

## Search for answers, closure begins with McVeigh's trial today in Denver

DENVER (AP) — It has been nearly two years since the Oklahoma City bombing and now the task is to find jurors who will decide the innocence or guilt of suspect Timothy McVeigh — and perhaps whether he will die.

Lawyers were to begin choosing 12 jurors and six alternates today from the same jury pool the defense team labeled as "poisoned" by media reports of



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McVeigh's purported confessions.

McVeigh, who authorities say went from model soldier to a hateful, paranoid loner, faces the death penalty if convicted of murder and conspiracy in the April 19, 1995, bombing that killed 168 people and injured hundreds more. Co-defendant Terry Nichols will be tried separately, after McVeigh.

Jury selection was expected to take about two weeks, with prospective jurors questioned individually before U.S. District Judge Richard Matsch and lawyers for both sides. After the field is reduced to 64 people who have agreed to consider the

death penalty as a punishment, each side may dismiss 20 without giving a reason.

Finally, after 12 jurors have been selected, six alternates will be chosen, with each side allowed to dismiss three candidates without cause.

In the questioning, defense lawyer Stephen Jones was expected to focus on the purported confessions of his client in stories by *The Dallas Morning News* and *Playboy*.

Jones lost an attempt to delay the trial when the 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals on Friday rejected his claim that potential jurors were irreparably tainted by the recent stories.

Security was tight around the courthouse Sunday, a day after McVeigh was whisked into the building where he will be kept in a holding cell normally reserved for white collar criminals and illegal immigrants.

A hidden, remote closed-circuit camera has been placed in Matsch's newly renovated second-floor courtroom so survivors and relatives of bombing victims can watch the trial.

For many, the suspects' identities have made the horror of the bombing that much worse. McVeigh and Nichols are small-town Americans — not the sinister foreign terrorists some initially suspected.

McVeigh, a tall, slender 28-year-old from a family that can trace its history back to 19th-century Irish immigrants, served with distinction in the Gulf War after growing up in working-class Pendleton, N.Y.

Prosecutors intend to show evidence that after the war McVeigh embraced a culture of hate, racism and anti-government fervor, as spelled out in a book he was said to have read — "The Turner Diaries," a fictional, racist tract that describes a scene eerily similar to the Oklahoma bombing.

Lead prosecutor Joseph Hartzler intends to link McVeigh to bomb-making mate-

rials and a yellow Ryder rental truck used in the explosion.

Led by Jones, the defense will attack the integrity of the evidence, focusing on troubles in the FBI crime lab. On Sunday, former FBI deputy director Weldon Kennedy said he wasn't concerned about such claims.

"I'm anxious for the trial to begin so the actual facts in this case can be brought out," he said on NBC's "Meet the Press."

Jones will likely assault the character of the prosecution's key witness, Michael Fortier. In a plea arrangement, Fortier will testify his former friend McVeigh was at the center of the bomb plot.

## Reception slated for newcomers

By JOHN A. NOSELEY  
News Editor

A reception for the spouses of Chamber of Commerce members who've recently moved to Big Spring is scheduled for 10 a.m. Wednesday at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

Sponsored by the Welcome Home to Big Spring Committee, the reception is designed to provide a welcome to the community and provide information from several non-profit organizations, the medical community, educational institutions, churches and area businesses.

The Welcome Home to Big Spring Committee was formed in response to a number of Chamber members' observations during the group's retreat in December.

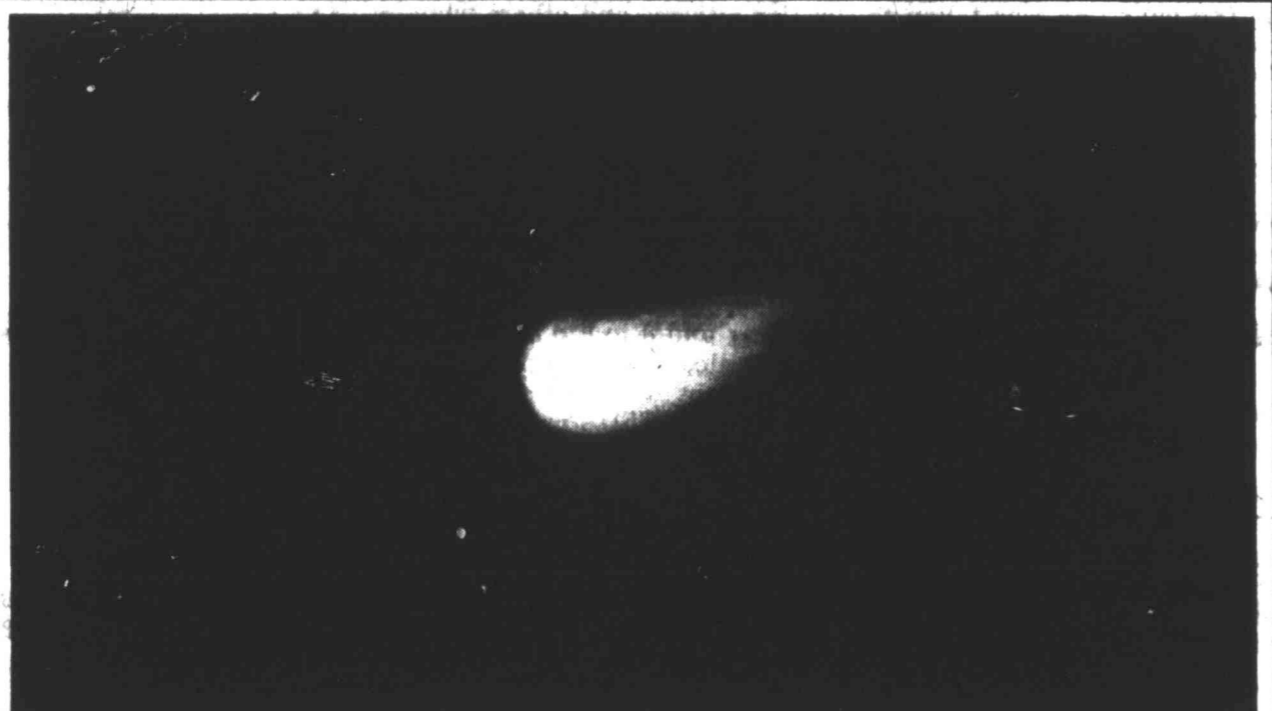
Roy Holland of Holland Cottonseed Co. noted that he was in the process of trying to hire a specialist, but knew he was going to have a difficult time because the prospective employee's wife had expressed a dislike for Big Spring.

"The idea was to have people here who were interested in making sure the spouses of prospective employees or business owners feel welcomed and not so isolated," explained Mary Logan, who moved to Big Spring from Victoria about four months ago after her husband, Richard, was hired by Norwest Bank.

"So, we've invited these people who find themselves in this position and will be making plans to get some activities started," she added. "Believe me, I know what it's like to move away from friends and find yourself in a new place where you don't really know anyone."

Operating under the umbrella of the Chamber's Membership Committee, chaired by Katie Grimes, the Welcome Home

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Comet Hale-Bopp was captured in this time-exposure photo by Big Spring resident Joe Budd. Budd shot this photo of Hale-Bopp in the northeastern sky at 5:30 a.m. on March 13 using Fuji 800 film at a 10-second exposure.

## Hale-Bopp to reach perihelion

By JOHN H. WALKER  
Managing Editor

Comet Hale-Bopp, visible locally in both the early morning northeastern and early evening northwestern skies, reaches perihelion — or comes closest to the sun — on Tuesday.

And even with that, the comet whose nucleus is thought to measure about 25 miles across, will still be 85 million miles away from the sun as it travels through the universe at 98,000 miles per hour.

According to astronomers, Hale-Bopp's maximum brightness is now expected to begin to dim, even though it will still be easily visible to the naked eye in West Texas. The Comet Hale-Bopp home page on the Internet indicates the 12-day period ending April 7 should provide the best views of the comet as it crosses the skies.

Even though the comet will pass near the orbital path of the Earth, it will be nowhere near the planet as we will be

on the other side of the sun on Tuesday.

It is thought possible, although qualified as not likely, that we could see an increase in meteor activity in January 1998 when the Earth passes near this space point in space — or, our closest approach to Comet Hale-Bopp's orbital path.

According to the Comet Hale-Bopp Home Page on the Internet, the comet can be seen in the northeastern skies at about 23 degrees above the horizon about an hour before dawn. The comet can be seen in the northwestern skies about 45 minutes after dusk at about 20-30 degrees above the horizon.

The comet can be seen in both morning and evening because the comet rises before dawn and is visible in the northeast.

As the sun rises, both the comet and the sun make their way across the daytime sky.

In the evening, the sun sets before the comet, which is now visible in the northwestern sky.

The reason the sun rises after the comet and sets before the comet has to do with the geometry of a sphere. The comet is much nearer the northern axis of the Earth's rotation and therefore stays in the sky longer than an object at the celestial equator.

- Comet Hale-Bopp Facts
- Size of nucleus: 25 miles
  - Size of Comet Halley nucleus: 12 miles
  - Length of tail: 50-60 million miles in late March-early April
  - Last visit to inner solar system: 2213 B.C.
  - Next visit to inner solar system: About 4300 A.D.
  - Speed of comet at perihelion: 98,000 mph
  - Speed of comet at aphelion: 250 mph
  - Distance from Earth (closest approach): 122 million miles
  - Distance from sun (closest approach): 85 million miles
  - Distance of Earth from sun: 93 million miles
  - Composition of comet: "Dirty snowball" of ice, dust, gas.

## Fuqua upholds Griffin's firing

### Griffin to meet with attorney to make decision regarding appeal

By KELLIE JONES  
Features Editor

Big Spring City Manager Gary Fuqua has upheld the police department's decision to fire former Lt. Scott Griffin.

Fuqua made the decision last Thursday but he didn't release the information until this morning. He said he did this so Griffin would have the opportunity to notify his attorney, family and friends before it was released to the media.



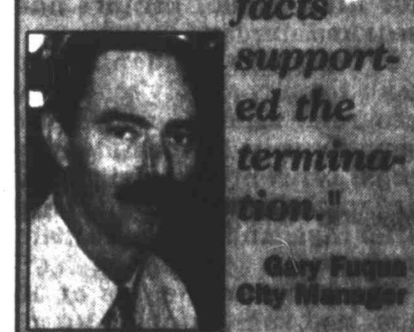
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Fuqua said, "I looked at all the information provided to me by both sides and the facts supported the termination." He said because there is still another appeal that can be filed, he has been advised by City Attorney Jim Finley not to comment any further.

Richard Carter, assistant general counsel for the Combined Law Enforcement Associations of Texas, said he will definitely file an appeal. CLEAT is an association that oversees local police unions including the Big Spring Police Association.

Carter said, "Scott has 15 days from the day the city manager made his decision to file an appeal with the city. It will be heard by a retired state district judge who is the choice of both sides. If there is no agreement, the current judge of the 118th District (Judge Robert H. Moore III) will select a judge. Once a

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Gary Fuqua, City Manager

judge has been selected, the hearing must take place within 45 days. Any grounds for appeal and any mitigating circumstances will be presented to the retired judge."

The attorney said he plans on meeting with Griffin later today or Tuesday to decide when they will file the appeal. Carter is replacing Colleen Hamon as Griffin's attorney. A call to CLEAT last Thursday confirmed Hamon was no longer associated with the Fort Worth office and she had been a contract attorney. Carter said he couldn't comment any further about the case at this time.

Griffin was accused by department officials of falsifying government records, specifically his time sheets. No one on either side of the case is commenting about how the investigation came about or what kind of evidence the department has against Griffin.

The 12-year veteran of the department was fired March 4 after being placed on administrative leave while an investigation was conducted. Griffin appealed Police Chief Jerry Edwards' decision to fire him to Fuqua and both sides presented their case to the city manager on March 19. Eight days later, Fuqua made his decision.

## Exhibit of Titanic artifacts tells story of night of terror for crew, passengers

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — A young girl's bracelet with "Amy" spelled out in diamonds, a steward's jacket, a steam-fitter's wrench, a pocket watch.

The small, personal items that put a human face on one of the world's worst maritime disasters go on display this week in Memphis. The exhibition of more than 350 artifacts from the supposedly unsinkable Titanic is the largest ever in the

United States.

