Moore begins second Enterprize Challenge today

By CARLTON JOHNSON

official start of Moore Development for Big Spring's second Enterprize Challenge program will be at 5 p.m. today during a workshop at the Big Spring Area Chamber of

Commerce for those interested in the participating in this year's challenge. The workshop will be conducted by David Shipman of the Panhandle Small Business Development Center in

Amarillo. The purpose of the workshop will be to answer questions about the challenge and to show participants how to develop a business plan.

Pam Welch, assistant director of Moore Development, said the meeting

is being conducted by an outside third party because Moore does not want to give the impression that it is telling those interested in the challenge what to do.

A total of \$30,000 in grants were awarded to two local businesses last year for further development of their

Paul Hopper accepted a \$20,000 grant on behalf of Russ Rutledge and Fiber Composite Inc. for the purpose of purchasing a radio frequency (RF) unit for producing fiberglass products, and Chris Chaney, owner of Chris Chaney Creations, was awarded a grant of \$10,000 to continue creation of a new line of jewelry called "Cotton Boll Jewelry."

This year the total amount of grants

has been increased to \$50,000.

Local residents interested in the Enterprize Challenge must submit a business plan summary to Moore by April 2, and a business plan of no more than 20 pages long to Moore by Aug. 4.

All business plans will be screened for compliance with guidelines set by Moore's Business Retention and Expansion Committee. Entrants will make a presentation of their plans by Sept. 30 and be interviewed by a panel of three outside judges not associated with Moore

Results of the challenge will be presented to Moore's board of directors at its Annual Meeting in October.

According to Welch, the only major change in this year's challenge is the

awarded in the Enterprize Challenge increase in the amount of grant to be awarded.

"Everything is still the same as last year," Welch said. "The plans submitted must be of a basic business."

Basic businesses are defined as those that primarily export products or services outside the Big Spring area, thus, bringing new money into the local economy.

Under the rules, entrepreneurs must document that at least 75 percent of their company's sales would be outside Howard County. Several examples of a basic business include manufacturing, distribution, warehousing, headquarters, aviation maintenance, air cargo and food processing.

Entrants into the challenge can be either a start-up business or an exist-

ing small business with \$1 million or less in annual sales.

Winners of the challenge may only participate once every three years and people who have filed for business or personal bankruptcy protection are not eligible to receive grant awards.

People who have been convicted of a felony, or a Class A or B misdemeanor are also not eligible.

Rules of the challenge also state entrants must have an acceptable credit rating and that relatives of the judges, Moore staff, Moore directors, BDC staff or the Big Spring City Council are ineligible to participate.

Interested person wanting more information about the Enterprize Challenge should contact Moore offices at 264-6032 or the BDC at 264-5164.

Burglars hit college amid spring break

By KELLIE JONES Features Editor

Someone took advantage of the fact no one was at the Howard College campus during spring break, stealing two computers, a television, a telephone and cash.

Dennis Churchwell, director of purchasing at the college, reported someone broke in at the college and took two Toshiba laptop computers, a cellular telephone, a television/VCR and \$100 cash. The total amount stolen was worth

Big Spring Police Capt. Lonnie Smith said the suspect or suspects could have used a key to gain entry to the build-

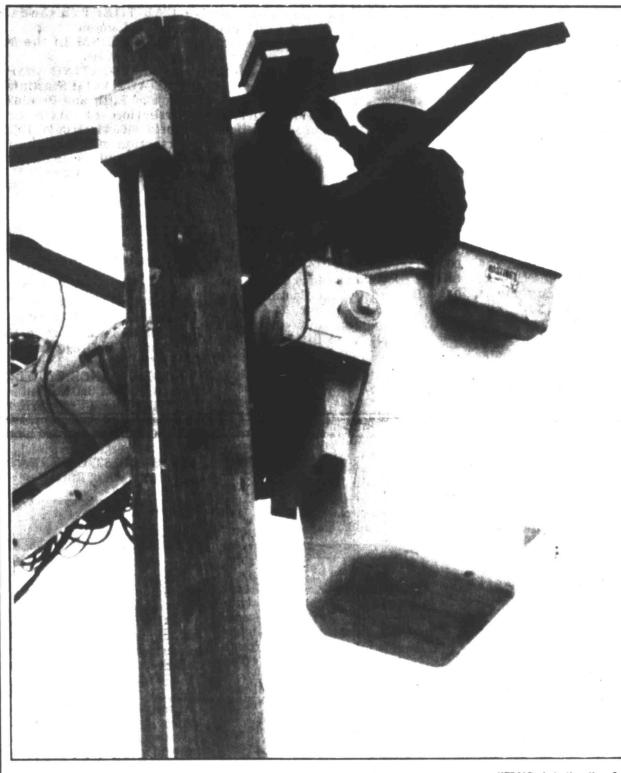
ing. are investigating the incident," Smith said. "There could have been forced entry but that could also be old damage, so a key may have been used.

He added detectives aren't revealing what part of the college was broken into because they want to keep some information confidential in case someone calls into CrimeStoppers. Smith explained that officers need to have something that wasn't reported to the public to verify what the person is saying is

One of the Toshiba laptops is white and the other is gray. while the cellular phone is black. If you have any information about this crime, you are urged to contact CrimeStoppers at 263-TIPS or the police department at 264-2550. Callers will

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NEW LIGHTS



HERALD photo/Jonathan Garrett

Alfred Williams of Electric Maintenance and Construction of Midland hangs one of the lights at Coahoma High School's baseball field.

Finch retracing Earhart flight 60 years later

BURBANK, Calif. (AP) - The re-creation of Amelia Earhart's last flight took an educational pit stop to show off the vintage silver Lockheed Electra airplane and the woman who plans to fly it around the world.

Millionaire businesswoman Linda Finch was at the controls of the shiny twin-engine aircraft when it landed Monday at Burbank Glendale Pasadena Airport.

The plane, which took off from Oakland a few hours earlier, is a fraternal twin to the one Earhart flew from the same Oakland airfield to Burbank 60 years ago on March 17.

Others have completed the

Earhart flight, but not in an Electra.

Finch landed just before 3 p.m., taking a big bounce before setting down. She heads for Tucson, Ariz., on Wednesday.

"Well, I don't know if I should admit it in front of everybody, but the last two or three (landings) I made were really perfect and I think I got a little cocky and wasn't paying enough attention," she said of the bounce.

Finch, 46, of San Antonio, Texas, restored the plane and sheltered it in the same hangar from which Earhart's craft was rolled out on St. Patrick's Day

"Amelia had a message that she wanted to deliver to people of her time and we want to do the same thing with our project," Finch said. "She believed that everyone should be able to have their dream, and be able to set limits that are higher than sometimes we set for ourselves.'

The flight will take about 2) months, cover about 26,000 nautical miles and visit 20 countries. Finch plans to end her flight in Oakland in May.

Finch has spent the last two years rebuilding and modernizing the plane. She even borrowed rare parts from another Lockheed Electra on display at the Western Aerospace Museum in Oakland.

Finch will make some concessions to progress. For one thing, she'll be wearing hearing pro-

tection.

"These engines are actually larger than those intended for this model aircraft," Finch said of the two massive Pratt & Whitney Wasp engines that power her Lockheed Electra. "It's the loudest airplane I've ever flown.'

Finch will have other advantages over Earhart, who vanished with her navigator, Fred Noonan, 22,000 miles into the

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Wednesday is final deadline for race filings resignation of Dan Wise and is

By CARLTON JOHNSON

Staff Writer

Wednesday is the final day for interested persons to file to run for city council positions in District 2, District 4 and District 6 as well as for three positions up for re-election on the Big Spring Independent School District (BSISD) Board of Trustees.

The deadline to file to run for a council seat is 5 p.m. Wednesday.

As of today, District 2 Councilwoman Pat DeAnda is being challenged by Oscar Garcia; District 4 incumbent Councilman Tom Guess is being challenged by Tommy Tune: and the District 6 seat. where incumbent John Paul

tion, Randy Mason is the only candidate to have filed. Also as of today, school board members Don Baker (District 2) and Steve Fraser (at-large member) are running unopposed and Larry Hollar (District 4) is

Anderson is not seeking re-elec-

being challenged by Steve Jeter. Fraser was appointed last fall to fill the seat left vacant by the required to run to fill the oneyear unexpired term.

