research will."
- "Red ribbons won't cure AIDS. Research will."

IRS seizes atheists' property in \$250,000 tax lien

AUSTIN - The bizarre case of missing atheist Madalyn Murray O'Hair has taken another twist with the Internal Revenue Service seizure of her home and property to pay \$250,000 in back taxes.

O'Hair, whose 1962 lawsuit led to the U.S. Supreme Court banning school-sponsored prayer, has been missing for about 18 months.

Stuart Bradford, a spokesman for the IRS in Texas, said the agency filed a lien on O'Hair's property on Jan. 21 for personal taxes unpaid in 1980, 1986, 1987 and 1988.

Agents showed up with moving trailers at 11 a.m. Tuesday to take possession.

"The tax lien was for real and personal property and so today we're seizing the property to protect the government's interest in the tax lien," Bradford said.

Report alleges Kelly labor leaders misused funds

SAN ANTONIO - An investigation of the Kelly Air Force Base labor union alleges its leaders misused donations and spent dues on steak dinners and horse track outings, the San Antonio Express-News has reported.

Local union officials have failed to act on the internal report, which was issued in September.

Meanwhile, rank-and-file members of the American Federation of Government Employees Local 1617 say they are losing faith in their leaders, the Express-News reported in its copyright story Tuesday.

AUSTIN (AP) — Eileen First Congregational Church in McCarron brought a pair of ten-Houston. nis shoes with her when she

But for Sen. Jerry Patterson, author the 1995 law and of the bill considered Tuesday, her argument is an example of the emotion that he says has skewed press reports and debates on the concealed handgun issue.

The teen-ager's death, which McCarron said wasn't caused by a licensed concealed handrun holder, "had nothing to do with the concealed handgun law," Patterson said.

'She feels very strongly, and I understand it, but that kid was killed by a robber ... That's emotion, and we need to take the emotion out of this," said Patterson, R-Pasadena. He noted that the proposal would allow individual churches to ban guns on their premises.

Under the bill — which also drew opposition from Texans Against Gun Violence, the Texas Municipal League and McCarron, a member of the police chiefs - local govern-

ments and state agencies could not prohibit licensed concealed handguns from their premises. except for any guns carried by their employees.

Patterson said that would follow a state constitutional provision giving only the Legislature the power to regulate carrying arms.

The bill would delete a ban in state law on carrying concealed handguns in churches, nursing homes, amusement parks and in most areas of hospitals. Such private entities still could pass their own prohibitions, and a state ban would continue on carrying concealed handguns into emergency rooms or trauma centers.

Among other provisions, the bill would allow people convicted of nonviolent felonies, but whose records have been wiped clean through deferred adjudication and who have had their other rights restored, to be eligible for permits.

The Senate subcommittee

West, D-Dallas, a staunch opponent of the 1995 law allowing Texans to carry concealed handguns; and Sen. Florence Shapiro, R-Plano, who voted for the 1995 law but voiced concern about some the current bill's provisions. Patterson said there likely would be changes to his bill, but

maintained that it would make Texas safer by giving responsible people the means to protect themselves in more instances.

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Lawmakers band together for 'triple th AUSTIN (AP) - Bills meant legislative round, but sponsors,

to protect young people by expanding health care coverage, making tobacco less accessible and instituting "zero tolerance" for juveniles who drink and drive were promoted as a "triple threat" by lawmakers.

such as Sen. Judith Zaffirini, D-Laredo, say the timing is right.

of passing," said Ms. Zaffirini of the bill which was referred to the Senate Health Committee. In addition to requiring iden-

which has been referred to the House Public Health Committee, would create a nonprofit corporation to administer "This bill is overdue in terms a low-cost insurance plan for

children who don't qualify for Medicaid coverage. Families would enroll voluntarily and

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Lou Georges, union president, dismissed the report as the product of infighting. He would not answer specific allegations, but said the national union office had cleared him and other local officials of any wrongdoing.

Police dispute claims of misconduct in Guerra case

HOUSTON — Police say they took precautions and followed proper procedures while interviewing witnesses to the shooting of a fellow officer that resulted in a Mexican man going to death row

Harris County prosecutors are revisiting the case this week at an evidentiary hearing where they are trying to counter a feder al judge's finding that they and police were guilty of misconduct in obtaining a tainted conviction and death sentence for Ricardo Aldape Guerra.

U.S. District Judge Kenneth Hoyt has said Aldape Guerra should be retried or set free.

Aldape Guerra, 34, an illegal immigrant who had only recently arrived in Houston, once came within three days of execution before receiving a reprieve. The case has drawn much attention in Mexico, which does not have the death penalty.

The bills "are a clear indication that we're looking out for would:

the future of Texas and that we must continue to press forward to fulfill that mission," said Rep. Hugo Berlanga, D-Corpus Christi, one of several sponsors of the legislative package.

The "triple threat" package includes a House bill that would make children's health care coverage more available; a Senate bill that would lower the allowable blood alcohol content for drivers under age 21 from 0.07 to zero; and a Senate bill that would, among other things, require tobacco retailers to verify the age of purchasers younger than 27.

Some of the measures have failed in previous legislative sessions. The Senate bill to control toba co sales is i i its third

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to places inaccessible to minors; Prohibit the distribution of free samples or coupons redeemable for free or discounted tobacco products.

Prohibit outdoor advertising of tobacco products except at facilities leased or owned by a professional sports franchise.

The "zero tolerance" bill, which was passed unopposed in the Senate and has been referred to the House Criminal Jurisprudence Committee, would also affect non-driving alcohol offenses by minors, such as possession, imposing sanctions such as driver's license suspension, community service and fines.

The "Healthy Kids" bill.

pay a sliding-scale premium based on their income.

When asked about the prospects of passing all three bills, Berlanga was confident. "I don't think anyone can

(oppose the legislation)," Berlanga said. "I want someone

Berlanga said. "I want someone who's opposed to children hav- ing insurance in Texas to come forth and to tell me why"
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Zaire showing some willingness for peace talks, U.N. envoy says

HINSHASA, Zaire (AP) -Zaire's neighbors and the United Nations pressed the government to make peace in the country's escalating civil war, getting back some slight signs that leaders might be ready for talks with rebels.

The U.N. Security Council urged an immediate halt to the fighting in eastern Zaire, as part of a five-point plan adopted late Tuesday to end a war that threatens cities and refugee camps with attack.

The U.N. High Commissioner Refugees, meanwhile, for repeated pleas for the largest refugee camp Zaire to be demilitarized and armed Rwandan Hutu extremists separated from genuine refugees.

Sadako Ogata said.Zairian commanders army have promised they will stop arming refugees in Tingi-Tingi camp. In Paris, diplomats from European nations and the E03 4 5 603 Cosden Employees Federal **Credit Union** Announces Our **February Loan**

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United States issued a statement calling for an international conference on Zaire and urging the retreat of all foreign forces.

African foreign ministers arrived in Kinshasa for talks with Zairian leaders. Before leaving Nairobi, Kenya, the foreign ministers from Kenya, South Africa, Tanzania, Cameroon, Congo and Zimbabwe said they would prepare the way for a summit to try to end the war.

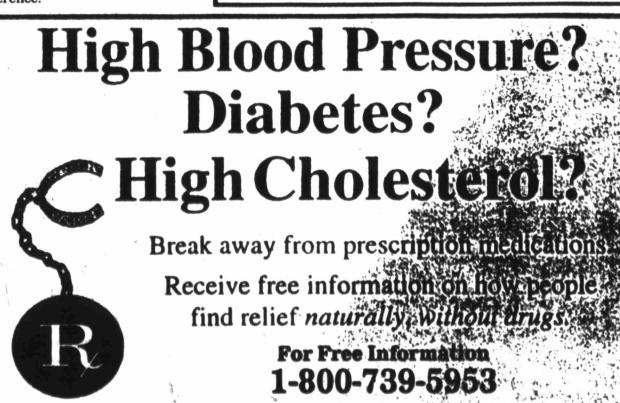
Zaire has refused to attend two such summits, though Prime Minister Leon Kengo wa Dondo has said Zaire supports calls for an international conference.

By Michael S. Phillips, M.D. Diplomate, American Board Obstetrics & Gynecology PRIMARY AND SECONDARY **DYSMENORRHEA**

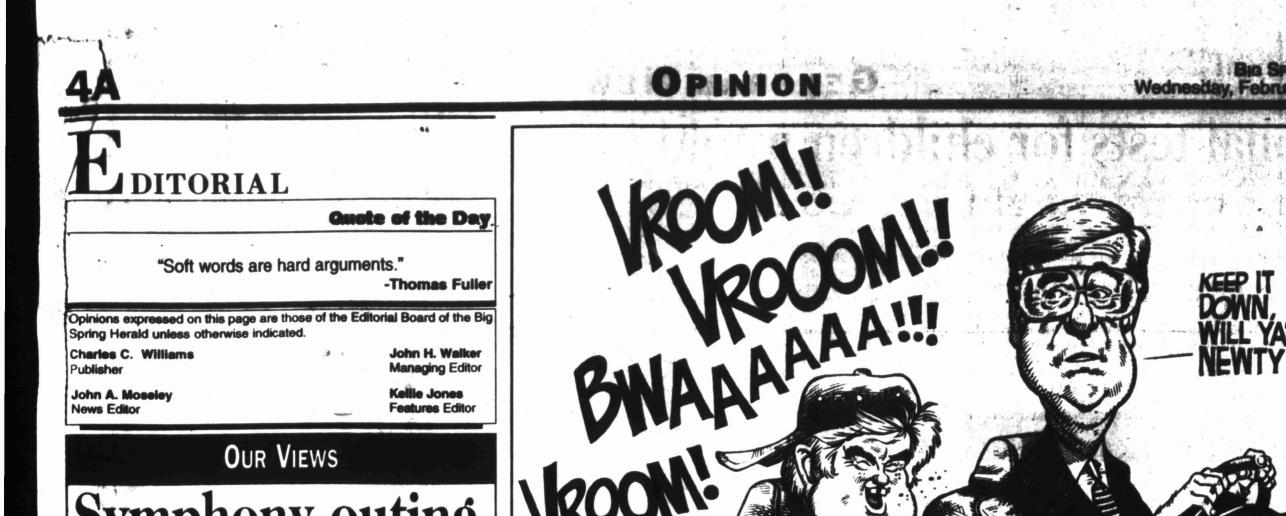
Women who experience menstrual pain known as primary dysmenorrhea need not be concerned, but also should not suffer. Typically beginning within two years of the onset of a girl's period, these cramps range from a dull ache to queasy pressure in the lower abdomen and are often accompanied by bloating or low back pain as the uterus contracts to expel menstrual discharge. Primary dysmenorrhea starts in the teenage years, and is usually easily controlled by a number of methods. Secondary dysmenorrhea

usually starts significantly later (mid-20's to 30's) and may be a sign of endometriosis, fibroids, or infection. You need to see a doctor for any persistent pain or discomfort with menstrual periods, whatever your

Some women sail through their menstrual cycle without skipping a beat. Others have to skip out on their regular routine to deal with the pain and misery of menstrual cramps. This is not necessary! As a specialist, I concentrate on the treatment and diseases of the reproductive organs of women. If you would like more information about this week's column or would like to schedule an appointment to be seen at our new location in Big Spring (at the Medical Care Plaza, 1300 Gregg St., available each Tuesday), please call our main office at (915) 522-2222.