"We're guarding the memory and telling the tale of the ship, the survivors and the victims," said Jon Thompson, an organizer of the show which opens Thursday at The Memphis Pyramid complex.

The Titanic sank in the North Atlantic on April 15, 1912, taking 1,523 passengers and crew to their deaths. There were 705 survivors.

"The Titanic was a floating Ellis Island," Thompson said. "It was a microcosm of society. Everybody remembers the rich and famous, but there were also many immigrants aboard who were looking for a new life in America."

The Titanic rests 2 1/2 miles down, off the coast of Newfoundland. The wreck was discovered in 1985, and more than 3,500 artifacts have been removed so far. An attempt to salvage a piece of the hull failed in

August when cables snapped, sending the metal back to the bottom.

Interest in the doomed luxury liner is high. A Broadway musical, "Titanic," retells the story of the ship's ill-fated maiden voyage is slated to open April 23, while a major motion picture is set for July release.

The exhibit covers 60,000 square feet and includes a re-creation of one of the Titanic's dining rooms and a grand hallway.

Another gallery gives the impression of standing on a ship's deck; visitors may stare out over what appears to be a black sea beneath the same star formations the Titanic's victims saw.

"We want people to get an idea of what it was like to walk out on the deck and realize all the lifeboats are gone and they're still aboard with the ship going down," said Tracy Paden, a spokeswoman for the exhibit.

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Today: Mostly cloudy. Highs in mid-60s. Low in upper 40s with slight chance of showers tonight.	
Tuesday: Mostly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms. Highs in 70s. Tuesday night, mostly cloudy with chance of thunderstorms. Lows in mid 50s.	
Extended outlook: Wednesday through Friday, chance of mainly afternoon and evening showers or thunderstorms. Lows 45-55. Highs upper 60s to mid 70s.	

## Sarah Sanghavi takes first runner-up at Regional Bee

By STEVE REAGAN  
Staff Writer

LUBBOCK — For the second year in a row, Howard County's top speller came within an eyelash of a trip to the national spelling bee.

Sarah Sanghavi, 13, of Big Spring gave defending regional champion

Vasanthi Reddy a tough fight before finally falling in the 33rd round of the Regional Spelling Bee, held Saturday at Cavazos Junior High School in Lubbock.

The word that finally tripped up Sanghavi was "humus," which Webster's Collegiate Dictionary defines as "a brown or black complex variable material resulting from partial decomposition of plant or animal matter and forming the organic portion of the soil."

Reddy, an eighth grader in the Lubbock school system, then won the round by correctly

spelling "apologetic," and won the bee outright by spelling "emblazon."

The regional champ will make her second appearance at the national spelling bee May 26-30 in Washington. At last year's event, Reddy finished 16th out of a field of more than 200 competitors.

The Runnels Junior High eighth-grader advanced to the Lubbock bee after surviving 16 rounds and 15 competitors at the Howard County Bee earlier this month.

Sanghavi received a trophy and

an electronic edition of the Webster Collegiate Dictionary.

Sanghavi, Elbow Elementary fifth grader Kacy Liles and Washington Elementary fifth grader Erica Stewart were the only competitors to survive the sixth round of the county bee, sponsored by the Herald.

Finally, in the 16th round, Liles faltered on the word "verbatim." Sanghavi then spelled "turbulence" and "parachute" correctly to claim the title.

Last year's Howard County representative, Cory Baker, finished third at the regional bee.



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OBITUARIES

Dorothy Donaldson Armstrong

Service for Dorothy Donaldson Armstrong, 85, Big Spring, is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home. She died Sunday, March 30, 1997, following a long illness.

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Committee is headed by Pam Welch. Other members of the committee include Logan, Sue Haugh, Denise Iden, Lilja Lysaght, Linda Mueller, Elaine Talbot and Ellen Valencia. Logan said future meetings will be designed to take newcomers to visit area attractions.

BRIEFS

COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS, SUPPORT GROUP for parents who have experienced a death of a child or grandchild, meets at 7:30 p.m. the first Tuesday in February, April, June, August, October, and December, in the Family Life Center Building of the First Baptist Church, 705 W. Marcy. Enter by southeast door.

The program for this Tuesday includes Betty J. Kelley, Reflexologist and Massage Therapist and owner of the Big Spring Skin Care Clinic. She will demonstrate some therapeutic stress relief techniques.

ANGELO STATE UNIVERSITY IS hosting "College Day" for high school juniors and seniors Saturday.

Prospective students and their parents are invited to the program, which includes presentations on academic offerings, student activities and organizations, scholarship offerings and financial aid packages.

The program begins at 10 a.m. and runs through 3 p.m. Registration begins at 9 a.m. in the Houston Harte University Center. There is no charge for attending "College Day," and lunch is provided for participants. Campus tours and visits with academic departmental personnel are also scheduled. For more information, contact the Office of Admissions at (915)942-2058.

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

THE COAHOMA HIGH SCHOOL Drama Club is sponsoring their annual dinner theater Tuesday beginning at 7 p.m. in the high school main hall. Following a spaghetti dinner, the students present scenes from Maxwell Anderson's historical play "Anne of the Thousand Days." Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$3 for children under the age of 12 and available at the door. Contact Sandy Wegman at the

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL 24th & Johnson 267-8288. Lenora Mae Dietrich, died Thursday. Services were 10 AM Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel with interment at Trinity Memorial Park. Dorothy Donaldson Armstrong, died Sunday. Services pending.

NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH Funeral Home Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory 906 Gregg St. (915) 267-8331

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high school at 294-4836 for more information.

THE HARLEY-DAVIDSON SHOP in Big Spring, 906 W. 3rd, is hosting the Harley-Davidson Traveling Museum from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. April 7.

The museum is an 18-wheeler that displays the Harley-Davidson Motor Company's history, features famous motorcycles and memorabilia from the company's racing tradition. Admission is free, but donations for the Muscular Dystrophy Association will be accepted.

NO IMMUNIZATIONS WILL BE given at the Texas Department of Health on Tuesday, April 8 due to our school immunization clinics. Normal shot day will resume Wednesday and Thursday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

THE WEST TEXAS CANCER PREVENTION Partnership's Mobile Mammography Clinic will be at the Carriage Inn Retirement Center Wednesday.

The clinic provides both screening and diagnostic mammograms and free educational seminars on breast health awareness and the importance of mammography.

Anyone wishing to schedule and appointment for a mammogram or to arrange for a speaker to visit a business, organization or group can 1-800-222-8388.

THE PERMIAN BASIN FOUNDATION is accepting applications for the Marie Hall Scholarships available for residents in several West Texas counties including Glasscock, Howard, Martin and Mitchell.

The awards range from \$500 to \$1,500 per semester for students who attend Angelo State University, Howard College, Midland College, Odessa College, Sul Ross State University, Texas Tech University, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center or the University of Texas of the Permian Basin.

Applicants can request applications by contacting the financial aid office at one of the above schools. The applications are due by April 15. Call (915) 682-4704 for more information.

THE 34TH MOORE COMMUNITY REUNION is Saturday, April 19, 1 to 4 p.m. at the 14th and Main Church of Christ, enter from north side of 14th or from front on Main Street.

All current and former residents, teachers, ex-students, their decedents and members of their families are invited to attend.

STUDENTS IN THIRD, FOURTH and fifth grade are taking the mandated Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) test April 29 (math) and April 30 (reading). School officials emphasize this is an important testing period and are asking parents to help their children by making sure your child has a good night's sleep, providing a healthy breakfast at home or school and having your child at school on time. Also, send No. 2 pencils with your child the days of the tests.

BIG SPRING STUDENTS in the first and second grade are taking the Iowa Test of Basic Skills April 2-4 and April 7. This is considered an important test and school officials are asking parents to help their children by making sure your child has a good night's sleep, providing a healthy breakfast at home or school and having your child at school on time. Also, send No. 2 pencils with your child the days of the tests. Also, there is no school for students on Friday, April 11 due to teacher in-service day.

ATTENTION WOMEN OVER 40 who have never had a mammogram and can't afford one. American Cancer Society has provided a grant for a free mammogram for women who reside in Howard and Glasscock Counties. Come to the Texas Department of Health in the College Park Shopping Center.

STUDENTS WHO ATTENDED THE University of Texas at the Permian Basin in 1996 are being honored at the 21st annual Honors Convocation Wednesday. The event is in the student lounge starting at 2

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p.m. with former Penn State University President Bryce Jordan as the keynote speaker.

Awards are given to the outstanding students in each discipline, Outstanding Teacher, Outstanding Student Leader and Outstanding Student Organization. President's and Dean's Honor Roll students and all scholarship recipients for 1996 will also be recognized. The public is invited to attend the ceremony and reception.

Police investigating attempted murder

By KELLE JONES Features Editor

A teenager is listed in serious condition at a Lubbock hospital following a stabbing Saturday night. Big Spring police reports indicate officers were dispatched to Barcelona Apartments in reference to a large fight involving weapons.

Several subjects fled the area but officers did interview others at the scene and discovered two people were injured. Chris Roberts, 19, was stabbed once in the back and was taken to Scenic Mountain Medical Center. He was later life-flighted to Lubbock Methodist Hospital where he remains in serious condition.

Kirk Fowler, 18, had a wound to the back of his head and he refused treatment at the scene. However, he later went to the emergency room for treatment and was released.

Detectives are currently investigating the incident and Public Information Officer Sgt. Victor Brake said they still need to talk with Roberts once he is in stable condition or is released from the hospital. No arrests have been made at this time. The case is being handled as an attempted murder.

Stenholm kicks off month-long events Tuesday

HERALD Staff Report

Congressman Charles Stenholm is kicking off Community College Month during a reception Tuesday afternoon at Howard College.

The congressman will first speak to Kathy Richey's government class at the college then be at the reception in the East Room of the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum from 11:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Stenholm will then have lunch with the Big Spring Rotary at the Cactus Room.

This is to kick off the month-long celebration at the college. On Tuesday, a barbecue, contest and visit from Jody Nix highlights an event to recognize the rodeo team. This week is designated as Rodeo Week and employees are dressing western. The first baby born in April in Howard County at Scenic Mountain Medical Center will be awarded a full scholarship to the college. It will be presented at the Awards Convocation April 29. Recognition will be given to the baby, parents, grandparents, doctors, nurses, hospital and clinic personnel.

Other activities at the college include: April 8 - Campus blood drive from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.; April 14-19 - Student Switch Week. Students spend time with HC administration, faculty and professional staff. College employees attend classes with the student as well.

April 21-25 - Secretaries visit local elementary schools and read to class. This is to promote literacy. A secretaries' luncheon is April 23 to recognize their hard work.

April 26 - Baseball Day - While the Hawks play Odessa College, hot dogs will be for sale and special activities scheduled throughout the day.

April 29 - Awards Convocation - Special proclamation will be delivered, first baby recognized, students receive recognition and awards for academic achievements for the 1996-97 school year will be given out.

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BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

SPRINGBOARD

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 263-9633.

-Daytime prenatal classes, Texas Department of Health, 1 to 2:30 p.m. Call 263-9775 to register. All expectant parents welcome. Class instructor will be Laurie Burks, BSN.

-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 others 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.

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

-Most Excellent Way, a chemical dependency support group, 7 p.m., Living Water Church, 1006 Birdwell Lane. Call 267-1424 after 5 p.m. or 263-3168 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

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

-Al-Anon, 8 to 9 p.m., 615 Settles.

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

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

-Compassionate Friends, support group for parents who have experienced the death of a child, 7:30 p.m., Family Life Center, First Baptist Church. Enter through southeast door. Call 267-2769

ON THE MENU

Editor's Note: The following is the school menu for Coahoma Independent School District. The menu wasn't available for Sunday's edition.

BREAKFAST Tuesday - Scrambled eggs, biscuit, jelly, fruit, milk.

Wednesday - Hot pockets, fruit, milk.

Thursday - Cinnamon rolls, ham, fruit, milk.

Friday - Cereal, graham crackers, fruit, milk.

LUNCH Tuesday - Spaghetti with meat sauce or barbecue riblet on bun, corn, peaches, bread sticks, milk.

Wednesday - Homemade burrito or cheese fries, mixed fruit, cinnamon rolls, milk.

