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Industries voice concern over CRMWD's plans

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

The likelihood that the Colorado River Municipal Water District (CRMWD) will begin pumping Lake Spence water on May 1 to Snyder to compensate for the lack of runoff in Lake Thomas has officials at Fina Refinery and the Sid Richardson Carbon Black plant concerned.

According to Todd Darden, the city of Big Spring's director of utilities and community development, it's all but certain that CRMWD will have to

pump Spence water.

The issue was on Tuesday's council agenda as a first reading of an ordinance authorizing Mayor Tim Blackshear to execute a water line agreement with Fina and the Sid Richardson plant.

Fina and Sid Richardson would pay for the installation, as well as maintenance of a 12-inch water line, with the city having no further obligation, according to City Manager Gary Fuqua.

CRMWD General Manager John Grant said the district is looking at

pumping Spence water to Snyder as a result of the drought, but that the move will not effect Big Spring residents.

"This goes back to the drought," Grant said. "Lake Thomas is only 5 percent full, which is a foot and a half lower than it was at this time last year. If we don't get some runoff soon (meaning rain), we'll definitely have to pump Spence water."

"Fina and the Sid Richardson plant just happened to be tied to this particular line," Grant added.

As far as who puts in the 12-inch line, that's up to the city and the two

companies involved, but Grant said the district will definitely be willing to move the tap on the line.

The saltier water from Lake Spence would be a hazard to equipment at both plants.

Sid Richardson representative Mike Emerson addressed the council and said his company was desperate and needs to have immediate action in getting the line installed and pumping by May 1.

"We're not prepared to handle the salty Lake Spence water, Emerson said. "We have made considerable

investments to our facilities.

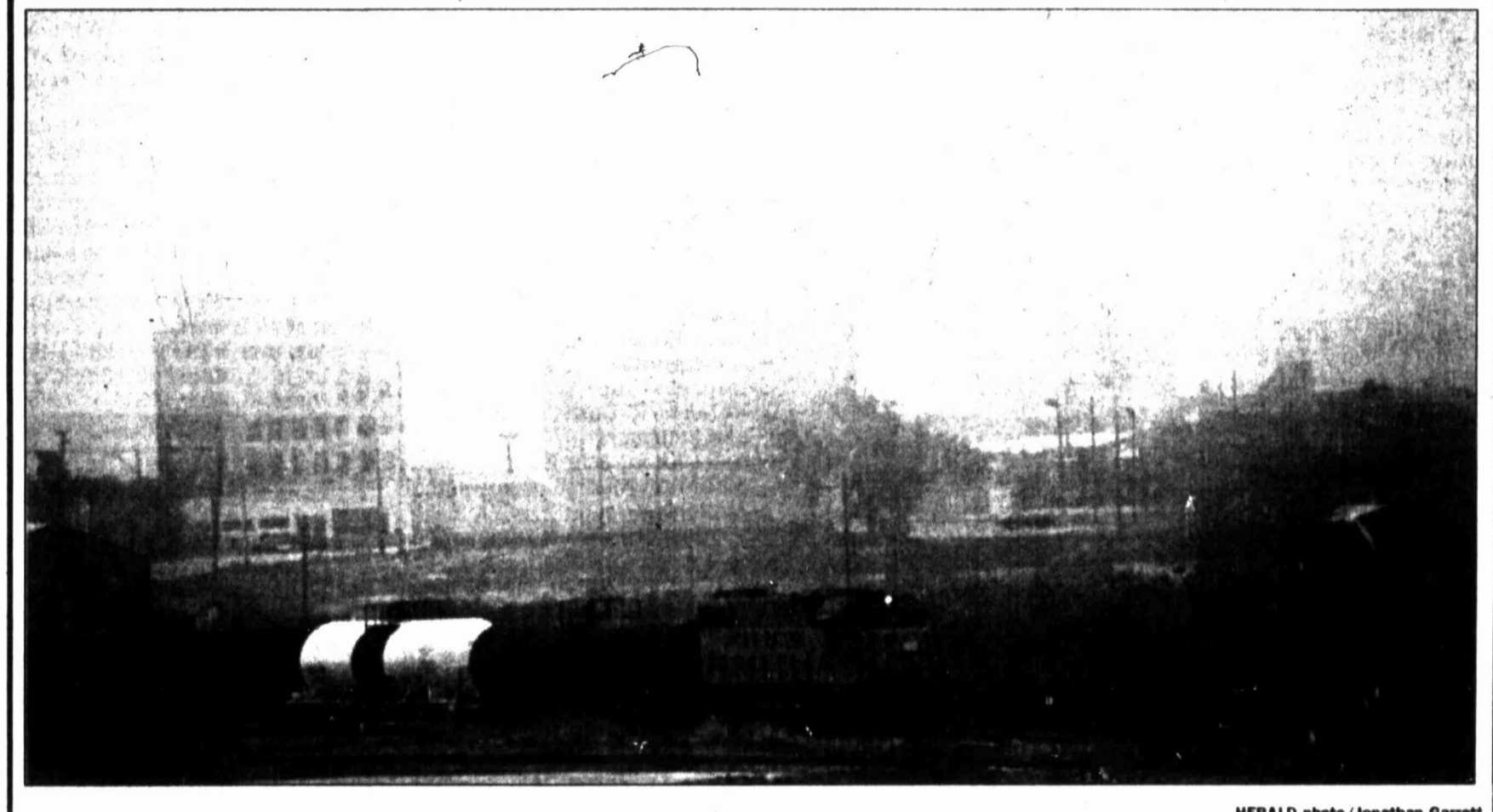
"If CRMWD decides to pump Spence water, we have a few weeks to get the pipe in the ground and pumping.

Another issue brought to the table relating to the Fina and Sid Richardson situation is a contract dated July 20, 1957, which allows the city of Big Spring to supply water to Fina and Sid Richardson (then Cosden Refinery and Cabot Carbon Company).

That contract was amended in 1974 and the city added a three-cent charge

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IN THE MIST



A heavy mist descended on Big Spring Wednesday, creating an unusual and almost eerie skyline. The definitely uncommon sight in West Texas stayed with us most of the day.

HERALD photo/Jonathan Garrett

Local observance of 'Library Week' slated by Redman

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

The Dora Roberts Howard County Library has been flying high since relocating to its new building in February, and will celebrate National Library Week during the week of April 14-18 by adding another feature to the library — a children's puppet stage.

National Library Week was started by the American Library Association in April 1958.

"We are celebrating in honor of libraries and librarians all over the country," Librarian Loraine Redman said.

The children's puppet stage, which Redman promised would be a part of "Fantasy Land," the children's section of the library, should be delivered to the library today, by local resident Wilson Money, who built the stage for the library.

During National Library Week, Redman said there will be two puppet shows each day beginning at 4 p.m.

According to Redman, popcorn will be served during the shows, which will include "Man's Best Friend," featuring puppets Harold and Bernadette, and "The Bear's Toothache," featuring Boris the Bear.

Puppet Carlton will emcee the shows, according to Redman.

Also as part of the week-long celebration, the library will have a community book sale on April 19, sponsored by Friends of the Library and the Big

Spring Rotary Club.

The sale will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the old Howard County Library (library annex) across from the courthouse, and will continue on April 26 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. as well.

Redman will give daily library tours at 10 a.m. during National Library Week.

Since the library opened, one of the new facility's features most enjoyed by the public is the improved access.

"Because we have so much more room, people have space to browse, sit, read or just relax," Redman said. "New signage also directs people just where they need to go to find the materials they need."

Use of the on-line computer system has more than tripled and more than 600 new library cards have been issued since the library opened.

"We have people waiting in line to use the system," Redman said. "People have access to our data base, which includes every item that we have. Items can be accessed according to subject, title, author, or by simply typing in a key word."

Redman is pleased with the public's interest in the library, especially from young people.

Fantasy Land has received overwhelming support and approval, according to Redman, and the puppet stage is a just a feather in the cap of everyone who worked so hard to make it happen.

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Council forum set, school board event cancelled

By JOHN WALKER
Managing Editor

Voters in the Big Spring City Council election will have an opportunity to hear the candidates respond to questions at a candidates forum at 7 p.m. on Monday, April 21 at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

The eight candidates for three seats on the Big Spring City Council have been invited to participate in the forum and all but one, who has been out of town, has agreed.

The forum is being sponsored by the Big Spring Herald, Big Spring Cable TV and the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.

A second forum featuring the six candidates for three seats on the Big Spring Independent School District Board of Trustees had also been planned by sponsors, but scheduling conflicts among those candidates prevent that forum from taking place.

School board candidates will be included in candidate pro-

files, which will be printed in the April 27 edition of the Herald.

"We believe a public forum offers voters the opportunity to listen to the candidates and see what they have to say in regard to issues raised by voters," explained Chuck Williams, governmental affairs vice president for the chamber.

Questions posed to the eight candidates will come from voters in the audience, but will be passed through a review/screening panel before being given to

the moderator.

"We'll use the same format we did last October when we had (state senate candidates) Robert Duncan and David Langston here," Williams added.

That format allows for audience members to submit written questions to a screening panel. Members of the panel will review questions to ensure they are permitted. If needed, questions will be edited for brevity or combined with similar questions.

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Boy Scout Center work progressing

Special to the HERALD

Renovation of the Boy Scout Center, located on the corner of Seventh and Scurry streets, is being accelerated with the use of federal prisoners, according to district executive Warren Wallace.

Reporting to the Lone Star District committee during its meeting Monday, Wallace noted that prisoners skilled as plasterers, carpenters, painters and the like, are participating in Saturday work days. Those work days, he added, will continue for the next seven weeks.

Scouters who are members of the staff at the Big Spring Federal Corrections Institution supervise the labor of inmates which supplements the work done by Scout and Scouter volunteers.

Wallace noted that off-street parking accessible from Seventh Street is nearing completion, and the west wing of the building is now enclosed and ready for conversion to men's and women's restrooms and space for a Scout store.

A contribution has been made for the initial stocking of Scout uniforms, literature and other equipment, so that Cubs, Scouts, Explorers and

leaders will not have to travel to Midland to purchase supplies.

Air conditioning and heading units for the building are now in place and the installation of ducting is progressing, Wallace said. Work is also continuing on refurbishing offices and the workroom.

In other matters discussed during the meeting, Bill Tarleton reported that the district's membership has increased. Hayes Stripling Jr. said the district's sustaining membership campaign has progressed steadily, but individual contributions by friends of Scouting are being sought.