Symphony outing set for youngsters

The Big Spring Symphony Association is presenting concerts this weekend for the youngsters of Howard County as well as the young at heart. "Music for the Young at Heart" is the theme of the concerts scheduled for Friday and Saturday. The public concert is Saturday night at 8 p.m. at the Municipal Auditorium.

On Friday, Conductor Gene Smith and the symphony present two concerts at the auditorium for students in Big Spring, Coahoma and Forsan at 9:45 a.m. and 1:15 p.m. Smith has been diligently working with school representatives to teach the youngsters about the music that will be presented to them on Friday.

Not only will the children get a chance to be exposed to classical music but it also reinforces what they have been learning in class. Smith will talk to the students about each selection before the orchestra performs it. This is such a good opportunity for the children to actually see and hear what they have been learning in class rather than just reading about it.

The concert Saturday night is open to the public and tickets are currently on sale. It features selections from Broadway's "The Music Man" and opera's "Madame Butterfly," "La Boheme," and others. The selections also include the music the students have been studying in school so it's a good chance for parents and children to attend the Saturday night concert for some good entertainment and interaction.

Tickets are on sale at Blum's Jewelers, Big Spring Area

It's political season and, by the time this edition of the Herald hits the street, there should be

three announced candidates for **Big** Spring city council including at least one contested race. John H. In

District 4, Managing Editor Tommy **Tune beat**

incumbent Tom Guess to the punch by filing on Monday, as did District 6 candidate Randy Mason,

Neither Anderson nor DeAnda have indicated what they will do, although among the first rumors on the street this election season was the one that DeAnda would wait until the last minute to announce she would not seek re-election and that former

council member Gail Earls would file for her seat. Speculation on that combination of moves is the perception held by the candidate recruiters that DeAnda is unbeatable – but didn't Stephanie Horton beat her a couple of years ago? - and that by waiting until the last minute to announce she would not run. she would not draw opposition ... which would open the door

for Earls to file, run and win in

Political-season rumor mill already grinding away in late 1991, candidates are not required to live in the district in which they seek to represent ... which makes about as much sense as the three-for-one voting deal to which the school

> district succumbed with lulac. Issues that seem to be coming up for the new council to face include the perennial problem regarding the condition of streets and water lines, what to do about the Settles Hotel and the downtown area, updating city ordinances as a whole, rather than spending time on a case-by-case situation and duplication of city/county services.

Politics makes for strange bedfellows.

between the city and lulac back lawmakers he believes are gay in a column last week in a weekly arts and entertainment guide published in Grand Forks, N.D.

The legislation at issue would deny recognition of same-sex marriages performed in other states and explicitly define a marriage as a union between a man and a woman.

Elston said he knows of a couple of legislators who are homosexual.

'He is absolutely off the wall," said Senate Majority Leader Gary Nelson, a Republican. "I'm going to support my people when they start suing him, if he's idiotic enough to do anything about it.'

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Chamber of Commerce, Dunlap's, First Bank of West Texas in Coahoma and Big Spring as well as the symphony office at 808 Scurry. Tickets can also be purchased at the door prior to the performance." Tickets are \$10 fro adults, \$8 for students and senior citizens and \$5 for children, a small price to pay to hear and see the talented musicians playing some of the favorite music for the youngsters and young at heart.

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Guess said he would file Tuesday afternoon for another term as District 4 councilman but apparently forgot part of his paperwork and still had not filed as of Wednesday morning. What else will happen with the elections?

There has been at least one local group actively seeking candidates to run for office in both District 4 and 6 against Guess and John Paul Anderson, although the group took a hands-off approach in District 2, where Pat DeAnda is the incumbent.

a district other than the one in which she lives.

Another rumor in that Greg Biddison, who lost to Chuck Cawthon in the race for the District 3 seat a year ago, will enter the District 4 race against Guess and Tune. If Biddison seeks the District 4 seat, he would also be running out-ofdistrict.

But in regards to both the Earls and Biddison rumors, remember that candidates don't have to live in the district for which they are seeking office. Based on an agreement

Take, for example, the furor in the Northern Plains stemming from legislative votes on same sex marriages.

Outraging members of the state Legislature, the head of the American Civil Liberties Union in the Dakotas is threatening to expose gay lawmakers who vote to ban homosexual marriages.

"If they're going to be hypocritical, then they need to have that hypocrisy exposed," Keith Elston, who is himself gay, said Tuesday.

He made the threat to "out"

Stenehjem said it was "repulsive" for the ACLU, which emphasizes privacy rights, to threaten to expose homosexual lawmakers.

The national ACLU is "behind me 100 percent," Elston said. Calls to the organization's New York headquarters by The Associated Press were not immediately returned.

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

The web — not just for professionals — as shown

By PHILIP BURGESS

Scripps Howard News Service

Telemedicine. Distance learning. Telecommuting.

It's a fact: Most of the new terms used to describe the brave new world of telecommunications focus on the interests and activities of professionals - e.g., physicians, teachers, knowledge workers. The ordinary consumer, one might think, has been left out of the "transition from pots to pans" - i.e., from plain old telephone

service to pretty amazing new stuff.

Think again. One of the best indicators of the broad and deep impact of the revolution in telecomputing (the combination of computers, software, television and telecom networks) is the growth of Internet and World Wide Web users. Recent news reports tell us that if we thought of these people as an "audience" rather than a "user," the Internet would rank in the Top 10 of the Nielson ratings

On-line services are now playing to a mass market, not to a bunch of geeks and technoids.

Example: America On-Line now has 8 million subscribers and is likely to have 10 million by the end of the year. By contrast, the audience for network television programs is declining.

There are many ways to judge the magnitude of this otherwise invisible revolution. One is to go to your favorite bookstore or newsstand and count the number of magazine titles dealing with an issue or subject. I do this from time to time, kind of a poor man's way to survey public interest in a topic or issue.

Well, last September my favorite bookstore carried five magazines devoted exclusively to the Internet or the Web. Last weekend, that same bookstore carried 17 magazines - 12 new titles in less than six months! Another way to judge is from your own experience. This past Christmas I purchased an

"Internet appliance" for my 80year-old mother who lives on Florida's Gulf Coast. It's made by Sony and sells for a fraction of the cost of a PC. It's called WebTV, a simple, small, easyto-use device that you can hook

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up to your TV and to a telephone line and access the Internet and the Web - and send and receive e-mail.

It took me less than 15 minutes to get things set up and running - from the time I opened the box to the time we were on the home page of the Center for the New West (http://www:newwest.org), which I used to show my mother what the Web was all about. We then surfed to the Rocky

Mountain News (http://www.denver-rmn.com) and then on to literally dozens of other sites that she was interested in - all in the first 60 minutes.

I then showed her how to use the e-mail system. We set up a "user name" and a password and by day's end she had connected with people she knows all over the United States because, for a couple of years now, she has been saving email addresses from her stash of letters and business cards.

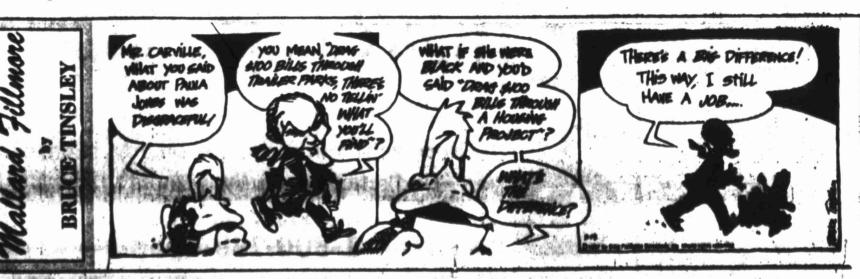
She stayed on the system for about five hours, and was then horrified to learn that she had missed a lot of Christmas-day phone calls. So, on Dec. 26, she promptly called Bell South to install a second telephone line so she could surf the net without missing phone calls from her friends.

Since then she has been emailing and web-surfing every day — and staying connected all day, another reason why massive new investment is needed to re-engineer America's telephone infrastructure.

A few days later she bought a larger TV so she could read her e-mail from her kitchen, and she told me last weekend that she has not watched regular TV since Christmas - this from a news junkie who always had the TV tuned to CNN, PBS. CNBC or a news talk show.

So when people say the telecomputing revolution is not affecting them, just look around. It is having an enormous impact on how we live and learn and how we connect with other people. Right, Mom?

(Philip M. Burgess is president of the Center for the New West in Denver.)



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Wednesday, February 19, 1997

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Longtime Big Spring resident celebrates her 99th birthday

Special to the HERALD

Lucille Walker celebrated her 99th birthday Wednesday, Feb. 12 with family and a few close friends at her home.

She came to Big Spring as a young lady in 1924 and has seen the history of the town develop regardless of the avenues it took. She was hired by Albert M. Fisher, owner of the Albert M. Fisher Store, to come to Big Spring. The store was in the Neiman Marcus category of that day and located in the 200 block of Main Street. It was sold to Hemphill-Wells Jan. 1, 1946.

She lived with Mother Deats as Mrs. Walker fondly calls her and she was the mother of Dr. Charles Deats, dentist, and Martha (Deats) Moody, and grandmother of Richard and Wesley Deats. She married Ruben Lewis

Price May 25, 1933. He and his brother opened the first bank, First National, around May 1898. He served as vice president and cashier. The couple enjoyed golfing and he helped develop the first golf course in town. They made their home at 804 Main where the widow currently shares with her nephew and niece James and Frances Walker. Her husband died Oct. 25, 1938.

She later married Cecil A. Walker, pharmacist and owner of Walker Drug Store in 1941. The store front remains at Second and Main with its black and orange tile as it was in 1969 when it closed. Mr. Walker died May 19, 1983.

During the birthday celebration. Mrs. Walker received numerous cards and floral arrangements along with several phone calls. Her birthday cake was decorated with roses and covered with 99 candles.

Ask Betty



Lucille Walker opens one of her many presents during her 99th birthday celebration.

The guests were served ice Blackshear, her pastor Gary Groves from First Christian cream and cake. Some of the guests were Mayor Tim Church, relatives and close



Gary Groves, minister at First Christian Church, poses with the birthday lady on her special day.

