## Local farmers say changed boll weevil program needed <br> <br> By CARLTON JOHNSON

 <br> <br> By CARLTON JOHNSON} Last Thursday's meeting of theHoward County Cotton Growers
(HCG), following Wennesday's Texas
Supreme Court decision declaring the
Texas Boul Weevil Eradication
Program unconstitutional, was for
informational purposes only, accord-
ing to HCG President Rob Haney, but
the prospect of not having a boll weevil
program is frightening.
"Right now were in the enhanced
diapause program (High Plams
Enhanced Boll Weevil Diapause
Control Program) and were scheduled
to go into eradication in 1998," Mrl

 opreationstanl zoneoncos bave been shutdown and employees have been
furloughed following the court's decision, which upheld the court's deciDistriet Court's earlier decision. In past years, Howard County has
not been infested as severly as not been infested as severely as other
regions of the state where the boll weeprog
vili is concerned.
There the boll wee- fall. The majority of producers at Thursday's meeting agree that Texas does need a boll weevil program, but a
program with a structure that allows people to pay into it equally Opponents of the boll weevil spray-

Cotton Growers (PCG) in Lubbock
should be taken completely out of the
program program, but Howard County produc ers disagree with that notion
PCG's Boll Weevil PCG's Boll Weevil. Steering what its next move would be, The committee's decision was that the PCG boll weevil diapause spray (fall. Members committee decided Friday Mere'sers committee decided Friday enough money, order chemicals and map the treatment area for planes to
take off with lethal doses of malathion in late September. PCG, which has been running a pro-
overwintering habitat, planned sprays
this fall and then would allow the founthis fall and then would allow the founnext year.
Last fall. Last fall, PCG only treated about 50
percent of the acres percent of the acres entomologists deemed necessary, because only half
the assessments billed were collected. "We did the best we could with what we had," said Don Langston, a
ubbock County grower and steering ommittee chairman.
Donnie Reid, a a Howard County farmer and one of two local representatives to the PCG, said removing the T've never seen a group of people with as much knowledge and insight
as the PCG," Reid said. "They have two
representatives from each of the $30-$
county High Plains area and represencounty High Plains area and representarives on just about every board or
organization that deals with our indusorg."
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How Howard County producers mentioned going to a system of collecting assessgoing to a system of collecting assess
ments by charging a per bale fee rather than the current method of paying some much per acre. ond representative to the PCG, said the question is one of how much can
Howard County producers poward County producers afford to pay. We're lion to $\$ 30$ pably looking at a $\$ 20$ mil Please see PROGRAM, page 2

Troopers say shots fired in manhunt FORT DAVIS (AP) - Five
shots were fired this morning at shots were fired this morning at
tracking dooss that are pursuing two Repubic or texas members
who fled into the Davis Mountains, a DPS spokesman
said. "So far we have not returned any fire and none of our ofricers
have been shot at." Department of Public Safety spokesman
Mike Cox said. Mike Cox said.
Richard Keyes III, 21 and Michard Keyes 11,21 and
Mike Matson. 4 , fled group's remote hideaway before
the others surrendered peace the others surrendered peace
fully on Saturday. Authorities aren't sure who leff first, but one walked away at noon and
the other about the other about 4 p.m.
Authortities let them go to avoid jeoparatizizing the neeotiations
with leader RichardMeLaren Airplanes and helicopters searched for the men Sunday
Hounds and horseback troopers were teld back because of pos.
sible booby traps left behind by McLaren's group. Authorities have found more than 60 pipe
bombs and 12 gasoline cans in the area, as well as several for tified bunkers. Cox said searchers discovered Please see QUNFIRE, page


Statistics show '97 probably will be wet year

By JOHN H. WALKE
Four months into 1997, precipItation totals recorded at the Big are almost twice the norm -
but does that mean we're in for but does that mean we're in for According to a check of the 97 year weather records maintained by the Research Station, the odds are $6-1$ that this year's annual total will exceed the
average ( 17.7 inches) based on the January-April totals.

Incumbents lead way in Sands, Glasscock trustee races herald staff Report

ACKERLY - Incumbents Reggie Hambrick and Joe
Banner led the balloting in the Banner led the balloting in the
race for three at-large seats on race for three at-large seats on District Board of Trustees election Saturday.
Hambrick join newcomer Robin Barraza join newcomer Robin Barraza
when the new board is installed

| ${ }_{0}$ A wet year? <br> (1) Rainfall totals through April 30 stood at 7.29 Inches vs. a 96 -year average of $\mathbf{3 . 8 1}$ Inches. This $0 \wedge \begin{aligned} & \text { inches vs. a } 96-\text { year average of } 3.81 \text { inches. This } \\ & \text { same time last year, the BIg Spring USDA }\end{aligned}$ Research Center had recorded 1.32 inches of precipitation - Including Good Friday's 6 -Inch snowfall. |
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tory have the totals for the first inches. four months of the year exceeded the 7.29 inches ( 3.81 is nor
mal) recorded thus far this year and six of those years exceed
nches.
The most rainfall recorded during the first four months of and 19.96
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Thursday. All three were elect
ed to 3 -year trustee terms. ed to 3 -year trustee terms.
Hambrick led all vote-getters in the six-man race, receiving 85 votes. Banner trailed with 69
and Barraza was elected with 57 and Barraza was elected with 57
votes. voter.
Mark Hardgrave fell four Mark Hardgrave fell four runoff bid, receiving 53 votes, while Quade Weaver received
picked on 40 ballots.
A total of 140 voted.
GLASSCOCK COUNTY ISD BOARD OF TRUSTEES GARDEN CITY - Voters in
County the Glasscock
Independent
School $\begin{gathered}\text { County } \\ \text { District }\end{gathered}$ returned one incumbent to the board of trustees, but ousted another in Saturday's election.
Trustee Dennis Fuchs paced