Several boys from the Lone Star District will be honored Saturday evening at the annual Eagle Scout banquet in Midland.

Scouting officials also noted that a golden anniversary newspaper tabloid will be published in early June as part of the celebration planned in connection with the 50th anniversary of the Buffalo Trails Council Scout Ranch in the Davis Mountains.

Council executive Jon Dee Johnson said the

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The Boy Scout Center remodeling effort is nearing an end. Wednesday afternoon, this group of workmen put finishing touches on the roof.

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TODAY'S WEATHER

70 ▲ Highs **47**
Lows ▼

Today: Mostly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms tonight, some possibly severe. High around 70. Low in the upper 40s.

Friday: Mostly cloudy and cooler. High near 60. Low near 40.

Extended outlook: Saturday through Monday, partly to mostly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 60s to lower 70s. Lows in the 40s.

Biddison making another run for seat on city council

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Finishing second in his first attempt to become a member of the Big Spring City Council a year ago left enough of a taste in Greg Biddison's mouth to make him enter the May 3 race for the District 6 council seat.

Biddison is challenging Randy Mason and Ray Rinard for the seat currently held by John Paul Anderson, who decided not to seek re-election.

"I got close last time and decided to run again," Biddison



BIDDISON

said. "Some of the issues I ran on before still have me concerned."

Biddison thinks the council is beginning to work better with other groups, but feels like the council still needs to work to restore some integrity.

One of the issues Biddison is excited about is the Long Range Plan, for which he served on the Quality of Life Committee.

"We spent enough money on the master plan and I believe we should use it," Biddison said.

According to Biddison, Big Spring has a great history, but things like Webb Air Force base are gone and more focus should be placed on the future.

"History is great, but we need to look to the future," Biddison said. "I'm behind things like the Hangar 25 project, but let's also keep moving forward."

Biddison added he still

believes in the slogan he used in his campaign against District 2 Councilman Chuck Cawthon last year — "Standing Firm for Progress."

Serving on the city's Citizen Advisory Board and as a member of the Code Patrol, a volunteer group that reports code violations to City Hall, are community service projects Biddison thinks gives him some insight as to what's going on in Big Spring.

Community involvement is

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR FRIDAY, APRIL 11:

Stop being such a taskmaster, especially with yourself. Be realistic about your expectations of yourself, as well as others. This is a year of expansion; you break new ground and do things differently. Popularity will be unusually high. Doors will open. Be willing to take risks and change direction. If you are single, be sure of one thing: Even if you are committed to that status, it is unlikely to continue. You will enjoy a special relationship.

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) Be direct, but don't blow your fuse. It will not serve you in the long run. You can turn a wish into reality. Celebration is in order, as expansion is the nature of your day. Communicate what is happening. Tonight: Hanging out is fun. ****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Be careful with angry displays. Stay secure with yourself. Financial remuneration is high if you follow through on a career option. An associate offers you a special opportunity. Creativity is high. Take a risk, and move in a new direction. Tonight: It's your treat. ***

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Make your choices more playful and dynamic. Be optimistic about desires. Touch base with inner values, and make a thoughtful choice. Pressure is high at home. A family member doesn't agree with you. Tonight: You're the star! *****

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Take a back seat. Listen with greater care, and analyze what is happening. You feel belligerent about what another tosses on you. Be willing to accept liabilities. Understanding helps recement a money deal. Tonight: Get a good night's sleep. ***

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Be direct with a friend, or he won't hear your message. You might be put off by a request for financial aid. You know how to say no, as you eye the long term. Backing from a close associate makes all the difference in your security. Tonight: Throw a TGIF party! ****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Pressure is high to perform optimally. You may lose it with the demands of the moment. Examine your goals. Dig in your heels to get the job done. Your ability to produce has others at bay. Take the lead in fulfilling desires. Tonight: Work late. **

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Reach behind the scenes for the correct answer. You aren't sure about what is happening with you. If you can distance yourself from your feelings and process your work, you will be better off. Let your ingenuity come through. Tonight: Take off fast. ****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You might be infuriated by what a friend does or doesn't do. The world is not your oyster. Be selective when choosing friends. Not everyone is on your team. Once you get that message, you can begin from a more solid basis. Tonight: Be with the love of your life. ***

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) A boss's temper could do you in, and have you raging. Opt for a response that is more effective for you. Stay even. Initiate a discussion with associates. A partner plays a big role in making your day flow. Tonight: It's party time. ****

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) A change in plans could force you to work longer than you initially anticipated. You enjoy plunging through work, and doing something for yourself. Carefully consider a major expense. Will it benefit you, or is it a whim? Tonight: Run errands. ***

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Creativity is forced when you find you do not have the financial backing you thought you had. Establish a better base of security. Learn to depend more on yourself. Brainstorming allows you to be optimistic. Tonight: Have a great time! *****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) You make a solid decision. Allow yourself to stay tuned in to what is key. Change is likely, if you work with another. Someone doesn't want the same thing as you. Don't declare that he is wrong; just let go of the issue. Tonight: Relax at home. ***

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The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Thief winds up choosing wrong car to steal

SAN ANTONIO — A teen-ager picked the wrong car to hot-wire when he picked a 1990 Mustang owned by Jesse Ramirez — even in the middle of the night.

Ramirez chased down and shot at a man who he caught stealing his car early Wednesday.

Pursuing in his girlfriend's jeep, the angry Ramirez shot at his own car, rammed it, then chased down and tackled the youth, holding him at gunpoint on an interstate frontage road until a policeman arrived.

Ramirez said as the youth was pleading for his life. "I could have killed that kid at any time," said Ramirez, who discovered about 3 a.m. Wednesday that someone was in the process of stealing his car. "But I'm not about that. I just wanted my car back."

Hessian flies causing problems for wheat growers

MELVIN — Hessian flies, brought to American by Hessians during the Revolutionary War, have made their way to Central Texas and are affecting this year's wheat crop in varying degrees, a state agriculture official says.

Jerry Kidd, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service agent in McCulloch County, said all 40,000 acres of wheat planted in his area is affected to some extent by the larvae.

Although the adult flies don't do any damage, the larvae or young they leave behind can render a wheat field almost useless, he said.

Some damage has also been reported by farmers in Concho, Brown, Coleman and Schleicher counties.

David Holubeck, who farms near Melvin in McCulloch County, was frustrated a couple of weeks ago because his crop wasn't growing like it should with the amount of fertilizer and rain it had received.

Report: Baylor to get \$51 million in hospital deal

WACO — Baylor Health Care System will pay \$51 million over 15 years to Baylor University in exchange for its freedom from the Waco school, the Waco Tribune-Herald reported today.

But Boone Powell Jr., president of the Baylor Health Care System, told The Associated Press that the reported figures were news to him.

The newspaper cited sources it did not identify for the report. Endowments would receive \$45 million of the proceeds, with \$6 million going to the school's proposed Student Life Center, the Tribune-Herald reported.

Also, the university would receive part of the proceeds if more than half of the health care system is ever sold, sources told the newspaper.

Uproar continues over curriculum rewrite

AUSTIN — A proposed state curriculum rewrite is tainted by a national effort at "dumbing down" schools that includes putting students to work early, a Texas Eagle Forum leader says.

But Marc Tucker of the National Center on Education and the Economy — described by the conservative Eagle Forum's Stephanie Cecil as pushing a plan that would weaken academics — said Wednesday his group actually is working to strengthen education around the country.

"We would have virtually all the kids in the United States meet academic standards that are way above (current) high school graduation standards in any state," Tucker said in a telephone interview, accusing the Eagle Forum of purposely misrepresenting his group's work.

Whether standards advocated by the NCEE are adopted around the United States is up to state and local officials, Tucker said.

No kidding: Office buildings can make workers sick

DALLAS — For about three years, English teacher Pefer Gelinas has suffered from nausea, headaches, lightheadedness and sinus pressure so intense that his teeth hurt. Some days, he had to leave school and go home.

He believes he was being sickened by working in a moldy, damp wing of Hastings Middle School in Fairhaven, Mass. Since Gelinas complained, the administration put in a fan and renovated the ventilation system.

But the new system circulates outside air, which brings in the "rotten egg" sulphur smell of a nearby landfill. So Gelinas' ailments persist.

"The kids experience it, too," Gelinas said. "It's not a great environment to learn."

Like Gelinas, many people are discovering that their workplaces are making them sick.

CIA apologizing for its mistakes in Gulf War illness investigation

WASHINGTON (AP) — The CIA is apologizing to Gulf War veterans for failing to do a better job in supplying information to U.S. troops who blew up an Iraqi bunker that later was found to contain chemical weapons.

Robert Walpole, the agency's top official for Gulf War illness issues, said Wednesday a series of reports dating to 1984 should have raised suspicions that chemical weapons were stored at the Khamisiyah munitions depot.

At a hearing last month, Walpole said the CIA knew in 1986 that Iraq had stored chemical weapons at Khamisiyah. Some veterans of the 1991 Gulf War believe their medical ailments may be linked to a potential exposure to nerve gas at Khamisiyah.

But in a rare news conference at CIA headquarters, Walpole insisted the new information the agency released Wednesday "does not contradict previous intelligence warnings" before and after the war that Iraq was likely to have had chemical

weapons, that their chemical weapons might not be marked and that Iraq did not use chemical weapons during the war.

Critics argue that the CIA's intelligence reports came much too late to help the Army soldiers who destroyed the Khamisiyah site on March 4 and 10, and possibly March 12 of 1991. The agency's warning, released Wednesday, was sent on March 6, 1991, to the intelligence officials at the U.S. Central Command headquarters in the Gulf.

Walpole said the agency was making the documents available now to assess the missteps so that the agency might do better in the future.

"Intelligence support before, during and after the war should have been better," he said.

"If you're looking for an apology that we should have given this information out sooner, I'll give that apology," he said. "We should have gotten it out sooner."

Walpole acknowledged the agency was reluctant to share sensitive information with

other top government officials, had "problems with multiple databases" containing several names for a single site and conducted "incomplete searches of files" when analysts tried to prepare lists of known or suspected chemical weapons locations.

He said task forces have been set up to deal with problems.

The agency's acknowledgment of shortcomings comes as George Tenet, the acting CIA director, prepares for Senate confirmation hearings next week on his nomination to become director.