Local voters will again use a central voting location in the May 3 elections and will cast ballots in the Big Spring High School cafeteria from 7 a.m. to 7

Persons seeking a council position are not required to live in the district they seek to represent, but those seeking school board positions are.

To beat the filing deadline for seeking a council seat, interested persons may file to run in the finance office at City Hall. Candidates wishing to run for a school board seat may file in the BSISD business office at 708 11th Place before 4:30 p.m. Wednesday.

Early voting in city and school elections begins at 8 a.m. April 14 and continues through 5 p.m. April 29.

Early ballots in the city council election may be cast in the finance office at City Hall and ballots in the school board election may be cast in Howard County Clerk Margaret Ray's office.

Sale of dealership awaits Chrysler Corp. approval

Sales manager says business won't close By JOHN H. WALKER

Managing Editor

The sale of Big Spring Chrysler is waiting on approval from Chrysler Corp. and is expected to be finalized between mid-April and the first of May, according to an official of Lynn Alexander Autoplex in San Angelo. Sales manager Chuck Potts

said the sale, which was first reported in Sunday's Herald, will result in the name of the dealership being changed to Fiesta Dodge-Chrysler-Jeep-Eagle but that the dealership will not be closed for remodeling as detailed in the story. 'The dealership will remain

open," Potts said. "It will not be Please see SALE, page 2

closed for one minute and there won't be any lapse in sales or service.'

Potts, who said he and his family will be moving to Big Spring in conjunction with the sale, said that customers and potential customers won't notice any difference in the dayto-day operations at the dealer-

"We intend to run a first-class facility and provide the best in sales and service," he said.

Alexander owns and operates Lynn Alexander Autoplex and All-American Chevrolet in San Angelo and sells Lincoln-Mercury, Nissan, Dodge, Jeep, Eagle, Chrysler and Chevrolet products. Big Spring Chrysler is owned

by Otto Meyer, who opened the dealership in October 1992.

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Today: Partly cloudy and cooler. High in the upper 60s. Low in the

Wednesday: Sunny. High in the lower 70s. Low in the lower 40s.

Extended outlook: Thursday through Friday, fair. Highs in the 80s. Lows in the 40s. Saturday, cooler. High in the 70s.

TODAY'S WEATHER

Police at Pantex Plant walking picket lines AMARILLO (AP) — Security officers are on strike at Pantex, the nation's primary assembly and disassembly plant for

nuclear weapons. A supplemental guard service was on duty today.

The strike was called late Sunday night after members of the union voted 227-74 in favor of rejecting a new contract offered the guards by Mason & Hanger Corp., which operates the plant.

Pantex spokeswoman Vanesa

Hamilton said the corporation

already has offered the International Guards Union of America Local 38 the best possible proposal.

She said Monday there is nothing else to offer and that Mason & Hanger have no plans to restart negotiations.

Union president Mike Stumbo said union members will continue to picket until the contract dispute is resolved.

A supplemental guard force. comprised of supervisory security personnel from the Pantex Plant and other DOE facilities.

will stay on the job as long as said. necessary, Hamilton said.

The Metal Trades Council handles contract negotiations for Pantex production and maintenance workers and is a separate bargaining entity from IGUA. Its president alleged Monday that security infractions had occurred since the auxiliary guard force took over operations at midnight Sunday.

"I am not comfortable with an auxiliary guard force protecting this nuclear weapons facility, president Frank W. George Jr.

Hamilton said Pantex guards earn about \$50,000 annually in gross income, not including fringe benefits.

Members of the local disputed that claim. Stumbo said he found the \$50,000 salary very attractive and worth negotiating toward, but he said it does not reflect actual guard salaries. He said he would have to work about 1,000 hours covertime to earn \$50,000 in a year.

The average annual salary for a guard is about \$32,000.

OBITUARIES

Jaden Desiree Henry

Graveside service for Jaden · Desiree Henry, infant daughter of Jennifer and Roger Henry of Big Spring, will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 19, 1997, at Mt. Olive Memorial Park with Rev. Earnest Wilson, pastor of Mt. Bethel Baptist Church, officiating.

She died Sunday, March 16, in an Odessa hospital.

She was born on March 12, 1997, in Odessa, and was affiliated with St. Mary's Episcopal

Survivors include: her parents, Jennifer and Roger Henry, Big Spring; her twin sister, Anna Marie Henry; a sister, Melissa Pence; two brothers, Keagan Wade Pence and Desmond Rene Everette Henry. all of Big Spring; paternal grandfather, Roger Henry, Jr., Antioch, Calif.; paternal grandmother, Lillian Viola Henry, Pomona, Calif.; maternal grandparents, Gerald and Vicki LeClair, Big Spring; paternal great-grandmothers, Magolean Henry and Viola Merritt, both of Big Spring; maternal great-grandparents, Dr. Q.J. and Jeanette Florence. Lindon, and Ed and Louise Booth, Big Spring, four uncles, one aunt and numerous

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

Mary Jo Allen

Service for Mary Jo Allen, 67, Big Spring, will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, March 19, 1997, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Rev. Gary Hubbard, chaplain of Family Hospice, officiating. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Mrs. Allen died Monday, March 17, at her residence.

She was born on Feb. 9, 1930, in Big Spring, and married Weldon Allen in 1973 in Big Spring. She was a lifelong resident of Big Spring and had worked in the Big Spring High School cafeteria as a cook for several years. She was a Methodist,

Survivors include her husband, Weldon Allen, Big Spring; one daughter, Mary

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24th & Johnson 267-8288

Tomas Lujan, died Saturday, Graveside services were 10:00 A.M. today at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH **Funeral Home** Trinity Memorial Park



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

Mary Jo Allen, 67, died Monday. Services will be 10:00 AM Wednesday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Jaden Desiree Henry, infant daughter of Jennifer and Roger Henry, died Sunday. Graveside services will be at 2:00 PM Wednesday at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Della Hicks, 92, died Saturday. Graveside services will be at 10:00 AM Saturday at Trinity Memorial Park.

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Frances Byrd, Odessa; one son, Paul Allen, Woodson; one sister, Billie Merrill, Big Spring; six grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. V

The family suggests memorials to Family Hospice; 3210 E. 11th Place; Big Spring, Texas;

Arrangements: under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Continued from page 1 Meyer's arrival in the market made the Chrysler marque available in the Big Spring market for the first time in several years following the closure of Elmore Chrysler.

Meyer, who also owns a Chrysler Corp. dealership in Snyder, came to Big Spring from Thousand Oaks. Calif... and was a 30-year veteran of Chrysler's sales division at the time he opened the dealership.

Flight

Continued from page 1 flight near a Pacific knoll called Howland Island.

A global-positioning satellite receiver will tell Finch exactly where she is. She also will have VHF radio communications to help with landings and takeoffs.

In another difference between the flights, Finch has planned from the beginning to head east. Earhart started her flight heading west, but crashed on Hawaii. The plane was shipped back and repaired, and the flight was started over again on May 21, this time going east.

While Earhart and Noonan shared the flight, Finch will have a cast of seven havigators, each picking up the flight at a different stop.

There also will be an escort amphibious plane, an Grumman Albatross carrying a film crew to chronicle the

Earhart was attempting to become the first person to pilot an aircraft around the world's equator when she disappeared. In 1932 she flew from

Newfoundland, to Ireland, becoming the first woman to fly across the Atlantic solo. She was the first woman to fly nonstop across the United States and the first woman to fly from Hawaii to the West Coast.

Most investigators believe Earhart ran out of gas and crashed on July 2, 1937. But there are other theories about what happened to her, including one that she was on a spy mission and fell into the hands of the Japanese.

Pratt & Whitney, based in East Hartford, Conn. is spending \$4 million to help sponsor the flight. It's running an educational program entitled "You Can Soar." About 500,000 students who live along the flight path will participate, learning about geography, science, the weather and aviation. They will have Internet access to Finch's flight schedule.

