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Heckler denies any wrongdoing in operation of business

By KELLIE JONES
Features Editor

Red Barn Auto Sales owner Danny Heckler denies he did anything wrong to prompt charges being filed against him by the Texas Department of Transportation and reported on the front page of Thursday's *Big Spring Herald*.

Heckler has been charged with abuse of paper buyer tags and one count of odometer rollback.

Heckler said the vehicle the state

claimed had the odometer rolled back on was a 1982 Volvo and is an 'exempt car.'

Heckler explained, "Odometer readings are not recorded on titles of vehicles 1988 or older. Instead, mileage is recorded as 'exempt.' If I were even entertaining the thought of tampering with an odometer, I certainly wouldn't bother on a 15-year-old vehicle."

Heckler said he had the vehicle in his possession in April 1996 for about two weeks before he took it to Abilene to be auctioned at the Big State Auto Auction.

"The local police department called DPS in Abilene and told them to confiscate it. It never went into the ring to be sold. To say I falsified the title, that's incorrect. To say I forged the title is incorrect," Heckler continued.

Concerning the paper tags the state alleges Heckler had printed with improper numbers, Heckler said the number was his old dealership number.

"I went out of business and when I reopened, I had to start from scratch. They issued me a new dealer number. I had people calling me that had

bought cars saying officers were pulling the tags. The number that they ran came back to another dealer." When asked if the state issued his old number to a different dealer, Heckler said, "Apparently that's what happened. That's what flew the flag up."

Jack Durham, an attorney with TXDOT's Motor Vehicle Division, Enforcement Section, said Thursday that Heckler had allegedly "used incorrect numbers and I don't think that was by accident."

Heckler said he didn't realize the mistake that had been made with the

printing company using his old number instead of his new one until his customers called him to tell him of the tags being removed from the vehicles.

"I had absolutely no gain, monetary or otherwise, from having the wrong number on tags. Had I caught the error myself, it would have only been an extra expense for me to have more tags printed. To say that it was purposely done makes no sense whatsoever, except to mislead," Heckler said.

Heckler claims the investigation was

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Coahoma ISD baseball field waits on lights

By KELLIE JONES
Features Editor

Like Wrigley Field, the Coahoma schools' baseball field will now have lights allowing students to play night games.

During a six-hour board meeting Monday night, trustees were updated on the status of lighting the baseball field.



MONROE

Superintendent Sonny Monroe said eight poles were installed Tuesday and 34 fixtures will arrive sometime this week. He added a transformer has been ordered by TU Electric and once it is installed, the lights will be turned on.

"It's never been lighted before and during the early season, the games have been called short," Monroe explained. "In fact, Tuesday night we could only play four innings. When it gets dusk and dark without lights, it's a hazard because someone could get hurt."

A subcommittee of trustees has been appointed to work with water district board members to address concerns over the excessive use of water and electricity at the softball field. The field is used by both the school and city teams and they are wanting to find ways to better regulate the water and electrical use.

Juniors and seniors at Coahoma High School now have the chance to be exempt from semester exams if they maintain good grades, attendance record and are not tardy often.

"If during the last two six-week periods the student has an 85 average, only three absences and tardies, they will be exempt," Monroe said. "This hasn't been done in recent years because of House Bill 72 passed

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Farmers find positives in rising rainfall totals

By CHRYS GOFF
Staff Writer

Area agricultural producers said ground moisture throughout the area is excellent following two days of soaking rain that brought the official local rainfall total to 3.46 inches — almost three times the norm of 1.19 inches.

Skies began to clear Thursday night, even though light precipitation returned to portions of Howard County earlier today.

"It's excellent, it went from 'poor' to 'excellent' in the last two days," Rob Haney said of the soil moisture levels at his farm, which is located in the northern part of Howard County.

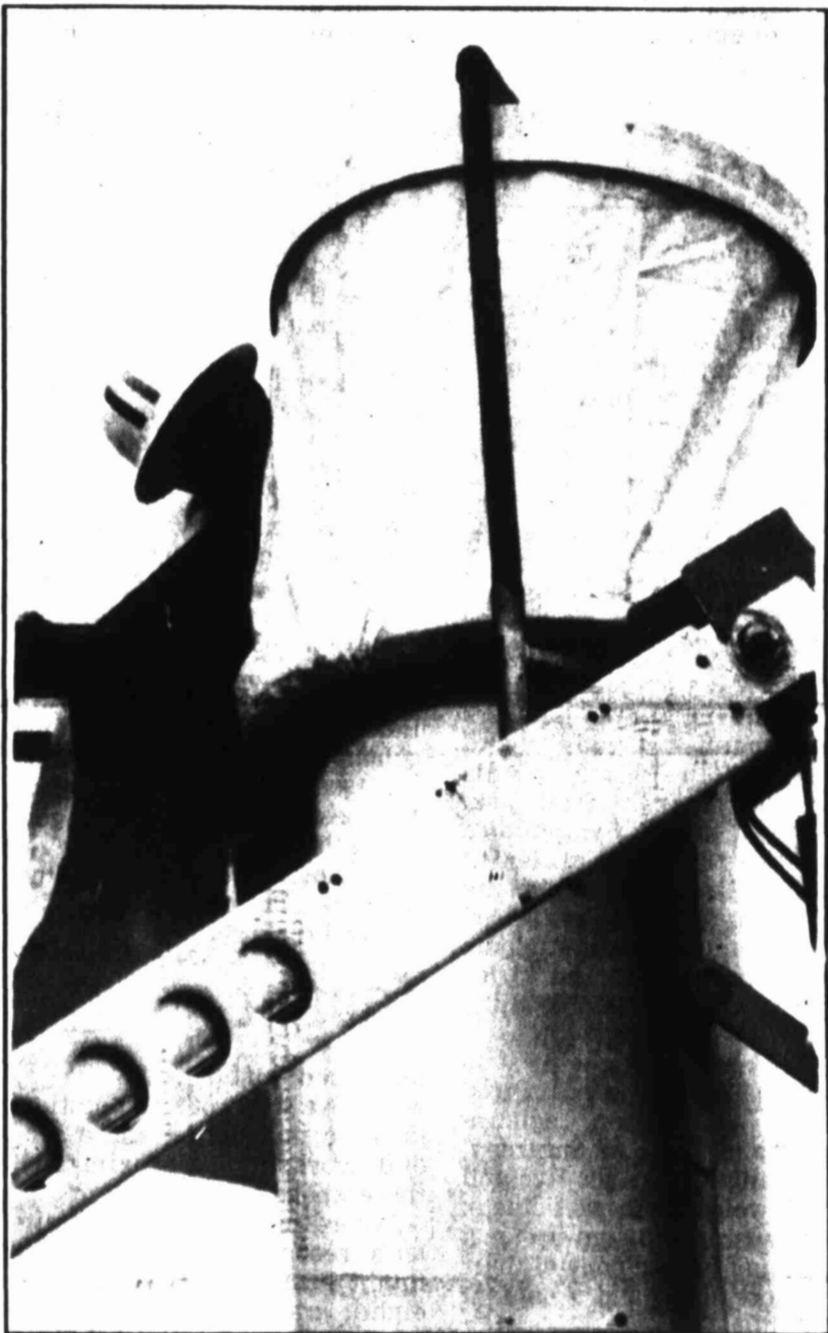
According to Haney, this is the best rainfall West Texas has had in recent years and he said it should prove to be a boon to farmers and ranchers who are still trying to recover from the devastation of last year's drought.

Haney said many farmers were concerned that soil moisture levels would be so low following last year's drought, that it would be difficult to make a crop this year — a troubling thought for many who'd had to collect on crop insurance.

"With this moisture, we will not need so much rain in the summer," Haney said, noting that the rains are important to the entire community. "This is kind of like a spare, because the moisture stays in the ground. Big Spring and the surrounding areas are considered a farm community, so when farmers are making money, they are able to spend money."

Howard County Extension Agent Don Richardson said there has been a complete turnaround in conditions from a year ago.

"The ground is 100 percent



HERALD photo/Jonathan Garrett

Due to the heavy rains that arrived Thursday, Southwestern Bell Telephone had to send Carroll Husted out to track down wet lines.

better than last year, it is the best condition the soil has been in years," Richardson said. "The farmers had a bad crop last year, because all the moisture had been depleted."

The snowfall received last week had already helped the

area's farmers. He said the snow set the ground up to receive the rain even better.

He also said that most of the farmers have already worked the ground, meaning that all the moisture soaked into the soil.

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Advisory council settles on sex ed recommendations

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

The Big Spring Independent School District (BSISD) will be presented a two-curriculum recommendation by the district's Health Advisory Council (HAC) concerning sex education for seventh- and eighth-grade classes during the 1997-98 school year.

Thursday afternoon, the HAC's subcommittee made its recommendation to implement "Sex Respect" for seventh-grade students and "Choosing the Best" (without slides) for eighth graders.

According to BSISD Assistant Superintendent Murray

Murphy, the HAC unanimously approved the recommended curriculum. Specifics on the curriculum recommendations are:

• **Choosing the Best** - Includes a leader's guide, student manual; two videos (Sex, Lies and the Truth; and No Second Chance); and 18 slides. The HAC subcommittee has decided that the slides should not be included in the curriculum.

This particular curriculum is recommended for grades seven through nine and includes approximately eight 40-minute sessions, and includes the fol-

lowing topics: Sex; Everybody's Talking About It; The Risk of Being Sexually Active; Aids and Safe Sex; Pressures to be Sexually Active; Choosing the Best; The Dating Game; Standing Up For Yourself; and Being Assertive Under Pressure.

Parent guides are not available for this curriculum, but parental involvement is expected through homework assignments with students taking manuals home.

• **Sex Respect** - Includes a teacher manual, parent guidebook, student workbook (posters, buttons, stickers and a creative dating book is also available).

Also included are a 12-minute introductory tape and a tape entitled Chastity Challenge (for church or home), deemed not appropriate for public school.

This curriculum is recommended for grades seven through 10 and includes and contains 11 lessons, including Sex: What We Are and What A Difference; Who's In Charge Here? Mind Over Matter; Free Sex: Is It Or Isn't It? Who's Kidding Whom?; Sex On Credit: Play Now, Pay Later; Aids: A Risky Business for Everyone; You Can Have It All! Go For It!; Dating: The Chance of a

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Council also lines out how curriculum will be taught

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

After reviewing recent comments and recommendations by parents and concerned citizens, the subcommittee of the Big Spring Independent School District's Health Advisory Council (HAC) has determined how the selected sex education curriculum will be taught to seventh- and eighth-grade students.

"Sex Respect" for seventh grades and "Choosing the Best" for eighth graders will be the curriculums recommended to the district's board of trustees in April. According to the HAC, both curriculums meet guidelines outlined in Senate Bill 1 from the Texas Education Code.