Thursday - Ham and cheese sandwiches or chicken patty on bun, tater tots, pickle spears, milk.

Friday - Hamburger, French fries, lettuce, tomato, onion, pickles, milk.

RECORDS

Sunday's high 63 Sunday's low 39 Average high 73 Average low 43 Record high 94 in 1946 Record low 22 in 1975 Precip. Sunday 0.00 Month to date 0.43 Month's normal 0.76 Year to date 3.98 Normal for the year 2.08 \*\*Statistics not available

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MARKETS

May cotton 71.75 cents a pound, down 108 points; May crude oil 20.71 up 1 point; Cash hogs at \$1 higher at 51; slaughter steers at 67; April lean hog futures 72.15, down 32 points; April live cattle futures 68.90, up 35 points. Courtesy: Delta Corporation.

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POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents during a time period from 2 p.m. Saturday to 8 a.m. Monday:

-SUSPICIOUS PERSONS near Coahoma State Bank and Elbow.

-WALK-AWAY from state hospital on Interstate 20.

-ALARM on South Highway 87.

-LOOSE COW on South Highway 87 near Forsan.

-TURKEY DAMAGED WINDSHIELD of a motorist.

-SAMMY VENTURA, 28, of Austin, was arrested on a parole violation.

-JOSE MOLINA PANDO, 28, of 1418 W. County Road 116, was arrested for driving with an invalid license.

-BLANCA LOPEZ, 35, of Midland, was arrested for driving with an invalid license.

-JOE RODRIGUEZ, 28, of Midland, was arrested for public intoxication.

-GUSTAVO VEGA, 40, of Midland, was arrested for public intoxication.

-MILES RAY DIEHL, 31, of 1308 Wright, was arrested on outstanding local warrants.

-BERNARDO PEREZ, 32, of 803 1/2 E. 14th, was arrested on outstanding local warrants, outstanding Scurry County warrant for issuance of a bad check and failure to identify himself to a peace officer.

-BONNIE COVINGTON, 43, of Abilene, was arrested on a warrant for delivery of a controlled substance.

-ALISHA MCGEE, 18, of 2111 Runnels, was arrested for theft over \$50 but under \$500. She was also issued a criminal trespass warning at Wal-Mart.

-COREY DAVID ESTES, 18, of 1102 Sycamore, was arrested on outstanding local warrants.

-JASON LEE SEARS, 22, of

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Aranas Pass, was arrested on outstanding local and Department of Public Safety warrants.

-KEVIN LEE DUNLAP, 19, of 538 Westover No. 149, was arrested on outstanding local warrants.

-JOSE LOUIS ONTIVEROS JR., 18, of Sand Springs, was arrested for theft over \$50 but under \$500.

-JOANN AGUILAR TORRES, 35, of 500 1/2 N.W. Seventh, was arrested for public intoxication.

-INVESTIGATING SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITIES in the 1000 block of Lamesa, 900 block of Willia, 100 block of N. Douglas, 100 block of Jones, Comanche Trail Park, 400 block of Gregg, 800 block of Runnels, 1700 block of Purdue, 700 block of W. Fourth, 200 block of Goliad, intersection of Highway 87 and Interstate 20, 1400 block of Park, 600 block of E. 15th, 2900 block of Melrose and 100 block of E. Third.

-LOUD PARTIES in the 2500 block of Hunter; 800 block of Nolan, 2900 block of Melrose and 1600 block of Cardinal.

-DOMESTIC DISTURBANCES in the 200 block of W. 12th, 1100 block of Austin and 4200 block of Walnut.

-CRIMINAL MISCHIEF in the 400 block of S. Owens, 2600 block of Ent, 1100 block of Pickets, 1100 block of N. Douglas and 1200 block of Frasier.

-BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE in the 3200 block of E. 11th Place and 1100 block of S. Monticello.

-THEFTS in the 900 block of Willia, 1100 block of N. Lamesa, 2500 block of Gregg and in the 1600 block of N. Lamesa.

SHERIFF

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# Turmoil, rioting continues in West Bank

ZURIF, West Bank (AP) — A bulldozer rolled into this West Bank village today and demolished the home of a Palestinian who killed himself and three Israeli women with a bombing at a Tel Aviv cafe.

The demolition follows daily rioting in the West Bank over Israel's decision to build a neighborhood for 30,000 Jews in east Jerusalem, the sector the Palestinians claim as a future capital.

There were clashes today near the northern West Bank city Jenin. Palestinian teen-agers stoned Israeli jeeps, and Israeli soldiers responded with rubber bullets, injuring at least two students. Elsewhere in the West Bank, it was the quietest day since riots began 12 days ago.

In Zurif, residents watched from rooftops as the bulldozer drove through the village alleys and approached the one-story home where Moussa Ghneimat, 28, lived with his wife and four children.

Dozens of soldiers ringed the house as a large pneumatic hammer mounted on a bulldozer cut through the cement roof and knocked down the walls, leaving the adjacent home where Ghneimat's parents live standing. The bomber's family moved

in with his parents. "For us, Moussa is a hero and a martyr," said 17-year-old Abdel Khader Ghneimat, a cousin. "We are proud of the act he carried out, and the demolition of his house only gives us more conviction to continue with the struggle."

Israel's demolition of the home comes as retaliation for the March 21 suicide-bombing that killed Ghneimat and three women and left more than 40 wounded.

On Sunday, the 22-member Arab League adopted a resolution recommending that Arab states freeze relations with Israel because of its settlement policies. The resolution came after Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat made an emotional appeal Sunday for help from the Arab world in confronting Israel.

Palestinian officials said the resolution was only a warning, and that the Arab positions might harden further in the future.

"No doubt the Arab governments are very angry at this moment," said Ahmed Abdel Rahman, the Palestinian Cabinet secretary.

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu "should stop this arrogance of power. He

should return to the negotiating table instead of negotiating with us through bulldozers at Abu Ghneim," he said, using the Arabic name for the Jerusalem area where the 6,500 Jewish apartments are to be built.

Netanyahu today called the resolution "a step backward from peace."

"We're certainly not going to accept a concept of peace that is based on continual threat and blackmail," he said. "We are not going to divide Jerusalem on that basis or on any basis."

Israeli government spokesman Moshe Fogel today accused the Palestinians of violating the peace agreements by inviting Arab pressure to force Israeli concessions.

Palestinian security chief Jibril Rajoub blamed Netanyahu for the violence and said today that it would worsen "and Israelis will be the big losers if this crazy government does not regain its senses."

Netanyahu on Sunday accused Palestinians of unleashing "terrorism as a weapon of the negotiations" and lamented "a virtual collapse of the peace process." He reiterated that Arafat must crack down on Islamic militants to halt violence before peace talks resume.

"We want to see a peace process where terrorism is simply put out of the picture," Netanyahu said on CBS' "Face the Nation."

The Muslim militant group Hamas claimed responsibility for the March 21 bombing in Tel Aviv, but there has been some question as to whether Ghneimat knew he was carrying the explosives.

Israeli leaders have accused Arafat of giving tacit approval to Islamic militants to carry out attacks in Israel following the start of construction of the Jerusalem neighborhood.

Palestinians deny the allegations. Arafat's Fatah faction has acknowledged organizing stone-throwing riots in the West Bank for the past 11 days.

Both Israel and the Palestinians have an interest in preventing the kind of violence that broke out in September, when 80 people were killed in clashes that deteriorated into gun battles between Palestinian police and Israeli soldiers.

Arafat, who returned to Gaza City today from the Arab League summit in Cairo, said he was pleased by its resolution.

Asked whether a new U.S. initiative could end the crisis, he said: "We hope so."

# Former cult members say they regret missing suicide

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Two former followers of the Heaven's Gate cult insisted the deaths of 39 members were not a mass suicide, and one regretted that he didn't die with the rest at the Rancho Santa Fe mansion.

"I wish I had the strength to have remained... to have stuck it out and gotten stronger and continued to be a part of that group," former member Nick Cooke told CBS' "60 Minutes" on Sunday. His wife, Suzanne Sylvia Cooke, was among the dead.

Cooke said his wife had "shed her container" and is now aboard a spaceship with 38 colleagues, including cult leader

Marshall Applewhite.

On Easter, families of the victims continued to make last arrangements for their loved ones. Many had been left to them for 20 years or more, having ended all communication after joining the cult founded by Applewhite, who died last week with his flock, and Bonnie Lu Trusdale Nettles. Ms. Nettles died of cancer in 1985 at age 57.

CNN and Time magazine reported that cult members killed themselves because Applewhite told them he was dying of cancer; Newsweek reported that he told his flock that his body was "disintegrat-

ing."

But an autopsy on the 66-year-old Applewhite found no "physical evidence and no visual evidence of cancer in his liver or any other organs," said Dr. Brian Blackbourne, San Diego County's medical examiner.

Cooke described himself as an "off and on" member who left Heaven's Gate three years ago. He and another former cult member identified only as "Sawyer" told "60 Minutes" they still believed in the tenets of the cult, which hoped for salvation by way of a UFO trailing the Hale-Bopp comet.

The two former members esti-

mated that dozens of others still remain faithful to the cult's principles — including the idea that members might be beamed up into space. They weren't worried about the suicide victims.

"I don't think of them as dead. Well, the bodies, yes. But these are shells left behind," Cooke told KQED-FM in San Francisco. "I believe they are on a craft somewhere, whether it's behind the comet or not, I really don't know."

Said Sawyer: "Suicide isn't the proper term for what they did, in my opinion. They left their bodies. It was something they were preparing for for a long time."

## TEXAS BRIEFS

### THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

#### Report: Columbia-HCA paying salaries of recruited foreign doctors

EL PASO — Salary guarantees for foreign doctors recruited by Columbia-HCA Healthcare Corp. could violate federal law, according to the *El Paso Times*.

The nation's largest health care company already faces a federal investigation for possible Medicare fraud.

Records sent to the *El Paso Times* from a source included letters spelling out arrangements with doctors that refer to Columbia guaranteeing the salaries of foreign doctors it paid to recruit.

Federal law allows such salary guarantees only in specific situations. The documents detail the recruitment of a Dominican physician who now works for Dr. Kenyon Behrens of El Paso, the newspaper said Sunday. The contract with Behrens directs that Dr. Eduardo de Jesus be paid at least \$110,000 a year.

#### Man allegedly beaten by police who mistook him for his fugitive brother

MESQUITE — An unidentified officer has been placed on paid administrative leave after a Kaufman County man said he was beaten by Mesquite police after he was mistaken for his fugitive brother.

James Beasley, 56, of Rosser, was listed in poor condition today at Parkland Hospital in Dallas. The company suffered fractures, hospital officials said, after he said he was kicked and beaten.

Police have released a statement saying officers "converged" on Beasley and that he received facial injuries when he was mistaken for his brother, Charles Beasley, wanted in connection with a bank robbery.

"I had nothing to do with this, and I don't know why this should have happened to me," James Beasley said. "I told them I wasn't Charles and that I see Charles about every three months. I don't know why they had to do this."

Mesquite police Sgt. Mike Bradshaw declined to answer questions about Friday's incident, even declining to characterize it as a beating, citing the probe.

#### Conflict set up between child welfare, property tax relief

LUBBOCK — A battle is shaping up between child-welfare advocates and property tax-relief proponents over who will get the \$1 billion surplus in this year's state budget.

A large part of the surplus is due to a reduced welfare case load and fewer Medicaid disbursements stemming partly

from improved economic conditions, said Betty Anderson, West Texas liaison for Texans Care for Children.

"But the surplus is temporary and may not be around next year if there is an economic downturn," she warned.

"We need to invest this money now while times are good," she said. "We see a lot of needs in the health area. Also, job training programs have been chronically underfunded and now is the time to take advantage of this windfall."

#### April looks like busy month for Texas' death chamber

HUNTSVILLE — Look for the Texas death chamber to once again become a busy place. Executions in the nation's most active capital punishment state virtually were stalled in 1996 by an appeal from inmate James Davis who challenged a new Texas law intended to speed up the appeals process for condemned killers.

Three Texas death row inmates were executed last year, the lowest number since 1988 and following a record-setting 19 lethal injections in 1995.

Only one execution last year was carried out after February and that prisoner voluntarily gave up his appeals. Forty execution dates were scheduled, the least number since 1986.