Last month, Tenet said the agency already had performed a "vigorous search of all documents" relating to Gulf War illnesses and was supporting government agencies helping veterans with unexplained illnesses. And top CIA official Nora Slatkin has testified previously the agency had released all documents related to Khamisiyah.

But Walpole also released information indicating the CIA has not been certain about what it knew and when.

School tax committee takes break

AUSTIN (AP) — The lobbyists came. The lobbyists went. And after nearly 24 hours of testimony, the point was clear if unsurprising: interest groups all want someone else to pay more to educate Texas children.

After two marathon-like days of public hearings, a House committee trying to find a way to lower local school property taxes took a day off Wednesday.

Rep. Paul Sadler, D-Henderson, chairman of the committee, said he wanted members of the panel to gather their thoughts before finally deciding what to do. The bill could be before the full House next week but must first be voted on by the committee.

The committee is considering a proposal to cut local school property taxes by more than \$3 billion a year. To replace that money, the committee plan would expand the current business tax, increase some other taxes and add to the list of goods and services subject to the state sales tax.

"It was very well orchestrated by the lobby," Sadler said of public hearings Monday and Tuesday at which lobbyist after lobbyist lined up to say why taxing their goods and services would be a bad idea.

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Quote of the Day

"Glory is fleeting, but obscurity is forever."
Napoleon Bonaparte

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OUR VIEWS

Jury conscience bills aren't system elixir

Three Houston area legislators have introduced bills that would allow criminal trial jurors to be informed of their power to use their conscience to acquit or reduce charges whenever they believe doing so would best serve the interest of justice.

HB 519, authored jointly by State Rep. Gary Elkins (R-Houston) and State Rep. Ken Yarbrough (D-Houston), and SB 1667, introduced by State Sen. Jerry Patterson (R-Pasadena), are claimed to make Texas courtroom procedure consistent with the Texas Bill of Rights.

Proponents of the bill cite Article 1, Section 8 of the Texas Bill of Rights, which states that jurors have "the right to determine the law and the facts."

The bills, which contain similar language, would allow jurors to "vote their conscience."

Elkins, Yarbrough and Patterson are being supported by an organization calling itself the Lone Star Fully Informed Jury Association (FIJA).

FIJA has a problem with the fact jurors may be stricken from a jury if they have questions, or an opposing view, of the law upon which our legal system relies for conviction or punishment.

FIJA spokesman Tom Glass says, "Texans know the difference between real bad guys and defendants being abused by overreaching government. This bill will again allow the jury system to serve its constitutionally intended purpose as a vital defender of civil liberties."

Glass says the bills are "designed to restore to the trial jury the role the founding fathers that it should have."

"This bill will again allow the jury system to serve its constitutionally intended purpose as a vital defender of civil liberties," he added.

Our current legal system is predicated on the presumption of innocence unless guilt is otherwise proven.

Our current legal system allows a defendant a trial by jury ... it guarantees legal representation ... and it offers almost limitless appeal in those cases where defendants feel they have been unjustly accused.

To some, obviously, these two bills read as good legislation. To us, it's yet another law that we believe presents the opportunity to abuse — moreso than our current system which, despite its shortcomings, has worked so well for so many years.



The New Warning Label

Covering the courts — 10 best and 10 worst

By JAMES J. KILPATRICK
Syndicated Columnist

After a brief eruption of notable opinions, the Supreme Court is experiencing a lull. On April 21 the court will wind up oral arguments for the 1996 term. May and June will bring the usual deluge of opinions. Meanwhile, lovers of the law could not find a more pleasant way of killing idle time than to browse through Bernard Schwartz's new "Book of Legal Lists."

Schwartz was only 24 when he began teaching law at New York University in 1947. Over the ensuing 45 years at NYU, he instructed thousands of young lawyers in the elements and refinements of the law. Now he teaches and writes at the University of Tulsa. He is the foremost biographer of Earl Warren.

Most of Professor Schwartz's books are heavy lifting. His "Book of Legal Lists" (Oxford University Press) is a light-weight workout, complete with a chapter of high-court trivia. Who was the last justice to use a spittoon beneath the bench? Justice Sherman Minton of Indiana. Schwartz ranks Minton among the 10 worst members of the court, not because of the spittoon, but because of Minton's erratic opinions.

This is a compilation of 10

the 10 greatest and the 10 worst justices of the high court, the 10 best and worst decisions, the 10 greatest lawyers (but not the 10 worst lawyers), and so on. Most court buffs would agree with Schwartz's top picks, but some of us would fuss with his nominations on down the line.

Who were the 10 greatest members of the high court? Professor Schwartz begins, of course, with John Marshall. For good or ill, Marshall deserves the title. By quirks of fate and timing, President John Adams was able to name Marshall to the vacant chief justiceship in January 1801.

If the seat had remained open for another six weeks, President Jefferson would have named Marshall's opposite number to the post. In Judge Spencer Roane of Virginia, Jefferson had found a soul-mate states' righter. As it turned out, Marshall remained on the high court for 34 years, writing opinions that shaped the Constitution. Roane remained in Richmond, writing letters to the editor.

Schwartz concludes his list of the 10 greatest with Marshall's successor as chief justice, Roger Brooke Taney. He forgives Taney his fateful opinion in the Dred Scott case. One blunder is forgivable. He praises the activism of Justice William Brennan, whose credo

was, "Down with the framers of the Constitution and their original intentions!" Some of us who love Bill Brennan as a great human being might file a dissenting opinion.

Is Earl Warren properly ranked among the 10 "greatest"? Warren wouldn't make my own list of the greatest 25. The gentleman was a California politician from start to finish. He had the constitutional depth of a dishpan; he wrote tedious opinions; he was never much interested in law — he was interested in "fairness" and "justice." These are fine qualities at the trial level, but they have small place at the high court.

Yes, Warren mustered a unanimous court for his opinion in Brown v. Board of Education, ending school segregation, but the opinion itself was a terrible piece of constitutional law — as indefensible in its way as Harry Blackmun's opinion in the leading abortion case of 1973. Warren fabricated the famed "Miranda warnings." He wrote the reapportionment decisions that have led to the numerical absurdities now imposed upon the nation.

Court buffs may agreeably accept Schwartz's roll call of the 10 worst justices. After all, there have been so many poor ones. Here he properly includes Samuel Chase (1796-

1811), who was properly impeached and should have been properly convicted. Chase had the judicial temperament of a pit bull.

Schwartz includes the recent trial of O.J. Simpson among his list of the 10 greatest American trials of all time. "In terms of public interest and media coverage," Schwartz remarks, "it was the most famous ever held." I don't know about that. The trial of Bruno Hauptmann for the kidnapping of "Baby Lindbergh" in 1935 held the entire nation in thrall. The two trials of Alger Hiss for perjury drew saturation coverage from the press. And what of the trial of Lizzie Borden?

The making of "10 best" lists probably began when Neanderthal men debated the 10 best places to kill a mastodon. Some said this valley, and some said that valley, and they settled the issue with an ax. We are more temperate now. Ten years from now, Antonin Scalia will make it to the list of the 10 greatest justices. And who will be named among the 10 most brilliant judges who never made it to the high court? Robert Bork, that's who.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: The Herald is sampling James J. Kilpatrick for possible inclusion in the opinion page line-up. We welcome your feedback.)

YOUR VIEWS

Women's Club expresses support of convention

TO THE EDITOR:

On behalf of the Big Spring Woman's Club, we would like to express our gratitude to the many individuals, businesses, merchants and officials who helped make the 37th Annual Convention of the Texas Federation of Woman's Clubs - Western District a great success.

Our conventional speakers included Gary Fuqua, City Manager, Debbie Hajovsky, M.D., Danette Toone of the Moore Board, Hon. China Long, J.P., Dr. Cheri Sparks of Howard College, and Susan Steen, President of the American Sheep Industry Auxiliary. Fine entertainment was provided by the Dance Gallery dancers under the direction of Laurie Churchwell. Arts and Crafts were judged by Sheree Moates and Sue Bagwell. Sheree also donated a lovely oil painting for the raffle.

We appreciate the assistance of Coliseum Director Stan

Feaster and his staff, and Ella Williamson and the staff of Howard College Food Service. Our thanks to Kellie Jones and Jonathan Garrett of the Herald and the radio station for excellent media coverage of the convention. Special thanks to Lt. Chamness and officers Mayes and Everett of the Big Spring Police Department for a special escort to our visiting dignitaries.

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Thank you for assisting the Big Spring Woman's Club in providing our convention guests with special hospitality, Big Spring style!

SUSAN McLELLAN
DONNA TUNE
Big Spring

Snake-milking column brings back memories

TO THE EDITOR:

Read your interesting column in the Sunday Herald about you milking the snakes. I never heard of such a thing until we came to Texas, of course there's lots of things one doesn't hear until they come to Texas. Being from Indiana I sure never heard of it, but we have snakes in Indiana also but I never heard of them being milked. We have a lot of harmless kind with a

few bad ones. I used to catch them and play with them. One bit me but it didn't hurt. That evening after playing with them, I didn't know what to do with them, I didn't want to turn them loose on the street in town, so I took them to my room at the boarding house. I found an empty dresser drawer and put them in it. I thought they'd be okay until the next morning. I went to bed and of course I dreamed of snakes. I got up the next morning thinking to turn them loose and they were gone ... the drawer was empty ... thought I was sure in trouble now in the boarding house with two loose snakes ... so I looked again and sure enough they had crawled up along side the edge and spent the night. I got those critters out of there in a hurry. My father told me once when he was traveling on the road and staying at hotels he heard a noise in the next room to his, lots of racket going on, so he took a chair and put it up to the over head transom and took a look to see, and he said there was a fellow in there

must be having snakes as he was on dope, etc ... We hadn't been in Texas long and was riding the country side and came across a road crew clearing the side roads of weeds; they had found a five-foot diamond back and was going to kill it, and we stopped to see what was going on and I asked for the snake and they gave it to me. I took it to the hotel in Lampassas, Texas to show the other folks. I had a Model A Ford with a trunk on the back that was empty and that's where we had him. I took a wire with a loop and got him out if there and the people scattered in hurry. The snake coiled up of course and we had to shoot it. I wanted to make a belt out of the skin and a local native said he would help, so I got a rope and tied it to a high limb of a tree. The man said, "you will have to hold him by the tail while I skin him." It weighed about 150 pounds and when he started cutting that snake coiled up and lifted me off the ground, but I got a beautiful belt out of it about four inches wide with about 10

buttons on the tail. The man said I must bury the hide if the snake had bitten himself and if dogs and cats, etc., found his hide it would kill them. You know the Bible speaks of a snake in Gen. 3. This snake could talk as it told Eve it would be okay for her to eat of the fruit of the tree, well, he lied to her, as God said no way. And we have had trouble because of this. Then in Numbers 21, it tells us where people had sinned and God told Moses to make a brass serpent and put it on a pole and if the people would look at it they wouldn't die. It seems that this snake business has been with us for a long time. And this brass serpent gives us a picture of Christ on the cross at Calvary. Today, as sinners, if we will look at this cross with Jesus hanging there and repent of our sins and accept the Christ of Calvary, we too shall be saved ... and since we've just observed Easter, this is a good time to think about this and look and be saved ...