Finch, who operates nursing homes, said that after the flight she will take the plane to Atchison, Kan., Earhart's hometown, to participate in the celebration of Earhart's 100th birthday on July 24.

Burglary

Continued from page 1 remain anonymous and if the person calls CrimeStoppers with information that leads to the arrest, indictment and/or conviction of those responsible, the caller will receive a reward of up to \$1,000.

BRIEFS

THE AG APPRECIATION LUNCH is at the East Room of the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum March 27 at noon in conjunction with the West Texas Ag Expo. Tickets are available at the Chamber officer and is free for all area farmers and ranch-

This year's Ag Expo and Lunch is one day only. The Expo is open to the public from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Agricultural booths, exhibits and workshops along with the luncheon are throughout the day. The

> Scenfc Mountain Medical Center 681 W. 11th Place

> > 263-1211

announcement of the Ag Producer of the Year follows the luncheon. Workshops will be going on in the morning and resume in the afternoon following the luncheon

Come out and join the fun and area farmers and ranchers don't forget to pick up your lun-

CIVIL WAR DAYS WEEK-END is Saturday, April 5 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Comanche Trail Park, Dora Roberts Community Center. Free admission.

COAHOMA ISD WILL HAVE school on May 26 to make up for missed bad weather day.

A SIGN-UP FOR THE Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) continues through the close of business on Friday, March 28.

Producers interested in participating in CRP should phone the Howard County Farm Service Agency for an appointment, 267-2557.

THE SECOND PROMISE KEEPERS Rally is 7 p.m. Tuesday at Miracle Revival Center, 600 FM 700.

APPLICATIONS FOR 1998-99 ROTARY Foundation academic year Ambassadorial Scholarships now are available from local Rotary Clubs in Big Spring.

The scholarships, designated to further international understanding and goodwill, provide study abroad in one of the 189 countries and geographical where Rotary regions International is located. Each club in Rotary District 5730 may sponsor applications for the scholarships. The district will offer one ambassadorial scholarships for 1998-99.

Foundation Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarships are for one academic year abroad and provide round-trip transportation and up to \$22,000 for tuition and fees, room and board, necessary educational supplies and one month of intensive language training, if deemed necessary by the Rotary Foundation.

Persons interested in obtain-Rotary Foundation Academic Year Ambassadorial Scholarship applications should contact a local Rotary Club in District 5730 which includes the Texas Panhandle, South Plains, and the Permian Basin. Each application must be submitted through a District 5730 Club, not directly to the district. Applications may also be obtained from the chair of the District Rotary Scholarship Subcommittee:

Kenneth L. Ketner, Ph.D.; Peirce Professor of Philosophy: Texas Tech University Library; Room 3044; Box 40002; Lubbock, Texas; 79409-0002.

Ketner also may be contacted at (806)742-3128. Completed applications must be submitted to a local Rotary Club in District 5730 prior to April 1.

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH ladies are having a bake sale Saturday starting at 10 a.m. at the Big Spring Mall. Celebrate Easter with our cakes, pies, breads and cookies.

UNITED BLOOD SERVICE IS having a community blood drive at Scenic Mountain Medical Center Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Appointments are needed. Please call Deborah Pearce at 263-1211 ext. 175 to schedule an appointment.

SPRINGBOARD

IF YOU HAVE ANY CHANGES IN A SPRING-BOARD ITEM OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, CON-TACT GINA GARZA, 263-7331 ext. 238, BETWEEN 8 A.M. AND 2 P.M. All Springboard items must be submitted in writing. Mail

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

 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

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

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

 Big Spring Art Association, 7 p.m., West Texas Center for the Arts on the Howard College

•United Blood Service blood drive, Scenic Mountain Medical Center, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Appointments are needed. Call Deborah Pearce at 263-1211, ext. 175, to schedule an appoint-

 Second Promise Keepers Rally, 7 p.m., Miracle Revival Center, 600 FM 700.

•Big Spring Band Boosters, 7 p.m., BSHS Band Hall. Officer election time.f For more information call Cyndi Marsh, 263-6705.

·Senior citizen dance, Colorado Civic Center, 7 to 10 p.m. The Country Five will provide the music. Everyone is

WEDNESDAY

Downtown Lions Club, noon. Howard College Cactus Room. Call Archie Kountz, 267-3821.

 Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. 12&12 Study.

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

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

·Big Spring Senior Citizens Center art classed, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., 55 and older.

CLARIFICATION

Lakeview Headstart is not having registration this week. Instead, Garden City Headstart is registering students through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Headstart classroom.

When registering please bring the following: proof of income (income tax return, W-2 statement, salary check stubs, AFDC, unemployment, social security, child support payments), birth certificate, immunization record, and social security card for all household. Headstart also reserves spaces for children with disabilities.

The Lakeview Headstart isn't having registration until next month and the times and dates will be announced at a later

RECORDS

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POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents during a 24-hour period ending 8 a.m. Tuesday:
• BURNELL BOOKER, 29, of

2404 Monticello, was arrested for not having a driver's license or liability insurance.

 DAVID PERRY BRUNGS, 17, of Chino Hills, Calif., was arrested for possession of a controlled substance. • STEVEN MCNEAL, 20, of

Chino Hills, Calif., was arrested for possession of a controlled substance. ROBERT LOPEZ, 20, of 503

E. 18th, was arrested on outstanding local warrants. · ANDY RODRIGUEZ, 34, of 501 N.E. Ninth, was arrested on

outstanding local warrants. • THEFTS in the 400 block of W. Seventh, 2300 block of Wasson, 3300 block of W. Highway 80, 2000 block of Gregg and 600 block of N.E.

• GAS THEFT in the 1100 block of N. Lamesa. • VANDALISM in the 800

block of E. FM 700. INVESTIGATING SUSPI-CIOUS ACTIVITIES at intersection of Fifth and Presidio. intersection of Sixth and Runnels, 1100 block of W. Fifth, intersection of N.E. 10th and Goliad, 2500 block of Langley and 1000 block of Birdwell.

• BURGLARY OF A VEHI-CLE in the 1100 block of

DOMESTIC DISTUR-BANCES in the 2500 block of Kelly and 1100 block of N. Lamesa. CREDIT CARD ABUSE in

the 1800 block of E. Marcy. CRIMINAL TRESPASS WARNINGS ISSUED in the 2000 block of S. Gregg and 1000

block of N. Lamesa. DISTURBANCE/FIGHT in the 1600 block of Settles. LOUD PARTY/NOISE in the 400 block of Aylesford, 1900

block of Johnson and 500 block of Westover. TERRORISTIC THREATS in the 700 block of Runnels.

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following incidents during a 24-hour period ending 8 a.m. Tuesday:

 ROSENDO MONTANA JR., 29, of 301 N.W. 10th, was released on a \$55,000 bond. He had been indicted for murder by a grand jury in October 1996. He was also arrested for two warrants to revoke his probation, delivery of a controlled substance and possession of a controlled substance. Montana's bond was originally set by the city judge at \$500,000 but the grand jury reduced it to \$100,000 in October.

RAYMUNDO VERA GON-ZALES JR., 26, of 3208 W. Ninth, was transferred from the police department after being arrested for bondsman off bond for driving with a suspended license. He was later

released on a \$1,500 bond. · SANDRA MELTON, 84, of 1901 Scurry, was arrested on an outstanding warrant for issuance of a bad check. She was later released on a \$2,000 bond.

DAVID ARNULFO GARZA, 33, of 1317 Kindle, was transferred from the police department after being arrested for bondsman off bond for driving while intoxicated. He was later released on a \$1,500 bond. · MICHAEL STEWART

DEAX JR., 19, of 1600 Harding, was transferred from the police department after being arrested on a Howard County warrant for assault. He was later released on a \$1,500 bond.

 CORY FAY FERDON, 31. of Abilene, was arrested by DPS officers for driving while intoxicated and later released on a \$2,000 bond.

 CATHY ANN WILLIAMS BULLOCK, 46, of 1310 Donley, was transferred to Ector County authorities on a motion to revoke her probation for driving while intoxicated.

• SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE near the Knott Gin.

MARKETS

May cotton 74.35 cents a pound, down 56 points; April crude oil 21.10 up 18 points; Cash hogs steady at 48; slaughter steers at 68 up 1: April lean hog futures 70.12, down 25 points; April live cattle futures 68.72, down 35

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

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Clinton accepts Lake's request to quit as CIA nominee

WASHINGTON (AP) — Having firm-ly decided to abandon the fight to head the CIA, a gloomy Anthony Lake walked into President Clinton's private study and said, "I'm sorry. You know why I'm here,"

The president, casually dressed, his injured leg elevated, already had gotten word that his closest foreign policy adviser over the past four years wanted out of an increasingly nasty confirmation battle.

"I want you to stay and fight," an angry, almost despondent Clinton told Lake, as recounted by White House press secretary Mike McCurry. "You'd be a great CIA director." Then, however, the president added, "I'll respect your personal judgment."

closed a bitter, four-month confirmation battle that has left the nation's vast intelligence apparatus without a director, split the customarily bipartisan Senate Intelligence Committee and infuriated White House aides loyal to Lake, who for four years was Clinton's national security adviser.

"I'm surprised," Sen. Orrin Hatch, a Utah Republican, said today. "I think he would have made it through the process. I personally liked him, wanted to vote for him and probably in the end would have," Hatch said on NBC's "Today" show.

Committee chairman Richard Shelby, a critic of Lake's nomination, said today that, "Initially I was sur-

The 20-minute White House meeting prised. But after considering everyings. The hearings were to have conthing, this was a controversial nomination from the outset.

> "I never was out to get Mr. Lake. It was not personal with me," Shelby said.

> There were no immediate indication that new and damaging revelations about Lake were to emerge, but Lake's management of the NSC staff had caused a senior Democrat on the Intelligence Committee to question whether he could be confirmed.

The withdrawal was surprising because Lake had weathered several GOP attacks on his finances and on his role in allowing Iranian arms into Bosnia to emerge relatively unscathed from last week's confirmation hearcluded this week, and Republicans on the intelligence committee had said privately he probably would be confirmed.

Lake and Clinton briefly discussed options for a new nominee to head the CIA but McCurry declined to provide any details. One obvious candidate would be Acting CIA Director George Tenet, an intelligence community veteran. Last week Lake said he planned to ask Tenet to stay on as top deputy.

McCurry quoted the president as saying Lake's treatment at the hands of the Senate committee was "inexcusable" and said Clinton was "angry and close to being despondent" in his meeting with Lake.

In a letter to Clinton signed simply, "Tony." Lake said his reasons for withdrawing stemmed not from fear of any new revelations but from weariness with the "political circus" his nomination had become. Lake said he was convinced that under Shelby, the confirmation process faced "endless delay."

"After more than three months, I have finally lost patience and the endless delays are hurting the CIA and NSC staff in ways I can no longer tolerate," Lake said. He said his nomination had become "a political football in a game with constantly moving goalposts," and he said the intensely political climate surrounding the confirmation process showed that "Washington has gone haywire."

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Bank officials, FBI discuss rise in robberies, bad checks

DALLAS - It's time to initiate a high-tech war against the brazen robbers and sophisticated con artists who are preying on Texas banks, federal authorities and bank officials say.

Bank representatives, FBI agents and federal prosecutors met Monday to discuss plans to upgrade equipment, create a computer database and re-evaluate security procedures.

Since the beginning of this year, the FBI reports there's been 52 bank robberies in North Texas — one every day and a half. That pace is almost three times ahead of last year at this time. The regions surrounding Houston and San Antonio also have

reported big jumps in robberies since the year began. In addition to robberies, bank representatives and FBI officials said they were concerned about a 53 percent jump in check fraud losses in Dallas since 1995.

Inmates say Bailey County Jail is haunted

MULESHOE — Talk about spooky, the Bailey County Jail may have one inmate who would be able to come and go as he pleas-

That inmate is a ghost, residents of the lockup in this West

"Last week a deputy mentioned it to me," Sheriff Jerry Hicks said Monday. "I figured he was kidding, but (the inmates) are really convinced something's back there.

The inmates describe the ghost as a "shadowy being," Hicks said. "At first they thought it was one of the jailers they'd nicknamed 'The Creeper' because she makes no noise on her rounds." Hicks said. "They called out, but there was no answer." The shadow seems to disappear into a dead end, prisoners have told the sheriff.

Former parole officer sentenced to six years in prison

FORT WORTH — A former state parole officer has been sentenced to six years in prison for accepting cash and sex from the drug dealer she was supposed to supervise.

U.S. District Judge Terry Means Monday sentenced Cynthia Bennett Evans to six years in prison, about twice the term called for under federal sentencing guidelines.

The judge said Evans deserved harsher-than-usual punishment ecause she abused a position of trust and allowed John "Cold Blooded" Clay to "peddle his poison."

"Respect for the law will be completely ruined because of people in our community who look at law enforcement officers and see not an upstanding enforcer of the law, but a despicable subverter of the law," Means told Evans.

Study: Hispanics have higher rate of heart disease

DALLAS — For years, doctors were confronted with a contra-

Death certificates suggested Mexican-American men were less likely than whites to die of heart attacks even though they had greater risk factors — a higher rate of diabetes, a tendency to be fat around the middle, and less "good cholesterol" in their blood. "We refer to it as the paradox," said Dr. David Ramsey, a

researcher at the University of Texas Health Science Center in Houston.

Now scientists may have figured it out. A study released Monday found that Mexican-Americans do indeed have higher rates of heart disease than non-Hispanic whites. The problem was that the death certificates were widely inaccurate.

The study, published in the American Heart Association journal Circulation, was based instead on medical records.

Mass dog poisoning remains unsolved

FISHERMAN'S PARADISE — Among cedar- and oak-lined hills overlooking the Brazos River, dozens of crosses remind residents that there's trouble in Paradise.

By residents' count, 47 dogs are dead or missing. The poison, strychnine, is an increasingly popular weapon that also killed Texas rodeo horses and other animals this year.

Melissa Drinning recalled the horror of finding three dead dogs in her back yard Jan. 15. A cross in front of her house lists two of the victims, her 6-month-old beagle, Domino, and her mother's year-old Rottweiler, Gypsy.

"I walked down the back stairs and the neighbors' dog — the little white dog Tuffy they had — was dead, lying by the trash can." the teen-ager said. "I saw him and I just started crying, because I loved that dog just like he was my own.

Israelis, Palestinians near showdown

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israeli bulldozers rolled onto a disputed east Jerusalem hilltop today to begin work on a Jewish neighborhood despite condemnation by the international community and intelligence warnings that the decision unleash Palestinian

Hundreds of troops, including snipers, took up positions on the hill slated for construction, known to Israelis as Har Homa and to Palestinians as Jabal Abu Ghneim.

Escorted by police, a convoy of flatback trucks carrying bulldozers reached the site at about 2:45 p.m.

Palestinian protesters, huddling in rain-drenched tents on a nearby rocky slope, said they would resist soldiers' orders to leave. One soldier kept a mounted machine gun trained on the six tents. Other troops had tear eign in Jerusalem and need not Ahmed Abdel Rahman. gas canister loaded on their

"Israel is escalating the situation," said Faisal Husseini, the senior Palestinian official in Jerusalem who was among 30 or so protesters. "We feel we must confront their plans.'

The building project has become a test of both sides' resolve regarding Jerusalem, the most explosive issue on their agenda.

The final decision to begin work on the 6,500-apartment project came after a morning meeting attended by Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, senior Cabinet ministers and security chiefs.

Israel's deputy chief of staff was in command at the construction site, and army helicopters hovered above.

Israel argues it is the sover-

consult with anyone on construction in the city. The Palestinians want to establish a capital in east Jerusalem, the sector Israel captured from Jordan in the 1967 Mideast War and annexed.

As tension grew, the chance of a meeting between Netanyahu and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat appeared increasingly slim, despite American and Jordanian efforts to bring the two leaders together.

