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Chinese pay tribute to Deng

BEIJING (AP) — Deng Xiaoping was cremated this morning at a cemetery for revolutionary leaders, in preparation for a memorial service Tuesday to be attended by 10,000 Communist elite.

More than 100,000 people thronged a main thoroughfare for a glimpse of the motorcade carrying his body, official media said. Deng, 92, died Wednesday.

Deng's chosen successor, President and Communist Party head Jiang Zemin, was

among the Chinese leaders who bowed the traditional three times before his body early today as they paid their final respects at the General Hospital of the People's Liberation Army.

State-run television showed Deng on a bier, draped in the red national flag, surrounded by flowers, ferns and evergreen boughs. Jiang and the others accompanied an honor guard as it lifted the see-through bier and marched it to the waiting hearse.

Palestinian opens fire from Empire State Building; kills one

NEW YORK (AP) — A gunman fired into a crowd on the Empire State Building's 86th-floor observation deck Sunday, sending tourists diving for cover and stampeding toward exits. One person was killed and six others injured before the gunman killed himself.

The gunman's passport identified him as Ali Abu Kamal, a 69-year-old Palestinian. He died without regaining consciousness five hours after the shootings. He came to the United States from Cairo, Egypt, on

Christmas Eve and was from Ramallah in the West Bank, Mayor Rudolph Giuliani said.

Witnesses said the man muttered something about Egypt seconds before he began firing at about 5 p.m.

"I heard a loud popping noise," said Jean-Luc Will, 40, a French tourist visiting New York with his family. "I thought at first it was little child playing with fireworks. There was one shot, then two or three seconds passed then three shots, pop, pop, pop."

Police said a 27-year-old Danish musician was killed. Authorities would not immediately provide his name, but the New York Post identified him as Chris Burmeister.

In critical condition at Bellevue Hospital were the dead man's American friend, identified as Matthew Gross, 27, of Montclair, N.J.; a 52-year-old Argentinian man; and a 30-year-old Swiss man.

A husband and wife from Verdun, France, and Hector Mendez, of the Bronx, were list-

ed in satisfactory condition at St. Vincent's Hospital. The French couple's 16-year-old daughter was unhurt but was treated for shock, authorities said.

Gerard Guntner, 43, of Jersey City, N.J., said he found a man with a bullet wound in the head, and tried to help him by cradling his head in towels.

"He was bleeding profusely. He was coughing blood. I took the towels and wrapped them around his head. I just said, 'Hang in there,'" Guntner said.

Contaminated soil slows Beals Creek project

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

The long awaited Beals Creek flood-control project broke ground last year on June 27 and was expected to be completed in about a year, but the project has run into a problem, according to City Engineer Ralph Truskowski — additional soil contamination.

Last September, the Big Spring City Council passed an emergency resolution in regards to how low levels of contaminated waste from the Beals Creek project should be handled.

According to Mayor Tim Blackshear, neither the Union Pacific Railroad nor the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers wanted to take responsibility as the generator of the low levels of contaminated soils at the project site, which meant the project contract either had to be reorganized or the project shut down.

The council's passage of the emergency resolution suspended a charter rule and authorized Blackshear to execute a TNRC Request for Authorization for Disposal of a Special Waste for the city's bafflefield for the disposal of low level contaminated soils generated from the project.

According to city officials, there is also a higher level of contaminated soil at the site, which has been cleaned up and left at the site. The higher level of contaminated soil was taken to a lined pit near the old Broughton Gin and mixed with fertilizer.

As for the low level contaminated soil, that was taken to the landfill to be used as cover in future years.

"The soil will be tested as it comes out of the ground at the Beals Creek site and as it goes to the landfill," Blackshear said.

Blackshear added, "The city of Big Spring did not sign the resolution as the generator of the contamination, but is taking



Earth-moving equipment sits on a containment berm at a lined pit constructed behind the old Broughton Gin. The equipment and pit are part of the Beals Creek Flood Control Project.

responsibility for handling it at the landfill."

As for the current problem, Truskowski said a new time frame is being developed.

"The big concern now is that we have encountered a much greater magnitude of contaminated soil than we had expected, which comes from oil and other materials from years ago," Truskowski said.

He added, "If we remove the soil, by TNRC standards, it has to be cleaned. We're in the middle of negotiating a change order to do the additional cleanup work."

Truskowski said he did get some assurances from the Corps of Engineers last Thursday and was given the green light to release the contractors to begin constructing the dam at One-Mile Lake that will regulate the lake's water levels.

"I'm guessing that significant work on the project should

resume in about 30 days and we should be looking at completion of the project six months from that point," Truskowski said.

In October 1992, Big Spring voters approved the Beals Creek project by a 3 to 1 margin, raising about 3 cents per \$100 property valuation, for the project, which has a price tag of about \$4.7 million, \$1.4 million of which the city is paying.

Once completed the Beals Creek project will provide protection against a 10-year flood event to structures along Beals Creek and within the city limits of Big Spring.

The project will take the existing Beals Creek and turn it into a one-mile long 40-foot wide control channel with varying depths from five to nine feet.

A major benefit of the project is that it will keep water off the rails. When the railyard floods and water is on the tracks,

Union Pacific will not allow the movement of trains.

Additionally, business owners and residents in the Jones Valley area won't have to lose personal property and inventory when it floods.

The diversion channel alternative requires diverting and realigning a channel separate from the existing creek to the north of UP's refueling station. It will extend from a point just south of Channing Street and end at a point 450 feet east of the Owens Street bridge.

At the upstream limit of the diversion channel, a concrete drop structure will be placed to direct flood waters into the new channel from One Mile Lake.

The trapezoid-shaped channel will be cut into an arc, east around the old roundhouse and then a pumping station will rejoin Beals Creek near the Gregg Street viaduct.

Arnold Marshall dead at age 80; served as mayor, municipal judge

By KELLIE JONES
Features Editor

Longtime Big Spring and Howard County civic leader Arnold Marshall died Saturday at the age of 80.

Marshall served as a member of the city council for six years, followed by six years as mayor from 1966-1972.

Marshall had also served as the municipal judge from 1991 to 1993. He had also thrown his hat into the ring to run for Howard County Commissioner for Precinct 2 in 1994.

He was active in civic work including being involved in the Howard County Fair Association, United Way, American Red Cross, YMCA, Boy Scouts, Big Spring Boy's Club and was named the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce's Man of the Year in 1987.

He served as senior advisor to the fair association until his death. He had also served as president on the board of the First United Methodist Church, where he had been a member for more than 50 years. Marshall had served as district chairman and vice president of the Buffalo Trail Council Boy



MARSHALL

Scouts of America and was awarded its highest council award, the Silver Beaver Award.

Marshall was born and raised in Mitchell County and was a World War II veteran.

He attended Hardin-Simmons University, where he was the vocal soloist for the Hardin-Simmons Cowboy Band, which performed nationwide. He later sang on various radio programs.

He moved to Big Spring in 1940 to work for Cosden until 1944 when he joined the Army Air Force. After World War II, he returned to work for Cosden before going to work for H.W. Smith's transport company which he later bought and operated for 20 years.

The former mayor also became a partner in Caprock Services Inc. and Ace Trucking then became full owner of both businesses. He sold all three of his businesses in 1977. In 1983, he was appointed to serve on the Howard County Consolidated Tax Appraisal Board by Big Spring school officials.

A memorial service is scheduled for 3 p.m. Tuesday at the First United Methodist Church. The family suggests memorials to First United Methodist Church, 400 Scurry, Big Spring, 79720 or to a favorite charity.

Howard County Judge Ben Lockhart said, "He was always a public-spirited citizen."

Local law enforcement agencies have busy weekend

By CHRYS GOFF
Staff Writer

Local law enforcement officers were busy this weekend breaking up a fight and bringing those thought to be responsible for robbing a Howard County woman back from Alabama.