## BUILDING'S WALL STRIPPED

The east face of the Permian Building in downtown Big
Spring appears to have been the victim of an earthquake or the wizardry of Hollywood speclal effects crews after workors from Jack Cathey onstruction stripped that side of the building's bricks. That
move was made necessary last move was made necessary last
Tuesday when a portion of the bricks on that wall began falling off the building and a large portion of the wall's brick soemed to be sagging and a danger to fall. When crows began taking down the bullaIng's face, they discovered It
had been bullt wlthout ties for had been bullt without ties for The builiding's owner, At Mo buliding's owner, at sald the collipper will not change his plans for the bulliding which was once a thriving office complex. Moore Indicated that he would have a cosmetic covering placed over
the east wall, probably motal. He east wall, probably motal.
MERALD photo/Jonathan carrott

## inches in April. That April total remains the second greatest

 remains the second greatestamount of precipitation record-
ed in one month in local histo-
That year ended with 23.31
inches - or about a third better nches - or about a
than average.
In 1923, a total of 10.04 inches In 1923 a a total of 10.04 inches
were recorded during JanuaryApril with an annual total of
26.26 inches. Again, April was
the wettest of the four months with 4.58 inches recorded. The 1941 rainfall total 31.62 Please see RAIN, page 2

## Edens, 4 others lodge complaints against county <br> By JOHN H. WALKER <br> the Herald, 10 of the 11 deputies

Managing Editor
Five former employees of the
Howard County Sheriff's Howard County Sheriffs
Department, including failed Department, including failed
sheriffs candidate Barney
Edens, have filed complaints with the Equal Employment (EEOC) against Howard County alleging wrongful termination. alleging wrongful termination.
In addition to Edens, com-
plaints were filed by Alfonso Al" Baca, Jr., Tiburcio E Guillermo "Willie"" Rangel, Jr.
and Gloria Gonzales. Edens who was defeated by a
vote of 5,881 to 3,945 by current ote of 5,881
sheriff
Bill
Jennings, was unavailable for comment. Relatives said Edens, whose listed phone number on South
Anderson Road was disconnect. ed, had taken a new job and was $\underset{\substack{\text { Joving } \\ \text { Jennin }}}{ }$ Jennings said, "It is true that
these individual inese individuals who worked ere not hired by me."
Shortly after his November winortly Jenning his announced
and
department employees would be required to re-apply for employ required to re-apply for employ-
ment in the department.
According to a Jan. 1 story in

## Republicans eye citations

 in effort to get documentsWASHINGTON (AP) - Republican lawmakers are threatening o seek a contempt citation if the White House refuses to hand
over pertinent documents in their fund-raising investigation "Those documents are very relevant to the investigation and that's why they're keeping them away from us," Rep. Dan
Burton, chairman of the House Government Reform and Burton, chairman of the House Gove
Oversight Committee, contended Sunday
"If we can't get the documents ... we will push for them we will go to the committee for a contempt citation and we'll go to the go the committee for a contempt citation and we'll go to the
House floor, and I'm certain it will pass," Burton, R-Ind., said on
CBS' "Face the Nation." If the House does g. If the house does grant a contempt citation, lawmakers would when he would make such a move. Burton has accused the White House of failing to produce doc-
uments about fund-raiser John Huang Indonesian businesman James Riady and Webster Hubbell The White House contends it is probe but claims that some of the documents he wants are protected by attorney-client privilege because they are notes taken y the White House counsel's staf
Burton said he does not accept that explanation. He speculated an appeals court rejected first lady Hillary Rodnam Clinton's argument that similar attorneys' notes pertaining to a separate investigation of the
ney-client privilege
who worked in the previous
whe 11 administration re-applied for Edens was the only employee for re-employment while seven of the 10 who did re-apply were County Judge Ben Lockhart
Caid the said the county would be represented in the complaints by Austin attorney Robert Bass.
Bass successfully defended Reeves County when 17 former
mployees sued tha county after In were not retained. In 1995, U.S. District Judge ucius Bunton dismissed the establishing a the right of a newly elected sheriff to hire who he or she wants
decline to rehire others. Lockhart said the county will now submit a response to the study both the complaints and he response and decide
whether or not there is a basis or the complaint. "It is my understanding that ven if the EEOC can still sue,
decides there is no basis," Lockhart said.
Bass said is no basis. Lockhart said.
Bass said he had not seen
copy of the complaint.
the four-person field seeking the 185 votes, while newcomer Tina Flores grabbed the second seat
with 174 votes with 174 votes.
Flores will Flores will replace Tanya
Multer, who received just 55 Multer, who received just 55
votes in her bid for re-election. Rose Pelzel finished fourth in
the balloting with 41 votes. the balloting with 41 votes.
The new board will be seated at 7 tonight.

New punishment trial ordered for death row inmate

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## today's Weather.



Today: Partly cloudy with a slight chanco upper 80 s . Low in the upper 50 s. Tuesday: Partly cloudy with a silght
chance of showers and thunderstorme. High in the upper 80s. Low in the lower

Exinnded outlook: Wednesday throug showers or thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 80s. Lows in the 50 s .