Arafat does not want to meet with Netanyahu unless Israel suspends its decision to build in east Jerusalem, the sector the Palestinians claim as a future capital, Palestinian officials

"As long as they are building on Jabal Abu Ghneim, there can be no meeting," said the

Netanyahu has vowed not to back down, despite last week's international condemnation of Israel by the U.N. General Assembly and warnings by his security chiefs that the construction might trigger violent Palestinian protests and perhaps also attacks in Israel.

'When it comes to Jerusalem, we are ready to confront anyone .. to assert our sovereignty,' Netanyahu said Monday. "If we do not stand up to threats over Jerusalem, we will not stand up to threats over anything."

In today's Cabinet meeting, security officials told the ministers that Arafat had given green light for violence against Israel, radio reports said. Police reinforcements were deployed in Jerusalem and elsewhere in Israel to try and thwart possible Palestinian Cabinet secretary, terror attacks, the radio said.

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GOP signals possible concessions on tax cuts

WASHINGTON (AP) - House Speaker Newt Gingrich says the GOP should focus first on the "moral imperative" of balancing the budget, signaling again that Republicans may delay their tax-cutting crusade.

The Georgia Republican's comments Monday to reporters made him the latest GOP leader to suggest the party's effort to nare taxes for families and husinesses might wait until after they strike a budget-balancing deal with President Clinton.

Last week, Rep. Tom DeLay of Texas voiced a similar idea. Both men said the issue of paring taxes could be resumed later this year.

Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., said Republicans would have to be ready to compromise on tax cuts. Lott and other Senate GOP leaders have proposed reducing taxes by \$193 billion over five years.

"Nothing is off the table," Lott told reporters. "We have to see what we can do to put a package together that will get through and allow us to go on with the" budget process.

The GOP leaders' comments came as efforts between Republicans and the Clinton administration to craft a budget deal appear to have slowed to a crawl. In addition, Republicans themselves have remained divided between deficit hawks who want to focus on balancing the budget and conservatives whose priority is cutting taxes.

On Monday, Gingrich joined those who say it may be the wiser course politically to concentrate first on eliminating

federal deficits.

"Let's take tax cuts away for a moment," he said. "Let's just talk about balancing the budget. Now what's the liberal excuse for not balancing the budget?

"It's very, very important to balance the budget and get as large a tax cut as possible while balancing the budget. But we think that the moral imperative Robert Kerrey of Nebraska and le to balance the hudget

The idea of delaying tax cuts, however, has gone over badly many conservatives. House Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Texas, House Ways Means Committee Chairman Bill Archer, R-Texas, and Senate Finance Committee Chairman William Roth, R-Del., all have said they want to proceed quickly with tax cuts. Lott said he would begin seek-

Talks with Senate moderates

get proposals.

could win Lott bipartisan support for an idea that Clinton has so far declined to embrace: adjusting the way the government measures cost-of-living changes for Social Security recipients, taxpayers and others who receive federal benefits.

Special interests line up to protect tax exemptions

AUSTIN (AP) — Adding taxes to numerous services in Texas could be the end of some industries and higher prices for others, according to business and trade association representa-

The House Select Committee Revenue and Public Education Funding began hearing public testimony Monday on a plan to eliminate many of the exemptions to the state sales and business taxes. The new money would be used to increase the state's share of the cost of school funding — and to

lower local property taxes. But representatives from nearly every industry in Texas lined up Monday — and were scheduled to continue today to tell the committee why taxing their services and goods would be bad for Texas.

"If there was a severance tax, there would be no lignite industry in Texas," said Clifford Miercort, head of the North American Coal Corp.

"An expansion (of the sales tax) would put us at a competitive disadvantage," said John Eads of the Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants.

"It disadvantages decisions made on providing services in Texas," said Dan Hagan, a corporate executive for American Airlines.

Committee members said plenty of good and bad reasons were given for keeping exemptions. But they said what was lacking were alternatives.

If sales taxes aren't imposed on CPAs, someone else will have to pay more, said Rep.

Paul Sadler, D-Henderson, chairman of the committee.

"Who's willing?" he asked. Sadler said witnesses before the committee are clear on how new taxes would hurt them, but forget that the effort is to lower overall property taxes.

"The benefit for residential property is pretty great," he said.

The proposal would lower all local residential school property taxes from an average of more than \$1.40 per \$100 in value to 50 cents per \$100.

Business taxes would go down from around \$1.40 to \$1 per \$100. "This is not revenue neutral for everyone," Sadler said. 'Someone has to pay more."

Ron Ricks, a vice president for Southwest Airlines, said his company is willing to pay its

share to educate Texas students.

"We're here talking about what's fair," he said.

Camille Accountius, one of the handful of nonexecutives in

the room, said a state income tax would be fair. Gov. George W. Bush has said

he would veto such a plan. But Accountius, a former CPA and a mother of three school children, said if more people understood the income tax and asked for it. Bush couldn't

ignore them. Dolph Tillotson, editor and publisher of the Galveston Daily Tribune, said expanding the current franchise tax would be a fair deal for businesses. Currently, many business don't pay the tax, based on how they are structured.

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OUR VIEWS

Election filing deadline Wednesday

iling deadline for city and school district elections is Wednesday and, while the turnout of candidates is better than in some years, a higher level of participation would be better still.

Three candidates have filed the District 2 and two for the District 4 city council seats, while a single candidate has filed for District 6.

On the school board side, there appears to be but a single contested race. We would hope that all races would be contested not because we don't like the candidates seeking office

or re-election, but because we feel voters should have a choice when it comes to the decision process. As it stands, both the city and school district, under

a new state law, can declare any uncontested races as "decided" before voters ever go to the polls. And while that procedure was put in place ostensibly

to lower the costs of elections, it also circumvents the Democratic process in that it eliminates the right of voters to write-in a candidate. We've already taken the step of creating a single vot-

ing location in an effort to create participation and reduce costs because of the poor voter turnouts we've experienced in the past. Maybe, just maybe, voters have stayed at home

because they didn't like their choices. This year, in at least three of the six total races, some

voters in the city will have a choice. Here's hoping the field expands before the filing dead-

line passes.

Your views

Reader calls attention to recent school tax article TO THE EDITOR:

There was some very interesting misinformation concerning property tax replacement in a recent edition of the Herald. (Panel eyes 50-cent rate; no

homestead exemptions, Big Spring Herald, March 6, 1997.) According to TEA estimates, approximately 3,388,000 K-12 students today enjoy our education system. With the "\$38 billion planned for education spending in the 1998-99 state budget years," no wonder legislators are confused. This would allocate \$11,200 per student for maintenance and operation. No wonder six of the last eight school funding bills passed by legislators in the last decade were declared unconstitutional by Texas Supreme Court. We were aware that the cost of everything had risen in the past, but education costs over 250 percent?

In reality, 1.4 percent of the total property value statewide, after deductions, are \$9.75 billion. This is the amount property taxes contribute toward education, while the state contributes some \$4.75 billion, for a total of \$14.5 billion — for maintenance and operation an average of about \$4,300 per student. SB-7 stipulated \$4,200 maximum, but Robin Hood made blank check funding a reality, so SB-7 no longer applies.

MALDEF - Mexican American Legal Defense Education Fund - attorneys have warned that, though they compliment Governor Bush for his efforts to reform taxes. unequal funding will not be tolerated. They warned that litigation would again result from such measures. Texas Legislators may have received the message that band-aiding a problem is not a cure. Human madness is never without reason. People endure only so much injustice, then they

explode like an over inflated balloon. **ROY SIMMONS**

Big Spring Reader corrects mistakes In presidential section

TO THE EDITOR: Thank you very much for the insert on the United States Presidents. It will be placed in my encyclopedia with other information I have collected on the presidents.

In the interest of historical accuracy, there are three errors that need correcting.

1. James K. Polk

"He was speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives when Texas was admitted to the Union."

President Polk took office on March 4, 1845. Texas was admitted to the Union Dec. 29, Though he served as Speaker

of the House of Representatives, there is no possibility that he could serve two offices at the same time. Mr. Polk was President when Texas was admitted as the 28th state.