Paul Ortega is being treated for facial injuries at Scenic Mountain Medical Center following an incident Sunday in the 600 block of Elgin. An investigating officer has been assigned to the case and charges have been filed against the suspect. Meanwhile, the Howard County Sheriff's Department has transferred three suspects from Mobile, Ala., in connection with a January robbery.

The unnamed suspect involved in the weekend fight apparently pulled a gun on his friends, Paul Ortega and Juan

Payen. The fight began with the suspect throwing a cinder block through the car window of Bobby Ruth Jr.'s vehicle, aiming at Paul Ortega and injuring his face. The report indicated more than \$2,000 in damages was sustained to Ruth's vehicle. The suspect struck Juan Payen with another vehicle. Payen wasn't injured.

Big Spring Police Department's Captain Lonnie Smith said, "Charges have been made on the suspect, and the investigation has been assigned to an officer." He added, "We cannot give the name of the suspect until an arrest has been made."

Meanwhile, the suspects, being accused of robbing Howard County resident Wanda Mize on Jan. 22 were transferred from Mobile, Ala. to the Howard County Sheriff's

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Wednesday meeting to address needs of disabled

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
News Editor

Establishing trusts for family members suffering from disabilities will be the focus for an advocacy meeting set for Wednesday at the Dora Roberts Community Center in Big Spring.

According to Dr. Kevin Kraushaar, a spokesman for the Advocacy Promotion Project, the meeting will be designed for parents and other individuals to benefit from the efforts of three organizations — the Association for Retarded Citizens (ARC), Texas Advocates and the Association

for the Mentally Ill (AMI).

Kraushaar noted that the Big Spring meeting is one in a series of four set throughout West Texas — others have been slated in Snyder, Monahans and Sweetwater — that resulted from interests voiced by those who attended a series of town hall meetings in November of last year.

"Those town hall meetings were held to give parents, advocates and individuals the chance to become better educated about their rights and how they can have a say in decisions that impact them," Kraushaar explained. "At those meetings some parents said that setting

up a trust for a family member was of great concern to them.

"Therefore, we decided to have meetings at the same sites the town hall meetings were held and people a chance to learn about setting up trusts, as well as how the ARC of Texas can help them ensure financial stability for a family member."

Don Rettberg, a member of the Austin ARC, will discuss setting up such trusts, and will also provide information on how to become involved in advocacy groups.

Among the particular topics Rettberg will discuss is a program offered by the ARC of Texas, the state's oldest and

largest volunteer organization working on behalf of people with mental retardation and developmental disabilities.

To help families plan for the special needs and improve the quality of life of their loved ones who have disabilities, the ARC of Texas is currently creating a Master Pooled Trust.

The pooled trust, ARC officials explained, allows family members to establish a trust, account at significantly lower fees than if they established an individual trust for the benefit of a family member.

In addition, the trust serves

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Artifacts from 16th century Spanish explorers discovered near Floydada

FLOYDADA (AP) — The excavation of a site where Spanish explorer Francisco Vazquez de Coronado is believed to have spent the winter of 1541 is yielding an abundance of ancient artifacts, researchers say.

Archaeological work at the site began last year in Blanco Canyon in southern Floyd County, about 40 miles northeast of Lubbock.

So far, scores of artifacts from 16th century Spanish explorers have been unearthed, including horseshoes and harness equipment, nails, crossbow points

worn by a conquistador.

The ongoing excavation is bringing to light an era of Texas history unfamiliar to many.

Donald Blakeslee, a Wichita State University professor supervising the dig, said the Quitaque Peaks area northeast of Lubbock served as a major meeting place for native tribes and Spanish explorers from 1599 to 1877.

"You guys are sitting on a treasure trove of archaeological sites," Blakeslee said.

"It's a fascinating time period," Eileen Johnson, curator of

Texas Tech said. "There are archaeological sites. They're just not well-known."

The professors said Indian trails and Comanchero outposts dotted the area in the 17th to the 19th centuries. Comancheros were New Mexican traders who dealt with Comanches and other tribes for buffalo products.

"There was so much happening with aboriginal groups and with Anglo and European explorers," Johnson said.

There are no visible ruins, but Blakeslee said some of the trails are still visible in places

irrigated the land.

The Kansas archaeologist was in Blanco Canyon in January doing preliminary site work.

"We got some mesquite cleared, we got some test pits dug, we got snowed on," Blakeslee said, adding that he will be back during spring break in March.

After that work is done, Blakeslee said, he'll start work at other possible sites where the explorer might have stopped.

"We're trying to find the rest of Coronado's route," he said. "We have one site in Texas. We

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TODAY'S WEATHER

▲ Highs 33
▼ Lows 23

Tonight: Chance of light rain with freezing drizzle or light snow possible.
Tuesday: Highs near 50, lows in the 30s. Chance of light rain, including freezing drizzle in morning and snow at night.

Extended outlook: Wednesday, chance of rain. Highs 40-45. Thursday, chance of rain or snow. Lows 30-35. Highs 45-50.

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OBITUARIES

J. Arnold Marshall

J. Arnold Marshall, former mayor and long time Big Spring resident, passed away on Saturday, Feb. 23, 1997, at the age of 80. Arnold was born on Nov. 11, 1916, in Loraine, Texas. Arnold attended Hardin University where he was the vocal soloist for the Hardin Simmons Cowboy Band which performed nationwide. He later sang on various radio programs.

Arnold moved to Big Spring in 1940 to join Condon Petroleum Corporation where he worked until joining the Army Air Force in 1944. Upon his return he rejoined Condon, before resigning to become vice president of H.W. Smith Transport Co. In 1957, later to become president and owner.

He later became a partner in two other businesses, Caprock Service, Inc. and Ace Trucking and subsequently acquired full ownership of both, selling all three in 1977. He then expanded into other businesses.

Marshall served on the city council for six years and as mayor for another six years from 1966-1972. Later he was appointed to the position of Municipal Court Judge from 1991-1992. He was also president of the U.S. Highway #7 Association.

A confirmed civic, church and public servant, he served as president of the Big Area Chamber of Commerce, and was Chamber Man of the Year in 1987. Marshall headed many major projects for the betterment of Big Spring and the surrounding area, was president of the YMCA and member of the International YMCA Council, president and member of the American Business Club and The Howard County Fair Association, continuing to serve as mentor advisor to the fair association until his death.

He worked with various youth organizations, serving in many leadership roles for the Lone Star District, serving as district chairman and vice president of the Buffalo Trail Council Boy Scouts of America. He was awarded its highest council award, the Silver Beaver Award. He had worked with the United Way, American Red Cross and has served on almost every public service

**NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH
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Mike Tovar, 48, died Thursday in California. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

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FUNERAL HOME
& CHAPEL**
Lupa Padilla, 71, died Friday, March 14, 1997 AM Monday St. Thomas Catholic Church with interment at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

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Department Saturday. The suspects reportedly broke into her home, tied her up, demanded the car keys and stole her vehicle.

The Howard County Sheriff's Department had received word from Alabama law enforcement authorities Feb. 15 advising their narcotic and vice units had in custody two males, Denny Leon Roberts, 20; and David Houston Summers, 19, and one white female, Catherine Lynn Edwards, 17, all three of Big Spring. The suspects were in possession of Mize's stolen vehicle and some of her property when arrested by the Alabama authorities.

One Big Spring resident, Jonathan Shane Allen, was arrested the same day of the robbery in Abilene and was charged with theft for using Mize's credit card in an Abilene Mall retail store.

MEETING

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anyone who meets the definition of a 'disabled person' under the Social Security Act.

But most important of all, the fund would be used to supplement special needs of the individual with disabilities while ensuring the continue to meet eligibility for federal benefits.

Many of those who attended the November meetings, Kraushaar noted, were also interested in learning more about the new West Texas Centers for Mental Health and Mental Retardation organization which is scheduled to open in Big Spring on March 1.

West Texas Centers for MH-MR is expected to complete its several years-long transition from a state operation to a locally-controlled private organization late this week.

Kraushaar said the advocacy groups have invited Shelley Smith, the executive director of the West Texas Centers, to schedule a future meeting with advocates, at which time interested parties can ask first hand about the change from state operated services to locally operated services.