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## OUR VIEWS

### TxDOT's plan indicates cooperation from locals

Last Thursday in Abilene, the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) officially unveiled its three-year Traffic Improvement Plan (TIP) for the Abilene district.

The 1998-2000 plan for Howard County includes \$4.16 million in improvements — including the eighth and final segment of improvements on U.S. 87 within the county in 2000.

Work that was on the previous TIP — and is scheduled to begin this week — includes a six mile stretch of U.S. 87 at a cost of \$3.6 million.

Other work that is scheduled to begin shortly includes an erosion control project at the intersection of I-20 and U.S. 87 and Texas 350. TxDOT also recently began its portion of the entryway improvements to Comanche Trail Park.

Two projects that the Transportation Committee of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce reminded TxDOT officials about last week included the upgrading of the 11th Place Extension to Farm-to-Market status and the development of a hazardous cargo route around the western edge of the community.

Big Spring and Howard County have been fortunate in the past in that our local and district TxDOT officials have worked with the Transportation Committee and local elected officials to maintain effective lines of communication.

That cooperation has resulted in Big Spring and Howard County being listened to when a potential project is discussed — and more times than not, having that potential project become a reality.

The TIP program, which includes public hearings for input, fosters open communication, a spirit of cooperation and allows city, county and TxDOT to fully understand where we all are — and where we hope to be.

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- In addition, candidate's profiles will run on Sunday, April 27.
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- We will not publish any letters in support of or opposition to any candidate.

## BURIED IN CREDIT CARD DEBT AND CURRENTLY IN BANKRUPTCY, JOHN Q. BUSTED VOICES HIS OPINION OF THE BALANCED BUDGET AMENDMENT.



### Of rocket science and chicken livers

The first time I saw Norma Vandiver she was holding a big spoon aloft, the way tired Miss Liberty lifts the torch. I thought at that moment how Yousof Karsh had been wasting his time and Dektol on the likes of Sophia Loren and Pablo Picasso.

Here was true beauty. Here was art. I was trespassing that day in Norma's cramped kitchen, looking for the cook. I wanted to compliment her cornbread dressing, the best I'd ever had in a restaurant. Steam from a silver pot parted like the curtain at Oz, and there was Norma, a sweet-faced, ample woman with dimples and a shy smile. She wore a white butcher's apron and stood there beaming, holding



Rheta Johnson  
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her scepter spoon. I am proud to say we became fast friends. It quickly was apparent she had the biggest and best heart in all of luka, Miss., home of her restaurant, The Country Cupboard. (Nobody calls it that. It is, simply, "Norma's.")

Whenever anyone in town died, police outlined the funeral zone with burning smudge pots, and the family phoned Norma. Her chicken salad couldn't bring back the dead, but it sure sweetened his send-off.

At every momentous turn, Norma instinctively knew what to cook. The worst day of my life, she delivered fried chicken livers, a gesture both simple and profound. For the first time ever I wasn't hungry, couldn't eat a one. But even now a plate of chicken livers makes me cry.

When NASA announced in 1990 it was going to build a billion-dollar solid rocket booster plant in luka — where else? — our little town went a little nuts. The state built us a fancy new school and hospital.

Builders threw up spec housing. Word was luka would grow overnight to the size of Huntsville, a handy example of how the space industry could transform a sleepy burg. After all, before Redstone Arsenal, Huntsville had been known for its watercress.

Norma expanded her restaurant and put in a buffet line. As promised, California strangers landed in luka, living and eating and adjusting pretty well to our decidedly low-tech ways. It didn't take a bunch of rocket scientists long to find Norma's. They learned about grits and pepper sauce, and Norma, ever the diplomat, cut back a little on the salt.

Soon you couldn't get near her place at noon, and for the first time I avoided the cheery dining room where I'd spent so many happy hours and eaten so much food. Not that it wasn't worth a wait. But I was spoiled.

Then, quietly, without any of the fanfare that ushered them in, the rocket scientists packed up and left. The feds had killed funding for luka's contribution

to outer space. The solid rocket booster boon was over.

For a while the unfinished NASA complex housed a nozzle plant, but it wasn't the same. Once you have your eyes on the stars, a nozzle is weak replacement.

The other day I went by Norma's, where things are back to normal. Her buffet line is perhaps the only useful legacy of those brief glory days when everyone expected to get rich.

Norma is the same, sweet and selfless, Mississippi's Mildred Pierce. We always talk a bit about a cookbook we plan to write someday, when Norma finds her recipes and I find the time.

She always shrugs and says she doesn't know who would buy it. And then I say I don't know who wouldn't.

I bet there are some rocket scientists somewhere who would kill for it.

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### Strong Clinton needed to alter federal courts

WASHINGTON — Will President Clinton remain popular enough and strong enough to work his will regarding appointments to the federal courts?

That is a question that puts everybody's interests at stake in the current tempest over campaign financing.

If you are anything other than a conservative Republican, you want Mr. Clinton to have the clout to fight off Sen. Orrin Hatch (R-Utah) and Sen. Jeff Sessions (R-Ala.) who lead a drive to deny the president any chance of liberalizing a federal judiciary that Presidents Ronald Reagan and George Bush packed with conservatives.

Even after Clinton's successful appointment of 198 judges and two Supreme Court justices in his first term, well over half the judges on the fed-



Carl Rowan  
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eral bench are Republican appointees — some even to the right of Antonin Scalia and Clarence Thomas, two of the most unbending conservatives on the Supreme Court.

Clinton's greatest chance to make a place in history is to continue appointments that make the federal courts more reflective of all America. Of Clinton's first 198 nominees, 105 are women or members of racial or ethnic minorities — or both. He already has put far more women on the federal bench than any other president, and seems certain to name more blacks and Hispanics to the federal judiciary than any previous chief executive.

Scholars note that Clinton has emphasized diversity, not ideology, thus his appointees are less liberal than were those of either Jimmy Carter or Lyndon Johnson. But they are not conservative enough to satisfy the Republicans who now control the confirmation process.

The fact that Clinton could appoint another 225 district and appeals court judges, plus a couple of Supreme Court justices, before his second term

ends terrifies some Republicans. They began to stall in the confirmation process last year, filling only a record low number of court positions, driving the number of vacancies to almost 100 as Clinton began his second term.

Now some 260 conservative organizations and talk-show hosts have banded together to try to force Hatch, chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, and Sen. Patrick Leahy of Vermont, the ranking Democrat, to confirm only nominees whom the conservatives declare not to be "activists."

An "activist," of course, is someone who construes laws in ways that conservatives don't like.

Hatch seems more than happy to bend to right-wing pressures. He has taken the unprecedented step of announcing that he will reopen hearings on some Clinton nominees who already have won approval of the Judiciary Committee but have not yet won approval by the full Senate.

Leahy has bravely fought off incredible pressures from a very conservative group, the

Judicial Selection Monitoring Project, but he has not been able to persuade Hatch to resist these lobbyists demands.

With his customary unctuousness, Hatch says he is merely opposing Clinton nominees who he thinks will "twist the law to impose their own policy preferences rather than apply the law as it is enacted." With 10 Republicans and eight Democrats on the Judiciary Committee, only a very strong President Clinton will be able to get even moderate-thinking nominees approved.

Hatch has seemed to prefer the "civilized" approach to confirmation hearings, but now sees a few reactionary flamethrowers trying to "take over" the Judiciary Committee, or to launch personal assaults on Clinton nominees. If President Clinton becomes weaker politically, Hatch will be less inclined to cede to him any right to have his choices approved.

So we may be seeing a tragic twist in terms of the normal forces that shape our judicial system.

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## "Neal's emphasis is on Customer Service"

"We are in business to provide only the best in quality sporting good merchandise in Big Spring and surrounding area...and our emphasis is always on customer service," said owner, Toni Ferrell, at NEAL'S SPORTING GOODS, 1901 Gregg in Big Spring. If you need custom printed caps, shirts, jackets or any other screen printed product, check Neal's first. "We do all of our screen printing process in our Big Spring store. You don't have to send it out of town to have it done." And Neal's Sporting Goods had a complete library of clip-art that will help you bring your idea for a T-shirt or anything else "come to life" in a hurry.

Neal's Sporting Goods carries or can design items for the Howard College Hawks, Lady Hawks, Big Spring Steers, Coahoma Bulldogs, Forsan Buffalos and other area schools.

NFL, college, MLB, NBA caps and apparel...Asics shoe...you'll find

them all and in plentiful supply at Neal's Sporting Goods. Don't forget, we also custom make trophies and plaques for most every occasion...and coming soon a complete line of sunglasses.

Neal's offers a league discount and an individual discount for participants currently in a team sport.

Neal's Sporting Goods is locally owned and operated. All monies stay in Big Spring...a huge benefit to our local economy.

Stop at Neal's Sporting Goods, 1901 Gregg. "Don't buy sporting good and supplies anywhere without checking with us first." Come by and see us today or call 263-7351.



## Quality Furniture at the Best Prices in West Texas

ALLAN'S FURNITURE located at 202 Scurry in Big Spring sets the pace in furniture display innovations and sales. "In the last 12 months, we have become one of the largest volume furniture stores in the Permian Basin," said owner Allan Johnson. "We have grown to represent over 60 major manufacturers, introduced the Intellitek Furniture Satellite Link to the Permian Basin's and a weekly column for consumer education on furniture and accessories."

Allan's Furniture operated as Carter's Furniture in Big Spring for almost 48 years prior to its purchase by Allan Johnson.

Allan's Furniture quickly became "the place to shop and buy quality furniture" for the entire Permian Basin. Quality furniture



Allan Johnson - Owner  
Allan's Furniture

at low, low prices, unmatched service, almost unlimited product availability, 12 months at no interest, free delivery and guaranteed customer satisfaction. Add GUARANTEED BEST PRICES IN THE WEST TEXAS and the fact that we treat you like family and you'll have

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Allan's Furniture specializes in brand name products for your office and every room in your home. Select from Allan's I-a-Z-Boy Gallery, a huge selection of solid wood furniture, plus a tremendous selection of new sofas, chairs, dining room sets, bedroom sets, and other distinctive "made just for your home" pieces.

Allan's Furniture has just the piece you are looking for...but, if we don't, we can get it for you. See us today!

Allan's Furniture at 202 Scurry in Big Spring. (915) 267-6278.

## Big Spring Specialty Clinic sees continued growth

Big Spring Specialty Clinic at 616 Gregg Street in Big Spring has been an integral part of the Howard County healthcare industry since 1989.

The clinic is a branch of Odessa Regional Hospital and numbers of clients served has increased substantially year after year as their staff and services offered have changed and grown. Currently Big Spring Specialty Clinic has two OB/GYN's, one Pediatrician, one Audiologist, one Neurologist on staff and they are in the process of obtaining a Dermatologist.

Clinic spokesperson, Melinda McCann, said "As a satellite of Odessa Regional Hospital the clinic is provided with all the necessary support staff and supplies in order to properly perform services not offered elsewhere in the community...and perform those services at affordable prices." Odessa Regional Hospital is



owned by Tenet which is the 2nd largest "for profit" hospital corporation in the U.S.

Big Spring Specialty Clinic provides services for patients on Medicare and Medicaid as well as private pay and insured patients. Quality health care that incorporates the

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Big Spring Specialty Clinic at 616 Gregg Street is ready to serve your medical needs. Call 267-8226 for appointment or for additional information on services available to you.

## CHEM-DRY CARPET CLEANING

The Worlds largest Carpet, Drapery and Upholstery Cleaning Company

Chem-Dry of Big Spring has been serving the Howard and Martin County area for eleven years. The carpet and upholstery cleaning service is owned and operated by Randy and Tricia Clanton.

Other than complete customer satisfaction, their first and foremost goal is to change the attitude of the public towards carpet cleaning due to the many problems associated with other cleaning methods.

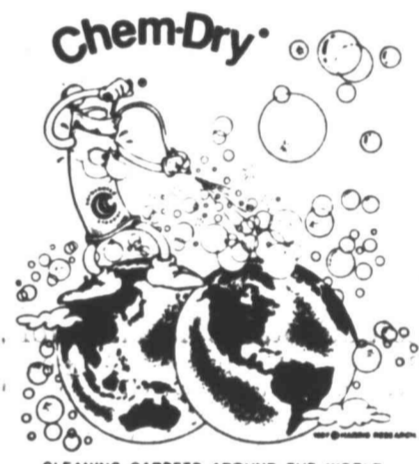
They feel that the customers are discouraged by the poor results and damaging effects that can be caused by steam, shampoo, and dry cleaning methods.