2. Theodore Roosevelt "Roosevelt, born on Oct. 27, 1958, at New York City, was to become the country's most active president in many years...

Now anyone knows that a man who died in 1919 could not possibly have been born in 1958. He was born Oct. 27, 1858. 3. John Tyler

"The annexation of the Texas Republic to the United States, and the construction of the first telegraph system by Samuel Morse, were two of the major accomplishments of the Tyler administration.'

Texas was not admitted to the Union during Tyler's administration. He left office March 4, 1845, when James K. Polk was sworn in as President, so Polk was president when Texas was admitted

If students use Presidential Facts 1789-1997 (and I sincerely hope they will), the Herald should make the corrections available.

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Yesterday's geniuses, today's world

If the real and righteous Hank Williams were alive and singing today, he couldn't get his stan-

dards on the radio. At least that's the stated opinion of Merle Haggard, who has lived long enough to watch country stars



Columnist

become Chippendale hunks in cowboy hats, as likely to smash their guitars as strum them.

Merle's indictment of contemporary country is right on target: Most new country is crap. But, unfortunately, the music scene is not the only place where pure genius has been replaced by a lot of clear skin, weak writing and clever marketing. Oh, no. Radio's certainly not the only bay with shallow waters.

Walter Cronkite, for instance,

recently told an interviewer that if he were just starting out, he didn't think he could get a job in television. (And Moses wouldn't be qualified to lead a troop of Cub Scouts through a butterfly house.)

But Cronkite is right. That's the way it is. His comment needs no lengthy explanation, either. The disturbing truth of what Uncle Walter says is evident whenever you hear today's chatty, self-congratulatory newsreaders read. The networks' idea of deep-thinking is to intersperse the word "indeed" into the endless, pointless conversation that goes on between every broadcast's

Dumb and Dumber. So. If Hank couldn't get on the radio and Walter couldn't get on TV, what makes us think Ed Sullivan would get his own variety show, or big-earred Clark Gable a romantic lead? Without its retro-recommendation, "Hamlet" might end on Broadway after a two-night

Ah, but this is grim business, suddenly discovering that yesterday's geniuses wouldn't

stand a snowball's chance in this hellish world. We want fast and loud and new with color graphics. Anything that takes too much time, too much thought or the least bit of trouble is doomed.

When the tortoise and the hare race these days, the hare always wins. The tortoise is taken out back and shot for breaking slow from the gate. You will go crazy if you muse

too long about the matter, if you start listing the old masters who would never survive, much less thrive, on today's sex-saturated, asinine, achybreaky playing field. Some months back now New

Yorker magazine had the nerve to publish a long article about what a second-rate hack James Thurber was. That stupid and cruel critique led me to believe that today Thurber couldn't get his work into the magazine he made great.

And if Thurber couldn't make the New Yorker editorial cut, where would that leave his pal. the quieter, more cerebral E.B. White? Wallpapering his hovel with rejection slips, that's

where.

Elzie C. Segar's classic "Popeye" wouldn't stand a chance at the syndicates these days. For the syndicates all know exactly what they want in a comic strip — blatant copies of last year's mega-hits, especially the ones with plenty of licensing potential. Popeye the sailor man would have to be recast as a computer nerd.

Much has been made of how today's politicians must be good on TV to compete successfully for votes. But it's far worse than that.

Thomas Jefferson would bore the socks off a contemporary audience with his long-winded observations on the nature of freedom. To win an election today, the great Jefferson would have to choose Howard Stern as his running mate AT told you this would get depress-

But what can you expect? In a world that allows Rush Limbaugh to think for it, Dr. Laura to analyze it and Billy Ray Cyrus to sing it to sleep, who would want to be proclaimed a success?

Double talk common for defensive politicians

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — There's something about being accused of ethical lapses that turns public figures into courthouse lawyers, spouting qualifications and splitting legalistic hairs.

Vice President Al Gore's convoluted assertion that "there is no controlling legal authority or case" to argue against his soliciting campaign funds from the White House is just one recent exam-

President Clinton added to the spate of legalese with this take on the fund-raising hubbub: "I don't believe you can find any evidence of the fact that I had changed government policy solely because of a contribution.'

And first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton, like her husband a lawyer, weighed in with another trick of the trade of political deniability: the memory lapse.

"I do not recall making any (fund-raising phone calls from the White House) but I'm not going to say absolutely never," she told reporters on Monday. "I just don't recall making any.'

Politicians have always had a hard time admitting doing something wrong. And neither

party has a lock on evasion. Republican House Speaker Newt Gingrich earlier this year issued a limited admission to violating House rules regarding the use of taxexempt money to promote Republican goals, then told the House: "To whatever degree, in any way that I brought controversy or inappropriate attention to the House, I apologize."

But after being slapped with a reprimand and unprecedented \$300,000 penalty, Gingrich blamed his lawyers and called himself the victim of a "double standard" that worked against conservatives.

Gone are the days, apparently, when a politician's denial of wrongdoing can be as straightforward as Richard Nixon's "I am not a crook." "That's because that Nixon

line played so badly," said Wayne Fields, an expert at political rhetoric Washington University in St. Louis.

"The retreat from moral posturing to legal posturing is a fifth amendment kind of approach," he said. "It's a way of saying: 'I may have done this, but if it's not illegal, you can't do anything about it.' We've gotten used to such legal language across the spec-

trum.' The result: a lot of "mistakes were made" rhetoric. In September 1995, then-Sen.

Bob Packwood, R-Ore., issued this qualified apology to the women who accused him of sexual misconduct: "Am I sorry? Of course - if I did the things that they said I did. President George Bush's first

chief of staff, former New Hampshire Gov. John Sununu, got caught using government planes and limousines for personal travel. "Clearly, no one regrets more than I do the appearance of impropriety produced as a result of the events surrounding my recent travel," was his passive defense. Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-

Mass., in a television address after the tragedy Chappaquiddick in 1969, didn't say he drove his car into the water. "The car that I was driving went off a narrow bridge," he said. And former Rep. Wilbur

Mills, chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee at the time, offered a then-novel explanation of why striptease dancer named Fannie Foxe jumped from his limousine into the Tidal Basin on Oct. 7, 1974. "I now believe that the

fatigue and pressure built up by years of dedicated work for my constituents and for the whole nation had an impact on me far beyond what I sus-

pected," Mills said. He blamed a drinking problem he said was brought on by overwork. Why do politicians start

spouting evasive legalize at the first suggestions of wrongdoing? "I don't think it's just politicians. I think it's anybody

who gets in trouble," said Lyn Nofziger, a former top aide to President Reagan. "But politicians get into trouble more than most people do.' Reagan himself had his own

way of wiggling off the hot When confronted with the

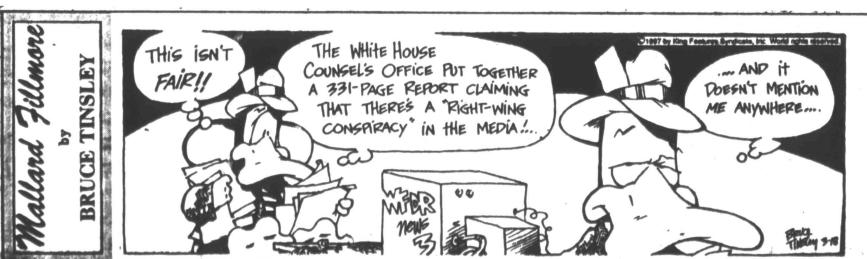
Tower Commission report laying blame on him for swapping arms for hostages in Iran, Reagan only partly abandoned his long-expressed denial that such deals were made. "My heart and my best

intentions still tell me that is true," he said in an Oval Office speech on March 4, 1987. "But the facts and the evidence tell me it is not." "Reagan had a tough time

using lawyer-ese to get around things," Nofziger said. On the other hand, it was

Reagan who popularized the phrase "mistakes were made." It's a line Clinton had no trouble borrowing.

(Tom Raum covers politics and national affairs for The Associated Press.)