BRIEFS

THE ASSOCIATION FOR RETARDED CITIZENS, Texas Advocates and the Association for the Mentally Ill is sponsoring a meeting Wednesday at 7 p.m. at the Dora Roberts Community Center. Don Rettberg from the Austin ARC will discuss how to set up trusts, how to become involved in advocacy groups and how to gain information about the services needed for family members. More information will be available about the new 23-county MHMR center opening in Big Spring March 1 as well. This is an important meeting for all families who are planning for the financial stability of a family member in the future.

FORSAN ELEMENTARY (ELBOW) IS having Kindergarten pre-registration Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Elbow School Cafeteria. All district residents and accepted transfers please attend.

BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

Kindergarten students must be five years old on or before Sept. 1 to be eligible to attend kindergarten next school year. Bring your child's birth certificate, immunization record, and social security card).

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

400 block of N.E. 12th.
• BURGULARY OF A HABITATION in the 1500 block of Kentucky Way.

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IF YOU HAVE ANY CHANGES IN A SPRINGBOARD ITEM OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT GINA GARZA, 263-7331 ext. 238, BETWEEN 8 A.M. AND 3 P.M. All Springboard items must be submitted in writing. Mail to: Springboard, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas 79720; bring it by the office at 710 Scurry; or fax it to 264-7205.

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

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

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

•Volunteers with the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program will assist in the preparation of 1996 income tax returns, 9 a.m. to noon, First Presbyterian Church, 8th and Runnels. This program is available to all senior citizens and tohers who have income from wages, tips, interest or dividends and who may be able to receive an earned income credit. Bring all W-2's, 1099's and your 1996 tax return. This is a free service. Call 398-5522 or 263-4211 for more information.

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

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

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

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

•Al-Anon, 8 to 9 p.m., 615 Settles.

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

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615

•Domestic Disturbances in the 500 block of Marcy, 1500 block of Sycamore and 1500 block of Main.

•DISTURBANCES/FIGHTS in the 1400 block of Stanford and the 1500 block of Robin.

•THEFTS in the 400 block of Dallas and the 1700 block of Runnels.

•CRIMINAL MISCHIEF in the 900 block of E. Fourth, 600 block of Elgin, 1600 block of Johnson, 2900 block of Goliad and the 2900 block of Stonehaven.

•ASSAULTS in the 600 block of Elgin and the 500 block of E. F.M. 700.

•STOLEN VEHICLE in the

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following activity between noon Saturday and 8 a.m. Monday.

•ADAM WAYNE EDMONDSON, 25, of Rt. 2 Box 127, was arrested for unlawfully carrying a weapon and public intoxication, a \$1750 bond was set.

•DARYL MAURICE WASHINGTON, 31, of 1508 E. sixth, was arrested for violation of a protective order, a \$5,000 bond was set.

•ROBERT BAKER SR., 47, of 407 Donley, was arrested for driving while intoxicated, a \$1,000 bond was set.

•CATHERINE LYNN EDWARDS, 17, of 1416 Wood, was arrested for aggravated robbery, a \$50,000 bond was set.

•DENNY LEON ROBERTS, 20, of 1416 Wood, was arrested for aggravated robbery, a \$50,000 bond was set.

•DAVID HOUSTON SUMMERS, 19, of 1000 Stadium, was arrested for aggravated robbery, a \$50,000 bond was set.

•LINDA MICHELLE MOLINA, 23, of Colorado City, was arrested for a issuance of a bad check warrant.

•MICHELE EDMONDSON, 18, of 1509 E. 15th, was arrested for local warrants.

•INVESTIGATING SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITIES in the 700 block of Lancaster, 400 block of Johnson, I-20 and Hwy. 350, 1800 block of Gregg, 1600 block of Johnson, 1200 block of E. 16th, 1500 block of Kentucky Way, on Robb Rd., 1500 block of E. Fourth, 500 block of Goliad, 1200 block of Mesquite, 500 block of Westover and 800 block of Scurry.

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RECORDS

Sunday's high 55
Sunday's low 37
Average high 63
Average low 33
Record high 85 in 1918
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Woman goes on trial for killing mother of stolen child in Iowa

KEOKUK, Iowa (AP) — Robert Hardy came home from work last August to be told he had a new son, born urgently that day in the bathtub.

A few blocks away, at the police station, an anxious Velva Green was filling out forms; her daughter and 6-week-old grandson were missing.

Later, both learned the truth. Green's daughter, Theresa Lynn Lund, was dead. Her grandson was in the care of Robert and Kimmi Lynn Hardy. Prosecutors say Mrs. Hardy faked pregnancy for months, lured Lund to her home, then killed the woman to claim her child as her own.

Mrs. Hardy's trial for first-degree murder begins Tuesday; jailed on \$2 million bond, she has pleaded not guilty by reason of insanity.

Last spring, Mrs. Hardy told husband, family and friends in this Mississippi River town of 13,500 that she was pregnant. She wore maternity clothes. She tried out baby names.

At some point, she struck up an acquaintance with another expectant mother, Theresa Lund, 34, whose fifth child was due in July.

On Aug. 28, police say, Mrs. Hardy lured Lund with her baby to her home and shot her twice in the head with a .38-caliber handgun. She hid the body in a basement crawl space.

When Hardy arrived, she told him labor had come on suddenly, that she'd had no time to get to a hospital and so delivered the baby in the bathtub. He believed her.

A few weeks later, when police came to take the boy, Hardy fiercely defended his wife and son, holding officers off with a steel pipe and getting arrested for the trouble. Police told him the child was not his

— and not his wife's. "My son is a big, easygoing guy, but not that bright," his father, Ralph Hardy, said at the time.

Robert Hardy was Kimmi Hardy's third husband — and apparently the second she had fooled with a concocted story of pregnancy. Wendell Smith had been through it before.

In 1983, she told Smith she was pregnant. What she had never told him was that she'd had a tubal ligation nine years before, after the birth of her third child to her first husband, making pregnancy virtually impossible.

Like Robert Hardy, Smith believed her. "She had all the symptoms of being pregnant; sick in the morning, big belly," he said later.

In October 1983, they drove to Iowa City, where his wife had a doctor's appointment at University Hospitals and Clinics.

About 45 minutes after she had gone in for an exam, Smith got a phone call in the waiting room. The female caller told him Kimmi had delivered a stillborn baby boy, then hung up. Soon after, his weeping wife entered the waiting room.

She arranged to have the body cremated; a cardboard box of remains arrived at the home a few days later and they buried it at Keokuk's National Cemetery.

Some 30 friends and family members attended the funeral for little Zachary Smith. There were tears. There was a priest. A notice of the child's death was put in the Keokuk Daily Gate City.

Smith didn't learn he'd been played for a fool until Oct. 18 — 2 1/2 weeks after his ex-wife was charged with first-degree murder in Theresa Lund's death.

On that day, with Smith's permission, investigators took shovels and backhoes to what he thought was the grave of his stillborn son. They dug up a crumbling cardboard box, but it held only a baby quilt, a teddy bear and packing material. No cremated remains.

"I really feel like an idiot, burying a cardboard box," Smith said.

Authorities had anticipated finding no remains. They knew Mrs. Hardy had had her tubes tied. And they knew no hospital or state record listed any birth, death or stillborn delivery of a Zachary W. Smith.

Police had been looking into Mrs. Hardy's background since getting a tip from a guest at a baby shower Mrs. Hardy threw for herself and her new son, whom she'd named Dusty Eugene Hardy.

The guest realized the boy, who would have been more than 6 weeks old by then, was much older than a newborn. Police made the connection with the still-open missing persons report on Theresa Lund and her baby.

They arrested Kimmi and Robert Hardy on Sept. 18. Through footprint records, they discovered their infant was actually Paul Lund, born July 16.

Mrs. Hardy initially told police she'd bought the child from someone out of state, paying \$3,000.