The people are looking for and very much deserve a viable alternative, something fast, efficient and economical. This is where Chem-Dry comes in.

The patented Chem-Dry cleaning solution generates millions of tiny effervescent bubbles which penetrate the carpet fiber, dissolve dirt and stains, and acts as tiny propellants that actually lift dirt to the surface for removal. Carpets take very little time to dry, and because there are no dirt-attracting residues, carpets stay cleaner longer. Unlike steam and shampoo methods, Chem-Dry virtually eliminates the worry of over-wetting,

rapid resoiling, toxicity, shrinkage, or the inconvenience of long drying times. The Chem-Dry solution is copied from Mother Nature and contains no soaps, detergents, surfactants, or phosphates. It is the only carpet cleaning system that has totally eliminated detergents from the carpet cleaning process.

The uniqueness and exclusiveness of the Chem-Dry process is backed by a



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franchise network of over 4200 Chem-Dry franchises in over 50 countries around the world.

Chem-Dry also offers a variety of other services. They feature the patented process of red stain removal called "RED ALERT." They have several type of protectors from carpet stain resistors to upholstery fabric protectors. They have an exclusive pet urine removal treatment called "PURT," which can totally remove pet odor. Chem-Dry offers full water damage restoration and carpet repair. Other product and services they offer are Rust removal, carpet anti-statics, Dirt Wrangler - laundry detergent, brown out removal, Stain Extinguisher - spotters, Oriental rug and Leather and Vinyl cleaning.

Our revolutionary patented system of carper cleaning is so effective that carpets which people have been ready to replace have been restored to an acceptable condition.

We are so confident of our carbonated process that we challenge you to give us a carpet that we cannot clean. If you are not satisfied, you pay nothing. You have nothing to lose but the dirt in your carpet.

## Big Spring Health Food Center

After years of buying her natural unprocessed foods out of town, Mrs. Nall decided Big Spring needed a health food store. So, at age 55, she resigned her office manager's position of 22 years at Cunningham and Phillips and opened the Big Spring Health Food Center in its present location at 1305 Scurry Street. It has since been enlarged to accommodate the many and varied items that she carries.

"Our customers can depend on receiving natural, as opposed to synthetic vitamins; quality herbs; juices from organically grown fruits; sun dried fruits (as opposed to chemically-dried fruits) food products without chemicals & preservatives; special foods for vegetarians; large selection of books on a broad range of subjects; natural cosmetics; juicers; flour mills; heavy grade stainless cookware.

In addition the center carries major brands of protein and body building products.

Big Spring Health Food Center specializes in foods that are natural, unbleached and without preservatives. A sampling of the many food items found on the

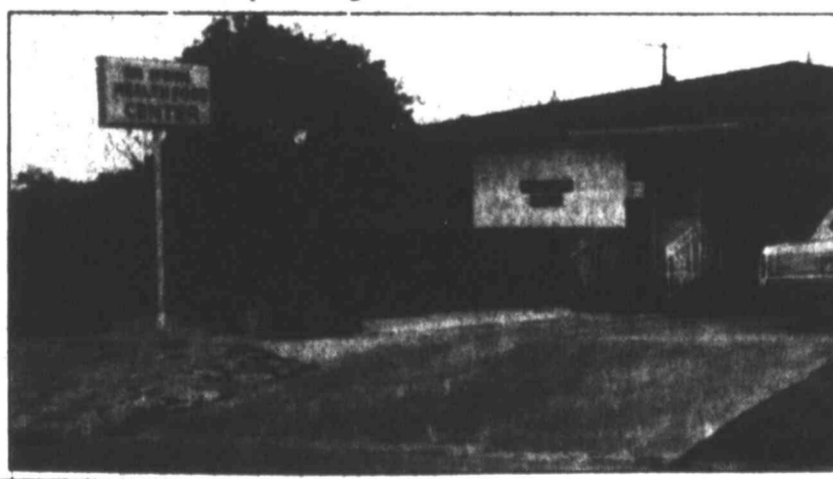
shelves include wheat, rye, rice, amaranth, spelt, soya, and oat flours; corn and lysine meals; cereals and grains such as oat flakes, barley, rye, wheat, bulgar, oat and wheat brands; many prepared cereals; legumes; seeds for sprouting; tabuly; cooking oils; pure peanut, almond and cashew butters; yogurt, cheese, butter; pastas; cookies; jellies, crackers, candies, herb teas, spices and flavorings.

Eva Nall is assisted by her daughter

Betty Ray Coffee, store manager, and two additional employees.

Big Spring Health Food Center's goal is to provide good service and the special products needed by everyone.

The space is small, but when it comes to caring about the quality of your foods and health, no one cares more than the staff of the Big Spring Health Food Center at 1305 Scurry Street in Big Spring. Call us at 267-6524.



## Gourmet & Gifts in the Store within a Store

When Gay Herren opened Gaze Crystal Kitchen in 1993, she opened a most unique store. "We are a complete store within a store," said Mrs. Herren. "Even though we are in Harris Lumber, we are a store all on our own."

This "store within a store" is filled with gourmet and lovely gift items. "We carry items that you would love to give and be proud to receive," said Mrs. Herren

Gaze Crystal Kitchen features fine dinnerware and crystal by such well known brand names as Dansk, Lenox, Noritake, Wedgewood, Johnson Brothers, Miller Rogaska crystal, Mikasa, Heartstone, Fiesta Ware, Nancy Calhoun, Frankoma, Block China and Crystal, Mary Englebreit, Fitz & Floyd, Fenton, and much more. Gaze also has a wide selection of small appliances, kitchen gadgets ga-

lore, Bakeware cookware, Corning ware and Pyrex.

Gay notes that she is also proud of her collection of cookbooks.

Take a look. Gaze Crystal Kitchen offers even more. "We have an exciting selection of gift ideas." Gift hunters will find stationary and pens, potpourri, candles, picture frames, Mary Englebreit gifts, Kenneth Wyatt crosses, clocks and now an exciting selection of baby gifts that includes Russ stuffed animals and Gallery night lights.

"We are also proud of our bridal gift registry," notes Gay. "More and more couples are choosing Gaze's for their selections...and we're happy to help these young couples get started."

Gaze Crystal Kitchen continues to grow. "We have lots of new things coming including new Coke things"



and she is quick to point out that they are always happy to make special orders for their customers. "After all service is part of our product."

Gaze Crystal Kitchen is easy to find. "We're in the back of Harris Lumber...just turn left at the TV's." Harris Lumber and Gaze Crystal Kitchen are located at 1515 E. FM 700. Call today...267-6355.

## Mobile Wireless Communication & Control Systems

If your looking for Mobile Wireless Communication and Control Systems including tower site construction and maintenance look no further. All your needs can be handled at Basin 2-Way Radio, Inc. located at 204 Donley in Big Spring.

Basin 2-Way Radio, Inc. began in the mid 1960's as a partnership...incorporated as Permco in 1975 and 1995 split from Permco to become a wholly owned local corporation. This has allowed them to concentrate and expand its service and product lines for the Big Spring and entire Permian Basin Area.

"We have increased our product line to include the high end and excellent quality of Kenwood Land Mobile Radios. We are also now the area dealer for Westinghouse Satellite telephones. Satellite communications breaks the tie to conventional Tower based communications systems," said Kevin Calley.

"Basin 2-Way Radio, Inc. can offer excellent communications advantages for our customers in the Big



Spring market. We now offer sales and service on nearly all communications equipment. Previously, area users had become accustomed to traveling 50 miles or more to find these services. All billing is done from our local office and you get personal service and attention that is hassle free."

As technology and the economy changed over the years, Basin 2-Way, Inc. has changed to stay up-to-date with technology and offer products and services at very competitive rates.

Call Basin 2-Way, Inc. today at (915) 264-7034 to solve all your communications needs.

## Ferrell's Specialty is Flood and Fire Restoration

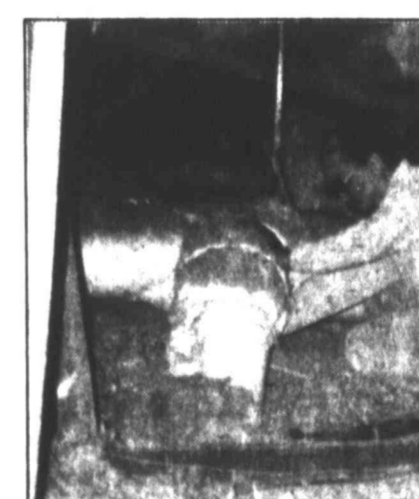
"We do a lot of different things at Ferrell's Carpet, Air Duct and Chimney Cleaning but, our primary business focus is on fire and flood restoration."

Ferrell's was founded in 1987 and remains a family business that strives to offer the best in service. Ferrell's services are available night or day with our 24-hour emergency service. Just call (915) 267-6504, (915) 267-3540, or 1-800-818-6504.

"If your emergency involves fire or any kind of water damage, Ferrell's can restore your home or business to the way it was before, maybe even better."

Ferrell's has expanded recently to include the carpet cleaning and repair services. The recent purchase of Accent Carpet made this additional service possible," said owner Toni Ferrell.

General manager, Tim Ortega, has 10 years experience in fire & flood restoration, carpet cleaning and repair.



All of Ferrell's technicians are experienced and very qualified to do your job right. Remember, cleaning your carpet regularly makes it last longer and promotes a healthier home environment.

Ferrell's air duct cleaning offers a unique, proven system to reach 100% of your air duct system. It removes the source of dust, allergy and respiratory problems by eliminating billions of germs, mites,

pollen, bacteria and dust that multiply in your heating and cooling system. "Legionnaires Disease was first found in a ventilation system," said Toni Ferrell.

Ferrell's is known for outstanding chimney cleaning service. "All chimneys

need a cap! All chimneys need a sweep! Cleaning and inspection of your chimney will save costly repair and prevents chimney fires...and there have been four so far this past year that we know of in Big Spring. Toni Ferrell says, "You can never be too safe."

Call Ferrell's Carpet, Air Duct and Chimney Cleaning today! 267-6504 - 267-3540 or 1-800-818-6504

Tuesday  
Basket — Big Spring at Fort Stockton, 7:30 p.m.  
Waco at Columbia, 5 p.m.  
Howard College at Vernon, 1 p.m.  
Softball — Big Spring at Andrews 5:30 p.m.

College Basketball  
NCAA Men — Kentucky vs. Arizona, 8 p.m., ch. 7  
Duke at Edinboro, 8:30 p.m., ch. 25

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## KU's '10-legged monster' Arizona's major concern

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — It's a monster with 10 legs and 10 arms. Thrashing. Slashing. Hounding. Harassing. Driving its horrified prey to panic.

It's Kentucky's aggressive, relentless, fullcourt, trapping defense.

And it's the reason Kentucky is only one win away from its second consecutive NCAA title.

"Teams that have tried to press us have only done it a couple of possessions," Arizona point guard Mike Bibby says, "because we have broken it every time."

But Bibby and his teammates have never tried to break the monster.

They'll get their chance

tonight, when Arizona meets Kentucky in what promises to be a wild, catch-your-breath-if-you-can championship at the RCA Dome.

Arizona (24-9) will try to use its quickness and fearless attitude to become the only team to defeat three top seeds. Arizona, seeking its first title, already has taken down Kansas and North Carolina.

Kentucky (35-4), which forced 26 turnovers to beat Minnesota in Saturday's semifinals, is trying to join Duke as the only repeat champions in the last 24 years.

"Playing them, it begins and ends with their fullcourt pressure," Arizona coach Lute

Olson said. "But the way they want to play is the way we want to play. We want it wide open."

It's doubtful, however, that Arizona really wants to play Kentucky's game. And it's doubtful that Arizona has seen a defense like it will see tonight.