Sex Respect will be taught in its entirety with separate classes for boys and girls. Teaching

sex education was a near unanimous theme of parents and concerned citizens at a public forum on the issue earlier this month.

The suggested timeframe for the seventh-grade curriculum is one class day per week for approximately 11 weeks.

Choosing the Best will be taught excluding the program's slides and will be taught in separate classes for boys and girls. The suggested time frame for the eighth-grade curriculum is one class day per week for approximately eight weeks.

Parent orientation for curriculum will be scheduled before instruction begins.

For seventh graders' parents, there will be a one night orientation, with a second orientation session if necessary.

The eighth-grade curriculum

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Thursday deadline set in gasoline price fixing suit

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

After hearing a motion by the Attorney General's office to compel defendants in an alleged gasoline price fixing scheme to produce additional documents, 118th District Judge Robert Moore set 5 p.m. next Thursday as the deadline for those documents to be produced.

Attorney Ben Bancroft, who represents defendant Charles

Wesley Dunnam, president of Ackerly Oil Company, said Thursday's proceedings was a hearing on the prosecution's motions.

"We (defendants) have also filed several motions for the prosecution to produce documents for us," Bancroft said.

Bancroft added it was the defense's contention that the document requested by the prosecution falls outside of the time frame (between April and July 1994) in which his client is

alleged to have participated in the price fixing scheme.

"I said in the hearing that as far as my client was concerned, we have probably turned over close to 10,000 documents to the prosecution," Bancroft said, adding that he doesn't see a reason for turning over any additional documents.

According to Bancroft, there will also be a March 6 hearing in 118th District Court on several defense motions for a summary judgment in the case.

"We contend there are no fact issues to be determined by a jury, that there is not evidence to prove a price fixing scheme," Bancroft said.

Other defendants named in the Attorney General's price fixing lawsuit include Big Spring Fuel Company; Southwest Convenience Stores Inc. of Odessa; Charles Byron Harris, doing business as Desert Oil Company of Big Spring; Parks

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'Around the World in 80 Bites,' symphony in spotlight

HERALD Staff Report

Looking for something to do this weekend? Here's your ticket to weekend activities in and around Big Spring.

This feature is published each Friday and will include a variety of activities. It is limited to activities of a general nature, community fund-raisers, community functions, free performances, etc. It is not available to commercial ventures.

To submit your activity, send it to "Weekend Ticket," Big

WEEKEND TICKET

Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, 79721.

If you wish, you may fax your listing to 264-7205 or bring it by the Herald offices at 710 Scurry. No information will be taken over the phone.

• Spring City Senior Center dance, tonight, 7:30-10:30 p.m., Spring City Senior Center. Music will be provided by CW & Co. All senior citizens in the

area are invited.

• Heritage Museum, today from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., 510 Scurry. For additional information, contact the museum at 267-8255.

• Around the World in 80 Bites, 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry. A fund raising effort for the museum featuring foods

with both a domestic and international flavor. Tickets are priced at \$7.50 for adults and \$4 for children.

• Boys' high school basketball playoffs, bi-district games, Grady vs. Eden, 7:30 p.m. Friday in the Reagan County High School gymnasium in Big Lake; Christoval vs. Westbrook, 6:30 p.m. Friday in the Forsan High School gymnasium; and McCamey vs. Shallowater, 7 p.m. Friday, and Sonora vs. Monahans, 8 p.m. Friday, at

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TODAY'S WEATHER

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Tonight: Fair with a low in the lower 20s.
Saturday: Mostly sunny. High in the lower 50s. Low in the upper 20s.
Extended outlook: Sunday through Tuesday, partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 40s to mid 50s. Lows in the mid 20s to the mid 30s.

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OBITUARIES

Lois D. Singleton

Lois D. Singleton, 92, of Big Spring, died on Thursday, Feb. 20, 1997, at her residence. Service will be 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 22, 1997, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Rev. Gary Hubbard, Chaplain of Family Hospice, and Dr. Ed Williamson, pastor of First United Methodist Church, officiating. Interment will follow at Tahoka Cemetery, Tahoka.

She was born on Dec. 12, 1904, in Blue, Indian Territory. She married Alex Coston in 1924, and he preceded her in death in 1940. After his death, she married William Edward Singleton in 1954 in Lovington, N.M. He preceded her in death on June 7, 1978.

Mrs. Singleton was a retired school teacher. During more than 40 years of teaching, she held positions in Oklahoma, Lamar County, Texas, O'Donnell and Big Spring. She retired in 1969.

She was a member of the First United Methodist Church and a member of the Philathea Sunday School Class. She held her bachelor of science degree and a master's degree from East Texas State Teachers College in Commerce. She was a life member in the Texas State Teachers Association and the National Education Association, a member of Delta Kappa Gamma Women Teacher's Society, the Retired Teachers Association and the Order of the Eastern Star.

Survivors include: one brother, Ardis H. Pace, Lubbock; three nieces, Nelda Carter, Garden City, Emily O'Connor, Paris, and Sharla Zeigler, Lubbock; two nephews, Vernon Butler, Lawton, Okla., and Frank Parker, Bedford; six

great-nieces; two great-nephews; and several great-nieces and nephews.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, a brother, Ernest Parker and two sisters, Ruth Jolly Mason and Lilo Butler.

Pallbearers will be Roger Goertz, Steve McDaniel, Eddy Moore, Darrell Lewis, Jeff Parker and Don Miller.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. *Paid obituary*

Dr. Lee Butler

Dr. Lee Butler, 70, of Big Spring, died on Thursday, Feb. 20, 1997, at his residence.

Service will be 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 22, 1997, at First Baptist Church with Dr. Kenneth Patrick, pastor, and Dr. Harold Smith officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park Mausoleum.

He was born on June 10, 1926, in Houston, Texas, where he graduated from Jefferson Davis High School. He served in the United States Navy during World War II and was a Disabled American Veteran. He married Mary Nell "Molly" Albertson on April 20, 1950, in Houston.

He was ordained to the ministry by the Woodland Heights Baptist Church of Brownwood in 1951. He pastored missions and churches in Phoenix, Ariz., Wingate, Crane, Dallas, El Paso, Iraan and Houston. He was active in the Baptist denominational life associated with those churches. In 1967 he became Director of Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care at the Big Spring State Hospital where he served until he took medical retirement in 1983.

While at the hospital he was instrumental in the building of the Toilet All Faith Chapel. He developed a clinical pastoral education program for area pastors and chaplain interns. He served as interim pastor and supply preacher for churches of all faiths. He was also a well known speaker in civic organizations in the Permian Basin. He served as a volunteer for Big Spring State Hospital as long as his health permitted.

He attended Howard Payne University in Brownwood and graduated from Grand Canyon University in Phoenix, Ariz. He attended Southwestern Baptist Seminary in Fort Worth and received the Master of Divinity and Doctor of Theology Degrees from Luther Rice Seminary. He did post graduate work at the Institute of Religion in Houston to become a Certified Chaplain.

He was active in his numerous professional organizations: American Protestant Hospital Association, Fellow of College of Chaplains, Association of Mental Health Chaplains, Association of Christian Marriage Counselors, America Association of Sex Counselors and Therapists and Certified Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselor.

He received numerous commendations for his service and contributions in the field of mental health illness.

He is survived by: his wife, Molly of the home; two sons and their wives, Tommy and Vickie Butler of Whitehouse and Terry and Wanda Butler of De Soto; one daughter and her husband, Janie and Melvin Strader of Houston; four grandchildren, Christopher and Jennifer Butler of Whitehouse, Joseph Butler of De Soto and Arlen Strader of College Station; his sister and her husband, Gloria Joyce and John Restelli of Big Spring; and numerous relatives.

Pallbearers will be Christopher Butler, Dean Restelli, Rick Restelli, Arlen Strader, Charles Tucker and Roger Wells.

The family suggests in lieu of flowers that contributions be made to one's favorite charity. Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. *Paid obituary*

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Wanda Lee Hunt

Graveside service for Wanda Lee Hunt, 68, Odessa, formerly of Big Spring, will be 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 22, 1997, at Mt. Olive Memorial Park with Rev. Jim Hawk, pastor of First United Methodist Church in Odessa, officiating.

Mrs. Hunt died Wednesday, Feb. 19, in an Odessa hospital.

She was born on Aug. 18, 1928, in Big Spring, and married Harry Trader Hunt on July 27, 1946, in Big Spring. He preceded her in death on Sept. 22, 1995. She grew up in Big Spring and attended school here. She lived in San Angelo for 20 years and had lived in Odessa since 1994. She was a homemaker and a member of the First United Methodist Church of Odessa.

Survivors include: two sons, Jay Hunt, Odessa, and Jerry Hunt, Carrollton; one daughter, Jennifer Mercer, Sierra Vista, Ariz.; one brother, Jack Lee, Big Spring; nine grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. The family suggests memorials to West Texas Lighthouse for the Blind; 2001 Austin; San Angelo, Texas; 76903; or the American Cancer Society; c/o Lucy Bonner; P.O. Box 2121; Big Spring, Texas; 79721-2121.

The family will receive friends from 9 to 11 a.m. Saturday at the funeral home. Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Ticket

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Dorothy Garrett Coliseum...
• The Region II-1A Girls' Basketball Tournament, Friday and Saturday, at the McMurry University gymnasium in Abilene. Sands faces Irion County at 4 p.m. Friday, while Grady takes on Garden City at 8 p.m. Friday.

• Region I-1A Girls' Basketball Tournament, Friday and Saturday, at the South Plains College gymnasium in Levelland. Borden County faces Whiteface at 5:30 p.m. Friday.
• Big Spring Tennis Boosters Tournament, Friday and Saturday, at the Figure 7 Tennis Center in Comanche Trail Park.
• Big Spring Symphony's "Music for the Young at Heart," 8 p.m. Saturday, Big Spring City Auditorium. Tickets priced at \$10 for adults, \$8 for students and senior citizens and \$5 for children will be available at the door.

• City-wide League League Baseball and United Girls' Softball Association registration, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, Big Spring Mall. Ages five and up are welcome to participate. Those wishing to sign up for a team must have a copy of their birth certificate and a current utility bill.

Suit

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Fuels Inc. of Big Spring; Ackerly Oil Company Inc. of Big Spring; Town and Country Food Stores Inc. of San Angelo; Robin Dijon Stanford, vice-president of Big Spring Fuel Company; and Bob Charles Parks, vice-president of Parks Fuels Inc.

The suit alleges the defendants agreed to raise the retail price of regular unleaded gasoline by 4 cents per gallon in April 1994. The suit says this antitrust agreement resulted in regular unleaded gasoline prices increasing from \$1.059 to \$1.099 per gallon at nearly all of the retail outlets in Big Spring between April 12 and April 14.

The trial date in the alleged price fixing scheme is scheduled for May 5 in 32nd District Court in Sweetwater.

BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

CISD

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in the mid-80s. But now, districts can have exemptions to help increase the attendance and grades of the students.

During spring break, employees with ATS Telecon will install fiber optic cable throughout the district allowing the computer servers to be linked to the Internet as well as providing digital and video capabilities. The cost of the project is \$3,385.

Some other items discussed or approved at the meeting:

• Approved the following people to be election judges for the May 3 election: Ginger Metcalf, Coahoma Community Center; Patricia Barr, Vincent Baptist Church; Deanna Harvell, Sand Springs Lions Club Building; and Donna Merrick and Gina McEndree, Coahoma ISD Administration Building.
• Discussed the district's goals for the 1997-98 school year. Team leaders will be appointed soon and volunteers recruited to be in charge of a publicity campaign to get both school employees and members of the community involved in reaching the district's goals.

• Approved requests from Gary Fox and Mary Rowell to take personal days the day before a state holiday. Fox needs a personal day so he can continue his 25-year tradition of being a pole vault judge in the state track meet. Rowell is required to attend the senior trip with her husband who is the principal at Westbrook High School.

• Entered into executive session for about 2 1/2 hours to discuss the contracts of several employees. Trustees came out of the session and approved the contracts for Cindy Young, high school principal, through June 30, 1999; Dale Weaver, junior high school principal, through June 30, 1998; Jan Sanders, elementary school principal, through June 30, 1999; Ron Baker, assistant elementary school principal, through June 30, 1998 and Gina McEndree, business office manager, through June 30, 1999.
• Changed the March meeting date to March 24 because of spring break.

Taught

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will have a parent orientation prior to instruction and a second workshop approximately three weeks later.

According to the subcommittee's recommendations, slides might be shown to parents of eighth graders as examples of what may happen if a child has a sexually transmitted disease.

As for the instructors of the classes, the subcommittee made six recommendations:

- Instructors must hold the belief that abstinence is the only recommended lifestyle for unmarried persons and that such a lifestyle is attainable.
- Must have respect from both student and parents.
- Must possess and enthusiasm for course goals.
- Must be willing to follow the teacher's manual with a clinical approach.
- Should involve both male and female role models.
- Should involve some nurses and counselors.

Choice

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Lifetime; Staying Cool -It's Never Too Late; Fatherhood/Motherhood: Are You Ready?; and It's A Wrap. Sex Respect includes parental

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involvement throughout the program.

The selected sex education curriculums will be additions to health education classes, and participation will be optional for each student.

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

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

Parent permission forms on the curriculum, in addition to listing basic content, will also inform parents of their right to remove a student from any part of the instruction.

Training of seventh grade curriculum instructors will include a one day training session with Gray Phillips, youth director at Hillcrest Baptist Church.

Eighth grade instructors will have a one day training session with Rev. Carroll Kohl of St. Paul Lutheran Church.

Both Phillips and Rev. Kohl are members of the HAC subcommittee and have worked with similar sex education curriculums with their own congregations.

Evaluation of both programs will come from parents, students and instructors completing evaluations once classes are complete.

Heckler

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prompted after he became vocal during the March 1996 primaries concerning the sheriff's race.

"I should point out that these allegations originated from a local investigation, by local persons from the police department. And coincidentally, I became the subject of investigation immediately following the local elections (primaries) held for appointment of a sheriff," he said.

"I spoke out publicly regarding my opinion during the election. I believe it highly unlikely I would have gained this much attention had I not stepped on a few toes at the police department. This is not the first time I have done so, and not the first time I have been retaliated against," Heckler continued.

A hearing has been tentatively set in Howard County April 17 but Durham said a motion has been made to change the date to May 5 so the administrative law judge from TXDOT would be available.

BRIEFS

THE 118th DISTRICT COURT jury called for Monday has been cancelled, according to District Clerk Glenda Brasell. Persons called to serve on the jury need not report as scheduled.

THE GIRLS SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION is having a meeting open to parents, coaches and anyone interested, 3 p.m. Sunday at Days Inn.

THE CITY-WIDE LITTLE League Baseball and United Girls' Softball Association sign-ups 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.

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Patsy Correa Fierro, 20, died Wednesday. Services were 10:00 AM today at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church. Burial followed in Trinity Memorial Park.

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Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory
906 Gregg St. (915) 267-6331

Fernanda G. Morales, 71, died Wednesday. Rosary will be at 8:00 PM Friday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Funeral Mass will be at 10:00 AM Saturday at St. Thomas Catholic Church. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Wanda Lee Hunt, 68, died Wednesday. Graveside services will be at 1:00 PM Saturday at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Lois D. Singleton, 92, died Thursday. Services will be at 2:00 PM Saturday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Tahoka Cemetery, Tahoka, Texas.

Dr. Lee Butler, 70, died Thursday. Services will be at 4:00 PM Saturday at First Baptist Church. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park Mausoleum.

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State school employee charged with killing retarded man

GROESBECK — A Mexia State School employee faces a murder charge in the Feb. 8 death of a retarded man he was responsible for supervising, authorities say.
Timothy Wayne Forge, 26, was arrested at his home in Groesbeck and held in the Limestone County Jail on a \$100,000 bond.
Forge, who has worked at the school since 1990, is accused of killing William Allen Lucas, 36.
Investigators refused to discuss Lucas' injuries, but an arrest affidavit filed by the Limestone County Sheriff's Department says Lucas died from blunt force trauma.

Commissioner says deal with Prudential will help many

AUSTIN — Prudential Insurance Co. of America has agreed to pay a record fine in Texas of \$2 million to settle a lawsuit with the state.
Texas and at least two other states reached separate agreements Thursday with Prudential that could force the company to pay more restitution in a nationwide, class-action lawsuit.
Texas Insurance Commissioner Elton Bomer said the Texas agreement will make it easier for Prudential customers in every state, including 250,000 Texans, to recover damages if they think they were cheated by the New Jersey company.
The previous record fine in Texas was \$1.25 million assessed against Metropolitan Life in 1994.

Managed care creator critiques plan's progress

AUSTIN — A creator of managed health care said the plan is still in its trial-and-error stage, not disarray, as some might say.
Alain Enthoven, speaking at the Scott & White Assembly where the nation's leading experts on health policy gathered this week, discussed managed care — a program he developed the prototype for 20 years ago.
"We're to the phase of innovation," Enthoven said. "Trial-and-error will have to be part of that as we work our way to solve the problems."
Enthoven said managed care gets a bad reputation from the media and politicians who generalize the plan's effectiveness and glorify the pre-managed care era.

Education board members targeting TAAS

AUSTIN (AP) — State Board of Education members who are backed by religious conservatives want to abolish the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills, which is used to test student performance and rank schools.
"When both parents and teachers are adamantly against something, elected officials better sit up and take notice," board member Donna Ballard of The Woodlands said Thursday.
Joining in the call to replace TAAS with periodic administrations of another, nationally recognized exam were: board members David Bradley of Beaumont, Richard Neill of Fort Worth, Robert Offutt of San Antonio and Randy Stevenson of Tyler, according to Ballard. All are Republicans.

Their call to ditch the TAAS immediately was opposed by a number of state officials, House Public Education Committee Chairman Paul Sadler, D-Henderson, included.
"It's ridiculous. I don't know what world they're living on, I really don't," Sadler said of the five members on the 15-member Education Board.
Ballard said the TAAS has spurred unhealthy competition, pressure on students and the possibility of fraud.
TAAS supporters say it provides a state-based way to ensure students are being taught what they need to know and gives accountability.
The TAAS "has been cited all over the country as one of the hallmarks of the Texas system,"

while the Texas Supreme Court in upholding the state's school funding system said the test assures each student gets a basic education, Sadler said.
Senate Finance Committee Chairman Bill Ratliff, former education head, noted the same board members have expressed great concern about the possibility of Texas getting curriculum input from a national group.
"I think it's ironic that they don't want some national group to be involved in the curriculum, but they do want some national group to establish the test," said Ratliff. "I give up."
Education Commissioner Mike Moses called the five members' position unfortunate.
"Texas parents deserve to

know of the progress their children are making while at school. Additionally, Texas taxpayers want to know about the performance of their public schools. It makes sense to use a test made by Texans for Texans," he said.
On the other side, high school science teacher Kerri Hatchett of Greenville called the TAAS "a disaster."
"I see the beginning and the end results of teaching a test for 12 years of a child's life. They lose all interest and enthusiasm for school. Learning one test for 12 years is boring! They do not know how to think for themselves. They do not trust themselves when the correct answer is not in front of them," she said.

White House employees to be taken off DNC payroll

WASHINGTON (AP) — Saying the practice was creating a hassle for the Clinton administration, the White House no longer will pay five employees with Democratic National Committee political funds.
White House chief of staff Erskine Bowles decided to shift the five workers to the White House payroll after President Clinton ordered a review of the practice, White House spokesman Mike McCurry said Thursday.
"Frankly, it's not worth the

hassle," McCurry said. "On balance, we'd rather have the (five) individuals currently on the DNC payroll on the White House payroll and discontinue the practice."
The administration acknowledged that the DNC has paid the salaries of about 20 White House employees during Clinton's administration. The White House originally said four workers remain in their jobs, but said later the number also included a staffer who does travel advance trips in Vice President Al Gore's office.

McCurry could not say how long it would take to transfer those employees to the White House payroll, but he said the administration would move quickly in order to quiet the matter.
"We just don't need this set of questions at this time," McCurry said.
The head of a House investigating committee called on the White House for a complete list of everyone who has received any compensation from the DNC or other political entity.
"It shows the blurring of the

lines between the official functions of the presidency and the partisan politics, which should be over at the Democratic committee or the re-election committee," said Rep. David M. McIntosh, R-Ind., chairman of a House Government Reform and Oversight subcommittee.
The employees had been carried on White House records as volunteers. Defending the practice of paying them with political funds, McCurry said, "Well, it's a practice that has occurred at previous White Houses, apparently."

State lawmakers propose 15 percent electric rate cut

AUSTIN (AP) — Electric companies would have to compete for the right to power Texans' homes and businesses and the companies that serve most Texans now would have to cut rates by 15 percent under bills pending in the Legislature.
Rep. Mark Stiles, D-Beaumont, and Sen. Jerry Patterson, R-Pasadena, on Thursday said now is the time to deregulate the state's electricity market. Both lawmakers said electricity can be sold cheaper in Texas and any deregulation plan should start with a rate cut.
Under their plan, investor-owned utility companies, which cover about 90 percent of Texas, would have to cut prices by 15 percent starting Sept. 1. Publicly owned utilities, like the city of Austin's, and cooperative utility companies would not have to cut rates.
A spokesman for the state's largest utility companies called the rate cut a gimmick.
Gary Rasp, a spokesman for the Association of Electricity Companies of Texas, said the bills filed by Stiles and Patterson would allow companies affected by the rate cut to appeal to the Texas Public Utility Commission if the cut would affect their ability to stay in business. He said that would result in many appeals.
"It's an effort to gain support," Rasp said.
Under the current, regulated system, Texas utility companies hold monopolies in the territories they serve. Investor-owned utility companies have argued that electricity rates in Texas are below the national average.