But Hardy eventually told police his wife had shot Lund and that he had found the body later that day. On Sept. 27, he led authorities to the body, lying alongside railroad tracks near Alexandria, Mo., less than 10 miles from the Hardys' home.

Hardy, charged with seven felony counts in the case, will testify at his wife's trial.

San Antonio police fail to report shootings

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Attorney General Dan Morales says when it comes to reporting fatal shootings in which law enforcement officers are involved, it's better to err on the side of too much than too little.

The San Antonio Express-News reported Sunday that San Antonio police failed to report four deadly officer-involved shootings in the past 13 months.

That's an apparent violation of a law that requires the attorney general be notified within 20 days.

Police Chief Al Philippus said the law's unclear regarding whether suspects shot by police are actually in custody. "I think we were inconsis-

tent, that's the best way of saying it," Philippus said.

But Morales said state law is clear.

"It has always been my view that it's best to interpret those types of statutes broadly," he said. "There's nothing wrong with reporting too much. There may very well be something wrong with not reporting enough."

The 1983 law ordering attorney general reviews stemmed largely from concerns over police use of choke holds and hog-ties.

A few years earlier, a series of police shootings led to protests in Dallas and Houston.

"The public has a right to a full, complete and public investigation (of custody deaths),"

said Jay Jacobson, executive director of the ACLU of Texas. "It's far too easy for police to cover up things that the public has a right to know."

The DA is to examine all police-shooting deaths, but the attorney general is supposed to serve as another level of scrutiny, making sure police investigations are thorough.

Of those cases referred by law enforcement agencies, the attorney general checks death reports and conducts investigations 15 to 20 percent of the time.

It's when relatives or friends are persistent that follow-ups usually occur, said John Pantermuehl, a chief investigator in the attorney general's division that handles the cases.

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Yeltsin chastises prime minister over unpaid wages

MOSCOW (AP) — President Boris Yeltsin scolded his prime minister on television today for the government's failure to pay wages and pensions that are months overdue and told him to shake up the Cabinet if necessary.

"Many Russians are dissatisfied with the government, its chairman, and, accordingly, the president," Yeltsin told Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin at their meeting in the Kremlin.

"The essential thing is that the government has been unable to pay wages and pensions on time, it's the main issue people are raising now," Yeltsin told Chernomyrdin, who

looked down as the president spoke to him.

Yeltsin, 66, has been away from the Kremlin for most of the past eight months with

heart trouble and pneumonia. But his televised appearance today and his strong words for the prime minister showed he remains in charge and is eager for a more active role.

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Quote of the Day

"When people cease to believe in God, they don't believe in nothing; they believe in anything."

G.K. Chesterton

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OUR VIEWS

Promise Keepers has refreshing moral goal

Promise Keepers is a popular movement bringing men together for the purpose of getting them involved in their local church. Last Tuesday, about 50 men attended the organizational meeting at the First Church of the Nazarene to get the group started here in Big Spring. What a refreshing thing to be involved in!

The Christian group is designed to show men how to lead Christian lives and promise to lead their wives and children in a Godly way as well. In this day and time when everyone is down on "deadbeat" dads, it's nice to know here in Big Spring we have a group of men dedicated to preserving the family and its values. Next month, March 18, one of the regional leaders will be in town to get the local group motivated to continue Promise Keepers. So far, 15 to 20 churches are committed to the movement and any man is welcome to attend any future meetings.

According to Promise Keepers, the men who are involved make the following promises:

- A Promise Keeper is committed to honor Jesus Christ through worship, prayer and obedience to God's Word through the power of the Holy Spirit.
- A Promise Keeper is committed to pursue vital relationships with other men, understanding he needs brothers to help him keep his promises.
- A Promise Keeper is committed to build strong marriages and families through love, protection and biblical values.
- A Promise Keeper is committed to support the mission of his church by honoring and praying for his pastor and by actively giving his time and resources.
- A Promise Keeper is committed to reach beyond any racial and denominational barriers to demonstrate the power of biblical unity.
- A Promise Keeper is committed to influence his world, being obedient to the Great Commandment (Mark 12:30-31) and the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20).

We applaud the men who are now involved and who will be involved in Promise Keepers, it's time for the community to return to family values and this is a step in the right direction.

OTHER VIEWS

There is a Chinese adage, said by some to be a curse, that goes, "May you live in interesting times."

With the death of Chinese leader Deng Xiaoping, we are in for some interesting times. Deng was the last of the generation of ruthless Communist leaders, who shared the 1935 Long March with Mao Zedong and came to power with him in 1948.

As part of that generation, he was complicit in the death of tens of millions of his countrymen, both wholesale as in the mass starvation that accompanied the Cultural Revolution and retail as in the 1989 slaughter of the Tiananmen Square demonstrators.

He was perhaps injured to bloodshed by being almost continuously at war for 12 years, first against the Japanese from 1933 to 1945 and then against the Chinese Nationalists from 1945 to 1949.

When Deng came to power in 1978, he embarked on a remarkable and perhaps unsustainable course. He opened China to foreign investment, in the process normalizing relations with the United States, and embarked on a massive series of market reforms, all the while forcefully retaining the political dictatorship of the Communist Party.

The result has been to make China an emerging economic superpower, with

the attendant problems of corruption, income inequalities, predatory trade practices and a fine disdain for basic human rights. Despite these drawbacks, China is clearly better off than it was.

Unfortunately, with economic growth has come a belligerence towards its neighbors, especially Taiwan and the other claimants to islands in the South China Sea, and a truculence toward the United States. This is worrisome because for a long time the only war the Chinese military could fight was one it could walk to. An industrial economy would change that.

These problems and the direction of China now fall into the hands of a new generation of leaders, "new" being a relative term in China. The average age of the four top officials of the government is 69.

The leading claimant to Deng's mantle is Jiang Zemin, 70, who has effectively wielded power in Deng's name the past three years. He must now consolidate his hold on power, on an economy that is growing out of Beijing's grasp and on a political structure increasingly ill-suited to govern that economy.

Let us hope that the prescription about "interesting times" turns out to be a blessing, even if in disguise.

—Sandra Howard News Service



Maybe not a good one, but a role model nonetheless

By BILL MAXWELL
St. Petersburg Times

When National Basketball Association superstar Charles Barkley said awhile back that he is not a role model for African-American children, many black leaders were astonished. Then, more recently, Antigua-born black author Jamaica Kincaid said that she is a reluctant role model for black children and expressed skepticism that role models are important for black children or that role models have any real value.

Given such sentiments from respectable blacks — against the backdrop of other entertainment giants who are not worth emulating — and in light of the crises facing many cities, one would think that blacks would be looking for solid role models anywhere they can find them.

Not so. Most African-Americans want their role models to fit a specific political profile and earn the blessings of a handful of select leaders. The Rev. Jesse Jackson, Nation of Islam Minister Louis Farrakhan and Children's Defense Fund President Marian Wright Edelman are examples of acceptable role models.

But what about the likes of Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas? Why do so many blacks reject him as a role model for their children?

This question interests me because I established Role Models Foundation Inc., a non-

profit organization designed to help create future generations of black youngsters who reject the culture of the victim. The foundation wants them to know that they can shape their own fates by working hard and by emulating success.

Supporters have asked me if I would "dare invite" Thomas to speak to the black children in the foundation. My response requires a full explanation. A recent Wall Street Journal article titled, Black Leaders Try to Deny Thomas Status as Role Model, outlines Thomas' enigmatic place in black life and introduces Benjamin Carson, a well-known black surgeon, who wanted to invite Thomas to speak to participants in a week-long "Festival for Youth" program in Delaware.

Having known Thomas as a fellow member of the Horatio Alger Society, Carson admires the judge for his rise from abject poverty in rural Georgia to a seat on the nation's highest court. He believed that a message from a black man who overcame such odds would inspire the children for a lifetime.

But leaders of the local chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People threatened to picket if Thomas spoke. For the second time in less than a year, Thomas stayed home and did not speak to a group of black children. Months earlier, a school board member and parents in a Maryland school district warned of a boycott if Thomas spoke at a middle

school awards ceremony.