"Some teams will trap you once and if you make the pass, they'll fall back," Kentucky forward Jared Prickett said. "With us, we trap and if you make the pass, we trap again. Make the pass, we trap again. And if you get across halfcourt, we'll come at you again. It's chaos out there, and they don't know where you're coming from."

So how does Arizona respond?

With a press of its own.

"Coach Olson told us that teams that like to press don't like to be pressed," Arizona forward Michael Dickerson said. "It's going to be a mad scramble. They've probably got the best fullcourt press in the country — besides ours. Whoever is in the best shape is going to win."

Arizona has been watching films of Kentucky's two losses to South Carolina.

"With BJ McKie, Larry Davis and Melvin Watson breaking down their pressure all night long, Kentucky couldn't contain them," Arizona captain Miles

Simon said. "And I think our guards have the same capability as those guards. I think we can cause them a lot of problems."


But Arizona shouldn't pin its hopes on what South Carolina did to Kentucky.

"Maybe we learned from those two losses," Kentucky coach Rick Pitino said. "These guys are resilient."

Resilient, indeed. Kentucky kept winning even after star Derek Anderson went down with a knee injury ... kept winning after Anderson's replacement, Allen Edwards, hurt his ankle ... kept winning

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**Men's Championship**



**Kentucky vs. Arizona, 8 p.m. tonight, ch. 7**

## Lady Vols cap improbable year with another title

CINCINNATI (AP) — Of all the national championships won by the Tennessee women, this latest was clearly the most improbable.

It was won by a team that lost its starting point guard to a torn knee ligament in October. By a team that was 10-6 in early January and appeared to be beaten down by a rugged schedule. By a team that finished fifth in the Southeastern Conference and looked as if it had no chance to even make it to the Final Four.

But somehow, some way, the Lady Vols pulled it off.

When a team has Pat Summitt as its coach and Chamique Holdsclaw as its go-to player, nothing, it seems, is out of reach.

Tennessee won its second consecutive national championship and fifth overall Sunday night with a 68-59 victory over Old Dominion.

"I think deep down this team believed we could do it and that we could be alive in March," said Kellie Jolly, the injured point guard who returned to action Jan. 12. "We just had to have faith and believe in ourselves."

The Lady Vols (29-10) believed so strongly that they beat No. 1-ranked Connecticut in the Midwest Regional finals to get to the Final Four, knocked off Notre Dame in the semifinals, then broke Old Dominion's 33-game winning streak with a brilliant defensive game plan conjured up by Summitt and an equally brilliant offensive game by Holdsclaw.

"This year was a tremendous blessing for me, for our players and our staff in that we faced a lot of adversity," Summitt said. "We had injuries. We had tough losses."

"But we never had attitude problems that we could not move on from immediately, and this is a group that will always be very special to me personally as well as professionally."

### NCAA WOMEN

Holdsclaw, more than anyone, helped make it that way. She scored 14 of her game-high 24 points in the second half Sunday night and was in charge when Tennessee put the game away at the end.

After Old Dominion took a 49-47 lead on Amber Eblin's 3-point shot, Holdsclaw scored 10 points, handed out two assists and blocked a shot in the final 6:48. Old Dominion (34-2) had no answer for that, leaving Holdsclaw 6-0 in championship games.

She won four state championships at Christ the King High School in New York City and now has two national titles in two years of college.

"I felt I let the pressure get to me early," said Holdsclaw, who went through a 15-minute stretch in the first half without a basket. "In the second half, I went out and let things come to me. Right now, we kind of have our place in history."

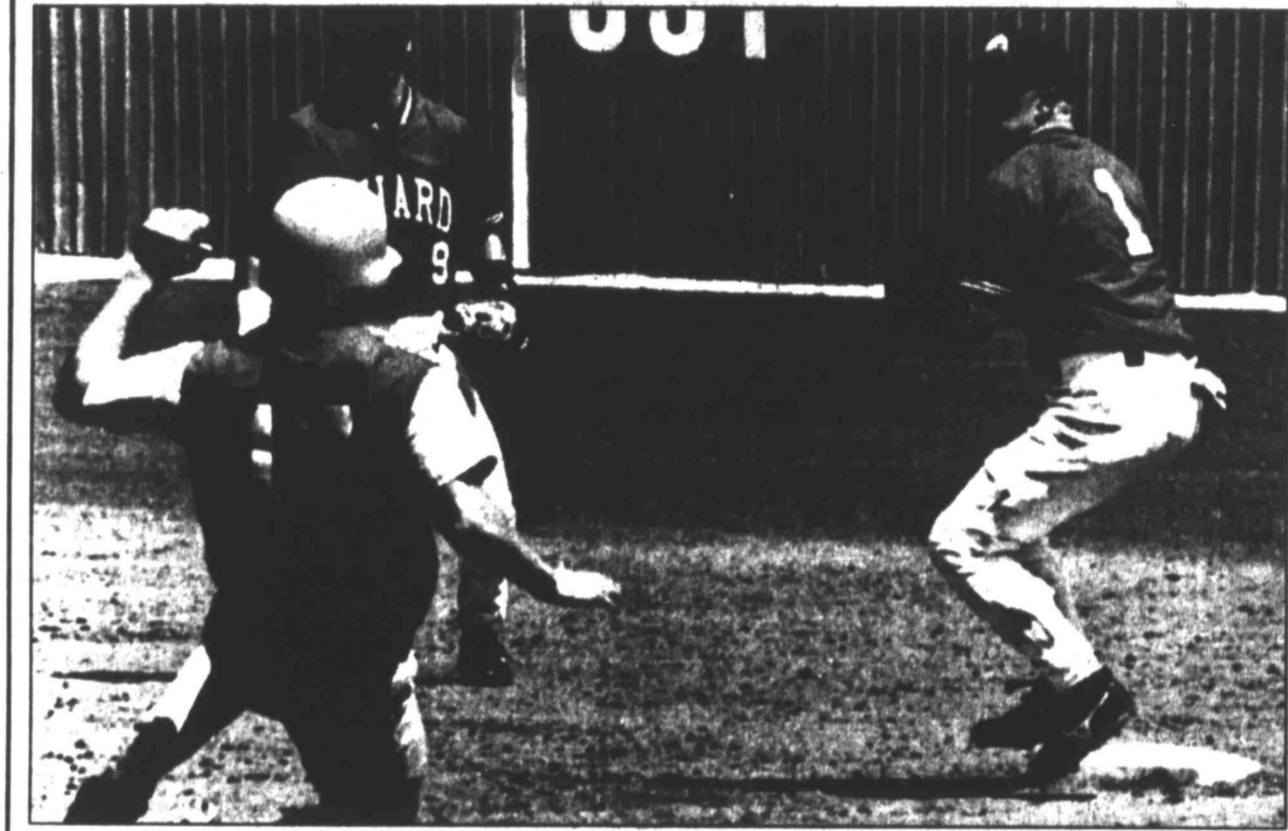
Tennessee became the first women's team since Southern Cal in 1983 and 1984 to win back-to-back titles. And with five championships, Summitt has more than any other major college basketball coach, men or women, except UCLA's John Wooden, who won 10.

"John Wooden is safe for a long time," Summitt said with a smile.

There were no smiles on the Old Dominion side. An emotional, free-spirited team, Old Dominion was taken out of its game by an aggressive, physical Tennessee defense that concentrated on containing All-America point guard Ticha Penicheiro and preventing the ball from going inside.

Penicheiro, who scored 25 points in Old Dominion's 83-72 victory over Tennessee on Jan. 7, was scoreless in the first half Sunday night and finished with more turnovers (11) than points (10).

### OUT AT SECOND



Howard second baseman Brian Phillips prepares to throw to first after forcing out Frank Phillips baserunner Toby Belt (17) during their game Friday at Jack Barber Field. Also in on the play is Howard shortstop T.J. Runnells.

### SPORTS BRIEFS

From staff and wire reports

#### Borden looking for games

GAIL — Borden County High School coaches are in need of basketball opponents for the next school year.

BCHS girls' coach Clay Stout said the school is looking for opponents to play both its varsity basketball squads Dec. 9 and 19. Also, the school needs teams to fill the roster for its annual basketball tournament Dec. 11-13.

For more information, contact Stout at (806) 756-4313.

#### Softball deadline Tuesday

Deadline for entry in the Big Spring Softball Association's summer league is Tuesday.

All men's or coed teams who have already entered — or teams wanting to enter — are required to attend an organizational meeting Tuesday at 7 p.m. at John Wesley's Pick Pocket Billiards, 102 W. Third St.

Several teams are close to filling out their rosters, but need coed players.

Contact Martin at 264-9236 for more information.

#### Daly enters Ford Clinic

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla. — A drunk and out-of-control John Daly smashed up his hotel room and was hospitalized with chest pains just

hours before he withdrew from the Players Championship.

Daly, an admitted alcoholic, said Sunday he would immediately begin treatment for his drinking problem.

The 30-year-old golfer with a history of erratic behavior was seen drinking for several hours in a nightclub called Sloppy Joe's on Thursday after he shot a 76 in the first round at the Players Championship.

Daly sang with the band and was loud but not abusive, according to several witnesses. He was escorted out by friends after more than three hours of drinking.

#### Stars down Vancouver

VANCOUVER, British Columbia — Greg Adams once helped the Vancouver Canucks into the Stanley Cup finals. Now, he might have helped keep them out of the NHL playoffs.

Adams was the ringleader against his former team, scoring the winning goal in a 3-2 Dallas victory Sunday.

The victory extended the Stars' unbeaten streak to nine games, including seven wins, and took considerable wind out of the Canucks' postseason chase. The loss, coupled with the Chicago Blackhawks' 3-2 victory over the Buffalo Sabres earlier in the day, left the Canucks five points out of the Western Conference playoffs.

It snapped the Canucks' four-game unbeaten string.

## Phoenix continues late surge

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The NBA is off today. That should give everybody plenty of time to ponder how the Phoenix Suns have almost locked up a playoff spot and how the Indiana Pacers can't be counted out of the postseason just yet.

Phoenix extended its winning streak to six games Sunday night by beating the Seattle SuperSonics 107-106. The victory gave the Suns a 1 1/2-game edge on the Los Angeles Clippers, who currently hold the eighth and final Western Conference playoff spot.

What's more, it moved Phoenix — a team that started the season 0-13 — within two games of the Minnesota Timberwolves for the conference's sixth seed.

The Pacers, meanwhile, upped their winning streak to four games with a 103-96 overtime victory over the Clippers. Indiana, which went to the conference finals two years ago and has qualified for the playoffs for the past seven seasons, stayed two games behind Cleveland in the race for the East's final berth.

Indiana also must pass Washington, which has its own four-game winning streak going and trails the Cavs by just one game.

"I think the only hope of catching Washington, especially the way they are playing, is to play every game like it's a playoff game," Pacers coach Larry Brown said.

In other games Sunday, Cleveland edged Dallas 84-80, Philadelphia stunned Detroit 96-92, Toronto upset Miami 102-97, New York defeated Orlando 101-86, Minnesota beat Golden State 113-102 and Denver nipped Milwaukee 99-97.

Phoenix's victory was its second in five days over the Sonics, who are in danger of

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## Elkington scorches Players Championship field; King wins third Shore

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — The rough had never been higher. The field had never been stronger. Steve Elkington had only one explanation for his seven-stroke victory in The Players Championship.

He had never played better. Elkington won his first major in the PGA Championship in 1995, when he closed with a 64 and beat Colin Montgomerie in a playoff with a 25-foot birdie putt.

He entered the week with seven PGA Tour victories, winning The Players Championship six years ago, and twice taking the elite season-opening Tournament of Champions.

But in the richest event on tour, against a field that included the top 50 players in the world rankings for the first time anywhere, Elkington amazed even himself.

"I'm just sort of sitting here trying to explain what it means to win this tournament by

seven shots," he said Sunday after shooting his fourth round in the 60s to finish at 16-under-par 72.

"I mean, I played that good," he said. "I basically blew away the best field we've ever had. And I didn't know if I was capable."

How could he not? Every time he went to the practice range before his round at the Stadium Course on the TPC at Sawgrass, he hit the ball pure. He never took more than 30 putts in any round, including just 24 in Sunday's round of 69.

Even Saturday night, when asked whether he could turn a two-stroke lead into a wire-to-wire victory, he said he was playing well and there was no reason that would change.