Evelyn Love, James and Frances Walker, Merle Haney, Simmons.

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Another contest where you write only 50 words or less ... iust describe how you use Dijon mustard in everyday life. But, the company says, "be sure to package your entry in a totally 'American' way" such as encased in a paper mache hot dog or wrapped in a painting of the flag.

Consequences can be a useful



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behavior. Consequences are at work all the time. We run into them everyday, on our job, at home,

• Be clear. Make sure your child knows what the consequences is and who and what he or she did to earn or lose it.

• Be consistent. Don't give a big consequence for a behavior one time and then ignore the same behavior the next time.

• Be brief. This is especially true with younger children. Clear messages usually get lost when you lecture.

• Follow through. If you set up a deal for your child to earn a positive consequence, be sure he gets the reward after he's done what he needs to do. Likewise, for a negative consequence.

Be as pleasant as possible. This is generally easier when you give positive consequences.

But, when you give negative

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Dear Betty, What's with supermarket avocados? I love to make guacamole, but find that only one in five trips to the produce section yields an avocado soft enough to use. Any insights or

Avocados are succulent, delicate fruit that bruise and spoil easily-difficult to ship when ripe. Here's a trick for revving up the ripening process: buy unripe avocados two to four days before you'll need them and store them at room temperature in a loosely closed paper bag. Once they're ripe, you can store them in the to growing consumer interest refrigerator several more days. When they yield to finger pres- including balsamic, malt, and There's an almost endless, sure, they're ready to use. sherry; or the mild and slightly Your note didn't mention what sweet rice vinegar, which is goes into your guacamole widely used in Asian cooking. (some people guard their for-Write Betty at "Ask Betty Crocker;" One General Mills mula like an ATM password) Blvd.; Minneapolis, Minn. but here's a quick and easy version that's perfect on a tor-55426, or call toll free 1-888-ask tilla chip: two large, ripe avobetty.



lime juice. Mix. That's it. Olé!

Cutting the Mustard - When you're down to that last tea spoon of mustard in the jar, add two tablespoons of olive oil and one tablespoon of vinegar directly into the jar and shake it vigorously.

It's not only a first-rate salad dressing, but it makes the iar easier to clean for recycling. Vinegar ideas: choose from a variety of wine vinegars.

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Guinness settles...'

For details of the contest, call March 31.

good time to switch to a meatless diet, but I'm afraid we'll miss the hearty satisfaction we find in beef, poultry and pork. What advice can you offer? -Seattle, Wash. Think through your plan to

the arrival of Lent would be a

Dear Betty,

quit cold turkey, so to speak, and consider instead a gradual increase in the number of meatless meals you prepare. This way, you'll have time to build a repertoire of truly satisfying recipes.

Luckily, ingredients for meatless recipes are a lot easier to come by these days as supermarkets are responding in meatless cuisine.

ariety of canned and packaged beans, rice and pasta products. Start with recipes that call for bold seasonings and spices: cumin, chili powder, garlic, curry — ingredients that give a dish the oomph that holds your inter-

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• Edit your page: Once you've created the page, take a good look at it, to see if it's easy to read, downloads fast and serves your needs. At this point, you can rewrite or resize text, substitute pictures and graphics and add more links.

• Gain access to a server: Once you've finalized your page, it's time to appear on the Web. There are several places to house personal home pages, as well as business sites.

• Manage your site: It pays to take a look at your page once it's up to make sure it looks the way you intended. If you want your page to get lots of return visitors, you'll need to update it frequently, with new links, better graphics and new information.

For instance, a small-business person may change the items displayed for sale on the page, or a parent may want to add a

Send your entry to French's New Dijon Mustard, 411 Park St., Upper Montclair, NJ 07043. Deadline: March 10.

Grand prize: A three-day trip to Napa Valley, Calif., for the local mustard festival. All entrants get an autographed baseball.

A survey by Land O'Lakes finds two out of three Americans admit to struggling when faced with cooking. The top five problems:

• Not knowing when food is done and thus overcooking or undercooking — 36 percent. • Making meals without following a recipe - 23 percent. · Reading and following

recipes - 14 percent. • Measuring ingredients - 10

percent • Recognizing or being familiar with ingredients - 8 percent.

In celebration of St. Patrick's Day ... the Irish Food Board is offering a free brochure to show off "the new directions of Irish cooking." Included in the pamphlet are recipes for Irish oatmeal with Irish whiskey cream; potato, bacon and mussel soup; smoked salmon with chives and Irish coffee

meringues.

For a free copy, send a selfaddressed, stamped business envelope to: Irish Food Board, 130 East 59th St., 13th floor, New York, NY 10022. Ask for "New Flavors of Ireland."

with friends, and so on. If we don't get our work done, the boss criticizes us. If we don't remember to let the dog outside, he leaves a calling card. Consequences affect all of us,

positively and negatively. As parents, it helps to understand why giving consequences to our kids is so essential. Consequences teach kids to think. Consequences help children learn their actions lead to results, both positive and negative. They learn life is full of choices and the choices they make greatly influence what happens to them.

Knowing how to use consequences to teach kids is important. If consequences have the power to change behavior, it makes sense that we should use ' side, shorter study period, them to benefit our kids.

The basics of using consequences with children include the following:

reading, time with mom and dad, use the car or extra phone time. Other ideas: plan the menu, special snacks, sit at the head of the table, messy room for a day, sleep downstairs or out-

extra night out with friends, permission for a special event, extra time on the computer and pick breakfast cereal.

Signs of stress and how to overcome it

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Stress can show up in a variety of symptoms, including some of the following complaints.

• Physical: Difficulty sleeping, stomachaches, diarrhea or nausea, ringing in the ears, back pain, tight neck and shoulders.

 Behavioral: Grinding one's teeth at night, inability to get things done during the day. general irritability, tendency to smoke, drink or eat more than usual.

 Emotional: Feelings of powerlessness, anger or unhappiness for no apparent reason. Could be accompanied by crying jags or panic attacks.

 Cognitive: Forgetfulness, little or no sense of humor, constant worry, thoughts of running away.

Quick Fixes: Stress Busters for the Desk-Bound:

Chained to your desk at lunch? One of these stress-busting suggestions might help the world go away - even if it's

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TIPS 'N' TRIVIA Assisting children with their studies: (NAPS) - The 12 steps from Sylvan Learning Centers: -Encourage productive study time.

- Encourage goal-setting.
- Encourage information organization.
- Decide about the need for joint study with friends.
- Establish clear ground rules.
- Interact and guide; don't nag.
- You don't need to stand over your child every second.
- Consider your course of action if you disagree with homework

- assignments.
- Verify progress.
- Size up any problem; seek help if necessary.
- Reward progress and studying well done.
- . Sometimes you might have to let your child face the consequences of his or her actions or lack of action.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Around the World in 80 Bites

The Heritage Museum's Around the World in 80 Bites is Saturday 5:30-7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$7.50 for adults and \$4 for children.

Food tasters will select the "World's Greatest Chef" with the winner to be presented an award in their honor. Call the Heritage Museum at 267-8255 for more information.

Symphony set for Saturday

The Big Spring Symphony is hosting a concert Saturday at the city auditorium starting at 8 p.m. entitled "Music for the Young at Heart." Tickets are on sale at Blum's Jewelers, Dunlap's, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce or First Bank of West Texas. Call 264-7223 for more information.

THE LAST WORD

Nothing is more rare than a person you can bear to have around.

Giacomo Leopardi

Character is long-standing habit.

Plutarch

Every man remembers his childhood as a kind of mythical age, just as every nation's childhood is its mythical age Giacomo Leopardi

The surest way to be late is to have plenty of time. Leo Kenned





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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 súbstance 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 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 Runnels (enter through north door). We have various activities, such as guest speakers, play games, have covered dish supper, visit or go out to eat. 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, 7-1

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 Anenymous, 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, Runnels 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.D.A.P.T. non-profit support and learning organization about attention deficit disorder, learning disorders and dyslexia. Meets second Thursday of September, October, November, January, 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 every Depression meets Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Dora Roberts Rehab Center, Third and Lancaster.

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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When planning '97 vacations, consider including a sidetrip to one of North America's great public gardens. Visiting any of these will provide a lovely day in the middle of a trip, and inspire you to greater heights of botanical accomplishment at

price people are willing to pay for said clocks gave rise to a lot home. Some of my favorite ones, so of tacky clock designs. Here's far, are Dow Gardens in an exception. The Umbra line Midland, Mich.; Bellingrath of single battery-driven wall Gardens in Mobile, Ala.; clocks includes many simple-to-Callaway Gardens, Pine read models with clean lines Mountain, Ga.; the Japanese and clean faces, suitable for Garden, Portland, Ore.; Jungle Gardens, Avery Island, La. kitchens. (where the McIlhenny family's made in Taiwan and guaran-Tabasco sauce is still aged); teed for only one year, but and the former quarry, now kitchen clocks will not be in glorious Butchart Gardens near

.... Antique experts Ralph and Terry Kovel have advised people to check the bottom of old ceramic garden ornaments, to spot the name of the manufacturer. With luck, it might read Weller Pottery Co. of Zanesville, Ohio, which closed in 1948. Many of the moldedand-colored animals and fantasy figures (such as two elves sitting on a toadstool) made by Weller have appreciated in

Victoria, B.C.

value.

... A slick dustpan trick, suggested by Home & Garden Television (HGTV), a unit of the E.W. Scripps Co.: Before sweeping up, spray your dustpan with furniture wax and L rub dry with a paper towel.

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ally form a gummy film on everything. Some decorative items in the kitchen cannot

stand harsh cleaning agents to cut this film, so it's best not to

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One kitchen adornment many

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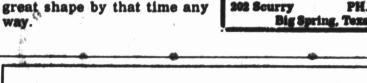
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just for a little while. · Close your eyes. Take a deep breath. Exhale slowly.

Repeat 10 times. • Take time to stretch, starting with your neck and moving down to your feet. Or curl your toes against the soles of your feet as hard as you can for 15 seconds, then relax them. Use the same tense-and-relax technique with the muscles in your legs, stomach, back and shoulders.

· Allow yourself a few minutes to read a chapter of your new novel or to flip through the latest, pristine issue of your favorite magazine.





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 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.



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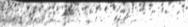
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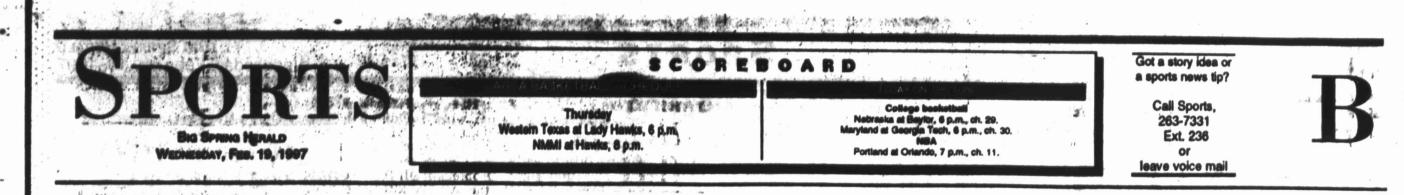
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Playoffs: Four area teams earn trip to regional tourney

Lady 'Stangs overcome Robert Lee three-pointers.