## $\begin{array}{cl}\text { HOUSTON (AP) - A judge } & \begin{array}{l}\text { southeast Houston. Meanes was } \\ \text { has ordered a new punishment }\end{array} \\ 25 \text { when he was sentenced. }\end{array}$

 trial for an inmate who was a A A co-defendant, Sandoval forgotten man for seven of therow. U.S. District Judge Kenneth U.S. District Judge Kenneth
Hoyt ruled Thursday that Hoyt ruled Thursday that
James Ronald Meanes deserves a new punishment trial because of errors made by prosecutors. ludge.
The ruling affects only the
punishment, not his conviction punishment, not his convicion
in the slaying of armored car
guard Oliver Flores, 29, in
"Carlos" So-dantana, was executed for the crime in 1993.
U.S. District Judge U.S. District Judge Ken Hoyt
upheld his death sentence in 1988. State officials said last week thate hiff files apparently became misplaced after that.
Santana and Meanes receive Santana and Meanes received
death penalties in the 1981 capi-
tal tal murder of armored
guard oliver Flores, 29,
southeast Houston. 25 when he was sentenced.
In 1988, a week before he

| $\begin{array}{lll}\text { scheduled for ex } \\ \text { Meanes was } \\ \text { granted a stay, }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{l}\text { Judge Doug Shaver scheduled a } \\ \text { June } 20\end{array}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | However, there were no devel- who arrived on death row in $\begin{array}{lll}\text { opments in the case from } 1988 \text { to } & \begin{array}{l}\text { 1981. But two days later, Hoyt } \\ \text { said a new punishment trial }\end{array} \\ \text { 1995. }\end{array}$ In 1988, Hoyt dismissed In 1988,

Meanes' appeal. After that deciMeanes' appeal. After that deci-
sion, either the U.S. district clerk' ' office or the Harrics
County district clerk's office County district clerk's office
forgot to notify prosecutors. forgot to notify prosecutors.
As a result, prosecutors spent
seven years thinking Meanes seven years thrinking Meanes
case was moping along in the
appellate process. The case
eventually got back on track appellate process. The case
eventually got beck on track
Last Tuesday, State District
will be required. Meanes' appellate attorney, judge allowed the jury to malke an error in deciding punish-
ment based on the law of parties, or co-defendant's actions.
This is permisgible in the This is permissible in the
gulltinnocence phase of the
trial, but it is improper in the
punishiment phase, Schnetder punis

## Obituaries

Virgil Churchwell


ting, with inter ment at 7 Trints under the darke Arrangement mader the direction of Myerse rrgil was born on Sept. 26 ulice Altman on Dec. 31 , 1854 In Mami, Fa. He was as veter having served during the ith the Marine Air Repeair He had been an electrician having worked for the VA Hospital for 11 years befor eral awardis at the hospoftat for outstanding pertormance. He of Texas as an electricilin and
had aliso done jobs in Torkey Mr. Churchwel was a mem. er or the IBEW in Midand
nd a member of the Baptitat ountry and his family and menis family hobies were lov nd genealogy
Ind a master of all. He will be Iissed by all who knew him. lite Churchwell of Bils Spring: Wo daughters and sons. In-law nd Mary and Wayne Henry orth or Bi spring tour erand. rage, N.C., Charlie Rudinger Ricity Brackeer and Cinger udadinger, all of Blg Spring: one
brother: Tom Churchwell of ig Spring: one sister: Wande Heter, Mary An Perez or Seminole, and a a haif brother
Rodney He was preceded in death by his parents. Buck Jofferson
Churchwell

and Rosa Rosa Kyle | Churchweil Pallbearers will be Denni |
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Owen, Virgil
Owen, and Wayne Ruth A. Griffice 4, Arlington, formerly of Big

MYERS \& SMITH FUNERAL HOME $\&$ ChAPEL 24th \& Johneon 267-8288 Virgil Churchwell, died Tuesday Myers \& smith Trinity Memorial Park.

NALLEY-PICKLE \& WELCH Funeral Home

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Ruth $A$. Griflce, 64 , diled
Sunday . Services will $b e$ Sunday, Sericeses sill be Nalley-Picckle \& Welch Rocewood hape.. inerment
will
follow ai
Trinlity 77. died Sunday. Sorvices
ponding
pend Wolch Funeral Home.


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

## Warren Farrow

 Service for Warren Farrow,77. Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle \& Welch Funeral
Home. He died Sunday, May 4, 1997
in a San Angelo hospital.
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GUNFIRE
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Continued from page 1 in the canyon behind the The dogs from Texas wepartment of Criminal Justice morning near the campsite and Within minutes, the shots were be armed with a . $30-30$ deer rifle, an SKS semiautomatic Helicopters from the DPS and the U.S. Border
cling the area
We're on these guys," Cox
said. "The DPS is on their
trail."
Of the two, only Keyes
charged with a crime. He accused of organized crimina activity and kidnapping relate to a hostage-taking April 27 that Their leader, Richard McLaren, told NBC News in embassy was surrounded with oooby traps and explosives
because members felt they "We wrotection.
"Wery afraid that we would be assaulted by, let's say terrorist organizations such as
the (Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms)," he said. McLaren, a a
Missouri native, was in jail today without bail,, sharing a
cell with his wife, Evelyn. He and three other members are nal activity; the others were held on $\$ 500,000$ bond.
Like other Like other members of the Republic of Texas, McLaren
believes Texas was illegally annexed by the United States in 1845. But other factions have
disavowed his actions; one even "impeached" him.
The standoff began April 27
and when McLaren's followers
stormed the home of two neigh. bors and held the couple of a comrade, Robert Scheidt. hostages, but the standoff con-
tinued. Scheidt later surren Mered.
McLaren and three others left their "embassy" after McLaren
signed a "cease-fire document" signed a "cease-fire document"
with the Texas Rangers on
Baturday afternoon. His wife had given up earlier in the day Mrs. McLaren faces federal charges from a February indict
ment iscued in Dallas chargine her with conspiracy to commit ing and abetting. She was not
charged in connection with the charged in connecting or siege.
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## Springboard

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| or. |
| p.m. | Hodnett at 263-0147.