Four trimmed from NIT field after Monday

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) -LaMarr Greer is used to taking big shots for Florida State.

'It seems like every time it gets close, I get the big shot. I miss some and I make some," said Greer, whose 3-pointer with 64 seconds left helped the Seminoles beat Michigan State 68-63 Monday night in the second round of the NIT.

Michigan State scored eight straight points to close to 60-59 on a 3-pointer by Ray Weathers, but Greer's jumper from the top of the circle as the shot clock expired gave Florida State a 63-59 lead with 1:04 left,

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In other second-round NIT games Monday night, West Virginia beat North Carolina State 76-73, Arkansas defeated Pittsburgh 76-71 and UNLV downed Hawaii 89-80 in over-

The second round ends tonight with Texas Christian at Notre Dame, Bradley at Connecticut, Oklahoma State at Michigan, and Nebraska at Nevada.

Randell Jackson had 16 points and 11 rebounds for Florida State, including two clinching free throws in the final 11 seconds. Jackson had 20 points and 11 rebounds in Florida State's opening-round victory at

West Virginia 76

N.C. St. 73 At Raleigh, West Virginia confused North Carolina State with a variety of zones and got clutch foul shooting down the stretch. Seldon Jefferson scored 19 points for West Virginia (21-9), which went 13-for-15 from the foul line in the final 1:33. C.C. Harrison led the Wolfpack (17-15) with 23 points.

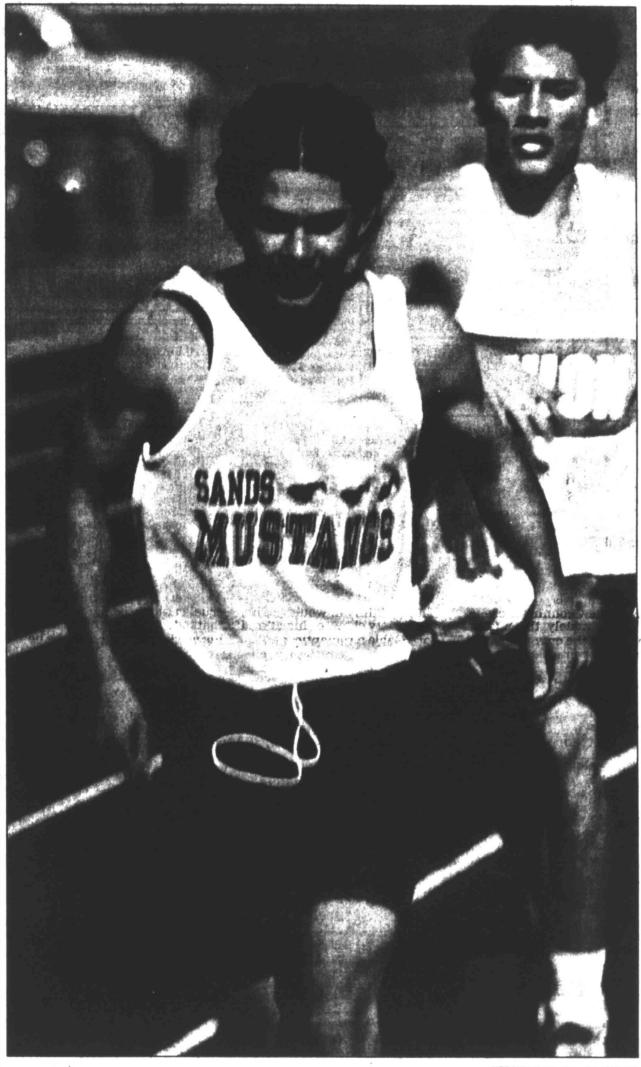
Arkansas 76 Pittsburgh 71

At Fayetteville, Kareem Reid had 15 points and 10 assists, and Pat Bradley's 3-pointer put Arkansas ahead for good. Less than a minute after Pitt took only its second lead of the half, Reid stole the ball from Gerald Jordan and passed it to Bradley, whose long-range shot gave Arkansas (17-12) a 64-62 lead with 4:53 left. Jason Maile led Pitt (18-15) with 18 points.

UNLV 89 Hawaii 80

At Las Vegas, Tyrone Nesby scored 26 points, including six in overtime, as UNLV reversed two regular-season losses to Hawaii. Keon Clark had 22 points and 14 rebounds for the Rebels (22-9).

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Utah 77, UNC-Charlotte 58

Stanford 72, Wake Forest 66

Sands' Diego Porras crosses the finish line after winning the 3,200 meter run at Friday's Mustang Relays in Ackerly. Porras also won the 1,600 meter run for Sands, which won the boys' division title at the meet.

SEC still strong, Texas teams out The ASSOCIATED PRESS From the beginning, the NCAA women's basketball tour-

nament had

NCAA

strong Southeastern Conference flavor. Two rounds later,

Women it still does. Seven SEC teams made the tournament field, and six have reached the round of 16, headed by defending national champion

The Lady Vols beat Oregon 76-59 in the Midwest Regional at Knoxville on Monday night and will be joined in Saturday's regional semifinals by league rivals Alabama, Georgia, Florida, LSU and Vanderbilt.

All won subregionals at home except Vanderbilt, which wasn't intimidated playing at Kansas on Monday night. The Commodores won 51-44 in the West Regional to snap the Jayhawks' 21-game winning streak at Allen Fieldhouse.

Florida and LSU both advanced in the Mideast, Florida beating Southern Cal 92-78 and LSU downing Marquette 71-58. Alabama (East) and Georgia (West) won second-

ound games on Sunday night.
The SEC's other NOAA team, Auburn, lost to Louisiana Tech in the second round.

Florida reached the final 16 for the first time, while LSU made it only two years after finishing 7-20, a season that prompted calls for the firing of coach Sue Gunter.

Vanderbilt, seeded sixth, is one of only three teams outside the top 16 seeds that are still playing. The others are fifthseeded George Washington and sixth-seeded Notre Dame, both in the East.

George Washington beat Tulane 81-67 and Notre Dame defeated Texas 86-83.

The No. 1 seeds all have advanced - North Carolina, Connecticut, Stanford and Old Dominion. Connecticut and Stanford were in the Monday games, UConn downing Iowa 72-53 and Stanford beating Texas Tech 67-45.

Top-ranked Connecticut closed out another successful season at Gampel Pavilion and improved to 74-1 at home since the first game of the 1993-94 sea-

In the round of 16, it'll be North Carolina (29-2) against George Washington (27-5) and Notre Dame (29-6) against Alabama (25-6) in the East at Columbia, S.C.; Old Dominion (31-1) against LSU (25-4) and Florida (23-8) vs. Louisiana Tech (31-3) in the Mideast at West Lafayette, Connecticut (32-0) against Illinois (24-7) and Tennessee (25-10) against Colorado (23-8) in the Midwest at Iowa City; and Stanford (32-1) vs. Virginia (23-7) and Vanderbilt (20-10) against Georgia (24-5) in the West at Missoula, Mont.

EAST

Tajama Abraham scored 21 points and Noelia Gomez added 20 as George Washington won for the 37th time in its last 38 home games. The Colonials shot 58 percent and forced 24 turnovers. Reserve Marion Williams led Tulane (27-5) with 13 points.

Notre Dame 86 Texas 83

Beth Morgan scored 29 points and hit six free throws in the final two minutes to secure the upset for Notre Dame, in the final 16 for the first time. Morgan's 3-pointer with 2:20 left put the Irish ahead to stay at 80-79. Danielle Viglione led Texas (22-8) with 19 points.

MIDEAST Florida 92 Southern Cal 78

Murriel Page scored a careerhigh 35 points and grabbed 16 rebounds to lead Florida into the round of 16 for the first time. Southern Cal (21-8) missed 12 of its first 13 shots and never recovered. USC's Thompson, averaging nearly 23 points, scored only 13 on 3-for-11 shooting and had nine turnovers.

LSU 71 Elaine Powell secred 16 points and LSU broke it open with a 17-5 run in the final 7 minutes. The LSU players then ran a victory lap around the gym to celebrate their first back-to-back NCAA victories since 1986. Clare Barnard's 14 points led

Tennessee 76

Marquette (21-10).