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

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FORSAN - After Tuesday night, height is a non-factor as far as the Sands Lady Mustangs are concerned.

The vertically challenged Lady 'Stangs, not sporting a player taller than 5-foot-7, qualified for their third straight trip to the Class 1A regional tournament with a 57-55 victory over Robert Lee Tuesday night at Forsan High School.

The Lady Mustangs negated **Robert Lee's tremendous height** advantage (the Lady Steers have three players 6-foot-0 or taller) with their outside shooting game and a near-fanatical defensive effort in the second half.

Sands faces Irion County Friday in the first round of the **Region II-1A tournament at** McMurry University in Abilene.

Coach Leland Bearden's charges knew they were in for a tough time against Robert Lee's "triple towers," and they weren't disappointed. The Lady Steers rallied three times from second half deficits, and took the lead once. Each time, however, Sands had an answer.

Sands couldn't go through the taller Lady Steers, so they went over them. Guards Hollie Zant, Andrea Gillespie and Nikki Daniel combined for seven

Bearden said a perfect example of his team's resiliency

came late in the third when, with Sands holding a slim three-point lead, Daniel drove the baseline and shot a fivefooter over Jennifer Scott's outstretched arms for a basket and a 45-40 lead.

"I knew if I could draw somebody off, I could kick the ball out to Mendi or Hollie," Daniel said. "But I didn't see anyone open, and a saw I had the shot, so I took it."

With a capacity crowd screaming its collective lungs out, and facing a taller, determined foe, the Lady Mustangs showed remarkable poise down the stretch.

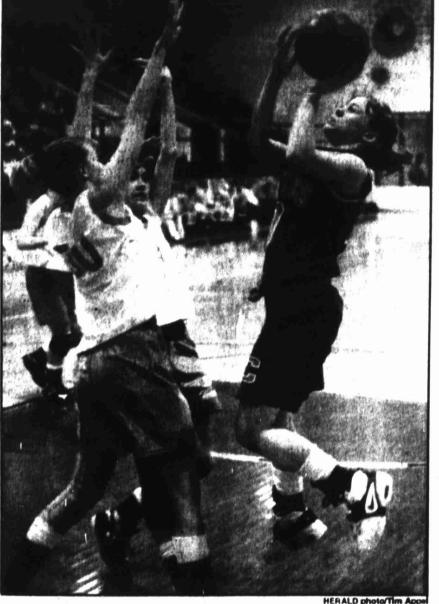
"To tell you the truth, I couldn't hear anybody but coach Bearden," post player Mendi Floyd said. "I guess that's a good thing."

"That's what I was concerned about — that we wouldn't be able to respond (to a charge) but we did," Bearden said. Did they ever.

Nothing symbolized Sands' evening more than the opening and closing minutes of the fourth quarter.

As the fourth quarter started, **Robert Lee had just rallied** from a five-point deficit to take a 46-45 lead. But Floyd, forced

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Borden County's Shelby Isaacs, right, shoots as Rotan's Latisha Jones and Crystal Early defend during their area playoff game in Coahoma Tuesday.

Borden's defense shuts down Rotan

By JOHN H. WALKER Managing Editor

COAHOMA - The dream lives on for Borden County ... but for the better part of three quarters here Tuesday night, it looked as if the Lady Coyotes' state basketball playoff odyssey was going to turn into a nightmare, instead.

Borden County struggled all night long before taking a 31-27 win over the Yellowhammers and earning a trip to the **Region I Tournament this** weekend at South Plains College in Levelland.

"It took a long time to get there. We really struggled offensively and missed a lot of shots," said Borden County Coach Clay Stout.

Before it was over with, it became obvious that the offense that had blessed the Lady Coyotes all season long was nowhere to be found and that if Borden County was going to struggle past Rotan's Yellowhammers in the area round of the playoffs, the defense was going to have to turn the trick. And it did.

Borden County trailed by four, 24-20, following a Latisha Jones jump shot with 55 seconds left in the third quarter when its defense showed up.

That was Rotan's last field goal of the game.

Over the last 8:55 of the contest, Borden County forced a backcourt violation, an inbounds violation that led directly to a basket and a turnover that resulted in a foul that sent the Lady Coyotes to the line for two free throws to open a four-point margin with just 12 seconds left.

During that 8:55, the Lady Coyotes allowed just three free throws and went on an 11-3 run to win the game.

"I'm thankful that we could not have a great game and the kids still have the poise to do what they needed to in order to win," Stout said.

The two biggest shots of the game came from freshman Julie Mayes and senior Shelby Isaacs.

Mayes, who led all scorers with 10 points for Borden County, tied the score at 24-24 when she hit the game's only 3pointer with 5:43 remaining in the contest.

Then, Isaacs, one of just two seniors on the squad, connected on a jump shot from the free throw line to give the Lady Coyotes a 26-24 lead with 4:07 left in the game.

"Those were a pair of big shots," Stout admitted. "We had struggled all night and when Mayes hit that three, it was like it picked everybody

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Grady girls strike down Bronte challenge; Garden City eliminates Fort Hancock

By CHRYS GOFF **Staff Writer**

COLORADO CITY - Grady High School's Lady Wildcats continued their sterling playoff run Tuesday night, showing the Bronte Lady Longhorns the exit with a 63-54-win to advance to

trailed behind Schuelke by scoring 11 points making a two-point shot with only 11 seconds left in the first quarter. She scored six of her points in that quarter, but her specialty Tuesday was making exasperating shots with only seconds left

Grady's Allison Cooper advantage of Grady's fouls the Lady Longhorns scored 11 points in the last quarter by free throws.

Peugh admitted this by saying, "The team started to get a little too much confidence, after the big lead in the end of the third quarter (Bronte) seemed in that last quarter."

Grady will play Garden City Friday in the region II-1A tournament, and is hoping to win the next three games to take them to Austin.

Peugh said, "The team is only Bronte taking them one game at a time, because that is the only Garden City

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ter by outscoring Hancock 11-5 leading up to halftime.

Garden City then put matters to rest with a 19-7 performance in the third quarter.

Tiffany Maxie led the Lady Bearkats (21-7) with 29 points. With the win; Garden City advances to face Grady in the first round of the regional tournament at Abilene. Game time will be announced later.

the Region II-A Tournament at **McMurry University in Abilene** this weekend.

Tarah Schuelke led all scorers for Grady with 34 points, including three 3-pointers.

Grady High School Coach Johnny Peugh said, "She (Schuelke) is a very talented player."

in the quarters. The game had 6.7 seconds left in the third quarter when she scored a three pointer, that brought the Lady Wildcats to an 18 point lead at 54-36.

The fourth quarter is when fouls started hurting Grady. Bronte started catching up to the Lady Wildcats, taking to have more adrenalin.

"Fortunately we had a big enough lead to win the game." During the second half Grady was whistled for 14 fouls compared to Bronte's 8.

Peugh made a point saying, "Before the game, we were talking about not fouling. I was beginning to get very nervous way you can win. Teamwork will bring these

girls far, we are just a small school, with the large percentage of the student body being girls, it makes them very close together."

Grady 63 Bronte 54 blasts Fort Hancock

FORT STOCKTON - The Garden City Lady Bearkats earned a trip to the Region II-1A tournament with a 60-38 victory over Fort Hancock **Tuesday night**.

The Lady 'Kats broke open a tight game in the second quar-

Score by quarters

Fort Hancock 11 5 7 15 - 38 **Garden City** 11 11 19 19 - 60 GARDEN CITY (60) - Chandler 0 1-2 1; Harp 2 4-6 8; Maxie 10 6-8 29; Braden 1 2-2 4; Niehues 4 1-2 19; K. Batla 0 2-2 2; M. Batla 2 0-0 5; Hoch 1 0-0 2; totals 20 16-22 60.

Ozona downs Forsan to claim second place in District 8-2A

By NATHAN WRIGHT Special to the Herald

SAN ANGELO - Today, there are officially two high school basketball teams in Ozona.

There is one that is considered a favorite to win state and another that has clawed its way into the playoffs thanks to a four-game winning streak to end the season.

The Lions - mostly overshadowed by the success of their two-time state champion female counterparts - used a 15-8 second quarter edge to defeat Forsan High School 46-41 in a District 8-2A second-place playoff Tuesday night at the Central gym.

That put the Lions - who won their way into a three-way tie for second and won a district playoff on Monday - in the playoffs for the third straight season.

Forsan, Ozona and Winters each ended the district with 7-5 records. Ozona held off Winters Monday to advance to Tuesday's game, where they used a stout defense to advance to the playoffs despite a 13-17 record.

"It has been a long journey and a hard ride," second-year Ozona coach Ronnie Casey said. "We had great fan support too.'

The Lions showed early and often that they were not intimidated by the Buffaloes (20-11). The teams split two regular season games, each winning on its home court.

'We knew coming in that this was going to be a tough game to win," Casey said. "I am so proud of our guys. We struggled at times, but came through when we needed to."

With 5:28 left, Forsan finally caught the quick Lions and tied the game 36-36. Bobby Cervantez gave Ozona a 38-36 lead before Brian Badillo scored five straight points including three key free throws - to give Ozona a 43-36 lead with 2:05 remaining.

Forsan pulled within four at 45-41 with 11 seconds left on a 3-pointer by Steve Osburn, but Ozona's Justin Browne secured the win with a free throw with 10 seconds left.

The Ozona fans - those that made the trip to San Angelo to support the boys instead of traveling to Big Spring where the girls were playing — erupted after the final buzzer.

It had been a long road to the playoffs for the boys. Much longer than the girls!! It showed in the emotion that the fans greeted Casey with after the game.

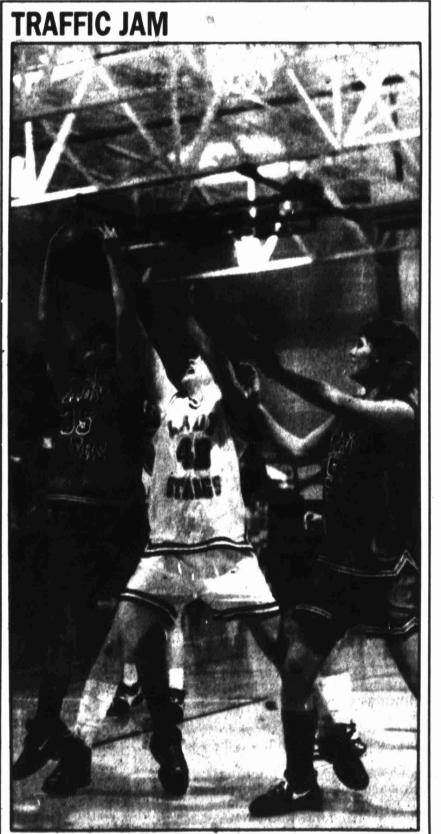
Browne led Ozona with 15 points. Cervantez and Steven Martinez each added 8.