But Patterson said he isn't interested in that argument. "Can they be lower?" he asked.
"We know electricity can be cheaper," Stiles replied.
Stiles added that many of the companies arguing against deregulation give cost breaks to large companies. He said if it's OK to cut rates for big business, it should be OK to do the same for small businesses and consumers.
Rasp said large companies can get lower rates because they use

a lot of electricity. "That happens in any industry because of economies of scale," he said.
Meanwhile, Karl Rabago, a former PUC commissioner and energy program manager for the Environmental Defense Fund, said his group supports the ideas in the Stiles-Patterson bills. But he said they don't enough for the environment or Texas consumers.
"The question is are the environment or consumers better off," Rabago said. "I'm afraid the answer is no."

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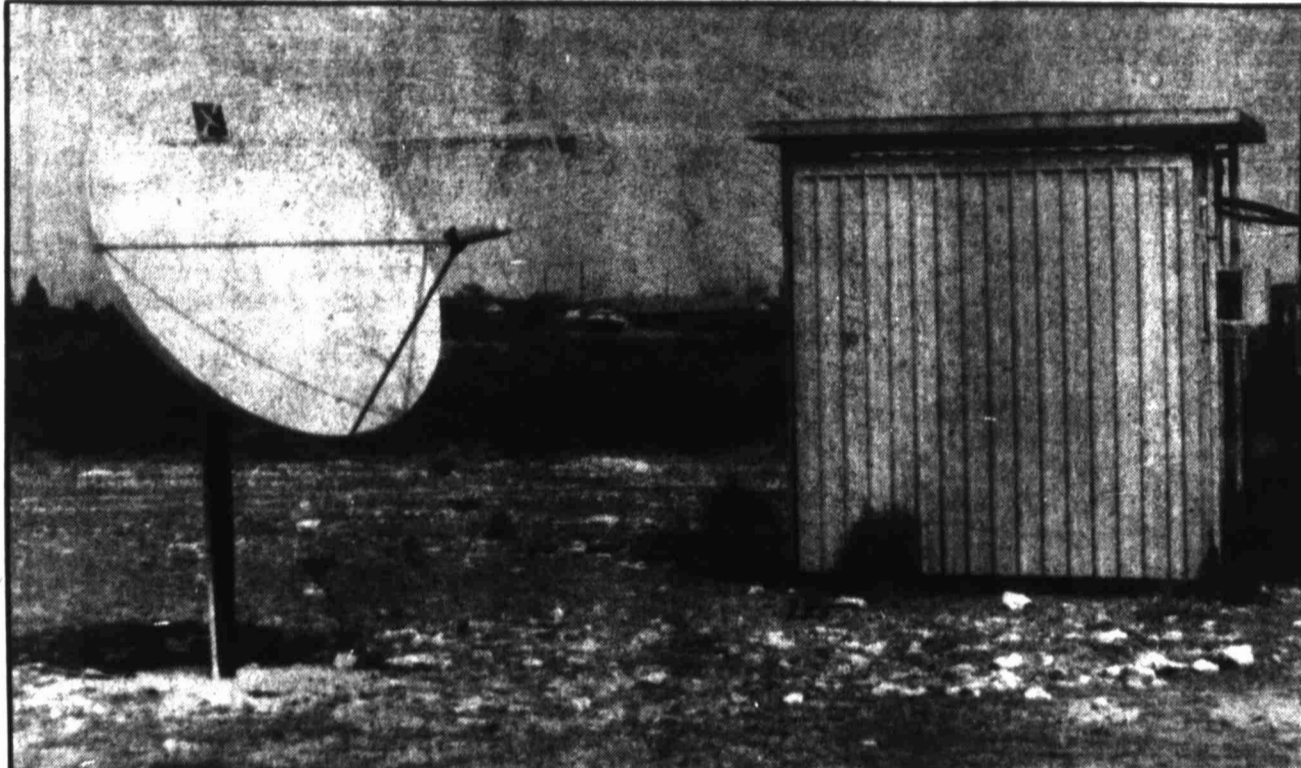
Christian radio station provides variety of music and programs

By KELLIE JONES
Features Editor

Big Spring's Christian radio station may soon get a boost of power if federal regulators approve the request. American Family Radio, 91.5 FM, is currently operating on 25 kilowatts of power and are wanting to increase it to 250 kilowatts.

AFR is affiliated with American Family Association based in Tupelo, Miss. and one church in each town is given the opportunity to sponsor a station. First Church of the Nazarene is the local sponsor and Rev. Gary Smith said they have put in a request to the Federal Communications Commission for the upgrade. They are awaiting word from the FCC for approval. Right now, people living or driving 18 to 25 miles of Big Spring can pick up the station and with the upgrade, it would increase to 50-60 miles.

The station went on the air last summer after about 18 months of waiting on the FCC for approval to start up the station. There are no commercials and no disc jockeys working the board. Instead, it's just simply a building containing computers and other equipment needed to be on the air.



Smith said, "We are not in competition with other radio stations. We've had tremendous response from the public. There are no contributions taken at the church for the upkeep of the station. AFR has two fund raisers a year. This church is solely responsible for the station and we receive no input from other churches because AFR wants just one contact to deal with."

AFR allows the church to air 30-second public service announcements each hour and Smith records them at the church then takes the tape to the building to install the message. Most of the time, the message is just thanking people for listening and mentioning the church is the sponsor. Other churches can contact Smith if they want to promote a special event at their church. All a

church official needs to do is type up their information and if possible, make a cassette tape of the announcement and give it to Smith. If necessary, Smith will make changes or record the announcement for the church. This is a good opportunity for churches to let the public know of revivals, special guest speakers, etc. The church is responsible for any expenses the station may



HERALD photos/Jonathan Garrett
Above: First Church of the Nazarene's Rev. Gary Smith installs one of the announcements into the machine so it can be used every hour. A device in the computer trips the tape when it's time for the announcement to be played. Left: This building houses the equipment needed to operate the radio station.

incur, housing of equipment and occasional repairs until their deductible is met, then AFR picks up the rest of the amount.

There is no local news on the station and a national news update every 30 minutes. Smith said about 70 percent of the programming is music and 30 percent is news and commentary. There are several syndicated Christian programs featured on 91.5 FM including Dr. James Dobson's "Focus on the Family," "Turning Point" with Dr. David Jeremiah and "The Christian Working Woman"

with Mary Whelchel. Starting at 5 p.m. Saturdays, Gary Chapman (Amy Grant's husband) has a three-hour countdown show featuring the top 30 contemporary Christian songs of the week. This is designed to provide music for the younger generation.

Saturdays is also a good opportunity to turn off the cartoons and listen to radio programs such as "Music for Children: at 8 a.m.; "We Kids" featuring music and Bible stories at 9 a.m. and "Funlight Radio with Teeny Tiny Tales" at 9:30 a.m.

STATE SOLO AND ENSEMBLE CONTESTANTS



HERALD photo/Jonathan Garrett
The following students recently received Division I ratings at the Region VI University Interscholastic League Solo and Ensemble Contest and advance to the state competition in May. Front row, from left, are: Mindy Robertson, Deanna Thompson, Tonya Phifer and Kandi Cline. Middle row, from left, are: Laura Davis, Alicia Phifer, Shelly Schroeder, Amanda Armstrong and Sharon Fleming. Back row, from left, are: David Gunn, Charlie Rudinger, Brady Patterson, Chris Felty and Jerrod Helms. Not pictured are Keely Patterson and Trisha Trevino.

Know the true definition of love

By BERNIE DONATO
Guest Columnist

A week ago, my wife and I made a special trip to Loma Linda, Calif., in order to be with our children on St. Valentine's Day.

It was indeed special because one of our twin sons who is not married yet, wanted us to meet a lovely girl from Mississippi with whom he got acquainted while in Tennessee a few months back. The whole family enjoyed being together all through the day and the following weekend. What an "out flowing of love" we all had!

Love is the most wonderful feeling in the world. There should be an abundance of it among sweethearts, married couples, families, and the whole of humanity. Unfortunately, the word love has been misused so much that feelings and actions, which are not necessarily based on real love, are called love indiscriminately. Love should not be placed in the same category with "infatuation," or "lust."

Love is not just a feeling. As one religious writer says,

"Love is a precious gift, which we receive from Jesus. Pure and holy affection is not a feeling, but a principle. Those who are actuated by true love are neither unreasonable nor blind." This is opposite to what Shakespeare, a famous English poet and dramatist of the Middle Ages, thought, when he said, "Love is blind, and lovers cannot see the pretty follies that themselves commit." This concept can be seen in his literary works, especially the one entitled, "Romeo and Juliet," which are referred to today as tragedies.

But going back to love; it is only genuine when based on God's love. The Bible says, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son." John 3:16. Notice, "God so loved...He gave." It should be. When we love someone, we think of what we can give to, or do for, that person. This is true not only in spiritual matters, but also in the material. Somebody has said, "You can give without loving, but you cannot love without giving." Real happiness in love can only be achieved when this princi-

ple is present. Otherwise, those who are supposed to be in love will always be dogged by unhappiness. Selfishness and hatred, the opposite of love, are the common ingredients of "love triangles," which lead to divorce, suicide, and other tragic experiences in life.

If we truly want to achieve genuine love, let us think of the happiness of those we love rather than be concerned of our own personal desires and selfish needs. Go back to "the old time religion," and love as God loves. Through one of His prophets, God says, "Yes, I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore, with loving kindness, I have drawn you." Jeremiah 31:3.

May we have His love in our hearts, not only during St. Valentine's Day, or the month of February, but at each day of our lives, in order that we can indeed experience real love and happiness in our homes, families, and churches, and among our countrymen and fellow human beings.

Bernie Donato is the pastor at Big Spring's Seventh-Day Adventist Church.

CLUB NEWS

West Texas Republican Women's Club

The West Texas Republican Women's Club met Thursday, Feb. 13, at the Big Spring Country Club with new president Dene Sheppard presiding. She introduced Mary Jane Smith of Odessa, current president of Texas Federation of Republican Women. Mrs. Smith gave a report on TFRW activities and thanked the Howard County Club for their hard work in the 1996 campaign.

After a short business meeting, Vice President Frances Wheat had a get-acquainted time with each person giving facts about the person sitting next to them and then each person shared with the club interesting things about their friend.

Our next meeting is Thursday, March 13, noon at the Big Spring Country Club.

Tall Talkers Toastmasters Club

Tall Talkers Toastmasters Club had its weekly meeting 5:15 p.m. Tuesday afternoon Feb. 18.

Table Topics were led by Joelle Ford, and the word of the day was finical, meaning picky.