Thomas also has been excoriated in the black press, especially on the cover of *Emerge* magazine, where he has been portrayed as an "artificial nigger" in a yard and as a pathetic figure wearing an Aunt Jemima head rag.

Why such virulent hatred of this successful man? The Anita Hill sexual harassment controversy aside, Thomas is despised because of his conservatism — his philosophical opposition to policies such as affirmative action and black voting districts and his support of curbing school desegregation.

Indeed, most blacks believe that Thomas, albeit holding the same views that generations of whites have held, has betrayed his race and does not deserve the status of a role model. I disagree, even though I oppose many of Thomas' judicial decisions.

One acquaintance said that she rejects Thomas because of "how" he succeeded, arguing that he "Uncle Tomed his way to the top. He sold his soul to white people, and he sold out his own people. He's still selling out."

Most blacks share her opinion. But who is a sellout? To sell out is to say or do things one really does not believe in order to gain prestige or wealth. Although Thomas denies that his career benefited from affirmative action, I do not believe that he is a sellout. A well-read and thoughtful person, he believes what he says,

and his conscience dictates his actions. He is a proponent of "natural law," his views having roots in the writings of 13th century theologian Thomas Aquinas and ancient Greek philosophers Plato and Aristotle.

Moreover, Thomas cut his political teeth among conservatives, his greatest benefactors being former Republican Sen. John C. Danforth and ex-President George Bush.

For me, Thomas is a flawed role model, but a role model nonetheless. As a U.S. Supreme Court justice, he deserves respect. And many in the civil rights establishment, including NAACP National President Kweisi Mfume, have reached the same conclusion.

Even Charles Ogletree, the Harvard Law School professor who represented Anita Hill during those infamous confirmation hearings, said that Thomas is a role model "because the judge's individual accomplishments prove "that you can come up from poverty and have a huge impact in our society."

Absolutely. And, yes, I will try to get Thomas to speak to the young people affiliated with Role Models Foundation. I agree with Thomas' friend, Dr. Carson, who told the Wall Street Journal that the worst role models for black children are "silly adults" who "put people into corners and castigate them" for having independent views.

Black children deserve better from black adults.

The stalling of a treaty that would ban chemical weapons

By WALTER R. MEARS
AP Special Correspondent

WASHINGTON — A Republican legacy pushed by a Democratic White House and now stalled in the GOP Senate, the treaty against chemical weapons is a commitment to do what the United States already is doing — get rid of them.

That is only one of the ironies in the dispute over an agreement first negotiated while Ronald Reagan was president, completed under George Bush and signed late in his administration. A total of 161 nations have signed it now, and 68 have ratified.

It will go into effect on April 29 with or, more probably, without U.S. ratification.

Russia hasn't ratified it either, although Washington and Moscow both are committed to destroying their chemical arsenals, the world's largest stockpiles.

The U.S. timetable is to be done with it by the end of 2004,

beating the 10-year deadline the treaty would set. "That destruction process is well under way," Defense Secretary William Cohen said in urging Senate ratification.

There's a lot more to the treaty, which sets up the most extensive system for verification, monitoring and inspections ever made part of an arms control agreement.

But opponents question whether it really can be enforced, noting that such countries as Iraq, Libya, North Korea and Syria haven't signed the pact. Cohen, acknowledging that no such treaty is 100 percent verifiable, said this one would increase the probability of spotting chemical weapons.

"Given that we are currently legally committed to eliminating unilaterally the vast majority of our CW stockpile, common sense suggests that it would be preferable to secure a commitment from other nations to do the same," he said in a statement to the

Senate Armed Services Committee during his confirmation proceedings.

But common sense doesn't necessarily apply on this one. It is embroiled in politics; Senate action was put off last fall when it flared as a presidential campaign issue after Republican nominee Bob Dole came out against approval.

Opponents who argue it couldn't be fully enforced also complain that it would lead to intrusive, unwarranted and costly.

That is one of the points raised against it by Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, setting his conditions for even putting the issue to the full Senate.

Another irony, since the chemical industry supports the treaty. The administration says that it would require no more than routine reporting by only about 200 companies, and that \$600 million in export sales could be at risk because of

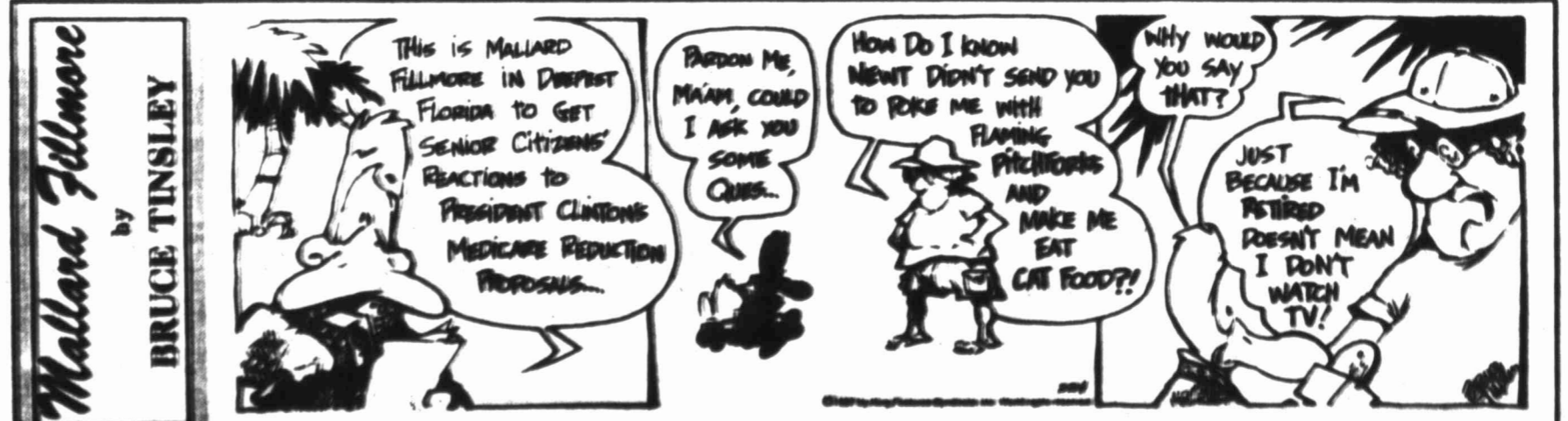
trade restrictions affecting nations that do not ratify the treaty.

Helms also said there should be guarantees from Russia, and that the "pariah nations" that haven't signed the agreement should be dealt with first.

Clinton renewed his push for the treaty in his State of the Union message, saying it would make American troops safer and help combat terrorism. "But if we do not act by April 29, when this convention goes into force — with or without us — we will lose the chance to have Americans leading and enforcing this effort," Clinton said.

"If we do not go along with this, we're on the side of the thugs," Secretary of State Madeleine Albright said as she lobbied for Senate support.

Bush has said he has a feeling of fatherhood about the treaty.



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Nebraska's Lue makes a case for himself in leading 'Huskers over Iowa State

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Who's the best guard in the Big 12? There are several to pick from.

There's Jacque Vaughn of No. 1 Kansas, who seems to be back on his game after missing the first 10 games with a wrist injury. There's Colorado's Chauncey Billups, who does everything for the Buffs but sweep out the gym.

And there's Nebraska's Tyrone Lue. All he did Saturday was make 12 of 18 shots, including four 3-pointers, and match his career high with 30 points as the Huskers silenced a sellout crowd of 14,322 and beat No. 7 Iowa State 74-69 in overtime.

The 6-foot sophomore scored

Big 12

21 of his points after halftime, including 10 in the final 3:35 of regulation to rally the Cornhuskers from a 55-47 deficit.

Lue helped Nebraska break a streak of 12 straight conference road losses and snap a six-game losing streak to Iowa State.

"We celebrated more in the locker room than when we won the NIT last year," Lue said.