-Wesublican Texas Republen's Club, noon, Big
Women Spring Country club.
$\qquad$ country/west n dance, 7:30 to
10:30 p.m. Music by CW 10:30 p.m. Music by
Area seniors invited.
Church, 610 Abrams, 7 p.m. Bible study.
Settles, noon tonymous, 615 mettin, noon to 1 p.m. open
meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. Big Book Study.
Guild, 9 Mountain Quilting Guila, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call
267-1037 or 267-7281. Bring a -May Day, St. Mary's
Episcopal School, 118 Cedar, Episcopal School, 118 Cedar,
10:30 to $11: 15$ a.m., ages three,

## Around the Town

## BRIEFS

THE HOWARD COUNTY 4. host a ming Sports Club will host a new shooter workshop
on Saturday, May 10, at the R.C. Thomas Shooting Range in
Rnott.
Instruction begins at 9 a.m. Instruction begins at 9 a.m.
and will continue untill 1.30 . Lunch will be provided. And 18 wanting to learn to shoot a shotgun or experienced
shooters who want to learn to shooters who want to lea
shoot trap and skeet are shoot trap and skeet ar
Gun and shooter safety will be strictly enforced. All equipment will be provided, but each partci by an adult

## Anyone wanting to register

needing more information
should call Van Gaskins at 353 or the County Extension office at 264-2236.
ON TUESDAY, MAY 6,
Anderson Kindergarten Cente Anderson Kindergarten Cente
is hosting the spring 1997 "Kindergarten Preview" for parents and students who will
be attending there during the be attending there during the
$1997-98$ school year. A brief PTA meeting is sche
uled for $6: 30-7: 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in the school cafeteria. The main purpose is to instain newool your
cers for the next scho Parents and students may tour
the school from $7.8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. atter the school from
Fhe meeting.
For more information, call
the school office at 264-4151.
AN ANDERSON KINDERGARTEN CENTER fundraise is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on
Friday, May 16 in the East Room of the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.
Sponsor
Sponsored by the Federal
Employees Group a 7 . Employees Group, a 7 p.m. din
ner will follow the opening
reception. Tickets are $\$ 15$ and
 POLICE

The Big Spring Police ing activity between 1 p.m. ${ }_{- \text {ROBERT }} 8$ a.m. Monday: $\bullet$ ROBERT P. GARRA, 47, no
known address, was arrested for urinating in public. - ROBERT PERFY, 18, ho
known address, was arrested known address, was arrested
on local warrants.
-JOHN CAL VIN WILSON 33, of Coahoma, was arrested
for driving while intoxicated. for driving while intoxicated.
-ADAM EDMONDSON, 24, -ADAM EDMONDSON, 24,
of Rt. 1 Box 27, was arrested for
public intoxication and assault -ISRAEL JESUS PEREZ, 18 , evading detention. -CRISPIN SANCHEZ, 24, of
1902 N. Monticello, was arrested for driving with an invalid
license. LEY, 25, of 1419 E. 11th, was arrested on local warrants.
-CRUZ FLORES, 37, of arrested for public intoxication.
-SERGIO HIPOLITO GUERRERO, 30, of Garden City, was
arrested for public intoxication. arrested for public intoxication.
-FRED TURNER JR., 23, of
P15 on local warrants.
-CRIMINAL MISCHIEF in
the 700 block of E. 16th; and in the 700 block of E . 16th; and in the Highland Cove area. TATION in the 1500 block of E .
11th; and the 600 block of W .

- DISTURBANCE/FIGHT in the 2600 block of Barksdale;
1600 block of Kentucky; and the 500 block of State. -DOMESTIC DISTUR-
BANCE in the 300 block of $W$ --THEFT in the 1200 block of
E. 16th; and in the 400 block of Gregg.
-ASSAULT in the 1400 block
of Lincoln.



Four dile in auto accidention Fort Hood road 控 8 , Humvee collided on a road at Fort Hood, killings three soldiers
and a Texas National cuardsman. and a Texas National Guardsman.
A fifth person, who was also with
"Wiritnesses have said that whien they had collided head-on', the Isuzu Trooper had flipped over twiee and caught on fire,", said a base spokeswoman, Staff Sgt. Monica McNea.
Spec. Meledine Castilla, who was driving Spec. Meledine Castilla, who was driving the Humvee, was
treated and released Saturday night from ${ }^{\text {D Darnall Army }}$ Community Hospital. Maj. Wilifam Huffman, 41, was killed. They both were with the 136th Signal Battalion, a National Guard unit
in Temple, and were at the post for their annual drill, the siokes in Temple, an
woman said.
Nine-year-old Granbury boy's condition improves GRANBURY - The condition of a 9 -yearold boy whose sister
was found murdered last week has improved, a hospital spokes woman said.
Cody Patterson, who is recovering from a fractured skull and
other injuries, was in other injuries, was in good condition Sunday at Cook Children's Medical Center in Fort Worth, spokeswoman Beth Solomon said
His sister, 11-year-old Sarah Patterson, was found Friday near Lake Granbury. Her neck had been slashed, investigators said. About 200 of Sarah's friends and classmates attended a me rial service Sunday at the field where she played softball. Intermediate School, recalled the girl's charm.
"When we would work together on something that she didn't understand and it would begin to make sense to her, her face would light up with that smile that only Sarah had,"", Moore said. Then would get that feeling that only teachers know ... she li
be missed."
Saran's funeral is 10 a.m. Tuesday at Acton United Methodist Sarah's
Church.