Oregon 59 Chamique Holdsclaw had 24 points and 12 rebounds as Tennessee improved to 51-11 in NCAA play. Abby Conklin added 18 points, including four 3-pointers over Oregon's packedin defense. Natalie Hughes led Oregon (22-7) with 18.

Connecticut 72

lowa 53 Carla Berube scored 19 points, while Kara Wolters and Paige Sauer dominated inside to prevent Iowa (18-12) from reaching the regional on its home court. Angela Hamblin led the Hawkeyes with 18 points.

Stanford 67

Texas Tech 45 Stanford put on a clinic in teamwork and defense, jumping to a 15-2 lead and holding Tech scoreless for the first 4 minutes. 12 seconds. The Cardinal weren't slowed in the least by a subpar game from All-American Kate Starbird, who sprained her left ankle in a first-round victory over Howard and scored a season-low six points. Olympia Scott led Stanford with 19, while Alicia Thompson scored 24 for **Texas Tech (20-9).**

Vanderbilt 51 Kansas 44

Michelle Palmisano scored 16 of her 17 points in the second half and Vanderbilt held Kansas to 28 percent shooting. Tamecka Dixon's 22 points led Kansas (25-

NCAA Men's Pairings

The ASSOCIATED PRESS All Times TBA EAST REGIONAL oond Round Minston-Salem, N.C. Seturday, March 15 North Carolina 73, Colorado 56 California 75, Villanova 68

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Hawks take three of four from San Jac

The Howard College Hawks rode three sterling pitching performances to three wins in their fourgame series with San Jacinto Community College last weekend in Houston.

The Hawks, who have now won five of their last six games, opened the series with a 3-2 victory. Nathan Nelson's game-winning single in the seventh inning made a winner out of Ryan Price (3-2),

who struck out 13 batters in seven innings of work. In game two, Josh Jones struck out only a third of the batters Price did, but was twice as stingy in runs allowed, improving to 3-2 for the season as Howard grabbed a 2-1 victory. Howard scored its runs on an RBI single by Joey Cole and a sacrifice fly by Dominick Barrett.

The good pitching continued in game three, as Havey McIntyre improved to 2-2 as the Hawks won by a 5-3 score. Offensively, a three-run third inning for Howard was highlighted by a two-run double

from catcher William Hawkins.

San Jac was able to salvage the last game of the series, taking advantage of seven walks in the bottom of the first to score six runs en route to a 10-2 victory. Corey Martin (4-1) took the loss for Howard.

'We got three outstanding pitching efforts, and we played a little bit of defense," Howard coach Brian Roper said. "Those first three games were about as well-pitched as we've had this season."

The Hawks return to Western Junior College Athletic Conference action this weekend at leagueleader Odessa College. The teams play a Saturday doubleheader beginning at noon, and conclude with a single game at 1 p.m. Sunday.

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counts with others; those you. come into contact with could be erratic. If you are sure of your course of action, you will be greeted with enormous success. You are subject to unexpected insights that will help you grow. If you are single, romance is more than likely. Though the people you choose might be wonderful, they aren't easy to get along with. If attached, your relationship will bloom if you are willing to listen to your parmer. LEO enjoys working with you.

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) Passions run high, though it is nothing you can't handle. Remain optimistic about the outcome of negotiations, even if there is a surprise or two on the way. You develop a new understanding once you cope with the unexpected. Tonight: Accept a boss's suggestion.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Be more active about pressure from a loved one. You feel the pull from another, so you need to establish boundaries. You treasure your home life and care about what is happening there. A romantic matter comes up for review. Tonight: Rent a fun movie.***

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Talk to a sympathetic friend about the pressure that surrounds you. A lot is going on, both at work and at home. A message arrives from someone who is at a distance. Surprising news is positive. Tonight: Go to a favorite spot.****

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Use caution with finances. The distraction of communications could rattle you and cause a problem. The unexpected occurs with a partner who don't view a husiness option the same way. A loved one eludes but also delights you. Tonight: It's your treat.****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Someone's ideas and desires put you out. This person seems to cover your funds. You know sentatives zan help you designan advertising plan hear it. A partner appreciates your efforts, especially with work. Be your sunny self.

> tion.**** VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You cause yourself a problem where there is none. Stay even with others, and remain in control with a loved one. Think through your actions. You are heading for trouble if you continue on a blind path. Tonight: Do some solid contemplating: **

> Tonight: Accept an invita-

Be aware of a situation that is getting more volatile by the moment. Emphasize what is important for you to achieve, and head on that course. Express your dismay if a situation isn't working your way. Let another know your objectives. Tonight: Be with friends.****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Be realistic about your expectations and demands. You'll need to answer to someone who's in charge. Expect some flak, as others express different ideas. You need to be more open-minded when the unexpected occurs with work and at home. You are on a wild rollercoaster ride. Tonight: Work late.***

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec.

Understand what is happening with funds. What seems like an anchor supports you in the long run. You are about to make a difference, financially and professionally. Your easy approach helps a hot-tempered boss chill out. Stay in control. Tonight: Try a new restau-

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan.

What you say, and how you say it, inspires you to greater things. Others respond positive ly to your energy. Follow through on what you want. Listen to another's ideas. A partnership works for you financially and emotionally. Tonight: Have fun with a special friend.****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You are shocked at how volatile a loved one can be. Listen to the gripes, and make an effort to help. Others are ful of spirit and let you know their views. Examine a long-term desire with a friend. Accep invitations. Tonight: Get together with another.****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Tap into your creativity. Ask for help if you need it. Others are only too ready to support you. Focus on one item at a time. This is an excellent time to make a new resolution. A lot happens quickly. Trust your judgment, with a pugnacious associate. Tonight: Go to the

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LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Live-in couple can't expect parents to pay for wedding

DEAR ABBY: I disagree with your harsh condemnation of 'Disapproying Mother," who refused to celebrate her daughter's engagement because the daughter is living with her

I realize that it is difficult to address all considerations in the space of your column, but I wonder if

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this girl is able live her own with her flance, why should the mother be expected to pay for a wedding? The young couple is clearly able to attend to their

ding? I don't condemn this couple. If I knew them I would be happy to wish them well. However, I also wish the mother well, as she has been willing to stand up for her values in a world where there are few people willing to do so. — THERESE D. BARRY, BEECH MOUNTAIN, N.C.

needs, so why is it they can't

take care of their own wed-

DEAR THERESE: Nowhere in her letter did the mother indicate that she had been asked to pay for the wedding or shower, nor did L tell her to do so. Paying the expenses of a wedding should be considered a gift, and not an obligation by the bride's parents.

I told the woman that her angry, punitive stance would isolate her from her daughter, her future son-in-law and grandchildren — and she had everything to lose and nothing to gain.

DEAR ABBY: Your response to "Disapproving Mother" was that she should apologize to her daughter and her fiance. Baloney! The daughter, knowing how her parents would feel about her setup, should not expect them to pay for anything. The mother does not have to approve of their lifestyle. They have lived together for two years and plan to shack up for another year while calling this an engagement.

As for future grandchildren, I don't think "Disapproving Mother" has anything to worry about. They'll be dropping off their offspring for grandmother to baby-sit free of charge. "Disapproving Mother" should attend the wedding if invited, like any other guest. -ARLENE JOHNSON, AVON LAKE, OHIO

DEAR ARLENE: I agree, the mother does not have to approve of their lifestyle. However, by refusing to give the young man permission to marry their daughter, they have reduced their chances of being asked to the wedding, and should the young man carry a grudge, they could well be cut off from any grandchil-

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In 1962, France and Algerian

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Anchorage to Nome, Alaska, in

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Five years ago: South African

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One year ago: Rejecting an

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C. Salvi III of murdering two

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ics in December 1994. Last November, Salvi committed sui-

Today's Birthdays: Actor Peter Graves is 71. Author George Plimpton is 70.

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Author John Updike is 65. Former South African president

F.W. de Klerk is 61. Country

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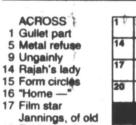
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