"If you back off him, he can beat you with a stand-up 3-pointer," said Tim Floyd, who in three seasons as Iowa State coach had never had anyone score 30 against him.

"If you guard him closely, he

can take it by you on one or two bounces and pull up on a dime as you're running back to try to catch up.

"He utilizes his quickness as well as any player I've seen in a long time."

Nebraska was the only road team to win Saturday in the next-to-last regular season weekend.

Elsewhere, No. 1 Kansas went on a 24-4 second-half run to beat Kansas State 78-58 and capture the Big 12 title.

No. 21 Colorado beat Missouri 84-75; Texas Tech edged Texas 72-70; Texas A&M downed Baylor 62-57, and Oklahoma pounded Oklahoma State 80-64.

It's the sixth conference title in seven years for the

Jayhawks, who were showered with flowers in pregame ceremonies marking the last home game for six seniors. The Jayhawks (27-1 overall, 13-1 Big 12) trailed 31-30 at halftime, their first halftime deficit at home all year.

"There were a million things going on, and we didn't play our best basketball," said guard Jerod Haase.

"I didn't have us ready to play," said coach Roy Williams, who frequently wiped away tears as the six seniors addressed the crowd. "This was as emotional a day as there's been since I've been here, and it got so emotional it became a distraction."

At Colorado, Billups scored 31

points and the Buffs made 32 free throws in the second half to beat Missouri.

Colorado made only two field goals in the final 11 1/2 minutes, but survived from the foul line, scoring 26 of its last 31 points on free throws.

"We should have just let them sit out there and shoot free throws," said Missouri coach Norm Stewart. "We just couldn't generate anything. Defensively, they were just beating us and getting to the free throw line."

Cory Carr scored 22 points, including two free throws in the final seconds, to lift Texas Tech past Texas and deal the Longhorns' hopes of an NCAA bid a severe blow.

Reggie Freeman had tied the score 70-all for Texas on a layup with 30 seconds to go.

At Oklahoma, Nate Erdmann scored 26 points and Cory Brewer added 23 for the Sooners, who drew an Oklahoma-record crowd of 12,715. One attraction for fans was a halftime ceremony where the jersey was retired of former Oklahoma all-American Wayman Tisdale.

Texas A&M ended a six-game conference losing streak with its victory over Baylor. The Aggies scored the last six points over the final 1:17. Larry Thompson led the Aggies with 13 points and Jerald Brown scored 11. Baylor was led by Brian Skinner's 14 points.

Bulldogs on brink of tourney

Coahoma out to break decade-long regional drought

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

COAHOMA — The Coahoma Bulldogs, having broken one playoff drought, take aim at an even bigger one Tuesday.

The Bulldogs, who won their first playoff game in five years last week, seek to qualify for their first regional tournament in more than a decade when they take on Tahoka at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday in a Class 2A area playoff at Scurry County Coliseum in Snyder.

The Bulldogs (22-9) opened the playoffs last week with a 64-51 victory over Hawley, while Tahoka (25-5) began their playoffs with a roar, downing No. 5 Stanton.

Coahoma coach Kim Nichols has watched film of Tahoka — as well as watching them in action at the Coahoma Invitational in December — and came away impressed.

"They're extremely quick," he said. "They like to pressure the ball from endline to endline, and they get a lot of their points off of turnovers ... We need to dictate the pace. We're going to try our best not to get in a running match with them."

Slowing the pace may be difficult for the Bulldogs, who enjoy playing the up-tempo game themselves.

"We like to play up-tempo, but we like to play under control," Nichols said. "There's a method to what we try to do."

Besides having to deal with a team built on quickness, the Bulldogs also will have to counter a Tahoka backline that averages more than 6-foot-3 in height.

"And those guys play a lot bigger than that," Nichols said. "They're extremely aggressive and physical on both boards."

RIGHT BACK AT YOU



Big Spring's Hsiao-Hsuan Li returns a shot from Carlsbad's John Kowalski during the boys' singles finals of the Big Spring Tennis Boosters Tournament Saturday at the Figure 7 Tennis Center. Kowalski defeated Li in the match.

Nebraska sweeps to Big 12 indoor title

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — The question was one of balance. And Texas women's track and field coach Beverly Kearney was quick to take exception to the suggestion that her team might lack that attribute.

"It's always been my philosophy to have a well-rounded team," Kearney said after the Longhorn women finished second to Nebraska in the first Big 12 Conference Indoor Track and Field Championships.

But the team's performance during the Big 12 meet this weekend showed otherwise.

The Texas women swept the sprints, as they had done in winning the final Southwest Conference indoor meet a year ago. Sabrina Kelly won the 55-meter dash. Nanceen Perry won the 200 meters. Toya Brown won the 400 meters. Dana Riley won the 800 meters and Suziann Reid won the 600-yard dash, an event not included in the Southwest Conference meet.

The Longhorns scored 104 of their 132 1/3 points in those five running events plus the 55-meter hurdles and the 4 x 400-meter relay, which they easily won. But they couldn't quite keep up on the scoreboard with the Nebraska women, who

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scored points in every event.

"Balance is great if you have enough quality points up front," Husker coach Gary Pepin said.

The Nebraska women had four individual winners during the two days of competition: Tressa Thompson in the shot put, Angie Vaughn in the long jump, Janet Blomstedt in the pentathlon and Sherri Macfee in the 1,000 meters. Macfee was the only one to win on Saturday.

Texas began the second day in third place, trailing Nebraska 80 1/2 points to 22 1/3 points. Because of the deficit, "some of our people tried to compensate too hard," said Kearney.

The Longhorn women also had their share of mishaps on Saturday.

Angie Vaughn, ranked nationally in the 55-meter hurdles, hit a hurdle in the finals and finished fifth. Later, she was disqualified for running out of her lane after finishing sixth in the 200 meters.

Donna Howard, the national leader in the 400-meter dash, finished eighth in the finals.

Mavs rally in fourth to sink Suns; Houston downs Spurs

PHOENIX (AP) — Forget that the Dallas Mavericks have lost almost twice as many games as they've won this season. When the game is on the line, they know what to do.

Dallas came from 16 points behind in the fourth quarter Sunday night to beat the Phoenix Suns 88-86 on Michael Finley's 3-pointer with 16 seconds remaining.

"We've been scrapping all year and we're used to playing in a lot of close games. We're prepared for that," said Mavericks coach Jim Cleamons, whose team is 18-34 on the season but 10-6 in games decided by five points or less.

"It's just been that kind of year."

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The win was especially sweet for Finley, who was traded by Phoenix to Dallas on Dec. 26 in a multi-player deal that sent Jason Kidd to the Suns.

"It's special because I have so many friends on the team," said Finley, who finished with 20 points. "To beat them with that shot and look at their expressions after was a good feeling. It was like going against your big or little brother — you respect them but you want to beat them."

A.C. Green, also sent to Dallas by the Suns, said he and Finley will enjoy the bragging rights from this one.

"I wanted to win because I don't want to hear all the junk talk after the game," Finley said. "But now me and Mikey get to do the talking."

Suns coach Danny Ainge watched his team fall to 2-13 in games decided by five points or fewer. Their 11 fourth-period points came within two of their lowest quarter output of the season.

"I'm really bothered by our effort," Ainge said. "Sometimes this team think they're better than they are and it's very frustrating. We got outthudded, we got beat up, and we didn't step up with an intensity level good enough to win in the NBA."

Shawn Bradley added 18

points and 10 rebounds for the Mavericks, who rallied from a 78-62 deficit with 11:36 left in the game.

Rockets 92, Spurs 85

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Rockets won the game and were happy. San Antonio Spurs coach Gregg Popovich was happy for another reason.

Hakeem Olajuwon scored 11 of his 21 points in the fourth quarter and the Rockets held on for a 95-85 victory over the Spurs on Sunday.

"I'm very happy with this team," said Rockets forward Charles Barkley, who scored 19 points. "We're going to be favored our next 20 games. We played terrific our last four

games.

"We shot 35 percent in Atlanta (76-74 loss Friday) and still had a chance to win. That means we played good defense, that's what wins."