## Big Sandy gill killed when hit by train

BIG SANDY - A 12-year-old girl was killed when she stumbled
in front of a Union Pacific freight train on a trestle over the Sabine River Sunday afternoon.
Rayleen Redford, who was airlifted to East Texas Medical
Center in Tyler, died at 2 p.m., a hospital spokeson Center in Tyler, died at 2 p.m., a hospital spokeswoman said.
The incident, which occurred about an hour earlier, was still under investigation Sunday, Upshur County Sheriff's Deputy
Larry Fortson said. Larry Fortson said.
The accident occurred just south of Big Sandy on a train bridge
which runs parallel to Texas Highway 155. Big Sandy is 19 miles The accident occurred
which runs parallel to Texas Highway 155. Big Sandy is 19 miles
northeast of Tyler.
Big Sandy Fire Department Lt. Jesse Allen said the girl was Big Sandy Fire Department Lt. Jesse Allen said the girl was
among a group of children and one adult who were on the tresamong a group of chice the rive
Allen said that when the northbound train approached, the
children ran and jumped from the railroad track. He said children ran and jumped from the railroad track. He said
Rayleen stumbled at the last minute into the path of the itrain,
which struck one of her shoulders, causing her head to hit the ground.

## Whooping crane population is on the rise

AUSTIN - Slow expansion of the only remaining wild flock of
whoopting cranes thithe *orld has biologists wondering whether
 Bioldeists havacediunted " 159 whoopers, on the Texas Guiffcoast
and two more - one that wintered in the Texas PanhandleOklahoma area and another in Nebraska - for a total of 161.
But the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service had expected about 170 of the federally protected birds, including 15 to 20 young, tomake the trip last fall to the coast from their Canadian nesting
grounds.
The population has climbed gradually over two winter seasons. The population has climbed gradually over two winter seasons.
The winter of $1995-96$ saw 158 birds on the coast; 133 came the previous year.
"It's a step refuge biologist, said. "But we were hoping for a substantial increase."
Stehn
Stehn counts the 5 -foot-tall birds every few weeks each season
from a low- and slow-flying Cessna 172 rented in from a low- and slow-flying Cessna 172 rented in Rockport.
Sixten of the 1996.-97 fock, whose adults are white with red
foreheads, were rust-colored juveniles, said Lee Ann Linam, a foreheads, were rust-colored juveniles, said Lee An
biologist for Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.
Republic of Texas members gather for different image in East Texas unity meeting KILGORE (AP) - The 300 or
so Republic of Texas members Lisa McAlister, who made the
$100-$ mile trip from Paris, said: "I who met at a rally struck a
strikingly different pose from the gun-toting separatists who
kept law enforcement officers at Thy for a week. ight Sunday and more people n T-shirts and jeans than cam In fact participants representing three factions of the separatist group
that believes Texas was illegal that believes Texas was illegalin 1845 were focused on getting their message out. opportunity to tell people that's not what the Republic of Texas
is about," said Dan Miller chairman of the Gregg County
Constitutional Committee for he Republic of Texas. bout freedom and the truth." Most of the grievances voiced Sunday sounded much like the
ones heard at any town meeting ones heard at any town meeting
frustration with the crime rate and the judicial
along with high taxes. "I'm old enough to remember streets safely at night," Leo
Holley said when he took the

think the people need, a voice,
and I think you are the voice The standoff in the Davis
Mountains, which ended peacefully Saturday, was barely men tioned.
Richard McLaren and three Richard
others
abandoned and three "embassy," a trailer in the signing a cease-fire document. McLaren's wife surrendered But two men disappeared hours before the surrender into hours before the surrender into ing green camouflage. Richard
Frank Keyes III and Mike Frank Keyes III and Mike
Matson were believed to be car rying two rifles and a 9 mm pisBoth Miller and Archie Lowe,
president of a Republic of Texas president of a Republic of Texas
faction that impeached Caction that impeached
McLaren, said they were glad it was over. Others said they were worried that the group's image Although billed as a meeting to discuss reunification, few of the speakers addressed that opic and none of the leaders present offered any proposals.
Lowe said he just came to lis-

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| SPECIALIST! |  | Senate prepares to move tax plam

 districts would continue to tax residential property for, so-
called M\&O purposes, although at lnwer levels. Local districts.also would con-
tinue to tat pidentlal and business property for school
debt purposes. Both plans would encourage those rates to state funds to coverering more Replacing the local business
property tax would be a property tax would be a
statewide business property tax, set lower than the current aver
age local rate. Under curre districts with an abundance of taxable property are forced to
share their income with so hare their income with so
called property poor school discalled property poor school dis
tricts. House leaders say their plan would de away with that
system, called Robin Hood system, called Robin Hood.
Senate leaders object, calling Senate leaders object, calling
he House proposal the Mothe the House proposal the Mother and delivering to the poor, the
House plan would take from The Senate plan senators. esidential and business propery to local districts to tax for oth debt and M\&O. It would schools subject to Robin Hood by changing the definition of property rich school districts.
House leaders call that House leaders call that an Meanwhile, Gov. George w the sidelines, cheering the effort but endorsing neing the effort but endorsing neither plan.
Bush started the whole debate mose than a year ago and pro-
posed own plan in January It was quickly set aside, gather
ing more dust than support. In more dust than support. decipher how the final product
affects their pocketbooks. Both plans have been hailed and denounced for the way they
treat business and residential

## McLaren's next battle will be waged in courts

FORT DAVIS-After years of
clogging up the courts with bogus filings and tiens, the
leader of a group of Texas secessionists is now at the mercy of a
justice system he says he just respect.
As Richard McLaren vowed to wage his legal battle from behind bars, two armed mem-
bers of the Republic of Texas faction remained on the loose today. Richard Keyes III, 21 and group's remote hideaway hours before the others surrendered peacefully on Saturday
Authorities watched them dis Authorities watched them dis
appear separately into the ppear separately into the
mountains, letting them go to avoid jeopardizing the negotiaPons with McLaren.
Police said they didn Poice said they didn't know if the men were together in the
rugged Davis Mountains of west

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$\qquad$ dragged into court.
"We're still moving forward.
We've not stopped it," he told We've not stopped it," he told
NBC News on Sunday. He said
he will try to move into courts "because the courts in ut it's all just stanting," said andall Kinzie. "We haven't "I expect apick McLaren." appeals," adt appeals, appeals, Tweedy. "It's going to cost us millions. He's a very dedicated Like other members of the
Republic of Texas, McLaren
believes Texas was illegally believes Texas was inlegaren
annexed by the United States in annexed by the United States in
1845. But other factions have 1845. But other factions have
disavowed his actions; one even impeached" him. The standoff began last week
when McLaren's followers stormed the home of two neighbors and held the couple
hostage to protest of the arrest of a comrade, Robert Scheidt.
He was exchanged for the
hostages, but the standoff con.