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Big Spring

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- Sign your letter
- Provide a daytime telephone number, as well as a street address for verification purposes.
- We reserve the right to edit letters for style and clarity.

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- Letters that are unsigned or do not include a telephone number or address will not be considered for publication.
- We do not acknowledge receipt of letters.
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◆ The oldest capital city in the world is Damascus, Syria, which has been inhabited since about 2500 B.C.

◆ Cave people, it's believed, used bunches of twigs to brush out bones, leaves and the like from their stony homes.

Do you have a good story idea for the *life!* section? Call 263-7331, Ext. 235.

A look at television programs, college co-ed dorms

QUESTION: What is your view of television, generally? Should parents attempt to regulate what their children watch?

DR. DOBSON: Most television programming is awful! According to Dr. Gerald Looney, of the University of Arizona, by the time the average preschool child reaches 14 years of age, he will have witnessed 18,000 murders on TV and countless hours of related violence, nonsense and unadulterated drivel.

Furthermore, Dr. Saul Kapel states the most time-consuming activity in the life of a child is neither school nor family interaction. It is television, absorbing 14,000 valuable hours dur-

ing the course of childhood! That is the equivalent to sitting before the tube eight hours a day continuously for 4.9 years!

There are other aspects of television which demand its regulation and control. For one thing, it is an enemy of communication within the family. How can we talk to each other when a \$1 million

production in living color is always beckoning our attention?

I am also concerned about the current fashion whereby each program director is compelled to include all the avant-garde ideas-go a little farther, use a little more profanity, discuss the undiscussable, assault the public concept of good taste and decency.

In doing so, they are hacking away at the foundations of the family and all that represents the Judeo-Christian ethic.

Television, with its unparalleled capacity for teaching and edifying, has occasionally demonstrated the potential it carries.

"Little House on the Prairie"

was for years the best program available for young children.

I would not, therefore, recommend smashing the television set in despair. Rather, we must learn to control it instead of becoming its slave.

When our children were young, they were permitted to watch one hour of cartoons on Saturday morning and one half-hour program each afternoon, selected from an approved list. That still sounds like a reasonable schedule for elementary-school children.

QUESTION: Many American colleges and universities are permitting men and women to live coeducational dormitories, often rooming side-by-side.

Others allow unrestricted visiting hours by members of the opposite sex.

Do you think this promotes more healthy attitudes toward sex?

DR. DOBSON: It certainly permits more sex, and some people think that's healthy.

The advocates of cohabitation try to tell us young men and women can live together without doing what comes naturally. That is nonsense.

The sex drive is one of the strongest forces in human nature, and Joe College is notoriously weak in suppressing it. I would prefer the supporters of coeducational dormitories admit morality is not very

important to them.

If morality is something we value, then we should at least give it a wobbly-legged chance to survive. The sharing of collegiate bedrooms hardly takes us in that direction.

These questions and answers are excerpted from the book *Dr. Dobson Answers Your Questions*.

Dr. James Dobson is a psychologist, author and president of Focus on the Family, a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation of the home.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Dr. James C. Dobson's "Focus on the Family" appears each Thursday as a cooperative effort of Scenic Mountain Medical Center and the Big Spring Herald.



Dr. James Dobson
Guest Columnist

SCHOOL NEWS

Kentwood Elementary

First and second graders have been working very hard on the ITBS test for April 1-3. ITBS stands for Iowa Test of Basic Skills. They are doing very good. The test is over math, reading and language. They definitely have to learn to sit still for a very long time. That is unusual for a second grader. They need to learn test skills. The children especially need to learn how to follow directions since the teachers can't help them. They have to learn listening skills from the teachers so they know how to do everything on the test.

On April 29 and 30, the third, fourth and fifth graders of Kentwood Elementary will be taking the TAAS test. TAAS stands for Texas Assessment of Academic Skills. The first day they take the math test and the second day they take the reading test. The students and teachers at Kentwood Elementary have been working very hard to prepare for this test.

On Friday, April 18, we will have an assembly on "The Read Thing." This is an exciting program about knowing the value of reading. The assembly will be about the importance of reading by combining comedy, juggling, magic, good humor and dazzling skills so students of all ages can see the importance of reading.

Howard County fourth and fifth graders are doing Soil and Water Conservation posters. They occur every spring. Our theme this year is "Rangeland." Usually our theme deals with farming methods like keeping the soil in place. This year we have a totally new theme. It talks more about rangeland where the animals graze. Our posters are due April 10. The winner will win \$10 and a trophy, which will be presented at a banquet.

Written by Shelley Fox, Kyle Flenniken, Brandon Martin, Amy Hanes and Kristine Vassar.

Coahoma High School

UIL Academic Meet
The Coahoma UIL Academic Teams recently competed in the District 8-2A UIL competition. The teams did incredibly well. Nine students will be advancing to the Region 1-2A UIL meet in Abilene April 18.

The students advancing to the regional meet are: Jason McCain, first in literary criti-

cism and second in calculator applications; Amanda Morales, second in literary criticism; Ginger Sullivan, literary criticism team; Lisa Foster, first in ready writing; Lynsey Bunn, third in headline writing; Amanda Phinny, first in computer applications and third in persuasive speaking; Lucas Phinney, second in computer applications; Daniel Clark, third in computer applications and second in informative speaking and Tabatha McIntosh, third in poetry interpretations.

Besides the students who will be advancing to the regional meet, several students excelled in their individual events. These students include: Lorin Wolf and Jennifer Wynn, fourth in CX debate; Jason McCain, fifth in mathematics; Shana Earnest, sixth in mathematics and fifth in number sense; Joe Best, fourth in accounting; Amanda Phinny, fifth in accounting; Sara Lovett, ninth in accounting; Stephen Lopez, 11th in accounting; Aaron Barr, 12th in number sense and fourth in computer science; Robert Boyett-19th in number sense and sixth in computer science; Allison West, fifth in persuasive speaking and Amanda Reyes, sixth in informative speaking.

Several events also feature a team competition. The teams excelled as well. The literary criticism team received first in the district. This team was composed of Jason McCain, Amanda Morales and Ginger Sullivan. Jason McCain received one of the highest scores ever achieved on the test. The calculator applications team received second place and was composed of Jason McCain, Robert Boyett and Amanda Morales. The computer application team earned first place in district. The team was composed of Amanda Phinny, Lucas Phinney (1995-96 state champion) and Daniel Clark. The fourth team to score district honors was the computer science team who received second place in the district. This team was composed of Aaron Barr, Robert Boyett and Jason McCain.

Each person who placed in the first six places in their event received a number of points for their performance. When all of the points were added, Coahoma's team received 217 points overall. From these points, Coahoma received third place out of the eight in the district. This was quite an accomplishment. The Region 1-2A UIL academic meet is April 19 at Abilene Christian University.

CHS Business Professionals of America

The Coahoma chapter of Business Professionals of America competed Feb. 8 in the Area IV Region Two competition at Odessa Permian. The students competed against area schools from Midland, Odessa, San Angelo, Lamesa, Fort Stockton and several other area schools. The results were quite impressive.

Each student had their own specialized event to compete in. These ranged from accounting skills, to office skills, to public speaking. Besides these specialized events, several students competed in General Competitive Events focusing on one subject such as Business Knowledge Skills.

The students from Coahoma competed against bigger schools and brought home eight first place awards, four seconds, two thirds, three fourths and one sixth place award.

The students advancing to the state level are Amanda Phinny, first in office assistant, economic awareness, business law, business knowledge skills, third in proofreading/editing, diplomat torch award; Stephanie Stone, second in information processing assistant; Krissi Hayes, first in financial assistant and second in economic awareness; Sara Lovett, first in banking applications; Joe Best, first in payroll accounting; Daniel Clark, second in computer-aided graphics; Jason Ramsey, third in spreadsheet applications; Allison West, second in prepared verbal I; Lesli Monroe, second in prepared verbal II; and Chandra Mullins, first in proofreading/editing, diplomat torch award.

Besides the 11 who qualified for the competition, two other students received fourth place in their event making them the alternate to state. These students are Chandra Mullins and Lucas Phinney.

At the state conference in Arlington March 5-8, the students continued to shine. The students competed against more than 4,000 students representing each of the 15 regions from around the state.

The students advancing to the national level are: Amanda Phinny, first in office assistant and business knowledge skills, third in proofreading/editing, eighth in business law, Statesman Torch Award; Stephanie Stone, first in information processing assistant; Krissi Hayes, fourth in business math; Sara Lovett, second in banking concepts; Lesli Monroe, fourth in prepared verbal II and Chandra Mullins,

Statesman Torch Award

Out of the 11 students who competed at the state level, six qualified to advance to the national competition in Orlando, Fla. April 25-29. The students who advance to the National Leadership Conference will be delegates for the state of Texas in Florida. It is both an honor and a privilege to be able to represent the state. These students are sure to show their success again at the national convention.

The above two Coahoma articles were written by Amanda Phinny.

GPS One Act Play

The Coahoma One Act play "Anne of a Thousand Days" competed in District 8-2A on March 22 at San Angelo State University. Tabatha McIntosh received All Star Cast recognition as Anne Boleyn, the ill-fated wife of England's King Henry the VIII. James Best as King Henry, Anthony Gonzales as Cardinal Wolsey and Steven Prater as Thomas Cromwell each gave outstanding performances.

Other cast members included Daniel Clark, Ashlee Burcham, Emily Sanders, Lindie Melendrez, Ben Best, Cody Teeler, Lauren Hamilton, Tony Tucker and Amanda Morales. The crew consisted of Joe Best, Randy Overton, Chandra Mullins and Krissi Hayes. The director is Sandy Wegman.