The Rockets used a 21-7 run to help them to a 52-41 halftime lead and were ahead 71-56 with 2:18 to play in the third quarter.

Popovich was pleased to see his injury-depleted team close to 73-67 with 11:01 remaining, but Randy Livingston made a free throw and Olajuwon scored a basket.

Olajuwon then added nine points over the final 6:24, and the Rockets led 94-79 with 1:38 left.

Sluman snaps long drought at Tucson Classic

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — No one who plays 8 1/2 years without a victory is going to worry about backing in.

It didn't faze Jeff Sluman at all that he won the Tucson Chrysler Classic despite a bogey on the 18th hole that forced him to postpone his victory celebration until Steve Jones bogeyed the same hole to finish one stroke out of a play-off.

"The monkey is off my back. I couldn't possibly be happier," Sluman said Sunday after his 5-under-par 67 and overall score of 13-under 275, coupled with one of the worst chips in Jones' recent history, earned him his first title since the 1988 PGA Championship.

The \$234,000 first prize ended his 241-tournament, non-winning string, in which he finished second eight times.

In each victory, Sluman has come from behind. In the final round of the PGA, he started three shots behind Paul

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Azinger and fired a 65 to win by three; in this one, he was four behind Brad Bryant to start.

His winning shot was a 2-foot birdie putt on No. 17, a 186-yard par-3. It got him to 14-under and gave him the lead.

But Jones got to the final hole knowing Sluman had bogeyed by two-putting from 6 feet.

"When he made that birdie at 17, it kind of took the wind out of my sails," Jones said. "But when he bogeyed 18, the door opened for me. I said to myself, 'Hey, now I can win the tournament.'"

Instead, Jones hit a 6-iron off the fairway that bounced on the extra-firm green and rolled more than 50 feet into the deep grass. Then he skulled his attempt to pitch back to within par distance and two-putted from about 45 feet for a bogey.

"I just thinned it," Jones said. "That wasn't the shot that killed me anyway. It was the shot from the fairway."

Sluman, who spent the winter in Chicago and never practiced, had won just \$4,104 after finishing 62nd at Pebble Beach. He missed the cut twice.

Jones was alone at 276, and Bryant and Stankowski were another shot back.

Tom Kite, Don Pooley, Clarence Rose, Jeff Maggert and 1992 Tucson champion Lee Janzen were grouped at 278.

The trio at 279 included two other Tucson winners — Andrew Magee (1994) and Mike Reid (1987) — and Jerry Kelly. Phil Mickelson, who won here in 1991, 1995 and last year, was at 280 with Kirk Triplett.

Mattiace finished with a 64 and Gump, who started on the back nine, had a 65 on the strength of a 7-under 29 on the front nine that included a four-birdie, one-eagle series on the first through fifth holes.

Chang downs Woodbridge for Memphis crown

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — If there's luck to be gained by winning the St. Jude Classic, Michael Chang is ready for some to rub off on him.

In the 20 years that the St. Jude Classic has been played at the Racquet Club of Memphis, seven of the eight players ranked No. 1 at the end of the year have won the tournament, including Andre Agassi, Jim Courier and, last year, Pete Sampras.

Chang, who beat Australian Todd Woodbridge 6-3, 6-4 on Sunday to finally win the tournament where he debuted as a pro in 1988, has never been ranked higher than second in the world.

"Maybe it's a stepping stone for me. We'll see what the Lord has in store. It's a great feeling," said Chang.

One thing Chang knows for certain. The 260 computer points he earned along with the \$120,000 winner's check will move him up a slot to third in the rankings behind Sampras

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and Austria's Thomas Muster.

His first victory of this year and 27th overall also came indoors, a place where Chang has worked to improve his game. Woodbridge thinks the work is paying off.

"He's got the best set of wheels in tennis. He's able to make shots when he's on the run. That's his strength, I think," Woodbridge said.

The biggest improvement has come on Chang's serve. He switched to a racket that was longer by one inch last year and finds himself hitting harder than ever. He even hit the 130-mph mark in the third round this past week against Kenneth Carlsen.

"It's really helped me get a lot of free points, get a lot of aces, and it makes honing your serve that much easier," Chang said.

His serve saved him from a third set against Woodbridge on Sunday. Chang started

quickly in each set, but Woodbridge kept his opponent on the move, drawing him into the net and moving him around the baseline.

Needing to serve out for the match, Chang missed a forehand long to tie the game at 30-30. He then served up two of his five aces to capture the crown.

"For me, it was important to be able to close that match out," said Chang, who was feeling tired after playing at night the past few days. "If it had gone to a third set, it would've been a toss-up."

He continued his dominance over Woodbridge, who's part of the world's top doubles team with Mark Woodforde. Chang now leads their series 11-2 and has won the last seven meetings.

Woodbridge, who will also improve on his No. 32 ranking, said he knew he started lousy and pushed himself to play, only to see Chang play just that much better.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
The Big Spring Independent School District Board of Trustees will receive sealed bids until 8:00 a.m. on March 18, 1997, 700 11th Place, Big Spring, Texas 79720, for the purchase of two (2) 5/8 ton trucks with utility beds and one (1) 2 1/2 ton step van.
Specifications and bid documents may be secured from the Big Spring Independent School District's Business Office, 700 11th Place, Big Spring, Texas 79720. Bids will be opened and read aloud publicly at the above out time, place, and date.
Bids will be presented to the Board of Trustees on March 20, 1997, at 8:15 a.m. at their regularly scheduled board meeting for their consideration. The Big Spring Independent School District's Board of Trustees reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.
1282 February 17 & 24, 1997

PUBLIC NOTICE
On Tuesday, December 16, 1996, the City Council of the City of Big Spring, Texas, passed and approved an ordinance and final reading of an ordinance described as follows:
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS, DESIGNATING WEST THIRTEEN (13TH) STREET FROM AVENUE ROAD TO THE COUNTY FARM PARKING AREA AS A ONE WAY STREET, IN THAT SAID DIRECTION OF TRAVEL, DIRECTING THE ERECTION OF THE PROPER SIGNS (STATE LAW PROVIDES THAT IT IS A MIDWEEKEND OFFENSE TO DISOBEY TRAFFIC REGULATORY SIGNS PUNISHABLE BY A FINE OF UP TO \$200.00 ON CONVICTION) AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION.
1281 February 24 & 25, 1997

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Notice of Public Sale
A Public Sale to satisfy a landlord's lien will be held on March 6, 1997 at 4:30 PM at Park-N-Look Storage, 711 West 4th Street, Big Spring, TX. Sale to be held on an entire content of each unit. Seller reserves right to sell except any bid or withdraw property from sale. Property in each unit will be sold unit by unit. Property being sold includes contents of storage units.
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR TUESDAY, FEB. 25:
You are unusually lucky this year, if you follow through on your intuition. Allow for frequent timeouts, to center yourself. Partnerships play a special role in creating what you want, professionally and emotionally. Be sure of yourself, yet always be open to constructive feedback. Keep a trusted circle of friends. If you are single, you are likely to enter a special relationship. You might want to share more than usual. If attached, you both benefit from willingness to express your vulnerabilities. Honoring long-term goals together builds closeness between you. LIBRA is a trusted confidant.
The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
You receive something from out of the blue. Think before you leap. Unexpected results challenge you. Before you charge into action, consider your long-term goals. Revamp plans, however suddenly. Tonight: Accept an invitation.*****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
You feel you are treading water. On some level, you are; however, good comes out of it. The unexpected occurs with a higher-up or someone whom you place on a pedestal. Your reliability makes a big difference in a work-related decision. Tonight: Go to the gym.***

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
Use your imagination to brainstorm; you will produce unusual solutions. Exercise caution with a loved one who makes a big difference in your life. A flirtation could lead you down the wrong path before you know it. Be accountable. Tonight: Enjoy a midweek date.*****

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
You are in awe of a new development on the home front. What you have accepted as OK could be much improved upon; prepare for changes. Feedback from a partner is substantial. Check out an investment, no matter how good it appears. Tonight: Be with your best friend.***