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 Onte" the current balanced
budget agreement is in place, "we need to have a real biparti-
san process around entitlement
reform," Treasury reform," Treasury "Secretary
Robert Rubin said on ABC. Both sides predicted the bud-
get deal would have little troule winning passage in
Congress despite continued
complaints from both liberals complaints from both liberals Rep. Dan Burton, R-Ind, said
he expected 40 or 50 House Republicans to reject the pack
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three-room, board-and-batten shack like the one where a
champion was born champion was born. get here to see the Jesse Owens
statue and surrounding memorial park, a work in progress in
one form or another for 14 $\begin{array}{ll}\begin{array}{l}\text { lal park, a work in progress in } \\ \text { one form or another for 14 } \\ \text { years. Last June the Olympic }\end{array} & \begin{array}{c}\text { in my own heart. } \\ \text { The memory of it bothers me } \\ \text { even now, though this county }\end{array}\end{array}$

## Big foundati

congratulatory letter. She's fall that could result in one of the most decisive steps toward returning genuine self-govern

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It only prohibits them from getting into partisan politics. They don't. But they get into politics just the same in a huge
People are used to thinking
of taxe exempt foundations as benign philanthropic organiza
tions. Some of them are. But
the really big ones are mainly
torch passed through Oakville,
population 200, and Owens
widow and widow and a truckload of digunveiling.
I was in France. To be honest, missing Jesse's big day was the only thing I regretted
about leaving the country for a long vacation. I had gotten downright proprietary about
this particular story. I wanted this particular story. I wanted Oakville, the timely unveiling of the hard-won tribute. When school kids ask about
my favorite column of the past my favorite column of the pa
15 years, I have no ready 15 years, I have no ready
answer. I remember fondly many subjects, but so many times the most fascinating peo
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only disappointment in the columns that result from really big moments or complex characters.
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But I can tell them what I
consider to be the most impor tant column of my career. The
date was date was 1982, the dateline Oakville, the subject Jesse
Owens. The myth of the New South was punctured, at leas
what with eemed itself some enthusiasm for the new park But in 1982, it was a differen story.
When a group of citizens commissioned a memorial to native son Owens, white offl-
cials in the Lawrence County seat of Moulton would not allow it on the courthouse lawn. They feared, they said, A group of elderly black. Masons in Oakville made a place for it. They carved a half acre lot out of a cow pasture make a place for the small
obelisk. But before the unvei ing, hoodlums in a pickup truck pulled it down. ${ }^{\prime}$,. 1. was: these for the flrst cerg day. The Masons who had the pluck to see it through were theye. The idea for the larger,
fancier park wasn't hatched for several years, untitil the Olympic connection could be
made and ser made and state officials saw the sense of it.
As a Southerner, I always bristle at the suggestion $m$ region holds some kind of
monopoly on racism. It doesn

But what happened here in
North Alabama in 1982 had North Alabama in 1982 had a
nasty, anachronistic feel to it talk radio made blatant racism socially acceptable again.) It hurt to hear there remained such a ridiculous bias, espehero, the man who made Hitler look foolish, for heaven's sake.
Jesse Owens lived with Jesse Owens lived with his nine brothers and sisters in a
Oakville shack until the family moved to Cleveland in search of better opportunities. Jesse was only 9 at the time. This place remains a pocket
of high unemployment and low wages. Despite its physical wages. Despite its physical camase thid bliditin thie grim + any tourists might bring. Sta
of Alabama tourism ads use the Owens statue as an enticement.
Would Wouldn't it be sweet if the
memorial that some did not memorial that some did not
want brought better times to Lawrence County? Maybe the next Jesse Owens won't have to go north in search of a
decent life. c 1997 by Rheta Grimsley course. Johnson
U.S. policy
into influencing public policy.
Some of the worst things that have happened to America hap pened because the elite used
foundations to persuade the government to adopt those poli
cies.
The Panama Canal giveaway, for example, followed a foundation study. In fact, the new
treaty is almost word for word a draft of the proposed treaty written
study.
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study.
The government's nasty habi The government's nasty habit
of taking land away from peo-
ple without ple without compensation in the name of environment or
historical preservation is the result of a foundation study. Most of the opposition to getting immigration under control comes from organizations heav
ily funded by the Ford Foundation. Many of the environmental extremist groups are funded by foundations. Some
foundations fund the political foundations fund the political
right. Some foundations fund the political left.
In fact, no foundation should fund anything political. They should be restricted to feeding
the hungry, clothing the naked the hungry, clothing the naked,
healing the sick or supporting the arts. Otherwise, their tax exemption should be yanked.