"This feels good," Browne said. "We won four straight games. We have a lot of momentum going right now. We are still starting to play together."

Ozona opens with a bidistrict game Thursday against 29-0 Jim Ned at a site and time to be determined.

"We have had a lot of doubts," Browne said. "We have to earn the respect of the fans since everybody expects the girls to do well. We did that

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Sands' Mendi Floyd (40) finds herself caught between two Robert Lee players while fighting for a rebound during their area playoff game in Forsan Tuesday.

Is Nelson crazy like a fox, or just crazy?

Jersey, basketball fans think Don Nelson is an alias for Santa Claus.

In Dallas, fans are toasting him for dumping a bunch of under-achievers.

Is he "Nellie the Fox" or 'Crazy Nellie?'

Unfazed by the buzz he created by sending the Dallas Mavericks' starting lineup to the New Jersey Nets for four players, "Trader" Don was working the phones again Tuesday.

But why? Who's left?

"There's no law that says you can't sell what you just bought," Nelson said, laughing. "I do what I think is right. If I find good reason, I do it.'

In just 11 days on the job, fresh from unemployment in Hawaii, general manager Nelson has flushed away what he called the Mavericks' "bad attitude" of players sleep-walking through their jobs.

"Some people think I'm a risk taker," he said. "But I feel comfortable with what I've done so far. It will take a while to see. Half the people think it was a good deal. Half of the people think it was a bad deal. And to quote Yogi Berra, 'The other half of the people don't care." He added: "Things were in

bad shape with the Mavericks. I had to make a change. I was shocked by some of the things I found. It made me sick."

A change? An asteroid hitting **Reunion Arena couldn't have** made a bigger impact than Nelson's scorched earth policy.

Nelson fired uncaring center Oliver Miller, traded unhappy Jamal Mashburn to Miami for three players, and completed the overhaul Monday night with a nine-player trade that Please see MAVS, page 2B

DALLAS (AP) -- In New sent Jim Jackson to the New Jersey Nets along with All-Star Chris Gatling and three others.

The Mavericks got 7-foot-6 center Shawn Bradley, forward Ed O'Bannon and point guards Robert Pack and Khalid Reeves. The Nets also received guards Sam Cassell and George McCloud and center Eric Montross.

The trade is believed to be the largest between two NBA teams in the last 25 years.

The blockbuster swap followed Friday's trade of Mashburn to the Heat for three players and the December deal that sent Jason Kidd to Phoenix for Cassell, A.C. Green and Michael Finley.

The ballyhooed three J's -Jackson, Mashburn and Kidd - were on the cover of the media guide last year. They're all gone now.

"This team needs leaders and none of them was willing to accept that responsibility," veteran guard Derek Harper said. "All they saw was losing, losing, losing. That was frustrating for them."

The players with the longest tenures on the Dallas team are rookie Samaki Walker, who was drafted in June and signed in August, and Harper, who signed as a free agent in July.

Harper has been rumored in trade talks with Houston.

"Houston hasn't called, so maybe I should call them." Nelson said. "But Derek will be on the team if he wants to be on the team. He and I have a great relationship. A trade will only happen if he wants it to happen.'

"I would welcome a trade to a team like Houston," Harper

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Pippen steals show from Jordan

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For the second straight game, Scottie Pippen stole the spotlight from Michael Jordan.

Pippen scored a career-high 47 points and Jordan had 24 as the Bulls beat the Denver Nuggets 134-123 Tuesday night. "My teammates were looking for me. I was in a good rhythm, nobody was playing much defense and the basket looked real big to me," said Pippen, who was 19-of-27 from the field. "It was just one of those

nights. Pippen also outscored Jordan 22-19 in Sunday's win over Orlando. It is the first time this season that Jordan has failed to lead the Bulls in scoring in successive games.

"This is like my All-Star break. I'm dishing the ball off and letting the other guys get involved," said Jordan, who had a season-high 12 assists. The 134 points by Chicago

were the most by an NBA team this season.

"I thought it was a layup drill after a while," Denver coach Dick Motta said. "Pippen was certainly into it. We had LaPhonso (Ellis) on him early, and then Dale (Ellis), and then Mourning had 14 points, 10 nobody.

The Bulls won their 17th straight home game before a crowd that included first lady 32 percent from the field,

NBA ROUNDUP

Hillary Clinton. Dale Ellis scored 27 points for the Nuggets, who have lost four of five games.

Elsewhere in the NBA, it was Miami 111, Philadelphia 83; New York 95, Phoenix 94; Utah 113, San Antonio 105; Los. Angeles Clippers 87, Dallas 69; and Sacramento 95, Minnesota

Knicks 95, Suns 94

At New York, John Starks made a 3-point shot at the buzzer to give the Knicks their sixth straight victory. Starks, who scored 11 of his 15 points in the fourth quarter, barely got the game-winning shot off before the final buzzer. Patrick Ewing led New York with 31 points and 13 rebounds. Wesley Person scored 22 for Phoenix, including six 3-pointers. Heat 111, 76ers 83

At Philadelphia, Tim Hardaway scored 29 points as Miami won its franchise-best 10th consecutive game. Jamal Mashburn, playing his second game for the Heat since being obtained in a trade with Dallas. scored 15 points, and Alonzo rebounds and six blocks. Jerry Stackhouse scored 18 for Philadelphia, which shot only

including 1-for-14 from 8-point range. Jazz 113, Spurs 105

At Salt Lake City, Karl Malone had 37 points, eight assists and seven rebounds as Utah beat San Antonio. John Stockton added 19 points and 10 assists for the Jazz, who tied the Los Angeles Lakers for the best record in the Western Conference at 37-14. Dominique Wilkins led San Antonio with 32 points and 12 rebounds.

Clippers 87, Mavericks 69

Malik Sealy scored 23 points as Los Angeles beat overhauled and undermanned Dallas for its season-high fifth straight home victory. Michael Finley scored 18 points and Derek Harper added 17 for the Mavericks, who have lost 12 of 17. Dallas dressed only eight players for the second time since Monday's nine-player trade with the New Jersey Nets.

Kings 95, Timberwolves 84

Sacramento, Mitch At Richmond scored 20 points and Mahmoud Abdul-Rauf had eight straight points late in the game to help the Kings win their third straight. Olden Polynice had 17 points and 21 rebounds for Sacramento, which completed a four-game season sweep of the Timberwolves. Tom Gugliotta led Minnesota with 28 points and 18 rebounds.

Are KU's Jayhawks too good to be true?

LAWRENCE, Kan. (AP) — Too regardless of the record. good to be true.

Talk for any length of time about the Kansas basketball team, and that phrase will come up.

Talk about the Jayhawks on the court.

That would be a team that has been ranked No. 1 the last 12 weeks. That would be a team that won its first 10 games without starting point guard Jacque Vaughn, who had wrist surgery following a preseason injury. That would be a team that has won seven of eight games since have the surgery that would starting center Scot Pollard sideline him. They were both developed a stress fracture in academic All-Americas last seahis foot. That would be a team

It starts with Williams, a Dean

Smith disciple whose only head coaching job has been at Kansas, which he has taken to two Final Fours. His presence is impressive, not from the suffocating exposure of commercials and endorsements, but rather from genuine relationships with the campus and community.

It continues with Vaughn, the poetry-quoting point guard, and Jerod Haase, the shooting guard who will finish the season with a broken right wrist rather than son, combining for a perfect^{fic}

about this team, it's time to turn to the court.

Raef LaFrentz has stepped up in Pollard's absence beyond anything expected of him. The junior has scored at least 20 points in each of the eight games Pollard has missed, a streak that is all the more impressive when research revealed no player under Williams' balanced system had ever gone more than three straight games over 20.

When Vaughn was out, sophomore Ryan Robertson stepped in and kept the Jayhawks running through a tough non-conference schedule that included Callesfilia, Virginia, Cincinnati and UOLA. "With Jacque we had a lot of time to adjust," Williams said. "Scot's was different because four of the next five games were on the road and we played two days later. "I was talking to the guy who was best man at my wedding and he said he thought I was doing my best coaching job. I said why in the world would you say that, and he said because of losing the kids, the distractions, the changes in the lineups. I said I'd rather be a bad coach. I like last year where we started five guys the first game and every game the rest of the season." That season ended with a bitter loss to Syracuse in the West Regional final. It meant Pollard, Vaughn and Haase would go into their senior years without having been to a Final Four. Williams' puzzle was complete with the three seniors, LaFrentz and sophomore small forward Paul Pierce. Their last chance to bring Kansas its third national title and the first since 1988, the season before Williams took over the program. Winning the first 22 games had a lot of people thinking of a perfect season. Missouri ended that prospect with the doubleovertime victory.

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outside by the taller Lady Steers, opened the final eight minutes with a three-pointer to reclaim the lead for Sands.

SPORTS

SANDS

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The Lady 'Stangs stretched their lead to seven on an Andrea Gillespie three-pointer with 4:24 remaining before Robert Lee made one last charge at the lead.

Two of Robert Lee's six-footers - Jennifer Scott and Bree Bolding - scored to cut the lead to three with a minute left, then Kannan Millican tipped the ball away from a Sands player and appeared to have clear sailing down the right baseline.

But Zant forced a jump ball with the possession arrow favoring the Lady 'Stangs stalling the Lady Steers' rally.

"I just knew we had to keep the ball." Zant said of her fateful dive to the floor that allowed her team to keep possession. "I really don't know what I was thinking at the

time." The Lady Mustangs then went into a slow-down game. forcing Robert Lee to foul. Gillespie then gave Sands some much-needed breathing room with a pair of free throws with

22 seconds left. Floyd led Sands with 19 points, followed by Zant and Shauna Nichols with 12 points each. Robert Lee's three sixfooters — Bolding, Scott and Shalon Waldrop - led the Lady Steers with 19, 11 and 10 points, respectively.

ROBERT LEE (55) - Smith 0 1-2 1; Brosh 1 0-0 2; Hill 0 1-4 1; Millican 1 0-0 2; Waldrop 4 2-6 11; Scott 5 0-0 10; Howell 3 2-2 8; Bolding 8 3-5 18; totals 22 9-19 55.

SANDS (57) - Zant 4 0-0 12; Nichols 5 2-4 12; Daniel 2 2-3 7; Gillespie 2 2-2 7; Floyd 6 6-8 19; totals 19 12-17 57.