Each member was given the opportunity to speak on the topic of the day, which was on various subjects. Best Table Topic

speaker was Bailey Anderson. Kathy Terrazas was voted best speaker. Her speech was titled How to get students to read. The best evaluator was Ester Schneider.

The goal of Tall Talkers is to educate people to become better leaders and communicators. If you are interested in becoming a Tall Talker Toastmaster, please contact Bailey Anderson at 267-3008.

There is no meeting March 11 due to spring break.

Big Spring Women's Club

Big Spring Women's Club met Monday, Feb. 17, in the home of Tracy McKenzie. Donna Palmer, President-elect, introduced Mary Miller, owner of Skipper Travel Agency, as our guest speaker. Mary led us down a

vacation trail of Texas and the world's bed and breakfasts. Donna Palmer opened our business meeting with a proposed slate of new officers for 1997-98 that will be voted on at the March meeting. Donna Tune and Susan McLellan are teaming up to get BSWC ready to host the Texas Federation of Women's Club's Western District Convention in Big Spring March 21-22. Lisa Brooks, membership chairman, led an installation of 10 new members into our club. Our cookbook sales continue and if you would like to purchase one, contact Amy Overton at 267-6901.

Howard County NAACP

The Howard County NAACP had its monthly meeting Feb. 10 with more than 18 members and guests in attendance. The membership campaign is currently under way. Since last month's meeting, more than 34 individuals have either joined the NAACP or re-affirmed their commitment by renewing their memberships. Plans were finalized for a Black History Month celebration. On Feb. 28, the NAACP is sponsoring a Gospel Extravaganza. Max Brown, associate warden at the Big Spring FCI, is the keynote speaker. He will address the audience regarding the national theme for Black History Month, African Americans and Civil Rights: A Re-appraisal. Mt. Bethel Baptist Church has agreed to host this celebration from 7-9 p.m. This program is free and open to the public.

Students from SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf's Black Affairs Program addressed the chapter regarding their plans for a Black History Month celebration. The NAACP collected and donated \$100 to support this group of college students in their endeavors to celebrate the holiday and to educate their peers.

Terrance Collins from Junior Achievement

Programs, affiliated with the University of Texas at the Permian Basin, addressed the chapter asking for help in sponsoring a Leadership program for the high school youth in the Big Spring area.

This program is a free one-day event open to all high school students. The focus is to teach leadership, goal setting, communication skills and encourage community involvement as our students are the leaders of the future.

Sponsorship would involve selecting students, providing facilitators and so on. The chapter voted to seriously consider this proposal and to further pursue the feasibility of co-sponsoring such a workshop.

The next NAACP meeting is March 10, 7 p.m., at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce. Call President Stephanie Horton at 264-0306 to see how you can join NAACP or for more information.

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Jury cancelled for Monday

The 118th District Court jury called for Monday has been cancelled, according to District Clerk Glenda Brasell. Persons called to serve on the jury need not report as scheduled.

Softball meeting Sunday

The Girls Softball Association is having a meeting open to parents, coaches and anyone interested. 3 p.m. Sunday at Days Inn.

Free income tax assistance

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 4. For further information call 398-5522 or 263-4211.

THE LAST WORD

Nothing can bring you peace but yourself.
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Truth lies within a little and certain compass, but error is immense.
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An illusion which makes me happy is worth a verity which drags me to the ground.
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The office of government is not to confer happiness, but to give men opportunity to work out happiness for themselves.
William Ellery Channing

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CHURCH NEWS

Church news is due by Wednesday at noon for Friday publication.

First United Methodist Church

"Jesus: Calming A Storm Without and Within" (Luke 8:22-25) is Dr. Ed Williamson's message Sunday at the First United Methodist Church, 400 Scurry, be about calming anxiety within our souls. Join us in church at 8:30 and 10:50 a.m. We are on the internet now with a "home page" at <http://www.xroadstx.com/users/fumc/index.htm>, and we think you will like it.

Coming soon: March 23, at 7 p.m. we present "The Last Supper: A Living Picture," a drama about Jesus and his disciples. On March 16, the Chancel Choir, under the direction of John and Denise Ross, present a special, "The Seven Last Words of Christ" cantata during the 10:50 a.m. service. Don't miss this beautiful musical.

On Sunday, at 7 p.m., there is an "Evening Star Worship Service" in the Garrett Hall. This is a contemporary service and everyone is invited for the songs and praise.

First Church of the Nazarene

During the Sunday morning worship service of Feb. 23, the Southern Nazarene University Chorale is in concert at the First Church of the Nazarene. This group of 43 young singers from Bethany, Okla., will be traveling in the West Texas area this weekend, sharing the Gospel in song with other Nazarene churches, as well as the Big Spring congregation. The community is invited to enjoy this beautiful presentation at 10:30 a.m. in the church sanctuary at 1400 Lancaster.

Evangel Temple Assembly of God

Evangel Temple is hosting the ministry of Rev. Chuck Rodger, director of Midland Teen Challenge. He will be at the church for the Sunday morning service at 10:55 a.m. Teen Challenge is an international ministry devoted to healing alcoholics and drug addicts through the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Teen Challenge has one of the highest success rates in the United States of any drug and alcohol treatment program. Any young person, parents, people who have worked with addicts, or any who may even have an addiction are welcome. Evangel Temple is located at 2205 S. Gollad.

First Baptist Church of Stanton

There is a church council luncheon following the Sunday worship services.

First Presbyterian Church

First Presbyterian Church, Eighth and Runnels, invites you to a brown bag lunch as part of their Lenten Lunch Series during Lent that runs through March 13. They are viewing and discussing a video series entitled "Praying in the Midst of Life," a guide to prayer by Ron DeBene. The last three meetings are Feb. 27, "Praying the Scripture," March 6, "Learning the Breath Prayer," and March 13, "Retreating Anytime." The lunch series is noon until 1 p.m. at the church parlor.

Life! Section Sunday Deadlines

All Sunday items (weddings, anniversaries, engagements, birth announcements, who's who, military) are due to the Herald office by Wednesday at noon. Wedding, engagement, anniversary and birth announcement forms are available in the editorial department. Pictures are to be picked up no later than 30 days after publication or they will be discarded.

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Coahoma rolls to playoff win

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

SWEETWATER — It may have been five years since the Coahoma Bulldogs last won a basketball playoff game, but they seemed pretty comfortable with the drill.

The Bulldogs grabbed the lead early in their bidistrict playoff game against Hawley and never let go, riding a combination of defense and perimeter shooting to a 64-51 victory at Sweetwater High School Thursday night.

The taller Bearcats fought Coahoma to a draw inside, but the game was won on the perimeter, where the Bulldogs canned seven three-pointers compared to only one for Hawley.

The Bulldogs also claimed victory on the defensive end of the floor, limiting Hawley to an anemic 20.3 percent (12 of 59) from the field.

For a team that hadn't posted a playoff victory since 1992, the Bulldogs showed remarkable poise at several crucial junctures Thursday night.

The first came very early, when the Bearcats claimed a quick 5-0 lead behind the play of post Joseph Scott, who led all

scorers with 19 points.

But the Bulldogs quickly settled down. Josh Collum, who led Coahoma with 16 points, started the scoring with a three-pointer, then Blake Nichols scored four of his 15 points to give the 'Dogs the lead.

They held it for most of the night, but that's not to say more scares weren't in store for Coahoma.

Despite their horrific shooting, the Bearcats managed to stay close to Coahoma most of the night. But every time it appeared Hawley might claim control of the game, the Bulldogs had an answer.

A perfect example came right before halftime. The Bearcats had rallied from a 20-13 deficit to take a 21-20 lead with 3:10 left in the second quarter.

No problem. Matthew Hamilton countered for Coahoma with a pair of baskets, Collum added another three-pointer, and Nichols put an exclamation mark on the whole affair with a 40-foot net-ripper right at the buzzer to give the 'Dogs a seven-point lead at intermission.

After that, Hawley closed to

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Coahoma's Freddie Olivas (14) takes his turn cutting down the net after the Bulldogs downed Hawley 64-51 in a Class 2A bidistrict playoff game in Sweetwater Thursday.

HERALD photo/Steve Reagan

Stanton falls to Tahoka

By JAMIE SHARP
Special to the Herald

SNYDER — The Stanton Buffaloes held the Tahoka Bulldogs scoreless for the first 3:30 of the game, but after that, Tahoka scored at will, taking a 78-69 win.

"We played hard, but you have to give Tahoka credit," said Stanton coach Doug Gordon. "They earned the win."

In the first quarter, it looked as though the Buffaloes were going to run away with the game. Leo McCallister started Stanton off with a steal and a resulting breakaway dunk to put the Buffaloes on the board.

Chad Smith scored next for Stanton, giving the Buffaloes a 4-0 lead with 6:10 remaining, but it would be Stanton's last bucket for a long time.

Tahoka exploded for 13 unanswered points. Brad Long started it off for the Bulldogs and Tahoka took its first lead of the game when Rocky Moore drilled a three to put the Bulldogs up, 5-4 at the 2:54

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Lady Hawks gather steam, flatten WTC

By JOHN H. WALKER
Managing Editor

There's something about Western Texas College's style of play that brings out the worst in Howard College's Lady Hawks — at least for a while.

When these two teams met last month in Snyder, the result was a 46-32 Howard College win.

When the same two teams met Thursday night before a sparse crowd at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, the result was an 85-45 Howard win. Howard improved to 14-3 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference play and 24-3 overall.

The real question is how the two teams worked a basketball game in around the 49 personal fouls and 62 free throws.

"There were a lot of stops in the play and a lot of standing around," admitted Howard Head Coach Matt Corkery. "We like to make some runs and score some points in succession and couldn't."

For Corkery to say there were some stops in play was an understatement.

With a total of 49 personal fouls called — including three foul-outs — and 62 free throws shot, there was little time left in the game for anything resembling basketball.

Still, the Lady Hawks managed to get things under control.

Leading 34-24 at the end of the first half, Howard used an 11-point outburst by La Tonya Kindle over the first nine minutes of the second half to key a 22-3 run and open a 56-27 advantage.

"That was the type basketball we were wanting to play," Corkery said. "We do much better when we are able to play our type of basketball."

After the Howard run, Western Texas, which suited up only eight players for the game, never got closer than 26 points — and that after a pair of baskets by Tonell Hanna to make the score 56-31.

But with Latraica Spencer coming off the bench to score 14 points, the Lady Hawks were off and running again.

"She (Spencer) did a good job off the bench and also did a good job rebounding," Corkery said. "We had her with 10 rebounds, including six offensive boards ... she's becoming more and more comfortable with what we're doing."

The Lady Hawks, who have an open date on Monday before closing the season at Frank Phillips College in Borger, finished the game on a 12-2 run

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Howard's Kyna Cosby (24 in white) puts up a shot over Western Texas' Shanna Gathright during their game in Garrett Coliseum Thursday night.