State University professor,
explains in his excellent series of books, "Who's Running America?"' (Prentice Hall), just
how foundations are used by how foundations are used by
the elite to impose their policy ideas on the American people. He quotes one foundation mogul as saying their role "is
to identify, support and bring to identify, support and bring
to fruition certain ideas that the government may later implement." May, heck.
The elite uses the founda tions, not only for tax break purposes, but mainly to funnel corporate and personal wealth into the policy-making process. grants they can direct university research and get books written that support their ideas. They fund policy planning outoutfits that will lobby and file lawsuits.
It is ind
It is indeed through the foundation that the hidden hand of elite impose what is really an oligarchic rule on Americans who imagine they still have a democracy.
There is.
There is, as Dye points out, a
constant flow constant flow of the elite and
their technocratic servent their technocratic servants between foundations, policy
outfits and government. Alice
ivlin, whom President Clinton ust appointed as vice chairnan of the Federal Reserve Board, was a director of the later held several other posts in government. Clintor's buddy Vernon Jordan was a Rockefeller Foundation direc-
tor as well as executive director of the Urban League. In other words there is a constant circulation of more or
less the same elite who in determine U.S. policy while we peasants are left to debate irrel evant issues the elite doesn't care about - for example, gay
rights and women's rights. rights and women's rights.
And the foundation mogul are gearing up to oppose the hearings. Peter Goldmark, cur Rockefeller Foundation, sounded the alarm about congressional hearings at a two-day meeting at Harvard University this month.
How dare
en the elite us peasants threat policy!
Support Johnson. She's going
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# SPORTS  <br> $\square$ 

SuperSonics ready for Barkley's mouth, physical playing style


# Clark uses bat and glove to power Texas to victory 




## Crank dived to get the grounder. then outraced

 "It was tough to see but I just dove for the ball, got up and then it ws a foot race to the Wetteland called Clark's stop the game. This team playsgreat defense. It's one of the great defense. It's one of the The Rangers just find ways to beat teams.'
It was a t
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take the point guard out of the
game if he wants to. He's the best player in the Western that all year
Seattle will
ary strategy and its customon Drexler and Barkley.
it's more you have three stars, and not give them the same
feel, the same look," Seattle coach George Karl said.
"The only one we're sistent on is Hakeem. We will
double him. With Barkley and
Clyde, we might have different
times. "But we've had so much success getting to
Cummings says the Rockets are more pote.
in the lineup.
"He presents something
new," cummings said. "He is
new, Cummings said. "He is
more mobile and passes the
ball well
ball well. He can change the
course of a game with his passcourse of a game with
ing and rebounding."
Olajuwon
points and averaged only 10
against Seattle in the reunular
season, far off his season aver
"I think it might be more of
an offensive game that people an offensive game think," Karl said.
"They have got
matchup of offensive matchup of offensive players in have to make more shots than cessful."
The So
The Sonics are coming off a
tough 5 -game series with the Phoenix Suns, whom
defeated $116-92$ Saturday defeated 116-92 Saturday.
The Rockets swept Minnesota
3.0 and come into the series 3-0 and come into the series
with five days rest.
That could be

## Sports Briers

## From staff and wire reports

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## Lady Steers banquet

The Big Spring High School Lady Steers' ath-
letic banquet will be held at 7 p.m. May 12 in
letic banquet will be held at 7 p.m. May 12 Tickets are $\$ 8.50$ per sale and on sale a
Athletic Supply. Faye's Flowers, Neal's Sporting

Amistead fees effective June 2
Boating fees previously announced for Amistad
National Recreation Area will go into effect June
Every motorized craft that requires a state Boaters on Lake Amistad can choose between
purchasing a $\$ 4$ daily permit or a $\$ 40$ annual perpurchasing a $\$ 4$ daily permit or a $\$ 40$ annual per-
mit. Valid Golden Age and Golden Access pass-

The Coahoma Bulldogettes' Class 2A quarterfi-
nal playoff with Hawley will be held at 5:30 p.m.
terfinals by defeating Blanco
downed Natalia by a 16 -1 score
The wi
Club hosts workshop
The Howard County 4-H shooting club will a.m. $1: 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. at the R.C. Thomas Shooting Anyone between the ages $8-18$ who wants to who want to learn to shoot trap or skeet are All equipment will be provided, but er must be accompanied by an adult.
For more information, contact Van Gaskins at
353-4598, Larry Romine at $459-2435$ or the Howard 353-4598, Larry Romine at 459-2435 or the Howard

## Klle blanks Marlins

HOUSTON - Darryl Kile has always had the
stuff to be a winner. Now his head seems to be catching up to his arm. hew to pitch," Houston second baseman Craig Biggio said after Kile
pitched a four-hit shutout against Florida on
Sunday night, pitched a four-hit shutout against Florida on
Sunday night, outdueling Marlins ace Kevin "He's always had outstanding stuff and he's putting it all together

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 Ninblow it, and if I let up any, they were it, and if Ilet up any, they
woing to drive by me. It's been so long since we've won a
race, there was a tremendous race, there was a tremendous
amount of pressure on me," he samoun. Despite leading all but tive of Mart Supermarkets 300 and Mart Supermarkets 300 and holding off a charging Jeff
Gordon at the finish, Martin
needed reasgurance that his 42 . needed reassurance that his 42 .
race drought was over. "When I crossed the line, 1 screamed on the radio, "Did we
win?") Martin said. "I can't
believe it"' win?
believe it."
Despite
Despite 19 career victories,
Martin hadn't won a NASCAR Martin hadn't won a NASCAR
Winston Cup race since Oct. 8 ,
 on lap 48.
He started second on the grid, beside Martin and
Gordon and Labonte
Wallace took the lead from Martin on the third lap, but locked his brakes and slid into Wallace soon was back on the Ford belched a terminal puff of smoke and he limped to the
garage area, leaving Martin garage area, leaving Martin,
Labonte and Gordon out in
front of the 44 -car field. Wallace thought he had
Martin outgunned for a second
straight year until he beat him- <br> <br> <br> \section*{<br> <br> \section*{<br> \section*{\section*{ <br> <br> <br> \section*{<br> <br> \section*{<br> \section*{\section*{ <br> <br> <br> \section*{<br> <br> \section*{<br> \section*{\section*{ <br> <br> <br> \section*{<br> <br> \section*{<br> \section*{\section*{ <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br>  <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br>  <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br>  <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br>  <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br>  <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br>  <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br>  <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br>  <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br>  <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br>  <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br>  <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br>  <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br> <br>  <br> <br> <br> <br> 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Blackmar wins playoff over Sutherland to take Houston Open
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Popularity is high, and you
visualize life much differently than your friends. Anothe
wants to be aggressive and wants to be aggressive an would rather lie back and kee quiet. A partner would appreci ate a fresh start; discussion
need to involve common goals. need to involve common goals. SAGITTARTUS (Nov. 22-Lec.
${ }^{21}$ Get down to work, but take care to pace yourself. A bos
pushes you hard; as a resul you try new paths. Sor through messages and calls
Others seem to want you Others seem to want you
attention, and as soon as poss ble. Make time for a leisurely lunch break. Tonight: Get plen
ty of rest.***. Cy of rest. 19) Your determination is touch ing to another, and tends to open doors. You will find ther are other ways to handl
uncomfortable situations.