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BORDEN

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"And when Shelby Isaacs hit that jumper from the key to put. us on top .. Borden County now carries a 24-7 record to Levelland while Rotan's season ends at 14-16. The Lady Coyotes open at 5:30 Friday afaternoon against the Whiteface Herefords.

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onight." Forsan was led by Robert Hillger's 11 points. Josh Love, Josh Gaston and Steve Osburn all added eight.

Josh Love 4 0.3 6; totals 16 5-13 41. OZONA (46) — Peter Rodriguez 1 0-1 3; Justin Browne 6 1-2 15; Anthony Ortiz 0 2-2 2; Jon Sanchez 2 1-1 5; Brian Badillo 1 3-0 5; I want to do more," Casey Bobby Cervantez 3 2-4 8; Steven Martinez 3 2-4 8; totals 16 11-23 46. said. "We have lost in bidistrict the last two years to Jim Ned and Stanton. The kids are looking forward to this. I knew we had a good team and we believed all year long."

Ozona 46

MAVS

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said. "But, if not, I'd rather stay put." Nelson was chuckling over

the stir his trades started.

"One of the NBA executives going over the contracts wanted to call back to see if I was sane," Nelson said.

The New York Daily News didn't think so.

"If you're a Mavs fan today, you can't wait for the Cowboys to head to Austin for training camp," the newspaper said.

However, there was a different spin in Dallas. Nelson was on a Dallas radio station Tuesday and didn't get a single negative call.

'We'll let the results of the trades be the judge," Nelson said. "Hopefully, we'll start getting some immediate results."

Rookie coach Jim Cleamons, whose team was 17-32 after an 87-69 loss to the Los Angeles Clippers Tuesday night, wasn't

MARSHALL (AP) - A

Louisiana contractor has filed

a lawsuit claiming that two-

time heavyweight boxing

champion George Foreman has

refused to pay him nearly

\$215,000 for construction of his

new million-dollar home in

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Contractor files lawsuit against George Foreman

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church, is originally from Marshall. The house was built on a ranch where he has trained for many of his fights.

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FORSAN (41) - Steve Osburn 3 0-1 8;

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Three-point goals - Forsan 4 (S. Osburn 2,

Davis, Hillger); Ozona 3 (Brown 2,

Rodriguez). Fouls - Forsan 21, Ozona 18.

Fouled out 0 none. Technicals - none.

'Hopefully, this will come to

a point in time where we can

get settled for the rest of the

year," he said. "When you look

at what has to be done, what

needed to be done, and then it

happens all at once, it kind of

On Monday night, Dallas beat

Vancouver 100-95 with only

eight players. The Mavericks

played the Clippers with what

they're calling "The Great

Eight" — starters Sasha

Danilovic, Greg Dreiling, A.C.

Green, Michael Finley, and

Derek Harper and reserves

Walker, Martin Muursepp and

The new Mavericks will join

the team for Thursday night's

home game against Milwaukee.

That's also the night of the

And Nelson will be close to

Erick Strickland.

NBA trading deadline.

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Score by Quarters

Forsan

Barnette claims that he agreed to build the house in September 1995 for \$493,500. He said changes made by Foreman drove the cost to \$1.1 million.

According to court documents, Foreman has paid Barnette \$892,000 for the house, but Barnette says he's still owed \$214,766.92.

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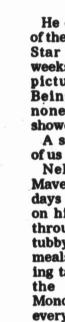
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that is 26-1. Talk about the Jayhawks off the court.

That would be a group of young men who are having the time of their lives, yet have avoided anything even close to negative publicity. That would be a group of young men that includes a starting backcourt of academic All-Americas. That would be a group of young men who talk about their coach like a family member and really mean it.

Spend any time around the Kansas Jayhawks and it's hard not to think they are too good to be true

"Even I think they're too good to be true in some ways, and I see them every day," said Roy Williams, the man who put the team together and who has managed to put together a 239-57 record in his eight-plus seasons at Kansas.

'That's not to mean I can't get mad at their behavior. I went at them like a raving lunatic at practice the other day for a couple of minutes. They are fantas-tic players, but they're even better off the court, the kind of group you really enjoy being with.'

Those comments come easy when a team is 26-1, but you get the feeling they would be made

grade point average in the second semester.

It keeps on with Pollard, the nail polish-wearing loose cannon of the group who proposed to his girlfriend in front of 16,000 people at Midnight Madness and who tools around in a Cadillac convertible much more suitable to his native California than the roads of Lawrence.

"Whenever you say it's too good to be true everyone looks at me and says, 'See, that's reality. It's not too good to be true. That guy's a freaking clown," Pollard said in one of his selfdeprecating monologues. "It's everything it's cracked up to be playing for coach Williams. Honesty. Integrity. All the words they use to describe him are him to a 'T.' There's no way to exaggerate how any player on this team would do anything for him and vice versa.'

When Vaughn was asked about Williams, he gave an answer far from the basketball norm

"He is a person I know will be at my wedding whenever I get married," Vaughn said, "and the man who I want in the room with me when my first child is born.

When comments like those make it seem too good to be true BORDEN CO. 31, ROTAN 27

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BRIEFS

Powerlifters compete at C-City meet

The Forsan High School powerlifting team

competred at Colorado City Saturday, and Daniel Smith had the best result among FHS competitors.

Smith, competing in the 114-pound weight class, finished second with a total lift of 720 pounds.

Chris Rios, also competing in the 114-pound class, finished third with a total lift of 625 pounds.

Other Forsan results included:

• Derek Wash, fourth at 132 pounds, total lift of 370 pounds.

Jarret Ferguson, fourth at 148 pounds, total lift of 835 pounds.

• Paul Kinsey, fourth at 165 pounds, total lift • Dale Dolloff, third at 275 pounds, total lift of

1.115 pounds.

In team competition, Forsan finished fourth, one point behind Crane.

The Forsan lifters return to action this week. end at Kermit.

Hawks sweep

twinbill from Vernon

The Howard College Hawks improved to 7-4

with a doublehader sweep of Vernon in nonconference baseball action Tuesday at Jack Barber Field. Both games were close affairs, with the

Hawks winning 5-4 in the opener before winning the nightcap by a 3-1 score.

In the first game, Corey Martin struck out six and walked only one to improve to 2-0 for the year, but the real fireworks came in true Hollywood fashion.

With two outs and two runners on in the bottom of the ninth, William Hawkins drove a double to right-centerfield to bring in the winning runs.

The Hawks didn't need to be quite as dramatic in the nightcap, as John Dallies allowed only one hit in seven innings of work to win his first decision of the year.

Nathan Nelson increased his hitting streak to 11 games, while Hawkins hit safely in his 10th consecutive game.

"I thought we got two really good pitching performances," Howard coach Brian Roper said. "But I'm still not very pleased with our play. We're just too inconsistent. Right now, we're playing like a .500 club, and we've got the potential to be a lot better."

Howard returns to action this weekend against the defending juco champion Northeast Texas Community College. The teams will play four games in Dallas.

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Player dissatisfaction cited as Orlando gives Hill the boot

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worst-kept secret in the NBA became official Tuesday when Brian Hill was fired as coach of the Orlando Magic, a victim of

player dissatisfaction. The Magic won two Atlantic Division titles, reached the Eastern Conference finals twice and made one appearance in the NBA Finals under Hill, but that was when Shaquille O'Neal was still part of the team.

A five-game losing streak since the All-Star break and an overall 24-25 start — minus O'Neal — this season made it difficult to ignore complaints about how Hill was handling the team.

Co-captain Horace Grant said the players held a meeting last week in Minnesota, then related their concerns to general manager John Gabriel during a conversation by speaker phone.

"I understand the NBA and the politics of the NBA ... This is part of sports. We all live with it and move on," Hill said. Magic assistant Richie Adubato, Hill's former high

ORLANDO, Fia. (AP) - The school coach, was promoted to had been swirling since NBC- coach, said while it was diffi-vorst-kept secret in the NBA interim coach. His first game is TV reported Sunday that he cult to replace someone so close at home Wednesday night against Portland.

"The one good thing here, as far as I'm concerned, is the fact I've worked with these players over a long period of time," the former Detroit Pistons and Dallas Mavericks coach said.

Magic players reportedly voted 12-0 to go to management about Hill. Grant called it a "majority" decision, but shrugged off the suggestion the team had lost faith in Hill.

However, he and Penny Hardaway denied reports that one or both them had gone directly to Gabriel and — as the team's highest-paid players were responsible for the firing.

"Win, lose or draw it's always going to fall on myself and it's going to fall on Horace. But we just have to take the heat,' Hardaway said. "Whatever comes, comes. But I know it isn't my fault or it isn't Horace's fault the reason why this stuff is happening."

Rumors about Hill's dismissal

would be fired after that afternoon's game in Chicago.

After Monday night's 124-110 loss at Charlotte, Gabriel left open the possibility that a change would be made.

Hill, who led the Magic to 50, 57 and 60 victories the past three seasons, received a threeyear contract extension last season worth \$750,000 a year. But with O'Neal now playing for the Los Angeles Lakers and injuries to key players like Hardaway and Nick Anderson preventing Hill from using his regular lineup much of this season, the team struggled.

"Brian Hill has done a tremendous job in leading us through one of the most successful periods in Magic history," Gabriel said.

'However, at this time, with this particular team, it was the organization's feeling that in order to take the next step, a change in the leadership at the coaching level was needed." Adubato, 106-228 as an NBA

to him, he supported management's decision.

"We don't deal with kids with crewcuts - like I did when I started - and you tell them to dive through the wall and they do it," the interim coach said. "They tell you to do it."

Hill became the second coach in the team's history, replacing Matt Guokas on the day of the 1993 draft. He compiled a 191-104 record in three-plus seasons and earned playoff berths each vear.

But even though Orlando won the Atlantic Division and reached the Eastern Conference finals the past two years, he couldn't shake a perception that he was only successful because the Magic had so much talent.

Houston swept Orlando in the 1995 NBA Finals. Critics also pointed to Magic's inability to win even one game in a firstround loss to Indiana in 1994

and last year's Eastern need to hear another voice. It Conference finals against Chicago as examples of Hill shortcomings.

Losing O'Neal to free agency figured to give Hill a chance to prove his critics wrong. But Hardaway missed 23 of the team's first 28 games and the team went 2-12 with the All-Star guard and backcourt mate Nick Anderson **side**lined in December.

Between Jan. 1 and the All-Star break, Orlando was one of the most successful teams in the league. The Magic were an NBA-best 9-1 in the 10 games before the break, but haven't won since. Hill shrug

ged when asked why the players now felt they couldn't play for him.

"That's the puzzling part for everybody, including myself. How we could come back and everything fall apart so quickly. ... Sometimes players just

might be saying the same thing, but at least it's different."