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
Reach out for others, and initiate conversations. Others may surprise you with their vast knowledge and unassuming attitude. Establish limits. There seem to be many exciting possibilities. Clear the decks, and open up to talks. Tonight: Have a good time.*****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
Listen to your inner voice regarding money and a professional matter. You gain because of your willingness to work and put in extra time. The timing is right for asking a

favor, perhaps even a pay raise. Others are in your corner. Tonight: Do some light shopping.***

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
You have a way with others, especially children. By putting your best foot forward, you establish better rapport and long-term bonding. Someone cares about you. It is important to recognize what you want, aside from pleasing others. Tonight: A smile goes a long way.*****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
Keep your own counsel, even if you are tickled pink about a personal matter. Examine your main objectives, though you need to do so by yourself for now because sharing backfires for you. Maintain your distance for a while. Tonight: Take a night off.***

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
Focus on success and friendship. Doors finally open for you. You wonder what you need to do to convince another to join. Just express your feelings of happiness. You will find that it is contagious. Others can't help but join in. Tonight: Go where the action is.*****

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
Financial matters are positive, though in your enthusiasm you could take unnecessary risks. Trust what is happening, yet rely on your conservative nature. Keep up the pace, and don't take anything for granted. Continue with the good work. Tonight: Work late.***

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
You have reason to click your heels with joy. You seem to be lucky. Accept an opportunity to travel or help spread word of a cause that is most important to you. You land, no matter what happens. Go for what you really want. Tonight: Just ask; the answer is yes.*****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
Don't undermine your intuition. You know more than you think. Stay even with a partner. Business negotiations are weighty, so listen to those on the other side. They have a strong point. Reveal only what you must to achieve results. Tonight: Negotiate for more fun things!****

BORN TODAY
Writer-producer Larry Gelbart (1928), musician George Harrison (1943), tennis player Bobby Riggs (1918)
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Boyfriend's 'bill' could cost his girlfriend's trust

DEAR ABBY: My boyfriend of one year and I have been going through some turbulent times these last several weeks, and at one point we decided to part ways. I was shocked when he handed me a "bill" totaling \$1,393.



Abigail Van Buren
Columnist

I admit there were amounts on there that I had told him I would pay back - but it only added up to half of his total. Amounts like \$5, \$10 and \$20 that I thought he had given in unconditional good spirit were listed on there under months and exact dates throughout the entire year we had been dating. For example, he would say, "Here, Hon, put some gasoline in your tank." I have helped him out monetarily from time to time, but I never expected that he was keeping track of what he was giving me, much less that he'd ask for it back.

Now we're trying to mend our relationship, and I can't get that "bill" out of my mind. He said he wrote it up and gave it to me because he was mad. Now I have a hard time accepting anything from him. I even wonder if this relationship is worth mending. What is your advice? -CONFUSED IN SAN DIEGO

DEAR CONFUSED: Your boyfriend may have acted in a moment of anger, but he did

not compile his detailed ledger on the spur of the moment. If you are looking for a generous man, keep looking. This one is not above using the purse strings to try to control you.

DEAR ABBY: In your tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., you said: "In 1964 he was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize. Dr. King's principles of nonviolence were based on the teachings of Christianity."
Abby, Martin Luther King had to go to India to learn the principles of nonviolence, because they were neither understood nor practiced in the United States.

The civil rights movement in the 1960s reminds us of how violent white Christians really are. They are as violent as Muslims and Jews. If not more violent. Remember, we have had nearly 5,000 lynchings in our history. Christians proclaim brotherly love, love for your neighbor, peace on earth and other notions - but they often do not practice them. -HUGO BORRESEN

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MONDAY

FEB. 24

Table with 24 columns representing different TV channels and their respective programming for Monday, Feb. 24. Columns include KMBD, KPEJ, KERA, FAM, KOSA, WFAA, KWIS, WTR, LNE, WNN, WASH, TUD, SHOW, ABC, KRLD, KXAS, KXAN, KXII, KXIII, KXIV, KXV, KXVI, KXVII, KXVIII, KXIX, KXX, KXXI, KXXII, KXXIII, KXXIV, KXXV, KXXVI, KXXVII, KXXVIII, KXXIX, KXXX, KXXXI, KXXXII, KXXXIII, KXXXIV, KXXXV, KXXXVI, KXXXVII, KXXXVIII, KXXXIX, KXXXX, KXXXXI, KXXXXII, KXXXXIII, KXXXXIV, KXXXXV, KXXXXVI, KXXXXVII, KXXXXVIII, KXXXXIX, KXXXXX.

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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

The ASSOCIATED PRESS Today is Monday, Feb. 24th,

the 56th day of 1997. There are 310 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On Feb. 24th, 1888, the U.S. House of Representatives impeached President Johnson following his attempted dismissal of Secretary of War Edwin M. Stanton; Johnson was later acquitted by the Senate.

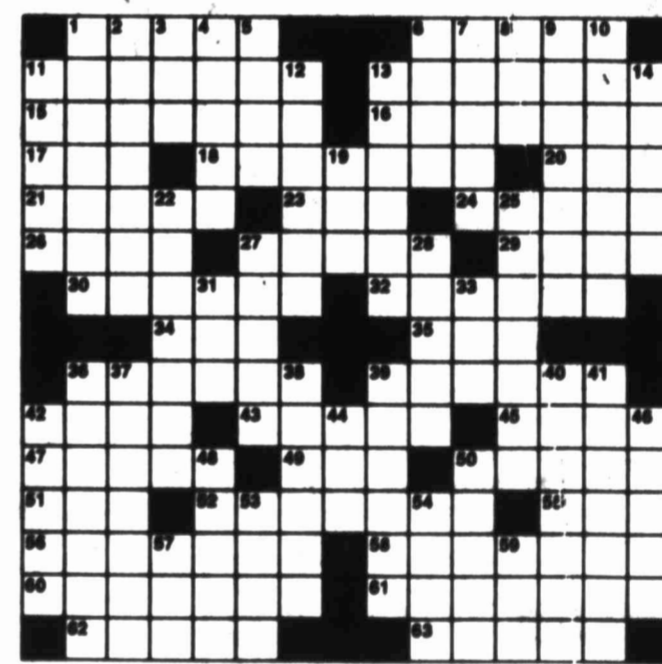
On this date: In 1882, Pope Gregory XIII issued a papal bull, or edict, outlining his calendar reforms. The Gregorian Calendar is the calendar in general use today. In 1803, in its "Marbury vs. Madison" decision, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that it was the final interpreter of constitutional issues. In 1821, Mexico declared its independence from Spain. In 1863, Arizona was organized as a territory. In 1903, the United States signed an agreement acquiring a naval station at Guantanamo Bay in Cuba. In 1920, a fledgling German political party held its first meeting of importance in Munich; it became known as the Nazi Party and its chief spokesman was Adolf Hitler. In 1942, the Voice of America went on the air for the first time. In 1945, American soldiers liberated the Philippine capital of Manila from Japanese control during World War II. In 1946, Argentines elect Juan D. Peron their president. In 1981, Buckingham Palace announced the engagement of Britain's Prince Charles to Lady Diana Spencer. In 1983, a congressional commission released a report condemning the internment of Japanese-Americans during World War II, calling it a "grave injustice."

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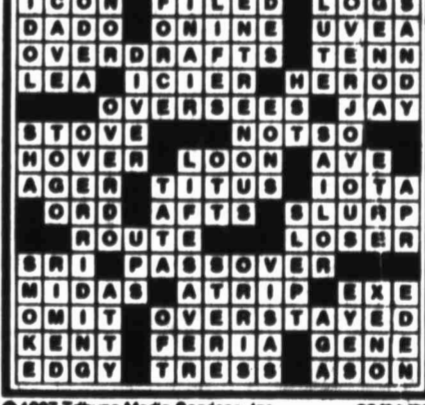
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by Bernice Gordon 02/24/97

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