## Check out what is going o behind the scenes at work. more feedback you get, the be ter off you are. Tonigh ter off you are. Tonight Playfulness works won

AqUARTUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) A partner initlates a conve sation, and you are stunned by
your response to him. It's time your response to him. It's time have many opportunitites; make
choices accordingly. Get ready choices accordingly. Get ready opportunity. Tonight: You ari happiest at home.**)
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
Initiate conversations. You Initiate conversations. Yo even if he is being rathe brazen and in your face righ now. Focus is important; 11step to your inner thoughts. Remain
centered and stable. You lana on your feet no matter what Tonight: Chat over dinner. ${ }^{* * * i t}$ BORN TODAY
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## Couple's summer sowing yeilds unexpected harvest

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in my early 20s. At the end of after Christmas. in my early 20s. At the end of beach resort where I met an
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number and prom the baby to be af
Our b
phone, because he has a very
distinctive voice. He was very rude to me, sald I had a wrong number and hung up. I never
got a chance to tell him about
Abby, I'm not looking for any
support from this man, because support from this man, because it was my moral obligation to
inform Jordan that he is going likely a girl. Part of is most likely a girl. Part of me says,
"Keep this little girl all to yourself. Jordan will only ydeny her "Tell him and let him dart says, it." I also worry about what I will tell my daughter when she
is old enough to ask who her daddy is. Jordan is not good father material, so I may be
doing my daughter a favor if I F YOUR CLASSIFIEI
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## n't tell him.

Abby, please help. I am very
ambivalent. -- TO TELL OR DEAR TOLL TELL OR NOT TO

made big plans .. expensive
plans. If I could somehow tell plans. If I could somehow tell that would make things more
the dutch, affordable.
I really don I really don't want to ask her
on the stipulation that we are on the stipulation that we are I think of her as more than that. Please help me, Abby. What should
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DEAR PEN DEAR PENNILESS: unfortunate that what was once a carefree rite of passage that has become such an elaborate ritual that it is now beyond the means of many.
However, since that is the However, since that is the
reality of the 'gos, talk to the young lady and teli her exactly what you have told me. It's possible that she won't mind going
dutch, and might even voluindutch
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Hemisphere,
Columbus $\begin{gathered}\text { Christopher }\end{gathered}$ On May 5, 1961, astronaut Jamaica. Jamaica.
In 1818 , political philosopher Karl Marx was born in Prussia.
In 1821 . Napoleon Bonaparte died ir exile on the island of St. Helen.
In f862, Mexican forces $10 y a l$ to Benito Juarez defeated
French troops sent by Napoleon French troops sent by Napoleon In 1891, Carnegie Hall (then
named Music Hall) had its opening night in New York City. In 1892, Congress passed the Geary Chinese Exclusion Act,
which required Chinese in the which required Chinese in the
United States to be registered or face deportation.
In 1925, John T. Scopes was arrested in Tennessee for teach-
ing Darwin's theory of evoluIn 1942, sales of sugar
resumed in the United States resumed in the United States
under a rationing program. In 1945, in the only fatal
attack of its kind during World attack of its kind during World
War II, a Japanese balloon bomb exploded on Gearhart Mountain in Oregon, killing the
pregnant wife of a minister and five children. West German
In 1955, Went In 1955,
became a sovereign state.
In 1981, Irish Republican Army hunger-striker Bobby Sands died at the Maze Prison
in Northern Ireland on his 66th day without food.
In 1991, New York City's In 1991, New York City's
Carnegie Hall celebrated its centenncert.
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Ten yer sional Iran-Contra hearings opened with former Air Force
Maj. General Richard V. Secord as the lead-off witness. The federal government began a year-
long amnesty program offering long amnesty program, offering
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grants who met certain condiFive years ago: President
Bush and Bush and Democrat Bill Clinton Indiana, North Carolina and the
In District of Columbia.
One year ago: Israel and One year ago: Israel and the
Palestinians began the final stage of their peace talks in
Taba, Egypt. The FBI released preliminary figures showing that serious crimes reported to
police fell for the fourth straight year in 1995.
Today's Birthdays: Actress
Alice Faye is 82. Actor Darren Alice Faye is 82. Actor Darren
McGavin is 75 . Acter McGavin is 75. Actress Ann B.
Davis is 71. Actress Pat Carroll is 70. AFL-CIO president John J. Sweeney is 63 . Singer
Johnnie Taylor is Johnnie Taylor is 59. Actor
Michael Murphy is 59. Singer Tammy 1 Wynette is 55 . Comedian-actor Michael Palin is 54. Actor Jean-Pierre Leaud
is 53. Actor John Rhys-Davies is is 5 . Actor Roger Rees is 53 . Rock singer Ian McCullough (Echo
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