HERALD photo/Tim Appel

Hawks take a win on the wild side

By JOHN H. WALKER
Managing Editor

If you were a basketball purist, Thursday night's meeting between Howard College and New Mexico Military Institute at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum was your worst nightmare.

If you thought inflation was out-of-control during the Jimmy Carter administration, just be thankful none of the three officials working the game, which Howard won, incidentally, by an 81-65 score, runs things in Washington.

And if you thought a sailor could curse a blue streak, you should have heard NMMI's Reggie Franklin — irate at the officiating as well as the fact his team remained winless on the WJCAC road this season.

At 8 p.m., Howard and NMMI began the last home game of the season for the Hawks. Nearly 2 1/2 hours, 61 personal fouls, two technicals, one ejection and 84 free throws later the misery ended.

"Thank goodness we were at home," Howard head coach Tommy Collins. "I don't think we could have overcome that on the road."

"That" was a game out of control with calls that had both Collins and Franklin on the edge of the court all night long

screaming at the officials ... as were both the players and the 500 or so fans at the game.

The game's ugliest moments came in the first half, with a severe cut over the eye of Chris Martinez occurring when a Corey Wells elbow made contact and when an intentional foul by Wells upended Jack Owens as he was driving toward the basket from the right wing.

The Wells elbow came with 12:26 left in the half and came just moments after Franklin, again irate at what he called "a home job" non-call against Howard, instructed his players to "get your elbows out and put it to 'em."

Wells did just that at the top of the key, immediately dropping Martinez who was called for the foul. The game was delayed about seven minutes while members of the training staff cleaned blood from the arena floor.

The second incident came with Howard leading 15-11 and resulted in both Wells and Owens gesturing toward each other. But while those two were gesturing, Howard's Elmer Brown was heading toward the court — and Wells — with assistant coach Ryan Wolf hot on his trail.

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Strong field expected at BSHS tourney

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

If Mother Nature cooperates, area tennis fans will see some of the best high school talent in this part of the state today and Saturday when the Seventh Annual Big Spring Tennis Booster Tournament is held at the Figure 7 Tennis Center.

Teams from Lubbock High School, Carlsbad (N.M.) High, Odessa Permian, San Angelo Central, Sweetwater, Midland and Burleson High School will join BSHS stars at the tournament, which runs through Saturday.

"It's an incredibly strong field," said BSHS coach Ralph Davis. "That's what our goal was: To try to bring in the best teams in the area. We're really proud of the teams we've got coming into the area ... (Fans will see) the finest quality teams in the northwest part of

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Play was to begin this morning — weather providing — with semifinal and final round action scheduled to begin Saturday morning.

Competition will be in singles

and doubles; there are no team titles up for grabs at the tournament.

Davis said a quality field will help his players prepare for this spring's District 4-4A and Region 1-4A tennis tournaments.

"This is practice for what our main goal is — preparing ourselves for district, regional and state," Davis said.

Big Spring's Hsiao-Hsuan Li is the top seed in the boys' singles bracket, and will open play today against Terrell McDonald of Midland High School. Jeff Moss of Big Spring faces No. 2 seed John Kowalski of Carlsbad.

BSHS' Monica Villarreal is the third seed in girls' singles. She starts play against Midland's Laurie Haas. Christina Vera of Big Spring draws top-seeded Melissa Hodges of Odessa Permian.

Steers are thin, but quality is there

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

For the Big Spring High School boys' track team, the challenge is to find some quality to go with the quantity.

The Steers open track and field season today at the Tiger Relays at Frenship High School in Wolforth, and question marks abound on the team, which came within a point of winning the District 4-4A title last season.

For most of his 19 years as BSHS track coach, Randy Britton has had more than his share of high-quality runners, and this year is no different.

The problem, however, is that of numbers.

"We're probably a little lean in experience, as far as the relays," Britton said. "We lost a good (runner) to graduation in Randy Farr ... We don't have as many people out, so that means that some of the kids we do have will have to do more

TRACK AND FIELD

events."
The depth problem could adversely affect the cornerstone of Britton teams — the relays. The coach makes no apologies for building his team around the 1,600-meter relay, but unless some untested performers step up, the relay might not be up to tradition BSHS standards.

"Last year, we had the possibility of having two outstanding relays," Britton said. "This year, we might have one really good relay, but I don't know which one."
But while Britton will be searching for a winning relay lineup, he'll at least take solace from the fact that Tory Mitchell is on his side.

Britton said Mitchell, a sophomore sprinter, may have been the best 15-year-old sprinter in the world last year, and the numbers back up that bold

statement.
Mitchell's best time in the 100 dash last year (10.53 seconds) tied the national record for his age group, and his time in the 200 dash (20.93) would have broken the national record if it had not been judged wind-aided.

He was third in both the 100 dash and 200 dash at last year's state track meet.

Britton made it clear that Mitchell is the leader of this year's squad.

"Tory is the nucleus of our sprint people," he said. "If we have any kind of hope or a district or regional or state championship, it's going to be around him."
Joining Mitchell in the sprints will be seniors Frankie Green and Toma McVae and freshman Jimmy Hawkins.

In the hurdles, Britton has junior Antwoyne Edwards running the 110 meter event, while

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HOWARD

Continued from page 1B with five different players ringing up baskets. Howard outrebounded Western 55-29 and forced 27 Western turnovers while committing just 19 turnovers. Kindle led all scorers with 20 points for Howard while Spencer added 14, Johnson 12 and Cosby and Horton 10 points each. Seeding for the regional tournament will depend greatly on a contest over which the Lady Hawks have no control.

Monday's game between South Plains and Midland College in Midland. A Midland win, followed by a Howard win Thursday, would leave all three teams with identical conference won-loss records of 15-3 — with Howard beating Midland two of three, Midland beating South Plains two of three and South Plains beating Howard two of three.

HOWARD 84, WESTERN TEXAS 45. WESTERN — Jessica Jeffrey 12 0-0 8, Tonette Hanna 21 0-0 7, Angelica Brooks 0

0 4-7 4, Shanna Gathright 3 0 8-9 14, Freda McKnight 0 0 0-2 0, Shanna McKee 0 0 0-0 0, Celestine Olters 4 0 2-6 10, Kelley Wilson 0 0 1-2 1. TOTALS 11 3 18-28 46. HOWARD — Jerry Bland-Hodnett 11 1 0-0 5, Shante Johnson 3 0 6-8 12, La'Tonya Kindle 7 1 3-7 20, Myra Cosby 2 1 3-6 10, Paige Mitchell 0 1 2-2 5, Jeanine Horton 5 0 0-0 10, Neesha Gamble 1 0 4-4 8, Latraisa Spencer 4 0 6-8 14, Nikki Sherlock 1 0 0-2 2. TOTALS 24 4 24-36 84.

Half-time score: Howard 34, Western 24. Rebounds: Howard 55, Western 29. Turnovers: Western 27, Howard 20. Total fouls: Western 27, Howard 22. Fouled out: Western (Willison), Howard (Johnson, Sherlock).

Harper says no to four-player trade with Jazz

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS There were six deals made before the NBA trading deadline, and there would have been a seventh if Derek Harper hadn't vetoed a trade to the Utah Jazz. "Do you want to go to Utah? I don't have anything against the city, I just don't want to play there. I'm resigned to being in Dallas," Harper said.

The trade would have sent Utah center Greg Foster, point guard Jamie Watson and possibly a No. 1 pick to the Mavericks. Instead, the Jazz joined the majority of NBA teams that let the deadline pass Thursday without making a trade. The Denver Nuggets were the most active team, pulling off three trades involving nine players. In a pair of trades with

Indiana, the Nuggets sent Mark Jackson, Darvin Ham and LaSalle Thompson to the Pacers for Vincent Askew, Eddie Johnson and Jerome Allen. Denver also made a trade with Charlotte, sending veteran guard Ricky Pierce to the Hornets for center George Zidek and guard Anthony Goldwire.

BULLDOGS

Continued from page 1B within two points once, late in the third, but the Bulldogs again answered the challenge, knocking off a quick eight points — including another buzzer-beating three-pointer from Nichols — to once again gain control of the game. One reason for Coahoma's success Thursday was their refusal to get caught up in the emotional roller-coaster of the playoffs, Hamilton said. "Nothing changed," he said. "We just came out and played like we have all season. Our practices were the same ... It was just another game, and we took care of business."

That's not to say, however, that there wasn't quite a bit of celebration. Collum, for one, was so excited he had trouble standing still. "We came in here and we didn't know what to expect, but we knew it was the same way with Hawley," Collum said. "We had a pretty good feeling we could win if we played up to our capabilities."

"This is great," Collum added. "Last year, I honestly thought we deserved to go to the playoffs. I really felt bad for the seniors on that team, so one of my biggest goals this year was for us to win district and a playoff game, and we did it ... I don't think I've ever been this hyper."

Head coach Kim Nichols was a bit more sedate in his reaction. "I'm really excited for the 14 kids on this team," he said. "They enjoy being around each other, they have good work habits and they support the five guys on the floor."

The Bulldogs advance to the area round of the Class 2A playoffs, and will face Tahoka in a game tentatively scheduled for Tuesday night in Snyder. Game time will be announced later.

COAHOMA 64 HAWLEY 51. HAWLEY (51) — Chittum 1 1-2 3; Bland 0 2-4 2; G. Jones 1 2-2 4; Irons 6 1-1 15; McCarty 2 4-4 8; B. Jones 0 2-2 2; Scott 5 9-12 19; Hendon 1 0-0 2; totals 12 26-34 51. COAHOMA (64) — Collum 5 3-4 16; Olivas 1 0-0 2; Nichols 6 1-3 15; Hamilton 3 2-9 9; Barr 2 4-5 8; Lain 0 0-1 0; White 3 1-2 7; Gwyn 3 0-2 7; totals 23 11-19 64. Score by quarters: Hawley 13 10 14 14—51; Coahoma 15 15 15 19—64. Three-point goals — Hawley 1 (Irons), Coahoma 7 (Collum 3, Nichols 2, Hamilton, Gwyn); Turnovers — Hawley 8, Coahoma 17; Rebounds — Hawley 35, Coahoma 35; Total fouls — Hawley 22, Coahoma 25; Fouled out — Hamilton, Gwyn; Technicals — Bland, Gwyn.

HAWKS

Continued from page 1B Wolf was able to grab Brown and restrain him, but not before one official said he went onto the floor — earning himself an immediate disqualification, a technical and a one-game suspension. By the time NMMI got through shooting free throws, the score was knotted at 15-15 with 8:41 left in the half. From that point on there were eight lead changes and two ties before the two teams went to dressing room tied at 29-29.