Grady High School

UIL Literary Competition
The following students recently competed in the District 15-A UIL competition. The school was the district champion for the fifth year in a row.

Shanna Wells, second place, Lincoln-Douglas debate; Sherra Wells, third place, Lincoln-Douglas debate; Philip Hambleton, fourth place, extemporaneous informative speaking, second place, computer science and second place, computer science; Anthony Swift, second place, extemporaneous informative speaking, first place, mathematics, second place, number sense and first place, calculator applications; Katie Yates, third place, extemporaneous informative speaking; Gregory Gibson, fourth place, extemporaneous persuasive speaking, second place, ready writing and fifth place, computer science.

Allison Cooper, first place, extemporaneous persuasive speaking, fourth place, computer science, third place, editorial writing; third place, headline writing; first place, news writing, third place, ready writing and first place, poetry interpre-



In the above photo, Coahoma High School students perform "Anne of a Thousand Days" during their UIL competition. Tabatha McIntosh (second from left, sitting) won All Star Cast. Below, students at Washington Elementary participate in the annual Jump Rope for Heart to raise money for the American Heart Association.



tation; Jim Bob Haggerton, fourth place, extemporaneous persuasive speaking, fifth place, mathematics, first place, number sense and second place, calculator applications; Marti Mims, fourth place, prose interpretation; Brady Peugh, fifth place, prose interpretation; Anthony Swift, Jim Bob Haggerton and Gregory Gibson, first place, calculator applications team. Michael Madison, first place, computer science; Jonathan Robles, third place, computer science, first place, feature writing and fourth place, editorial writing; Michael Madison, Philip Hambleton and Jonathan Robles, first place, computer science team. Angela Welsh, third place, literary criticism; Sarah Rivas, third place, feature writing.

Jessica Holloway, first place, headline writing and second place, news writing; Caroline Madison, fifth place, accounting; Caroline Madison, Shere Rivas and Meagan Mims, second place, accounting team; Christy Rivas, sixth place, mathematics, fourth place, number sense; Christy Rivas, Jim Bob Haggerton and

Anthony Swift, first place mathematics team and first place number sense team.

Overall winners in science were: Anthony Swift, first place; Christy Rivas, third place; science/biology, Anthony Swift, first place; Science team, Anthony Swift, Christy Rivas and Alison Cooper, first place; spelling and vocabulary, Marissa Hewitt, second place; Marissa Hewitt, Tarah Schuelke and Christy Rivas, first place, spelling and vocabulary team.

Grady High School scored a total of 541 points; Highland High School, 347 points; Westbrook High School, 133 points and Sands High School, 128 points.

Washington Elementary

For about three weeks, students have been preparing for a science fair. The science fair was open to third, fourth and fifth grade students. The judging was Thursday, April 3. We began by picking an experiment, gathering materials and

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Brakes:

(NAPS) - Tips:

- Warning signs that your brakes need to be inspected or fixed:
- A prolonged high-pitched squeal when not braking is meant as an alarm for immediate brake inspection.
- Brakes that grab with the least amount of pressure may indicate contaminated linings or brake failure.
- A vibration you feel when applying your brakes can be due to rotor or drum imperfections, uneven tires or worn brake hardware components.
- If your car pulls to the left or to the right when the brakes are applied, this could be the result of contaminated linings, frozen calipers or a hydraulic problem.
- If the brake almost touches the floor before activating, the problem may be solved by adding brake fluid, but this is usually caused by a leak or air in the brake lines.
- If extreme pressure is required to make the brakes function, this may be a result of power brake failure, frozen calipers or wheel cylinders, restricted hydraulic lines or damaged brake linings.
- There are many causes of brake noise such as extreme weather temperature shifts, condensation on the brake lining or improper fit. While some brake noise may be normal, excessive grinding, squeal, chatter or screeching should be investigated. Many disc pads have built-in sensors to alert drivers that brake linings are getting thin.
- Basic inspections performed by certified automotive technicians keep you and your family safe on the road.



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Volunteers needed

Volunteers are needed for care and office work at Family Hospice. Volunteer training begins April 17 and runs through May. Please call Mary Kuykendall at 263-4673 or 1-800-505-4265 for additional information.

Family entertainment tonight

The senior class of 1999 at Coahoma High School is presenting James Milliken and Knights of the West tonight. The group provides Branson-style family entertainment. The event is at the high school auditorium starting at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$5 for students. Tickets can be purchased in advance at Big Spring Athletic Supply, Big Spring Mall; Beth Ann's, 2112 Scurry; Joy's Hallmark, 1900 Gregg and Little Sooper, Coahoma.

THE LAST WORD

If you tell the truth you don't have to remember anything.

Mark Twain

The art of pleasing consists in being pleased.

William Hazlitt

Tolerance is the only real test of civilization.

Sir Arthur Helps

Some folks pay a compliment like they went down in their pocket for it.

Kim Hubbard

Pleasure is nature's test, her sign of approval.

Oscar Wilde

School

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then did the experiment. We had to write on a poster about it, then explain to the judge how the experiment worked. On Friday, April 4, there was an assembly to announce the winners. They gave out beautiful trophies. The teacher sponsors were Ms. Schafer, Mrs. Myers, Mrs. Lain and Mrs. Bamert. The student winners were:

- THIRD GRADE**
- First place - Burnell Booker
 - Second place - Chris Salazar
 - Third place - Chrissie Walters

- FOURTH GRADE**
- First place - David Wilkinson
 - Second place - Fabian Urias
 - Third place - Robin Anderson

- FIFTH GRADE**
- First place - Erin Posey
 - Second place - Patrick Gonzales
 - Third place - Nick Comey

Also going on at Washington, our school recently participated in the Jump Rope for Heart. We raised \$1,367.85 for the American Heart Association. We had 158 students to participate. The coordinator was Kelli Schwertner. The top student that raised the most money was Jenna Mathis at \$364. We learned to keep our heart healthy by exercise and good nutrition.

We have some great volunteers at our school. Mrs. Erika Vela comes three days a week to run off papers for teachers. She also teaches German to third graders. Charlie and Bea Kelly come up three days a week and listen to third graders read out loud to them.

We are studying hard every day to get ready to take our TAAS test on April 29 and 30. We will take a test in reading and math. We also read books and take tests on accelerated reader. My class (Mrs. Armstrong) has 1,500 points and our school has more than 14,400 points altogether.

Written by Shayna Smith, third grader.

Marcy Elementary

April for Marcy Elementary is a busy month. On April 2-4 and 7, the first and second graders took the IOWA test. Monday, April 7 and Tuesday, April 8, the fifth graders took immunizations during the Immunizations Clinic. On Friday, there is a teacher in-service day which is a student holiday. On April 16, report cards go home. On the 29th, our third, fourth and fifth graders will be taking the TAAS math test and on the 30th, they will be taking the TAAS reading test.

An activity we had on March 20 was the Rattlesnake Assembly in which the students had an opportunity to touch a Bullsnake.

Written by fifth graders Stephanie Lucio and Chris DeLeon.

Eating fish could reduce heart attack risk

By The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Men who eat fish a couple of times a week are less likely to die of a heart attack, according to the longest study of the issue yet.

Over a 30-year period, men who ate eight ounces or more of fish each week ran a 44 percent lower risk of dying of a heart attack than men who ate none. Northwestern University researchers said.

The study was published in Thursday's New England Journal of Medicine.

At least eight other studies have found that people who eat fish are less likely to die of heart disease. Three other studies found no association.

The researchers analyzed data from the Chicago Western Electric Study, which followed 2,107 men employed at the Western Electric Co. The study began in 1957. The average worker was overweight, ate far too much fat and cholesterol, drank a lot, smoked and got little exercise.

Previous research has suggested certain fatty acids in fish may help prevent heart disease, but other studies contradict that. And the latest research did not look at whether the participants ate lean or fatty fish.

Especially for kids and their families
The Mini Page

By BETTY DEBNAM

A True Hero

Jackie Robinson Breaks Barriers

When you sit and watch something happening, you are a spectator. Jackie Robinson was not a spectator — not in life and not on the baseball field.

He once wrote: "Life is not a spectator sport. If you're going to spend your whole life in the grandstand just watching what goes on, in my opinion you're escaping your life."



Jackie Robinson was so outstanding that the Dodgers retired his number in June 1972. (This means no Dodger will ever again wear the number 42 on a uniform.) He died in October that same year, at age 53.



We honor Jackie Robinson because 50 years ago, on April 15, he became the first black player to join a major league team for more than one season. (In 1884, two black athletes had short careers with the Toledo Blue Stockings.)

Segregation

To understand the important part Jackie Robinson played in both life and sports, you have to step back in history, back to a time when there was segregation in this country.

Black people were discriminated against in ways that most kids of today might find hard to understand.

Blacks had to attend separate schools from whites. They were not permitted to stay in hotels or eat in restaurants that also served whites. They had to drink out of separate drinking fountains and use separate restrooms.

Fighting for his rights

In 1944 a young black Army officer, Jackie Robinson, was nearly court-martialed by the Army. He had refused to go to the back of the bus as black people were expected to do, even on an Army base in Texas.

Upon investigation, the Army found he was innocent.

After his service in the Army, Jackie Robinson began to play professional baseball so well that he made history.

He also wrote, "Life is not important except in the impact it has on other lives." Jackie Robinson had an impact on baseball. He also had an impact on equal rights for black people. The example he set as a fighter for these equal rights had an influence on all Americans.

The Life of a Great Man

Early years

Jackie Robinson was born Jan. 31, 1919, in Cairo, Ga. He was the grandson of a slave and the son of sharecroppers.

His dad deserted the family when Jackie was a baby. His mother moved with their five children to Pasadena, Calif. She cleaned people's houses to support the family.