"I don't think we lost confidence," Grant said. "... We both weren't getting it done. You have to take your hat off to Brian. He gave us some great years. ... I feel bad for him as a person and his family."

The dismissal is the sixth coaching change in the league since the start of the season. The others were in Denver, Phoenix, San Antonio. Vancouver and Washington.

Gabriel did not rule out making another change before the end of the season. He said the team, which also plans to offer Hill an unspecified position within the organization, will weigh its options before deciding when a permanent replacement will be hired.

The general manager declined to accept questions about possible candidates.

Nelson's demolition job buries Mavericks

By JIM LITKE

Associated Press

He coached or traded enough of the players invited to the All-Star game in Cleveland two weeks ago to take his own team picture. He never bothered. Being Don Nelson, he knew none of them would have showed up.

A short while later, the rest of us were reminded why.

Nelson became the Dallas Mavericks' general manager 11 days ago. Already, every name on his enemies list has a line through it. On Day 1, he told tubby Oliver Miller to take his meals at someone else's training table. On Day 7, he sacked the equipment manager. Monday night, Nelson shipped every Dallas player who wasn't

guys are tough to get along with. Every place Nelson worked the last couple of years seems to have had a few guys like that. At some point it seems fair to ask: Has Nelson become as much a part of the problem as the solution?

OPINION

"He's tearing things down," said Eric Montross, part of the New Jersey trade after coming to Dallas from Boston last June and costing the Mavericks their 1997 first-round pick, "and it fell on me and a couple of other guys."

All the other times Nelson had run-ins with players, he deserved the benefit of the doubt. He was an unselfish, uncompromising player himself, someone who figured out what jobs the champion ship

decades ago. Or even through the first few years at Golden State. where he moved in time to start the 1988-89 season. But a tidal wave of bad attitude was already gaining momentum somewhere out at sea, about to sock the NBA shore.

Chris Webber was the first guy to soak Nelson. What made it look worse is that the Warriors surrendered the draft rights to Penny Hardaway and three No. 1 picks to get him. As soon as Nelson uprooted Webber and shipped him across the continent, up popped Latrell Sprewell as Golden's State's next prima donna, like a bad mushroom. Before Nelson could send him packing, a fullscale mutiny erupted and he lost his job.

He resurfaced in New York. as coach of the Knicks for most of the 1995-96 season. There, Nelson collected powerful enemies, including Patrick Ewing, much quicker than friends. He inherited a veteran team, but contended it was already infected with the me-first virus that made today's youngsters uncoachable. Then he threw up his hands and quit trying. That's why Nelson was available when the GM job opened in Dallas.

Now he sees trouble - every-

coaching in Milwaukee two where. He might be right about many of the kids, especially the ones he found lying around in Dallas. Still, players run things more than ever, Brian Hill's firing in Orlando being only the most recent example.

necessary. Nelson should have realized by now he can't trade them all. He is trying. That's what makes the decision by the Mavericks' ownership group to hand him the roster card and a pair of scissors at the same time look even worse.

It's not just that Nelson's view of things is distorted; he was never the judge of talent he was reputed to be. Someone went back and counted up: including Tim Hardaway, Webber, Mitch Richmond and Tyrone Hill, et al, Nelson — at one time or another - traded away players who made a com-

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Trade talk heats up

Should New Jersey trade Sam Cassell to the Charlotte Hornets or Indiana Pacers? Should they trade Kendall Gill now that his value is at an

Should they trade Jayson Williams now that they have Chris Gatling filling the same role at power forward?

Those were the questions coach John Calipari and general manager John Nash were asking themselves today as Thursday night's 6 p.m. EST NBA trading deadline drew closer.

Other teams tried to acquire Jimmy Jackson, Gatling and George McCloud from Dallas, but general manager Don Nelson sent them all packing to

the Nets in the deal that sent Shawn Bradley, Robert Pack and two others to the Mavericks.

Interest in the ex-Mavs still remain's high, and the Nets will have to decide if they want to stay active in the trade market and bring in a center or point guard.

"This is rotisserie basketball at its highest level," Nash said Tuesday. "That's what I get paid to do. We're trying to exercise some patience while trying to put a product on the floor that is competitive."

Elsewhere Tuesday, Chris Mullin, Derek Harper and Sean Rooks were just some of the players wondering whether they'll have new places of work by the time the weekend rolls around.

Some kind of accomodation is all-time high?.

Why? Maybe just to prove he could do it.

to New Jersey.

nailed to the bench, five in all,

"The locker room shocked me," Nelson said. "The things that went on, the things that were said, the negative things coming out from new and old players, were shocking.

'I observed it, I watched it, and basically got sick about it."

Experience says wait before passing judgment on a trade. So here's something to think about for a few paragraphs: Some

Celtics teams of needed doing and then set out to do them.

Filling the lane on a fast break, taking a charge, grabbing tough rebounds, just sitting on the bench with his mouth shut — so long as Boston won, Nelson didn't care which it was, or what kind of stats it produced. And he couldn't stand players who did.

There probably weren't that many around when he started

bined 1 All-Star and Dream Team appearances. The consensus around the league Tuesday was that he'd goofed again.

Somehow, the whole thing leaves the feeling there will be another reunion of Nelson's castoffs at next season's All-Star game. And that members of that not-so-exclusive club will welcome new ones with a knowing nod and this greeting: Same old Don.

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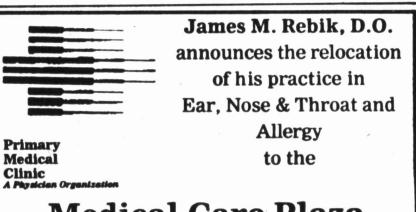
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Questions about Hirschbeck continue to dog Alomar

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No surprise, Roberto Alomar showed up at spring training, and right away the questions started all over again about umpire John Hirschbeck.

"The only thing I can say about that is it's already over and I don't even want to talk about it," Alomar said Tuesday after reporting to the Baltimore Orioles' camp in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

"I don't want to bring that issue up," Alomar said. "It's already over and I have to move on. I've said what I have to say about that whole situation. I just want to play the game of baseball and have some fun at the game.'

Alomar will serve a five-game suspension at the start of the regular season for spitting in Hirschbeck's face last September.

It might be a while, though, before Alomar is playing second base for the Orioles.

Alomar arrived in camp on crutches, nursing a badly sprained left ankle that could keep him sidelined for a week or two.

Hirschbeck is scheduled to work the Orioles' exhibition game against the Boston Red Sox at Fort Myers on March 17, but Alomar's injury might shelve a possible meeting between the two.

Orioles owner Pete Angelos says Hirschbeck owes Alomar an apology, claiming the umpire provoked the second baseman with a profane epithet.

Yankees

David Wells' career with New York took a second turn for the worse, and he hasn't even thrown a pitch yet.

Wells, who broke his left hand in a fight outside a bar on Jan. 12, found out that he has gout.

Baltimore and signed a \$13.5 ing, but he insists on making million, three-year contract with the Yankees, thought he had turf toe. But tests performed Monday detected gout, a condition caused by excess uric acid in the blood. It can cause joint inflammation, and the condition sidelined the 248pound pitcher for two weeks last season.

"It's been a bad year," he said at Tampa, Fla. "I'm frustrated because I want to get out there and participate. It's fun to do that. It's no fun sitting in here icing my foot and talking about my injury. I rather be out there and talking about baseball."

Padres

NL MVP Ken Caminiti, still recovering from major surgery on his left rotator cuff, arrived a day early despite taking the long way to camp.

Caminiti's drive from Houston to Peoria, Ariz., was delayed for 17 hours when his pickup broke down in west Texas on Sunday.

Caminiti unloaded his Harley-Davidson motorcycle and drove about 40 miles to the nearest town. The auto parts store was closed, so he had to call an emergency number to get someone to open up and sell him the part he needed.

"I was about ready to pull over to the side of the road, get a flight in here and tell my wife totaled the truck or something," Caminiti said.

In his first workout in Peoria, the switch-hitter took left-handed swings off tosses from hitting coach Merv Rettenmund, but took batting practice righthanded, sending balls to the fence and over it.

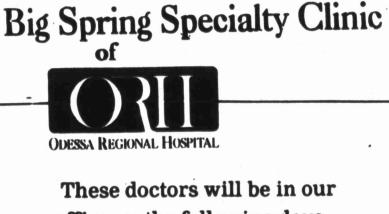
"Left-handed has been giving me a problem," said Caminiti, who also took grounders at third. "Right-handed, I could go out and play today." Tigers

Manager Buddy Bell says his The pitcher, who left wife wants him at spring train-

I'll go home no matter what," frequent trips to their Cincinnati home as she is treathe said. "The club has been phenomenal about understanded for tonsil cancer. "I'm glad to be here," Bell ing that." said at Lakeland, Fla. "I think I

would've driven Gloria crazy if I wasn't (in Florida), but it's good because it gets my mind off the situation for a while. Not completely. It's something I'm always thinking about, but I'm really looking forward to the season, so it's good to get started."

Bell said he expects to miss a day or two out of every 10 during spring training, although that could change.