Howard opened the second half with a burst, opening a quick six-point lead at 37-31 with 16:49 left before slowly pulling away. A pair of Nathan Clover free throws gave Howard its first double-digit lead of the night at 46-35 with 13:20 left in the game and NMMI would get no closer than eight points at 46-38 when Wells completed a three-point play at the 12:35 mark. Howard's biggest lead was 21, at 80-59 with 52 seconds left when Clifton Cook scored from inside the paint.

"In the second half, the defense played a little better and we rebounded better," Collins said. "We attacked the zone better and started to do the things we normally do."

Owens led all scorers with 25 points for Howard while Clover had 16. Clifton Cook and Samuel Maroney, who was named first-team Academic All-American on Thursday, added 14 each. Howard improved to 18-10 overall and 6-5 in conference play. Howard ends its season Thursday at Frank Phillips.

HOWARD 81, NMMI 65. NMMI — Chris Pulliam 0 0 0-0 0, Gerald Williams 1 0 3-4 4, Adrian Callis 4 0 0-0 8, Corey Wells 4 1 10-14 21, Tony LaCour 4 1 3-4 14, Greg Richardson 2 1 3-4 10, James Evans 0 0 0-0 0, Nate Stewart 1 0 0-0 2, Jason Hunter 1 0 2-2 4, Jeremy Jones 3 0 1-5 7. TOTALS 20 3 22-33 65.

HOWARD — Chris Martinez 1 0 1-4 3, Clifton Cook 5 0 4-4 14, Jack Owens 4 1 14-18 25, Elmer Brown 1 0 0-0 2, Will Jones 1 0 6-7 8, Samuel Maroney 3 2 2-2 14, Nathan Clover 4 0 8-12 16, Fred Lewis 1 0 3-4 5. TOTALS 20 3 38-51 81. Half-time score: Howard 29, NMMI 29. Rebounds: Howard 35, NMMI 20. Turnovers: Howard 24, NMMI 24. Total fouls: NMMI 34, Howard 27. Fouled out: NMMI (LaCour), Howard (Martinez). Technical fouls: Howard (Clover, Brown). Disqualification: Howard (Brown).

STEERS

Continued from page 1B Todd McAdams and Dan Brewster qualified for the regional meet last year in the pole vault and discus, respectively.

Senior Jason Sanderson leads the Steers' middle distance contingent. The senior, who qualified for the state cross-country meet, will compete in the 800 and 1,600 runs. Junior Marco Torres will compete in the 1,600 and 3,200 events. A pair of seniors highlight the Steers' field performers.

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BUFFS

Continued from page 1B mark. With 64 seconds left in the period, Stanton found itself down 13-4. But the Buffaloes managed to put five points on the scoreboard to end the period with Tahoka up, 13-9.

Stanton had shot a miserable 15 percent from the floor in the first, but the Buffaloes stepped it up in the second, shooting 41 percent.

Tahoka's Randy Burleson proved fatal for Stanton in the second stanza, scoring 12 of Tahoka's 19 points in the quarter.

Burleson drew first blood in the period on a baseline jumper, giving Tahoka a 15-9 lead. McCallister though took it upon himself to bring his team back into the game. McCallister drilled two jumpers before grabbing a rebound on a missed free throw and knocking down a trey to give Stanton a 17-15 lead with 5:50 left to play.

Burleson erased an 18-17 point Stanton lead with layup to give Tahoka a 19-18 lead. Stanton guard Kyle Herm answered for the Buffaloes on a jumper at the top of the key to put Stanton back on top.

Burleson drew a foul on a drive to the basket with 3 minutes. He missed the charity toss, but he had given Tahoka a 25-22 lead.

The scoring went back and fourth for the remainder of the period, with Tahoka taking a 32-29 point lead into the locker room at the half.

The second half belonged to the Bulldogs as they managed to have an answer for every Stanton basket.

Tahoka's Lee Rash put the Bulldogs on the board first with a jumper in the lane to give Tahoka a 34-39 lead. Tahoka then drilled consecutive treys by Burleson and Rash to take a 40-31 lead at the 6:20 mark.

With 5:40 remaining, Tahoka coach Toby Villa drew a technical foul for arguing a call. Herm nailed both free throws and Stanton was only down by eight.

With four minutes remaining in the period, McCallister bagged a jumper and a three, bringing

Stanton within one at 46-45. Tahoka quickly answered with jumper and a trey of its own to enjoy a 50-47 lead. Stanton hit two free-throws and Tahoka frilled a jumper to end the third with the Bulldogs up 57-49.

Stanton looked determined to get back into the game in the opening minutes of the final stanza when the Buffaloes hit their first four baskets, including a trey by Herm, to bring Stanton within two at 61-59 with five minutes left to play.

Tahoka had an answer in the form of a three by Moore that put the Bulldogs out in front, 64-59. Both teams went back and forth for the next 3:40, with both teams shooting the ball well. Tahoka held onto its lead though and the Bulldogs were up 70-67 with two minutes remaining.

Smith brought Stanton within one at 70-69 with a baseline drive at the 1:40 mark. Stanton then got a break when Burleson was called for a charge on Tahoka's next possession, giving Stanton the ball

and shot at the lead. The Buffaloes could not capitalize though as Tyron Davis was called for charging, putting the ball back in Tahoka's possession.

Two Bulldog free throws put Tahoka up 72-69, and Stanton still had a chance at the win. But, Burleson stole the inbound pass, sealing the win for Tahoka and sending the Buffaloes.

"They kept us from doing what we needed to do to win," said Gordon.

Tahoka 78 Stanton 69. Score by quarters: Stanton 9 20 20 20—69; Tahoka 13 19 25 21—78. Three point field goals: Stanton 3 (McCallister 2, Herm 1); Tahoka 4 (Moore 2, Rash 1, Burleson 1). Leading scorers: Stanton — McCallister 26, Smith 16; Tahoka — Burleson 23, Rash 21, Moore 16.

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GARAGE SALE 2 desks, patio set w/umbrella, bumper pad & receiving blankets glassward, knick-knacks, clothes, several nurses uniforms & lots miscellaneous. Sat 2/22. 9:00-6:00. 806 Kent (across from Moss. Elem.)

GARAGE SALE THURS, FRIDAY AND SAT. 8-6. TOYS, DISHES, GUN RACKS. LOTS OF MISC. 1302 GARFA.

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MOVING SALE 529 HILLSIDE SATURDAY 8 AM!!!

PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF BIG SPRING PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION 5:30 P.M., TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 1997 CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS 310 NOLAN, BIG SPRING, TEXAS SPECIFIC USE PERMIT FOR: A CHILDREN'S DAY CARE CENTER AT 707 E. 8TH STREET, DESCRIBED AS LOT 4 BLOCK 5 PORTER ADDITION, BIG SPRING, HOWARD COUNTY TEXAS. 1253 Feb. 20 & 21, 1997

PUBLIC NOTICE The Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission will host the Organizational Meeting for the 1997 Texas Community Development Program (TCDP). The meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 28, 1997 at 8:30 a.m. in the conference room of the Planning Commission offices located at 2810 Lufkin area Boulevard, Midland International Airport, Midland, Texas. The purpose of this meeting is to develop the review procedures and scoring criteria for the 1997 and the 1998 Texas Community Development Program. Community Development Fund. All seventeen Permian Basin counties and all non-metropolitan cities are eligible applicants for this program that has provided over \$20,000,000 to Permian Basin cities and counties since 1983. Water system improvements, waste water system improvements, housing rehabilitation and drainage improvements are the types of projects that have been funded in the past. The Regional Review Committee must determine eligibility for the 1997 and 1998 programs and local participation in this process is encouraged. There shall be an organizational meeting or an application process in 1998 for the Community Development Fund. Interested persons should contact Jerry Tushnet at 915/668-1081 for additional information. 12/18 February 21 & 22, 1997

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HAPPY SATURDAY, You do not want to have a problem you do and you could be learning proper b in or go home, best way to go, you however, relations large, Y much attached, cerng an handle, The St Day You Positive, Difficult, ARIES What y be easy s of a hass change i ter in the night no this day better, 7 like to do TAURI W A EAR, & AI h Mal Alle F Keith For A 915 wil Dr. Fry Chr In Iny Enc 9 Lister Fa W 5:30 7:00 8:15 9:00 10:00 W 12:30 2:30 6:00 7:30 9:00 9:30 W 7:00 8:00 9:00 W 6:30 ALL USA Rack In Foo This ad 1st Cl 140 Blg 91

HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR SATURDAY, FEB. 22:

You feel tugged in many different directions this year. Bosses, as well as partners, want something from you. The problem will probably be that you don't want what they do, and you feel manipulated. You could have a difficult time learning how to achieve the proper balance, whether to give in or go along with another. Honoring your integrity is the best way to go. If you are single, you are intensely alluring; however, maintaining a steady relationship could pose a challenge. You will either give too much or not enough. If attached, you have similar concerns and need to learn how to handle them better. VIRGO challenge you.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 6-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
What you had assumed would be easy suddenly becomes more of a hassle than anticipated. A change in plans is for the better in the long run, though you might not be happy at all. Use this day for R&R. You will feel better. Tonight: Do what you like to do best.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

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You are put out by what goes on with a partnership. You wonder why it is happening. But you do manage to maneuver around any problems. Others respond to you. Gather friends for a spontaneous get-together. Tonight: Whoop it up!

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
You are pressured to produce on a high level. You might need to take some time off, to handle matters at home. Others beg for you to join them, and you feel overextended. Curb your gregarious personality for a little while. Tonight: Enjoy an easy night at home.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
Communications are important. You have too much on your plate right now. Others will either pitch in or completely distract you from getting your errands done. Still, take time for yourself. You might be run down and overly tired. Tonight: Seek out the fun.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
Avoid taking risks, and walk a conservative path with love and money. A disappointment could cost you plenty. Limitations are tight, as another demands very strongly that you generate much activity. Don't succumb. Instead, take care of yourself. Tonight: Make it cheap fun!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
You are irritated by someone you put on a pedestal. Others help you remember what constitutes a good time; they help you let go. Popularity is high; play, don't work. You need a few days off from the pressure and the grind. Tonight: You call the shots.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
This is one of those days when you do well to assume a low profile. Misunderstandings happen easily, leaving you wondering why you're doing what you are. Cancel plans, and take some time off for yourself. Tonight: Sit back!

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
Focus on what you want. You covet something, but be reasonable about the cost. This item

could be expensive, emotionally and financially. Meet friends for a fun event. It is a case of the more, the merrier. Tonight: The party goes on.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
Responsibilities loudly call out to you, whether you are up for them or not. Be rational about how much you can take on. On some level, enough is enough, and you will decide to balk. Friends patiently await you, while you fulfill your obligations. Tonight: Fly high!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
You create more out of another's attitude than need be. Consider leveling off before saying anything you might regret. Try to get the big picture, to help understand what is happening. Change plans, or make an adjustment. Tonight: Try a new spot out of town.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
One-to-one relating could be disappointing. Stay even with others. You know what you need to do to make a situation work. Evaluate a friendship that has been troubling you.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
Others are testing you and trying to control you. Let others do and say what they please, but they cannot keep you from doing what you want. If you don't react, others get to glimpse their problems. Tonight: You are the party.