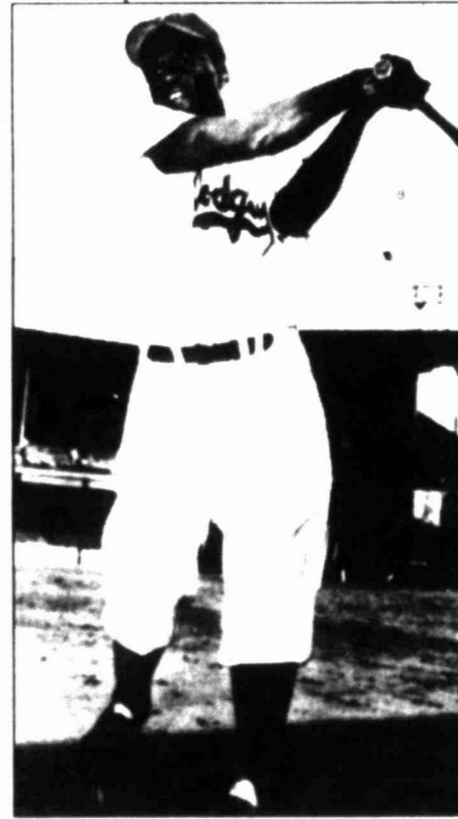
They lived in a mostly white neighborhood, where some people called them racist names. Some even threw rocks at them.

In high school and college, Jackie starred in football, basketball, baseball and track. In college he set a national record in the broad jump. He was the first student in UCLA history to letter in four sports.

His brother Mack won a silver medal at the 1936 Berlin Olympics in the 200-meter race. But when Mack

came home, he received no public recognition or praise. This made Jackie very angry.

He quit college when he was a senior to help support his family. In 1942 he was drafted by the Army.



One newspaper said the Dodgers hired Jackie Robinson only as a publicity stunt. But they soon changed their minds. At the end of the first season, they named him the first-ever Rookie of the Year.

Baseball career

After World War II, Jackie played for the Kansas City Monarchs, a Negro League baseball team. After one season he moved to a Brooklyn Dodgers secondary, or farm, team.



In the 10 years he played, Jackie Robinson helped take the Dodgers to the World Series six times. He turned the team around. In 1949 he was named the Most Valuable Player of the National League.

The Mini Page thanks John Vernon, Education Division, National Archives.

Look through your newspaper for stories about present-day heroes.

Courage to Play

In 1947, Brooklyn Dodgers manager Branch Rickey signed Jackie Robinson to the major leagues. Rickey recruited him partly for his athletic abilities. But he also wanted someone strong and brave enough to stand up to all the coming racial attacks.

It took a lot of courage for Jackie Robinson to play for the Dodgers. People shouted insults at him. Some threw eggs and other things. Spectators even threw a black cat onto the playing field.

Other black athletes were soon hired by other teams. They all suffered from prejudice when they traveled with their teams.

Black players could not eat at restaurants with white teammates. They had to go to restaurants serving black people, or their teammates had to bring food out to them. They could not stay at the same hotel as their white teammates.

Working for human rights

For a few years, Jackie Robinson was quiet about all these insults. He did not fight back. This took courage and restraint.

After he and other black athletes had proven their ability, he began to speak out more and more. Attitudes began to change. There was still prejudice, but the example he set had paved the way for more opportunities and better understanding.

After he retired from baseball, Jackie Robinson worked to help poor people and end racism.

Next week The Mini Page celebrates National Library Week with interviews with the Caldecott and Newbery winners.

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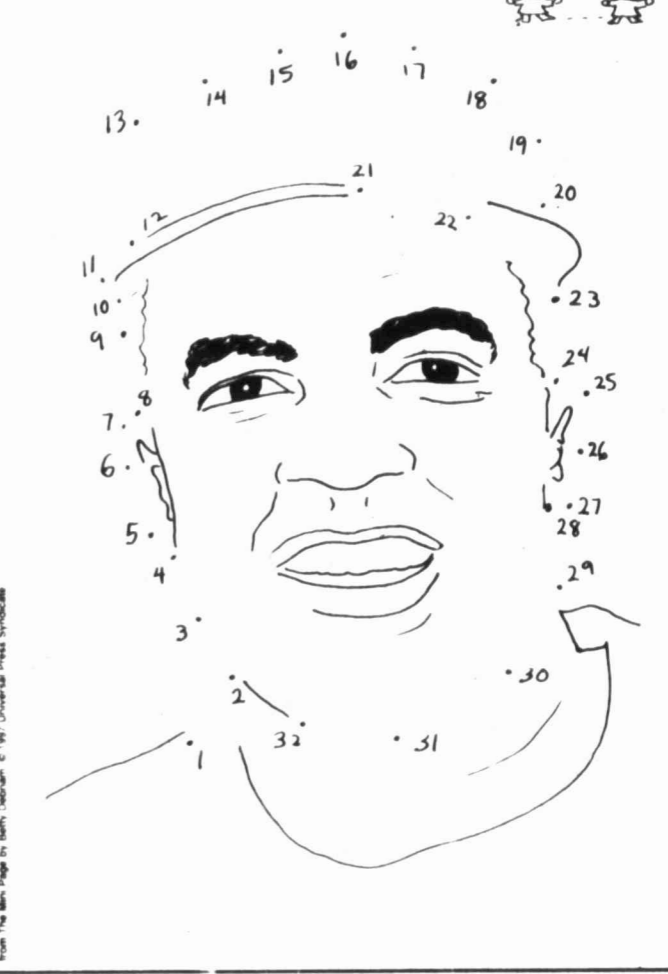


Q: Why is grass dangerous?
A: It is full of blades!

Q: Why couldn't the pony talk?
A: Because he was a little horse!
(all jokes sent in by Emily Hall)

The Mini Page Dinosaurs From A to Z Poster-Plus is ideal for classrooms or kids' bedrooms at 21 1/4 by 32 with information on both sides. To order, send check or money order only, for \$3.99 plus 75¢ postage and handling per copy to Dinosaurs From A to Z Poster Plus, P.O. Box 419242, Kansas City, Mo. 64141. Make checks payable to Andrews and McMeel.

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Rookie Cookie's Recipe

Stroganoff Pie

- You'll need:
- 1/2 cup onion, chopped
 - 1/4 cup mushroom slices
 - 1/4 cup butter or margarine, melted
 - 1 pound ground beef
 - 1/2 cup ketchup
 - 2 cups sour cream
 - 1 unbaked pie crust
 - 1/2 cup cheddar cheese, shredded

- What to do:
1. Cook onion and mushroom slices in butter or margarine in a skillet over medium heat 5 minutes. Stir often.
 2. Add ground beef. Cook 10 minutes or until browned. Stir often.
 3. Add ketchup and sour cream. Mix well.
 4. Pour into pie shell.
 5. Sprinkle with shredded cheese.
 6. Bake in a preheated 425-degree oven 10 minutes. Serves 8.

BASEBALL TRY 'N FIND

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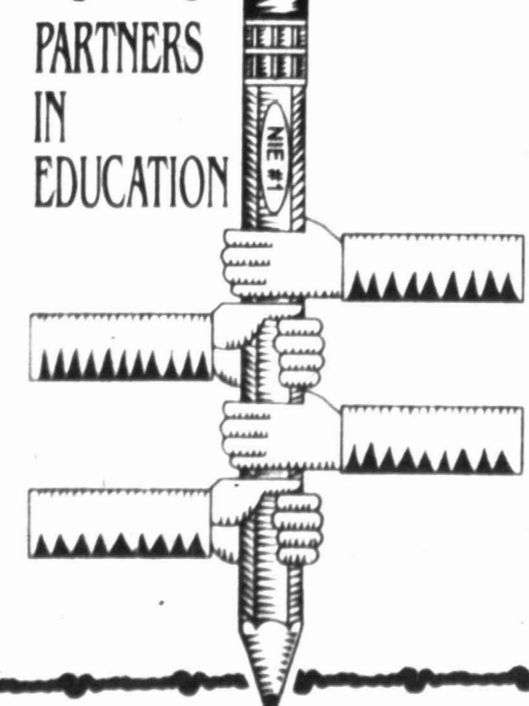
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Coahoma golfers second at district

HERALD Staff Report

SAN ANGELO — Coahoma's boys and girls golf teams each qualified for the Region 1-2A golf tournament with second-place finishes at the District 8-2A tourney Wednesday in San Angelo.

Ozona swept the top spots in both divisions. The Ozona boys shot a team total of 635, followed by Coahoma at 666. Ozona B, Coahoma B and Forsan A rounded out the top five.

This marks the second year in a row that Coahoma's boys qualified for the regional tournament.

Coahoma's Blake Nichols also won district medalist honors. He ended the tournament tied at 153 with Matt Galindo of Ozona, then defeated Galindo on the third hole of a sudden death playoff.

Nichols, Josh Collom, Regi Roberts, Kyle Wyatt and Jason Gwyn all won all-district honors for Coahoma.

Coahoma individual scores were: Collum, 84-171; Roberts, 81-173; Wyatt, 86-174; and

Gwyn, 93-180.

Forsan scores were: Cory Walker, 95-187; David Trowbridge, 104-199; Paul Kinsey, 105-203; Jason Anderson, 99-204; and William Osburn, 95-214.

Individual Coahoma B scores were: Chad Winn, 92-184; Steven Prater, 91-192; Ryan Peckham, 93-194; and Jonathan Barr, 102-217.

Forsan B was paced by Robert Hillger, who fired a two-round total of 211. Other individual scores were: Joey Jackson, 215; Blake Lanspery, 216; and James Dunlap, 235.

In the girls' division, Ozona was first with a 715, while Coahoma shot a team total 948. Forsan was third at 1,068, while Grape Creek finished fourth.

For the Coahoma girls, who qualified for their first ever trip to regionals, Tonia Sparks, Kori Caffey and Jill Allen all earned all-district status by finishing in the top 10.

Sparks and Caffey finished with a two-round total of 222.

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Tennis, track teams eye district

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

For Big Spring High School, the "real" spring sports season kicks into high gear Friday.

The BSHS tennis and track and field teams will compete in their respective district meets beginning Friday, and both squads figure to fare very well.

The tennis team will field top seeds in three of the four divisions when the district tournament starts Friday at Midland College. Hsiao-Hsuan Li in boys singles, Monica Villarreal in girls singles and Drew McKimney and Kayne Stroup in boys doubles all earned No. 1 seed status when the draw was held earlier this week.

"We're very pleased overall," BSHS assistant coach Sarah Course said. "Things went very well for us Tuesday when they held the draw."