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Owner finance, 2 bedroom, 1 bath, central heat/air. Large bedrooms, nice secluded yard w/shade trees. Call 263-1792 or 264-6006.	red, violets are blue, this Red Hot Deal is just for YOU! As low as \$252/month, 10% down, 8.5% APR, 360 mos. USA Homes, 4608 W. Wall, Midland TX 520-2177,	with good credit. Call	anytime for Free information. 1-954-753-8056. INTERESTED IN MODELING?ACTING (All Ages) Connect with	\$1.95/minute 18+ GTS (806) 434-3108. EXCITING DESTINY DATELINE!! CALL NOW.! 1-900-740-1165	SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY BENEFITS- Have you filled for	resource for work, love or finance. Everyone — including you — will love the results. Tonight: Let the fun begin.**** TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Coming from a secure place	able to change him. Se whole picture helps y Discover new informat a risk and break p Tonight: It all comes er.****
Great Investment opportunity! 5 Rental Houses (6 units). 3 Fully furnished, all currently rented. \$35,000. 267-8013	1-800-520-2177. Buy down financing with approved credit. Se Habla Espanol! TOO HOT TO HANDLERed Hot Deals! Spacious 2	Donna with Century 21 at 263-7615 or 393-5298. 2 bedroom, 1 bath Duplex. 1501 Lincoln A. Call 267-3841 or 556-4022. 2 267-3841 or 356-4022. 360 360	Hollywoodcastingsdirectorsandtalentagents!CallNow!1-900-378-668883.99/min.18+AudioText310-442-0560.	\$1.99.18+ GTS 1-800-434-0479. EXCITING LOCAL WOMEN. Get their #'s meet tonight 1-900-454-8255 \$1.99/min. GTS	benefits and been turned down? We can help! Free initial consultation. F.M. Blake & Associates 1-800-786-9024. STAINLESS STEEL	and understanding what is hap- pening permit you to be gener- ous with another, who causes more confusion than you would like. Be direct, and concentrate on one task at a time. Efficiency is tested to the max.	CAPRICORN (Dec. 19) One-to-one relating b understanding with a r partnership, even if it an institution. You m meet eye-to-eye, but
WAS 27, Now 16 HOME SITES LEFT in Coronado Hills !!! Verya competitive pricing! Don't be fooled by others misleading ads. Know your true bottom loan & payment up front.	beats: Spacrous 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 16' wide home. Great starter home, great lake home, great roommate home. As low as \$220/mo., 10% down, 9% APR, 180 mos. Buy down	rings - leave message 263-4642. 5 Bd, 3 bt, double garage, central heat/ref.	\$1,000 'S WEEKLY! Processing our mail part- time from your home. Easy work, No experience needed. Free postage/supplies. Start Today! Rush SASE : Southwast Publications	860-434-0479. FAST CASH EASY qualifying. Bad/no credit OK. Loans to \$25,000 Licensed Ioan broker (520)771-9322 HTTP://www.bslnet.com	Hi-Pressure Steam cleaners. To 4000psi, Factory Direct up to 55% Discounts. Financing. Best Quality and Prices in Nation. ALL 1-800-324-2822.	Tonight: Chill out.*** GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Fun and games surround a major change in your life. Let go of having to be right or wrong. Express your expecta-	need to gain insight to stand this person. Yo feel a little nervous abo Tonight: Make time dling.*** AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-1
Call Key Homes Inc. 1-915-520-9848. COUNTRY LIVING 1010 Derrick Road, Coahoma ISD. 3/2/2/	financing with approved credit. USA Homes, 4608 W. Wall, Midland TX 520-2177, 1-800-520-2177. Se Habla Espanol! CALL MOBILE HOME	air. \$600./mo, \$300./dep. 915-728-2848. Too LATES 1 bedroom, large fenced yard. Nice furniture. Gentleman preferred.	Southwest Publications, 13492 Research Blv., Suite 120-402A, Austin TX. 78750. \$300/A DAY! Mailing circulars! Begin now! SASE: DJD Marketing,	/accounts/pft/www/intro. htm FREE!!! AUDIO tape series on prayer. Scripture based. Limited number available. Raymond Sopp. box	START YOUR OWN \$150,00 a year business working from your location for only \$795!! No Selling. 100% Of sales done for you!! Free info. 1-800-*374-6477	tions, but don't anticipate understanding. More is accept- ed when said with humor. Tonight: You are a party ani- mal.***** CANCER (June 21-July 22) Handle financial insecurity	Stay on top of messa are dumbfounded by w hear and what comes you. You might not b mood to deal with a partner. Your fun-lovin emerges with others, do
brick, 1.6 acres, shop, corrals, barn, hot tub, fenced. Call 263-7924. By Owner, Location! Price! Quality! 3br, 2bth, 1 car garage, in	CREDIT HOTLINE FOR PRE-APPROVAL. 1-800-725-0881. BUSINESS BUILDINGS 60x90 SHOP on 5 acres	267-7714. 2 BEDROOM, 1 bath house. 1 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. 264-6155. AKC Registered German Sheppard puppies, 6	Box 030119, Dep. AP, Staten Island, NY 10303. AMAZING \$5,000 /WEEK PROCESSING mail from your location. FT or PT. No experience	#25352, Colorado Springs CO. 80936. FREE CASH GRANTS Never repay. Business, Education, Medical & Personal. For free info	ext. 9315. ULTIMATECOMPUTER SOURCE BOOK. Absolutely FREE over 1500 diskettes.	with more certitude than you have felt in the past. Rely on just yourself right now. Agreements made with others could be difficult to fulfill in the current atmosphere.	underlying grievance loved one. Tonight: Ac invite.**** PISCES (Feb. 19-Marc Stay tuned into wo don't let another te
Kentwood. Near schools. New ch/a & kitchen appliances, many updates. Fenced yard w/	with separate office. Located on Snyder Hwy. 263-6021 or 267-8696. OFFICE SPACE or	female & 4 males. 263-4030. CERTIFIED NURSE	schedule. Supplies	send SASE to : GRANTFINDERS 5871 N. UNIVERSITY DRIVE, STE W TAMARAC FL	unconditional Guarantee. Information \$2 P&H	Question decisions. Tonight: Spend little!*** LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Others don't get your mes-	patience. Your creative comes forth with a member or good frien he gets testy. Avoid go

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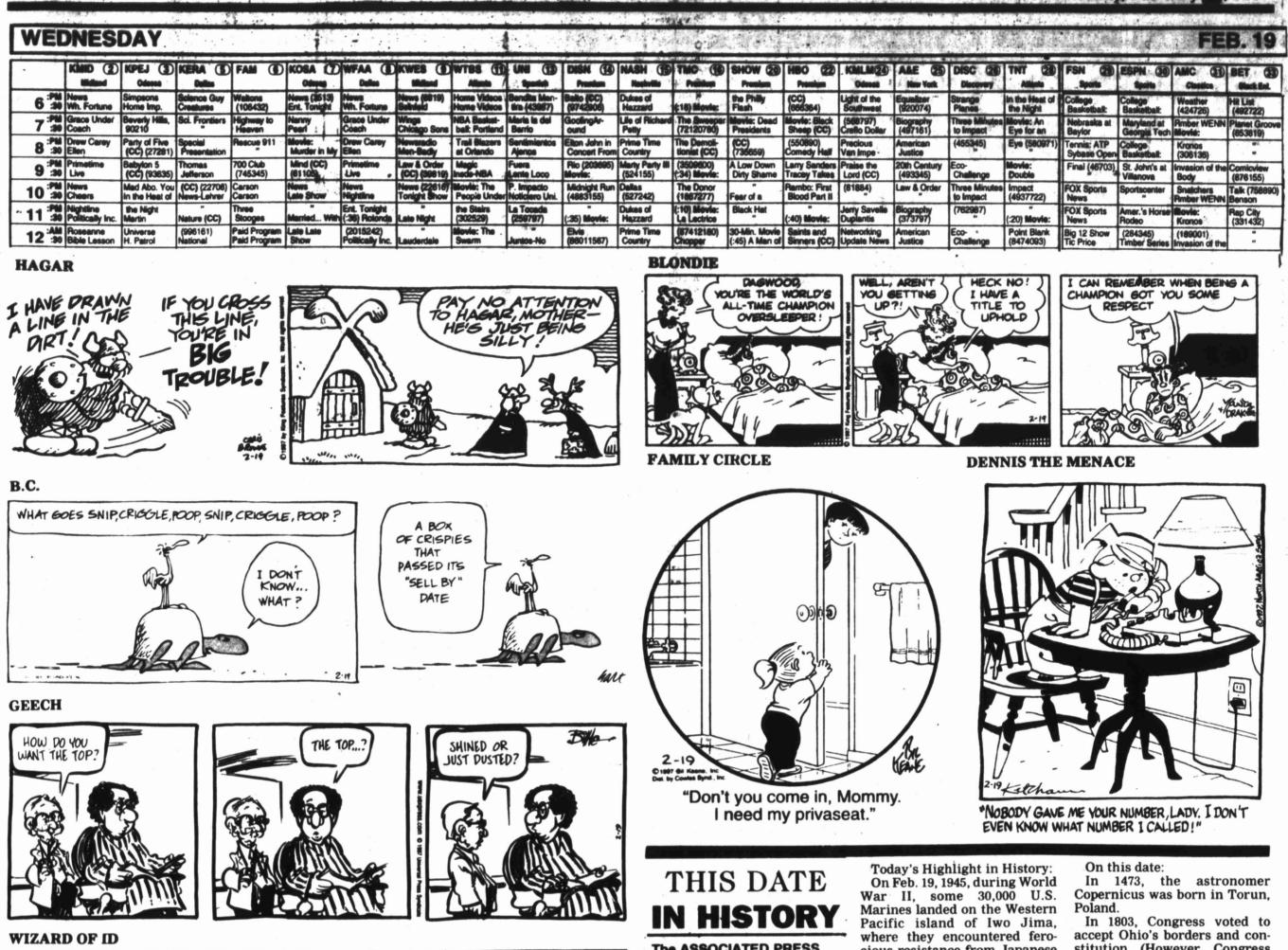
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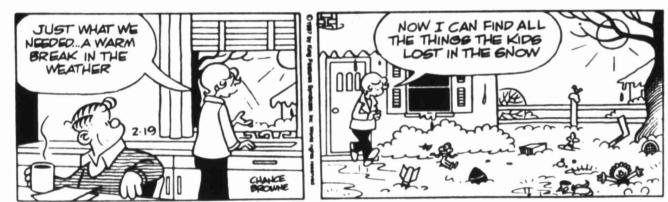
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In 1807, former Vice President Aaron Burr was arrested in Alabama. (He was subsequently tried for treason and acquitted.) In 1846, the Texas state government was formally installed in Austin.

In 1878. Thomas Edison received a patent for his phonograph.

In 1881, Kansas became the first state to prohibit all alcoholic beverages.

In 1942, President Roosevelt signed an executive order giving the military the authority to relocate and intern Japanese-Americans.

In 1942, during World War II. about 150 Japanese warplanes attacked the Australian city of Darwin.

In 1959, an agreement was signed by Britain, Turkey and Greece granting Cyprus its independence.

In 1963, the Soviet Union informed President Kennedy it would withdraw "several thousand" of an estimated 17,000 Soviet troops in Cuba.

In 1986, the U.S. Senate approved a treaty outlawing genocide, 37 years after the pact had first been submitted for ratification.

Ten years ago: Taking Democratic leaders and even some of his closest aides by surprise, New York Gov. Mario Cuomo announced during a radio call-in program that he would not run for president in 1988

Five years ago: Former Irish Republican Army member Joseph Doherty was deported from the United States to Northern Ireland following a 10year battle for political asylum.

One year ago: Republican presidential hopefuls argued taxes, trade and negative ads in a final burst of contentious campaigning on the eve of New Hampshire's leadoff primary, with Bob Dole the principal target. Baseball showman Charlie O. Finley died in Chicago at age 77.

Today's Birthdays: Hall-of-Fame jockey Eddie Arcaro is 81. Singer Smokey Robinson is 57. Singer Lou Christie is 54. Actor Michael Nader is 52. Rock musician Tony Iommi (Black Sabbath) is 49. Actor Jeff Daniels is 42. Talk show host Lorianne Crook is 40. Britain's Prince Andrew is 37.

Thought for Today: "In America everybody is, but some *8." are more than Gertrude Stein, American author (1874-1946).

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