And it didn't. While the rest of the field was trying to negotiate the swirling winds and rough that grew as high as 6 inches, Elkington played so well that the rest of the field quit watching the

scoreboard.

"It would have to be an act of God for me to catch him after about 14 or 15," said Scott Hoch, who finished second by making an 8-foot birdie putt on No. 17.

"Whenever he gets his putter going, he can shoot some low scores — and he's not going to back off," said Loren Roberts, who also shot a 69 to move into third at 8-under 280.

Elkington won \$630,000, which moved him to the top of the money list with \$984,400 in just four starts this year. He won Doral three weeks ago, making him the first player since Tom Kite in 1989 to win two tournaments on the Florida swing.

"I think I have a good chance of having a really good year the way things are going for me," Elkington said.

He looked relaxed sitting in a high-back chair, about as comfortable as he looked on a Stadium Course that yielded an average score of 74.9 on the

final day.

But Elkington was a bottle of nerves Sunday morning, waking at 6:30 a.m. and looking for something to kill time for eight hours.

"I sat in the room and putted for three hours," he said.

Good move. He led Hoch by only two strokes to start the day and left himself a 5-foot putt for par on the first hole. Elkington knocked it in and was off to the races.

#### LPGA

RANCHO MIRAGE, Calif. (AP) — A few words about the changing of the guard in women's golf: Not so fast.

With younger players threatening to dominate the LPGA Tour, Betsy King, a 41-year-old Hall of Famer, showed over the weekend that her generation isn't quite ready for rocking chairs.

King, who hadn't won a tournament in almost two years, captured her third Nabisco

Dinah Shore title on Sunday, coming back from a three-shot deficit with eight holes to go.

Kelly Robbins appeared to have the event, the first LPGA major championship of the year, in hand when she was 13-under and three shots in front on No. 10. But her game suddenly went haywire and she hit a tree, a couple of bunkers and a lake down the stretch to open the door for King.

King finished with a 1-under-par 71 for a 12-under total, while Kris Tschatter, coming back almost all the way from a second-round 76, shot a 70 to finish two strokes back in second.

Robbins, with a closing 74 that included a 40 on the back nine, tied Amy Fruwirth, who shot 72, for third at 9-under.

"I think the tour is in a great place," King said, responding to a question about the crop of talented young players. "It's a great combination. Patty (Sheehan), Beth (Daniel), Nancy (Lopez) and I are not as

good week in and week out as we were, but obviously we know we can play well at times.

"Then you have the younger players like Annika (Sorenstam), Laura (Davies), Karrie (Webb), Michelle (McGann) and Kelly. You like to be able to go out and be competitive with them. I guess this shows the old guard can do it sometimes."

Sorenstam finished in a tie for eighth at 4-under.

Sheehan, the defending champion, continued her 1997 struggles, finishing in 63rd place at 12-over. Lopez tied for 23rd at 1-under. Daniel missed the cut by shooting 75s on each of the first two days.

As perhaps a sign of a still younger guard at the threshold, amateur Marisa Baena of Colombia shot a 69 Sunday to tie for 23rd in Lopez' group. Baena, the 1995 NCAA champion as a freshman at Arizona, would have pocketed some \$8,000 if she were a pro.

SPORTS EXTRA

MEN

All schedule

**Tuesday's Games**  
Chicago White Sox (Navaero 10-12) at Toronto (Hentgen 20-10), 12:05 p.m.  
Milwaukee (McDonald 12-10) at Texas (Hill 10-10), 1:35 p.m.  
Kansas City (Appier 14-11) at Baltimore (Musina 10-11), 2:05 p.m.  
N.Y. Yankees (Cane 7-2) at Seattle (Fassero 15-11), 7:05 p.m.

**Wednesday's Games**  
Detroit (Brocal 1-8) at Minnesota (Radke 11-10), 7:05 p.m.  
Only games scheduled  
Chicago White Sox (Amariz 15-10) at Toronto (Clemens 10-13), 6:35 p.m.  
Detroit (Thompson 1-6) at Minnesota (Rodriguez 13-14), 7:05 p.m.

**Thursday's Games**  
Cleveland at Oakland, 2:15 p.m.  
Kansas City at Baltimore, 6:35 p.m.  
Detroit at Minnesota, 7:05 p.m.  
Milwaukee at Texas, 7:35 p.m.  
Boston at Anaheim, 9:05 p.m.

**Friday's Games**  
Only games scheduled  
N.Y. Yankees (Petite 21-8) at Seattle (Moyer 12-3), 9:35 p.m.  
Cleveland (Nagy 17-5) at Oakland (Prieto 6-7), 9:35 p.m.  
Boston (Gordon 12-9) at Anaheim (Langston 6-5), 9:35 p.m.

**Saturday's Games**  
Chicago Cubs (Mullholland 8-7) at Florida (K.Brown 17-11), 3:05 p.m.  
Philadelphia (Schilling 9-10) at Los Angeles (R.Martinez 15-6), 3:05 p.m.  
Pittsburgh (Lieber 9-5) at San Francisco (Gardner 12-7), 3:05 p.m.

**Sunday's Games**  
New York 101, Orlando 86  
Indiana 103, L.A. Clippers 96, OT  
Toronto 102, Miami 97  
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OF Roberto Kelly on the 15-day disabled list, retroactive to March 24.  
Texas Rangers—Optioned RHP Jose Alberro and OF Mike Simms to Oklahoma City of the American Association.

**Wednesday's Games**  
Toronto Blue Jays—Placed LHP Paul Spoljaric on the 15-day disabled list, retroactive to March 23.  
Atlanta Braves—Optioned INF Ed DiGirolamo and LHP Dean Hartgraves to Richmond of the International League. Assigned OF Tommy Gregg, C Fausto Tejedo, LHP Brad Woodall and LHP Kevin Rogers to their minor-league camp. Sent RHP Scott Brown outright to Richmond.

**Thursday's Games**  
Colorado Rockies—Waived RHP Mike Dyer. Purchased the contract of RHP Jeff McCurry from Colorado Springs of the PCL.  
Los Angeles Dodgers—Optioned RHP Antonio Osuna to Albuquerque of the PCL. Sent LHP Narisoco Elvira outright to Albuquerque.

**Friday's Games**  
Philadelphia Phillies—Placed OF Larry Snyders on the 60-day disabled list and RHP Mark Portant, RHP Edgar Ramos, RHP Ken Ryan, RHP Mike Grace and RHP Tyler Green on the 15-day disabled list. Sent Gregor to Scranton/Wilkes-Barre of the International League and Ramon to Clearwater of the Florida State League for rehab assignments. Optioned C Chris Young to Reading of the Eastern League. Purchased the contracts of OF Ruben Amaro, OF Derrick May, RHP Reggie Harris, and LHP Erik Pfister from Scranton. Recalled RHP Ron Blazer from Scranton and optioned INF Kevin Jordan to Scranton.

**Saturday's Games**  
Arizona 66, North Carolina 55  
Kentucky 78, Minnesota 69  
National Championship  
Monday, March 31  
Arizona (24-9) vs. Kentucky (35-4), 8:18 p.m.

**Baseball**  
American League  
Baltimore Orioles—Sold C Cesar Davarez to the Tampa Bay Devil Rays. Assigned C Kris Gresham to their minor-league camp.  
Cleveland Indians—Traded RHP Terry Harvey to the Tampa Bay Devil Rays for future considerations.

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after All-American Ron Mercer had to leave Saturday's game with leg cramps ... kept winning with its ball-hawking, terrorizing, risk-taking defense. "When we're in our press," Mercer said, "we act like there's a minute left, we're down by five and we really need the steal."

While Arizona will be under pressure just to advance the basketball from Point A to Point B, Mercer will be under a different kind of pressure. Having already committed to

leave school early, he'll be trying to impress NBA scouts. "Ron Mercer knows right now that he has to play great," Pitino said. "That pressure makes him run faster, jump higher, focus better and showcase his skills."

Pressure, however, has never bothered the sophomore forward, who had 20 points against Syracuse in last year's title game. "He has no stress because he has extraordinary talent and a team he can depend on. I think if he didn't have this enormous

talent, he'd have stress rather than pressure," Pitino said. "I think pressure is the thing that drives us at Kentucky. We enjoy it. And we don't hide from it."

Arizona's players seem to thrive under pressure, too. Some of them feel they are destined to win, but Simon simply believes that his team is ready to take what it deserves. "I don't think we're a team of destiny. I felt we could be here all along," he said. "When a team does things time and time again, it's not luck any more."

At Indianapolis, Rik Smits scored eight of his season-high 40 points in overtime and shot 17-for-28 against much shorter defenders Lorenzen Wright and Loy Vaught. "My feet are much better," said Smits, who has struggled to recover from offseason surgery on both feet. "I think I'm ready for the stretch drive."

"Rik played huge for us. He hit some big shots," said Reggie Miller, who added 28 points for Indiana. "We have a shot when he plays like that." Cavaliers 84, Mavericks 80. At Cleveland, Tyrone Hill returned to Cleveland's lineup after a two-game absence and scored 17 points as the Cavaliers snapped their three-game losing streak.

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losing their hold on the West's second playoff seed as they deal with a new dilemma concerning Shawn Kemp. Kemp, who will come off the bench for at least one more game as punishment for missing a team flight and practice Saturday, played only 22 minutes and scored three points on 1-of-5 shooting with six turnovers.

The game came down to the final play and ended in controversy. Rex Chapman, who scored all 25 of his points in the first three quarters, purposely missed a free throw with 1.7 seconds left. The rebound went to Sam Perkins, but as Perkins raised his hands overhead, Chapman

touched the ball and knocked him backward. Perkins fell to the floor and was unable to get rid of the ball as time ran out. "I got all ball," Chapman said. "I jumped, he flopped. I don't think they're going to call it that late in the game."

Karl strongly disagreed. "The referee didn't have the courage to make the call on their home court," Karl said. "We've lost a couple of games like that. We managed the game great, put ourselves in a position to win, and a call like that kills us."

Wesley Person had 23 points for the Suns, who hit 15 of 28 3-pointers. Jason Kidd had 19 points and 16 assists, and Hot Rod Williams had 15 points and 11 rebounds. Pacers 103, Clippers 96, OT

San Antonio (AP) — David Graham had the kind of finish golfers dream about. Tied for the lead with John Jacobs, Graham dropped in a 16-foot eagle putt on the 18th hole Sunday to win the \$800,000 Southwestern Bell Dominion Seniors.

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year for you, as long as you  
separate fantasy from reality.  
That is not to say you cannot  
manifest your dreams, but you  
do need to be realistic about  
day-to-day life. You are full of  
ideas; many could increase  
your income and advance your  
career. If you are single, you  
are most attractive to the opposite  
sex. However, you could be  
preoccupied with work and not  
quite ready for a serious com-  
mitment. If attached, share  
more of your professional life  
with your partner. AQUARIUS  
is a friend.

**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)**  
Continue to maintain a high  
profile. You might need to act  
on a dream or respond to a special  
message. This could be  
confusing. You hear financial  
news, and are able to work  
toward the future. Go for a  
long-term goal; you will blaze a  
new trail. Tonight: Enjoy a  
friendship.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)**  
Reach for the stars. Find out  
what is preventing you from  
achieving goals. Realize just  
how much you could empower  
yourself. Initiate conversations,  
share ideas and start building  
your self-confidence. Tonight:

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)**  
Your enthusiasm at work is  
contagious. You are determined  
to get the job done.  
Demonstrate your efficiency,  
and infuse the office with a  
positive attitude. However, you  
could be nagged by a thought  
that makes you uncomfortable.  
Tonight: Nap, then plan.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)**  
Creativity opens you up to  
many an inspired notion.  
Follow through on your plans  
for a trip. Pursue a special  
opportunity that could link you  
to long-desired success. Your  
feelings are contagious, and a  
flirtation is building. Do you

**GO FOR THE EXOTIC.**  
**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)**  
Something that was a  
supreme irritant yesterday  
could improve your situation  
today. Instincts are right on.  
Though you might choose not  
to tell everything you are  
thinking, you are extremely  
verbal. Look for ways to  
enhance your finances.  
Tonight: Dine with a pal.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)**  
Let another give you feed-  
back; two minds work better  
than one. You are confused by  
a message or idea that needs  
airing out. Plot the route to  
success during an important  
talk with a friend. You come up  
with an excellent plan of  
action. Tonight: Accept an invitation.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)**  
Anchor yourself more secure-  
ly. Think through key financial  
decisions. How you see an  
investment could change sub-  
stantially once you get more  
information. Be honest with  
yourself about what you want  
for your domestic life. Tonight:  
You are happy at home.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)**  
Listen with care when some-  
one announces his good idea.  
He might be right, but you  
need to make your own deci-  
sions as well. Humor plays a  
significant role in a decision  
that affects a loved one or  
child. Verify a message.  
Tonight: Visit a preferred  
haunt.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)**  
Carefully think through a  
choice that affects your wallet.  
You might have made an error  
in judgment recently. Now,  
check back. Understand what  
another expects at the office.  
Talks at the workplace help  
establish better rapport.  
Tonight: Enjoy a late-night  
chat.

**Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)**  
You hear news that pleases  
you. Your imagination is trig-  
gered, and you feel nothing can  
stop you. Your understanding  
of what makes a situation tick  
is a lot different from others.

**meals would be appreciated at  
such a busy time. Your friends  
merit stars in their crowns.**  
**DEAR ABBY:** I have read and  
enjoyed your column for years,  
and I have learned from it, too.  
I have quite a collection of your  
columns that I keep for referral  
to friends and family when  
needed.  
Referring to your answer to  
"Miss X," the pre-surgical  
transsexual who asked about  
using the women's rest room,  
you may want to remind him  
(her) to lower the panties and  
sit, rather than stand.  
My sister was in a rest room  
recently and was quite sur-  
prised when she looked down to  
see feet pointing toward the  
wall and heard "water run-  
ning" in the next stall. She didn't  
know whether to stay in her  
stall or venture out to see who  
would be coming out from next  
door. Curiosity got the best of  
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addressed envelope, plus check  
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really want it? Tonight: Frolic  
along.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)**  
Anchor yourself more secure-  
ly. Think through key financial  
decisions. How you see an  
investment could change sub-  
stantially once you get more  
information. Be honest with  
yourself about what you want  
for your domestic life. Tonight:  
You are happy at home.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)**  
Listen with care when some-  
one announces his good idea.  
He might be right, but you  
need to make your own deci-  
sions as well. Humor plays a  
significant role in a decision  
that affects a loved one or  
child. Verify a message.  
Tonight: Visit a preferred  
haunt.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)**  
Carefully think through a  
choice that affects your wallet.  
You might have made an error  
in judgment recently. Now,  
check back. Understand what  
another expects at the office.  
Talks at the workplace help  
establish better rapport.  
Tonight: Enjoy a late-night  
chat.

**Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)**  
You hear news that pleases  
you. Your imagination is trig-  
gered, and you feel nothing can  
stop you. Your understanding  
of what makes a situation tick  
is a lot different from others.

**meals would be appreciated at  
such a busy time. Your friends  
merit stars in their crowns.**  
**DEAR ABBY:** I have read and  
enjoyed your column for years,  
and I have learned from it, too.  
I have quite a collection of your  
columns that I keep for referral  
to friends and family when  
needed.  
Referring to your answer to  
"Miss X," the pre-surgical  
transsexual who asked about  
using the women's rest room,  
you may want to remind him  
(her) to lower the panties and  
sit, rather than stand.  
My sister was in a rest room  
recently and was quite sur-  
prised when she looked down to  
see feet pointing toward the  
wall and heard "water run-  
ning" in the next stall. She didn't  
know whether to stay in her  
stall or venture out to see who  
would be coming out from next  
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**DEAR ABBY:** A few months  
ago, I found out my husband  
had a two-year affair with my  
teen-age sister. The affair  
began with my  
husband  
raping  
her, but she didn't  
disclose it  
and she didn't dis-  
courage  
him when he approached her  
again for sex.  
At first he denied everything.  
He had always been basically a  
good husband and father, so I  
believed his denial. When I

**DEAR ABBY:** May I suggest a  
wonderful idea for showers for  
second or third babies?  
Before my second child was  
born, my friends got together  
and gave me a shower of frozen  
home-cooked meals. I then pre-  
pared more frozen meals, and  
for a month after the baby  
came I didn't have to spend  
much time in the kitchen.  
A new mother is so busy with  
the new baby and older chil-  
dren that this is welcome relief  
from a time-consuming chore.  
Also, we were able to sample  
the culinary skills of our  
friends — which was a wel-  
come change from my home  
cooking. — NICOLE  
ANDREWS, SACRAMENTO

**DEAR NICOLE:** This isn't the  
first time I've heard about a  
practical shower of this kind,  
but the idea bears repeating. I  
can well imagine how these

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told him it was disgusting and  
could land him in jail. He apol-  
ogized, saying it was a "mistake"  
and asked me to forgive  
him. I couldn't accept his apology  
and filed for legal separation.  
He calls me daily asking for  
forgiveness and begging me to  
take him back. My friends, who  
don't know the whole sordid  
story, say I should forgive him  
and take him back. My family  
says it's the "Christian thing to  
do."  
Abby, I don't miss him, don't  
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back. But I have no moral sup-  
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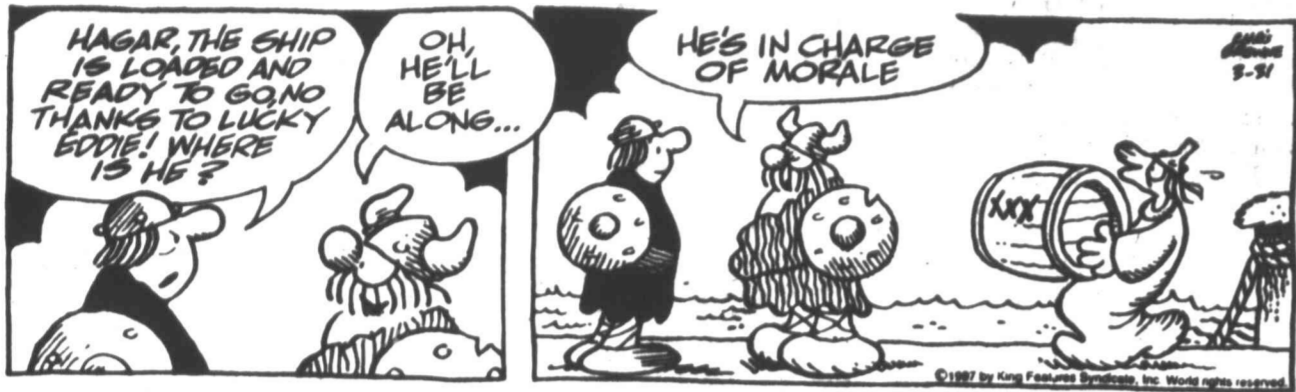
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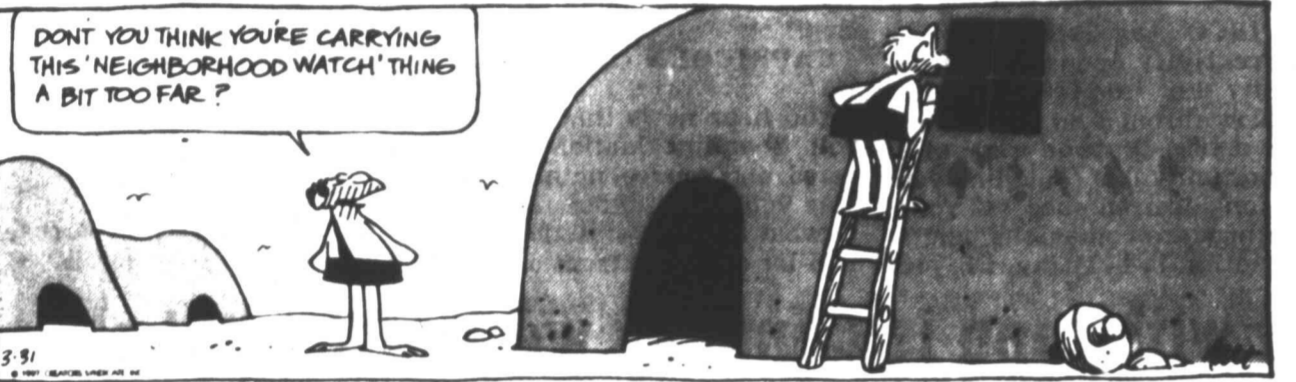
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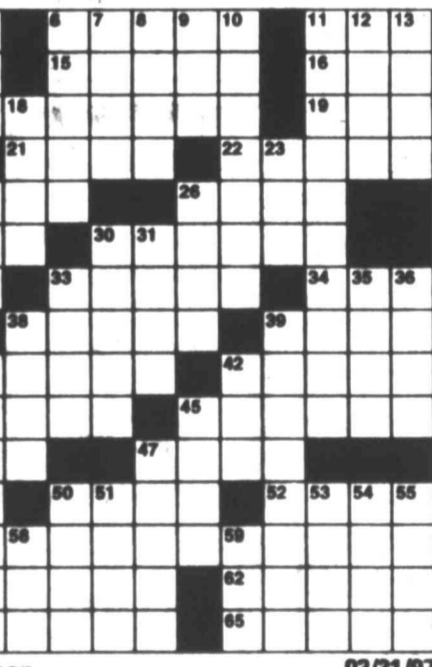
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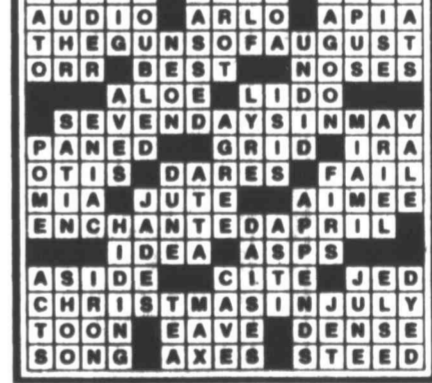
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Today's Highlight in History: On March 31, 1889, French engineer Alexandre Gustave Eiffel unfurled the French tricolor atop the Eiffel Tower in Paris, officially marking its completion. On this date: In 1492, King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella of Spain issued an edict expelling Jews from Spanish soil, except those willing to convert to Christianity. In 1596, influential French philosopher Rene Descartes was born in La Haye, France. In 1880, Wabash, Ind., became the first town completely illuminated by electrical lighting. In 1917, the United States took possession of the Virgin Islands, which it had purchased from Denmark. In 1932, Ford Motor Co. publicly unveiled its V-8 engine. In 1933, Congress authorized the Civilian Conservation Corps. In 1943, the Rodgers and Hammerstein musical "Oklahoma!" opened on Broadway. In 1945, the Tennessee Williams play "The Glass Menagerie" premiered on Broadway. In 1949, Newfoundland entered confederation as Canada's 10th province. In 1968, President Johnson stunned the country by announcing he would not run for another term of office. In 1976, the New Jersey Supreme Court ruled that coma patient Karen Anne Quinlan could be disconnected from her respirator. (Quinlan, who remained comatose, died in 1985.) In 1986, 167 people died when a Mexicana Airlines Boeing 727 crashed in a remote mountainous region of Mexico. In 1995, Mexican-American singer Selena, 23, was shot to death in Corpus Christi, Texas, by the founder of her fan club (Yolanda Saldivar was convicted of murder and sentenced to life in prison). Ten years ago: The judge in the "Baby M" case in Hackensack, N.J., awarded custody of the girl borne under a surrogate-motherhood contract to her father, William Stern, instead of the surrogate, Mary Beth Whitehead. Five years ago: The U.N. Security Council voted to ban flights and arms sales to Libya, branding it a terrorist state for shielding six men accused of blowing up Pan Am Flight 103 and a French airliner. One year ago: Russian President Boris Yeltsin announced a halt to combat operations in Chechnya, limited troop withdrawals and a willingness to hold indirect talks with the rebels' leader. Today's Birthdays: Actor Richard Kiley is 75. Actor William Daniels is 70. Hockey Hall-of-Famer Gordie Howe is 69. Actress Shirley Jones is 63. Country singer-songwriter John D. Loudermilk is 63. Actor Richard Chamberlain is 62. Musician Herb Alpert is 62. Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., is 57. Actor Christopher Walken is 54.



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Saturday's Puzzle solved:



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