BSHS' top seeds all hold legitimate hopes for qualifying for upcoming regional and state competition. Li is the two-time defending district and regional champion in boys singles, while Villarreal finished third at the regional level last year in girls singles. McKimney and

District 4-4A Tennis Tournament Friday and Saturday Midland College	District 4-4A Track and Field Friday Andrews High School
First Round begins 8:30 a.m. Friday Semifinals begin 9 a.m. Saturday	3,200 finals — 10 a.m. Field events — 10:45 a.m. Track prelims — 2 p.m. Track finals — 6 p.m.

Stroup advanced to the regional semifinals last year.

Course admits that the team views the district meet as a "stepping stone" toward regional and state competition, but added that she and head coach Ralph Davis have warned team members against over-confidence Friday.

"You always have a fear of over-confidence," she said. "So we're telling the kids that every match is important."

Li hopes Friday's district meet is the start of a journey that ends with his third straight trip to the state tennis meet in Austin. Villarreal is hoping for a second trip to the

state meet; she and sister Maria qualified in girls doubles two years ago.

Not to be overlooked, however, are McKimney and Stroup in doubles and Jeff Moss, who enters the district meet as the No. 3 seed in boys doubles.

Also competing for BSHS Friday are Kim Dominguez, the No. 3 seed in girls singles, Jeff Castle and Devon Swafford, unseeded in boys doubles, and Yu-Ching Li and Kylee Welch, unseeded in girls doubles.

The team prepped for the district meet by finishing eighth in a 16-team field at an invitational last weekend in San Antonio. Course said the field

was extremely strong — Big Spring was one of only three 4A schools at the meet.

The district track meet, which begins Friday at Andrews High School, figures to be a showcase for the Big Spring girls, who have won the last two district team titles and are the defending regional champions.

The Lady Steers return almost everybody from those two teams and figure to be especially strong in the field events — led by shot putter Nadia Cole and jumpers Krissi McWherter, Keesha Lott and Jaclyn Owusu — and all three relays.

For Big Spring's boys, however, the going is expected to be tougher in team competition. The Steers have struggled with a lack of depth all season and will go head-to-head with a deep, talented San Angelo Lake View squad Friday.

Big Spring's strongest hopes rest with Tory Mitchell, who is expected to harvest gold in both the 100 meter and 200 meter dashes, distance runner Marco Torres and a sprint relay team that defeated Lake View at last week's Big Spring Relays.

Wanting to stay close to home one reason cited for Cosby's signing

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

It's not often you can stay close to home and play for one of the top basketball programs in the country at the same time. For Kyna Cosby, however, home cooking and high-power basketball will go hand in hand the next two years.

Cosby, who was named the National Junior College Athletic Association's women's All-American first team, and Howard College teammate Niki Sherlock signed letters of intent this week to play basketball at two Texas Division I programs

— Cosby at Texas Tech and Sherlock at the University of Texas-San Antonio.

It has been a very eventful week for Cosby. First, she announced her signing with Texas Tech, then it was announced today her inclusion on the NJCAA All-American first team.

Others named to the team are: Jurgita Kausaitis, Kansas City Community College; Betty Lennox, Trinity Valley Community College; Monica Echeverrin, Central Florida Community College; Tiffany Green, Central Arizona; Kamara Stancle, Connors State

College; Sundiate Keita Davis, Louisiana College; Aja Kenisha Anderson, Kilgore College; Andrea Holubova, Weatherford College; and Kaunda Williams, Gulf Coast Community College.

For Cosby, there was never much doubt as to the program of her choice. Remaining close to home — she hails from Sundown — was a major reason she decided to join Coach Marsha Sharp's Lady Raiders, who won the NCAA women's national championship in 1993.

"I hit it off well with the coaches, and it's a chance for

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HERALD photo/Jonathan Garrett
Howard College Lady Hawks Niki Sherlock, left, and Kyna Cosby sign letters of intent at Garrett Coliseum Wednesday.

Dramatic subplots abound as golfers begin play at Masters

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — Steve Elkington has won two tournaments since March against the best two fields of the year and has reached \$1 million in earnings faster than anyone in PGA Tour history.

This being the week of the Masters, few people seemed to notice.

The drama that began to unfold today at Augusta National is focused squarely on players who have written chapters of history in the Masters, and those who are expected to.

There's Nick Faldo, whose cunning, tactical mind has produced three green jackets. Another one this year would make him the first player to twice win consecutive Masters.

Greg Norman wants to produce a better ending to his story at Augusta than the 78 he shot in his final-round flop last year, when a 6-stroke lead turned into a 5-stroke victory for Faldo.

Tiger Woods has never broken par at the Masters, but already Jack Nicklaus is predicting he'll win 10 green jackets by the time he's through. He was playing his first Masters today as a professional — paired with Faldo, no less.

"Don't forget, I was an amateur," Woods said. "I'm tournament tough now."

There's also Jose Maria Olazabal, the 1994 Masters champion who won in his third start after an 18-month layoff with feet problems and then had a strong showing last week in New Orleans.

"This tournament has so much hype before you play it. It's like the Super Bowl," said Elkington, who is playing better than when he won the PGA Championship in 1995.

"Eventually, everyone has to get out there and play," he said. "It's a great arena to play in front of."

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And no one is playing as well as Elkington, who has one of the sweetest swings in golf and a hot putter to go with it, a perfect combination for Augusta.

He needed only 105 putts in his wire-to-wire, 7-stroke victory at The Players Championship two weeks ago, which had the top 50 players in the world assembled for the first time ever and has the feel of a major championship.

"I feel like my chances are reasonably good as far as playing well," Elkington said. "I'm not making any predictions, but obviously my game is solid. When you're hitting balls on the fairway and you're hitting good iron shots, your whole game goes to a different level and you don't worry about too many things."

"I have a lot of confidence. That has been the case probably the last month or so."

Elkington isn't the only player lost in the attention surrounding Faldo, Norman and Woods.

Tom Lehman has finished second and tied for third in his four previous starts at Augusta, and the reigning British Open champion is starting to find his form at the right time.

Nick Price is also climbing closer to the game that made him the No. 1 player in the world three years ago. Even some of the relative newcomers bear watching — Paul Stankowski and Australia's Stuart Appleby, who each have won on tour this year and have

the kind of length and resolve suitable for the Masters.

And don't forget about Phil Mickelson, the leader of the twenty-something crowd before Woods showed up.

"Because Tiger has been out here and the focus is on him winning, it takes some of the focus away from others," Mickelson said.

The Woods-Faldo pairing is one of the most tantalizing first-round twosomes at the Masters, matching the only player to win three straight U.S. Amateurs against the winner of six major championships whose last memory of the Masters is a round he considers his best ever.

"Because of the drama and the atmosphere and the pressure and everything ... it's as good as anything I've done," Faldo said of his closing 67 last year.

But the one proven winner through the years has been Augusta.

"You can set a record one year and the next year you come back and find it next to impossible," said Nicklaus, who won the Masters in 1965 and 1966 and missed the cut in 1967.

Even though the azaleas and dogwoods lost their bloom to a premature spring in Georgia, Augusta still is one of the most beautiful gardens of golf.

But she is no less vicious to the game's greatest players. Wide, ambling fairways without a trace of rough still require precise tee shots because of the extreme elevation and contours.

And the greens are as slick as anywhere around. How fast? "Right where we want them," said Will Nicholson, chairman of competition at Augusta National. "The greens are soft and fast and substantially the same as last year."

SPORTS BRIEFS

From staff and wire reports

Bulldogettes run-rule Hermleigh

COAHOMA — The Coahoma Bulldogettes had a successful start to their district softball schedule, blasting Hermleigh 16-1 in Coahoma earlier this week.

The game ended after five innings because of the 10-run rule.

The Bulldogettes (10-11 overall) were paced by pitcher Tara Sterling, who struck out nine and walked two while allowing only two hits.

At the plate, Coahoma rapped out 15 hits, with every player in the lineup collecting at least one hit. First baseman Stephanie Stone was the leading hitter, driving in five runs.

The Bulldogettes return to action Saturday at Lubbock against Coronado High School. Game time is 2 p.m.

Quartet win first playday

The foursome of Dana Wilkenson, Mary Ruth Robertson, Vera Quigley and Betty Murphy won the first playday of the Comanche Trail Ladies Golf Association season.

The quartet shot a 1-under to win the four-person scramble.

The association holds a ladies' playday every Monday. For more information, contact the golf course at 264-2366.

Borden County looking for basketball 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.

Sands holds hunter course

ACKERLY — The Sands Future Farmers of America will offer the Texas Mandatory Hunter Education Program and training.

The class will be held at the Sands High School agriculture department starting Monday. Cost of the course is \$5.

Students under 17 must have a parent's permission. For more information, contact Miss Scott at 353-4745 during the day and 353-4264 at night.

Big Spring city Little League report

In a battle of unbeaten, the Colts took an 8-1 victory over the Braves in American Little League action recently.

Brandon Mendoza was superb on the mound for the Colts, limiting the Braves to only one hit

while striking out 17. At the plate, Bryson Hall had an inside-the-park home run and Mendoza had a single, double and triple.

Over at the National League park, the Mets took a pair of victories in recent Minor League action.

Last Friday, the Mets took a 17-2 win over the Panthers behind the pitching of Jeremy North, who recorded eight strikeouts, and the hitting of Kip White, who belted a grand slam home run.

Tuesday, the Mets defeated the Expos, 10-5. Matt Hilaro was the winning pitcher, recording six strikeouts, while Justin Roberts had a grand slam and Rusty Gressett scored a pair of runs.

Little League coaches are requested to turn in result forms to the Herald between 8 a.m.-5 p.m. daily. Result forms are available at the Herald's front desk.

Hit and Run tournament this weekend

The third annual Hit and Run softball tournament will be held Friday-Sunday at Cotton Mize Field at Comanche Trail Park.

Prizes will be awarded to the top three teams, and players for the top two teams will receive T-shirts.

Entry fee is \$100. For more information, contact Darren at 267-7823 or 263-4901.

Rangers-Brewers frozen out

MILWAUKEE — Temperatures that dropped below the freezing mark caused the Milwaukee Brewers to postpone Wednesday night's game against the Texas Rangers. No makeup date was set.

The Brewers and Rangers were scheduled to play the final game of Milwaukee's opening homestand on Thursday afternoon, with the Brewers' Scott Karl pitching against Bobby Witt of the Rangers.

Blauser leads Braves past Astros

ATLANTA — Although Jeff Blauser's bid for a hitting record ended early, the veteran Atlanta Braves shortstop got the biggest hit at the end.