BORN TODAY
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DEAR ABBY: I must take exception to the letters from Joseph Murray and Emily Mahou about rank in the military.

I was with my husband during 29 years of military life, and during that time I realized that acknowledgment of military rank is nothing more than respect for position and achievement. Let's face it, without such acknowledgment our society would be mediocre and achieve less than its full potential.

Our children should be taught to recognize success, achievement and experience. They can do that by addressing adults by the proper title, even if it is nothing more than "Sir" and "Ma'am." If our children can address a doctor as "Doctor," they can address our military by rank, an expression of acknowledgment and respect. Your first response was more to the point.

HELEN A. FOWKES, PUNTA GORDA, FLA.
DEAR HELEN: From the mail I received from people formerly and presently in the military, you and I are in the minority, and only now am I receiving letters from people like you who agreed with my answer. Thanks for your support.

DEAR ABBY: One more word, please, on whether children should address military personnel by their rank.

Your correspondent, Joseph J. Murray, wrote that a 12-year-old girl shouldn't be expected to know the level of military ranks. She does not have to. She can call a lieutenant "Lieutenant" without knowing whether he outranks a captain.

The wife of a retired officer didn't want her children to "feel that one person deserves more respect than another just because of rank," so she didn't teach her children to address their parents' friends by their rank. Using the same reasoning, I assume she taught her children to call a doctor "Mister." After all, calling him "Doctor" might give him too much respect.

The fact is, it is just as wrong to address someone in the military as "Mr." or "Ms." as it is to call a physician "Mr. Jones." Those honorifics are applicable only to civilians. The only exceptions are warrant officers and certain junior naval officers, who are properly addressed as "Mr." Parents who object to the proper use of titles are passing their ignorance along to their children.

— WALTER H. INGE, LT. COL., USAF (RET.), ATLANTA
DEAR ABBY: I have a question that may be of interest to your other readers.

Why do newspapers publish notices that state that on a particular day and between certain hours, the police will crack down on speeders along a specified highway in a special effort?

In my opinion, the disclosure defeats the purpose of the special effort. — **CARL THOMPSON, CHULA VISTA, CALIF.**

DEAR CARL: It depends on how you interpret the purpose of the special effort. Look at it this way: The crackdowns are usually announced at holiday time when highway traffic is particularly heavy and many of the drivers have been partying with alcohol. Public warnings cause many drivers to slow down and pay closer attention to the road because they know the police are out in force and looking for "speeders." The benefit is fewer out-of-control drivers on a holiday weekend, and, let's hope, fewer accidents and tragedies.

DEAR ABBY: I am a person with a handicap and have recently noticed a trend in theaters that pleases me. Two seats are provided in the back of the theater so that people in wheelchairs and their loved one or friend can attend the movies and sit together.

Unfortunately, sometimes these seats are occupied by able-bodied people. When I have asked someone to give up the seat so my wife and I could sit together, I was refused. This has probably happened to other people, too.

Abby, please advise your readers that these seats are meant to accommodate people in wheelchairs, and able-bodied people should not occupy them. And while you're at it, please thank those theater owners who thoughtfully provide seating for people with disabilities.

— **MIKE A. BURK, TERRE HAUTE, IND.**

DEAR MIKE: If the seats are clearly marked so that patrons know the purpose of the short row, able-bodied people should sit elsewhere. If the area is not marked, speak with the theater manager about marking them as "Reserved for people with disabilities."

Should you have trouble with a patron refusing to move, talk to the usher.

DEAR ABBY: How do you deal with relatives who have pets that are treated just like people? I have two sets of family members who own dogs. One has three and the other has one, and they treat their dogs as though they are members of the family. I like dogs, but I'm not a "dog person." I don't think it's cute when their dog climbs on my furniture or begs at the dinner table.

When they visit me, they not only allow their dogs on my furniture, they actually let the dog sleep in bed with them underneath the covers.

These relatives were visiting recently, and we were having a nice family dinner when their dog came to the table, put her front paws on the table and her nose in my plate. The owner remarked, "She's just curious about what's going on." He didn't tell the dog to get down.

I have a small baby, and the dog was very curious about her. I think a dog licking a baby's mouth and face is disgusting. When the dog came over to investigate my baby, I felt uncomfortable pushing it away, since it's not my dog. The owner didn't do a thing. When the dog licked my baby's mouth, she simply said, "She's just curious about what's going on." Abby, I thought I'd die!

I don't feel comfortable reprimanding someone else's dog, especially one they think is a human, but what should I do when the owners give these animals no discipline?

What people do in their own homes with their pets is their business, and if I happen to be visiting them, I will bite my tongue and deal with the dogs at the dinner table and on the furniture. But when someone comes to my home, I would like some respect for my property, and I certainly do not want dogs near my baby. Am I being selfish? — **DOGGED OUT IN SOUTH CAROLINA**

DEAR DOGGED OUT: Selfish? No. A wimp? Yes!

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Recipe Corner
If you have any recipes you would like to see published, please submit them to the Herald office at 710 Scurry or mail them to: P.O. Box 1431; Big Spring, Texas; 79721; attention: Kellie Jones.
Submissions need to be in the Herald office no later than March 3. It is scheduled for March 12.

Life Section Sunday Deadlines
All Sunday items (weddings, anniversaries, engagements, birth announcements, Who's Who, military) are due to the Herald office by Wednesday at noon.
Wedding, engagement, anniversary and birth announcements forms are available in the editorial department. Pictures are to be picked up no later than 30 days after publication or they will be discarded.

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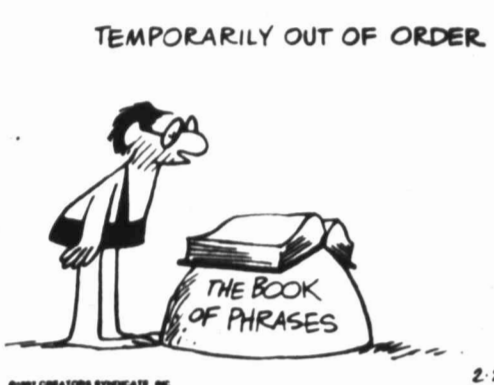
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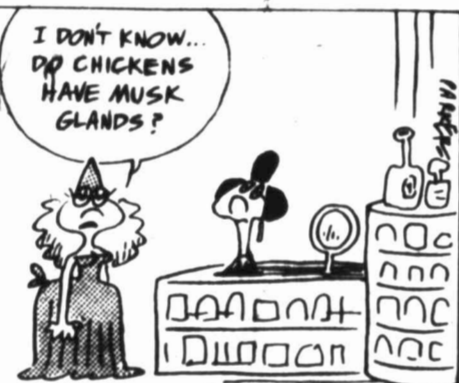
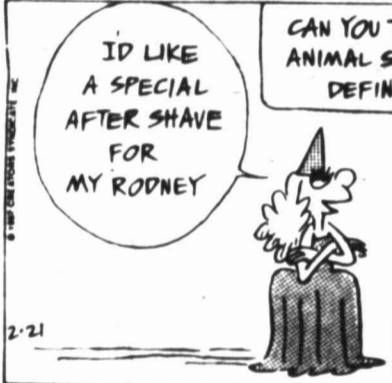
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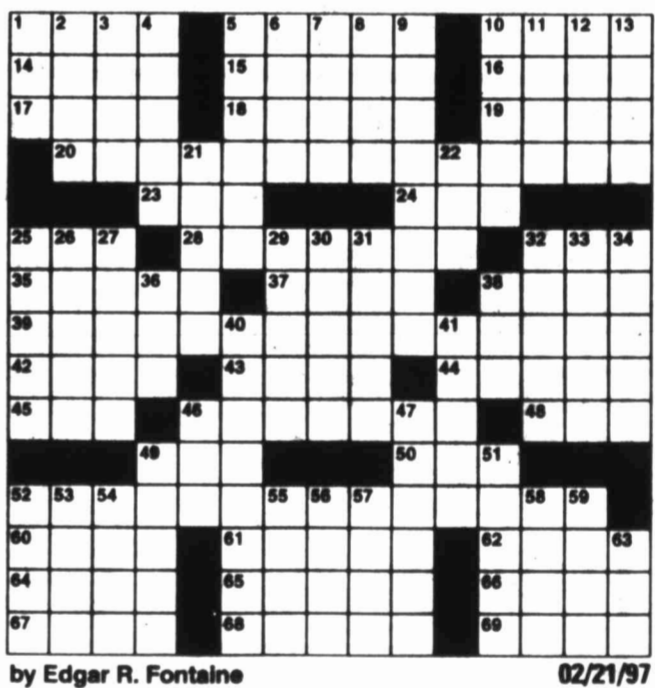
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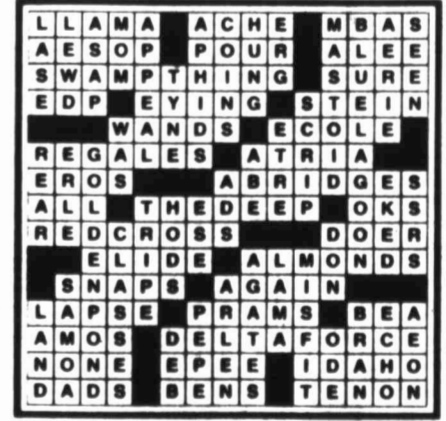
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by Edgar R. Fontaine

Thursday's Puzzle solved:



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became the first female telegrapher as she took charge at the newly opened telegraph office in Lowell, Mass.

In 1866, Lucy B. Hobbs became the first woman to graduate from a dental school, the Ohio College of Dental Surgery in Cincinnati.

In 1878, the first telephone directory was issued, by the District Telephone Company of New Haven, Conn.

In 1885, the Washington Monument was dedicated.

In 1916, the World War I Battle of Verdun began in France.

In 1925, The New Yorker magazine made its debut.

In 1947, Edwin H. Land publicly demonstrated his Polaroid Land camera, which could produce a black-and-white photograph in 60 seconds.

In 1972, President Nixon began his historic visit to China.

In 1973, Israeli fighter planes shot down a Libyan Airlines jet over the Sinai Desert, killing more than 100 people.

In 1975, former Attorney General John N. Mitchell and former White House aides H.R. Haldeman and John D. Ehrlichman were sentenced to 2 to 8 years in prison for their roles in the Watergate cover-up.

RITZ advertisement listing showtimes for Star Wars, Absolute Power, Dante's Peak, and other movies.

CINEMA 1 advertisement listing showtimes for The Empire Strikes Back, National Lampoon's Vegas Vacation, Fools Rush In, and The English Patient.

Big Spring Herald advertisement with contact information and office hours.