Blauser opened the 12th inning with a single and eventually came around to score the winning run Wednesday night when Fred McGriff drew a bases-loaded walk, giving Atlanta a 4-3 victory over the Houston Astros. It was the Braves' sixth win in a row.

Blauser entered the game with eight consecutive hits, needing two more to tie a National League record. He flied out to left in his first at-bat in the third inning and was 0-for-4 until his single in the 12th off reliever Jose Lima (0-1).

"I'd gladly go 0-for-4 if they told me in my last at bat I'd get a hit and help us win," Blauser said. "The hit streak was nice, but what is it going to mean in the long run? Very little. Six wins in a row is a lot more important."

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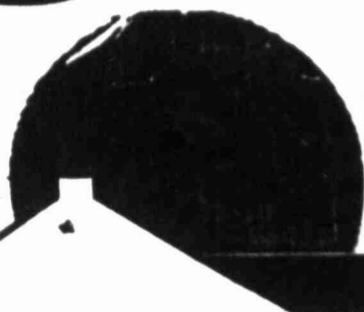
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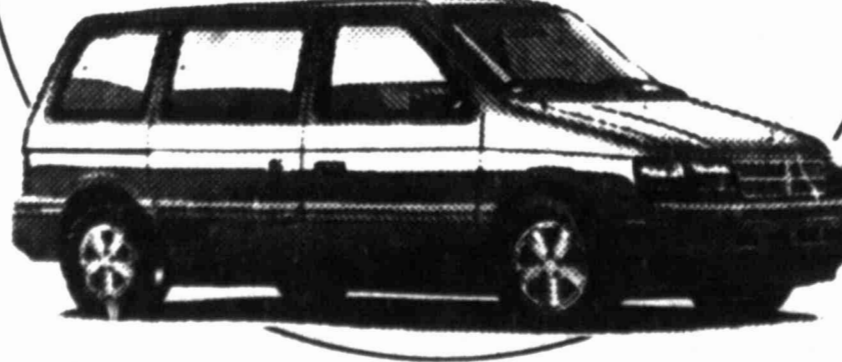
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Lack of love in marriage is reason enough to leave

DEAR ABBY: This is in response to your column, "Abused Wife Learns What Love Isn't."



Abigail Van Buren Columnist

Similarly, after 15 years with an abusive woman, I told her I had to leave. She left me emotional-ly overwrought and filled with undirected anger. With the help of counseling, I also figured out what love isn't. Ladies: If you see yourself in this - take warning: LOVE ISN'T:

tangible "trappings of influence" for status' sake, to the detriment of living within means.

• Not knowing or taking interest in what your husband does at work, realizing his work means a lot to him.

• Consciously not being home or at the airport to welcome your husband after a long trip.

• Reading and annoyingly chewing ice in bed until husband falls asleep, and feigning sleep until after husband leaves for work.

• Refusing to visit husband's relatives, while demanding frequent visits to your relatives.

• THE GOODBYE HUSBAND WHO FINALLY FOUND TRUE LOVE AND CONTENTMENT IN RESTON, VA.

DEAR GOODBYE HUSBAND: What a sad description of lonely coexistence - I hesitate to call it a marriage. Fortunately, not all women are like the first one you married.

Congratulations on having found true love and contentment the second time around.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, JEANNE, my beautiful, talented firstborn. You are loved.

To receive a collection of Abby's most memorable - and most frequently requested - poems and essays, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby's "Keepers," P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

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LOVE ISN'T:

• Saying, "You don't know what you're talking about" when your husband says that he doesn't feel loved.

• Constantly badgering your husband to get a better paying job, when he makes an ample salary (\$90,000 a year) and enjoys his work.

• Continuously referring to your husband as "old man," knowing he resents it, especially when he's athletic and youthful looking for his age (48).

• Grabbing and throwing your husband's hand down when he reaches out to touch or hold you.

• Belittling your husband before others, even in his presence.

• Telling your husband no other woman would want him.

THURSDAY

APR. 10

Table with 21 columns (KIMD, KPEJ, KERA, FAM, KOSA, WFAA, KWES, WTBS, UNI, DISH, NASH, TMC, SHOW, HBO, KMLM, A&E, DISC, TNT, FSN, ESPN, AMC, BET) and 12 rows of program listings.

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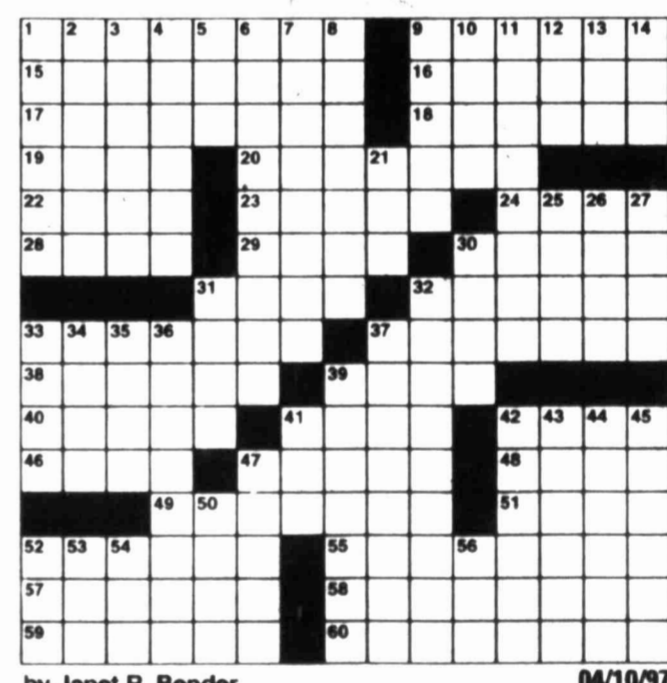
Today is Thursday, April 10, the 100th day of 1997. There are 265 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: Fifty years ago, on April 10, 1947, Brooklyn Dodgers president Branch Rickey announced he had purchased the contract of Jackie Robinson from the Montreal Royals. On this date: In 1847, American newspaperman Joseph Pulitzer was born in Mako, Hungary.

In 1866, the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals was incorporated. In 1912, the luxury liner Titanic set sail from Southampton, England, on its ill-fated maiden voyage. In 1925, the novel 'The Great Gatsby,' by F. Scott Fitzgerald, was first published by Scribner's of New York. In 1932, German president Paul von Hindenburg was re-elected, with Adolf Hitler coming in second. In 1953, the 3-D horror movie 'House of Wax,' produced by Warner Bros. and starring Vincent Price, premiered in New York City. In 1959, Japan's Crown Prince Akihito married a commoner, Michiko Shoda. In 1963, the nuclear-powered submarine USS Thresher failed to surface off Cape Cod, Mass., in a disaster that claimed 129 lives. In 1972, the United States and the Soviet Union joined some 70 nations in signing an agreement banning biological warfare. In 1974, Golda Meir announced her resignation as prime minister of Israel. Ten years ago: President Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev delivered speeches on nuclear arms, with the president challenging the Soviets to join the United States in working harder for arms reductions, and Gorbachev proposing talks on short-range weapons. Five years ago: Financier Charles Keating Jr. was sentenced in Los Angeles to nine years in prison for swindling investors when his Lincoln Savings and Loan collapsed. The convictions were later overturned. Comedian Sam Kinison was killed in a car crash outside Needles, Calif., at age 38. One year ago: President Clinton vetoed a bill that would have outlawed a technique used to end pregnancies in their late stages.

THE Daily Crossword

- ACROSS
1 Poet's feet
9 Clear from a charge
15 Spicy sauce
16 Short and thick
17 Type of cherries
18 Fall
19 Lucca money
20 Books
22 Coup d'—
23 Kind
24 Deer
28 Type of bank
29 Where hops get hot
30 Little person
31 Illuminating name?
32 Becomes terrified
33 Openings in chess
37 Hangs loosely
38 Lots and lots
39 Copper product
40 Candidate's ordeal
41 Inaugural event
42 Moist
46 At one — swoop
47 Insertion mark
48 Sea that's a lake
49 Collector's item?
51 Kind of skirt
52 Desert
55 GA city
57 Musketeer
58 Certain U.S. native
59 Touch lovingly
60 Part of Asia



by Janet R. Bender

04/10/97

Wednesday's Puzzle solved:



- 11 Dealing with a rebellion
12 Sturm — Drang
13 '50s nickname
14 Norse god
21 Tennis retrieval
25 Plant part
27 Trueheart
30 Breathe rapidly
31 Triumphs
32 Cigar: var.
33 Dumbbell
34 Field
35 Repeat
36 Competition of a kind
37 Agent
39 Desert group
41 Chatter
42 Old Vic?
43 Grain awn
44 Rays
45 Docile
47 Mustard family member
50 Rara —
52 Call to an unknown
53 — pro nobis?
54 Container
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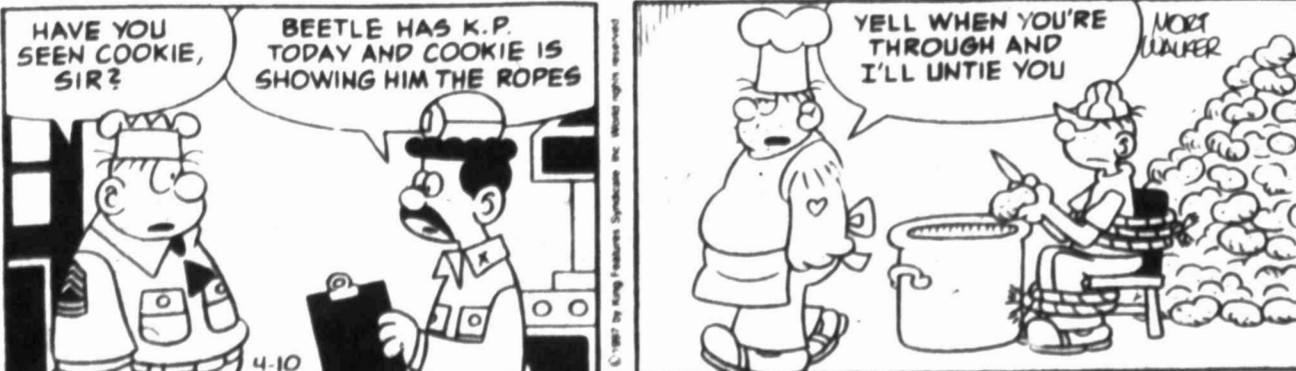
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