## Guess upset over suggestion to rescind bid approval, pulls lone bid on Palmer House

By CARLTON JOHNSON

Staff Writer

A recent suggestion by delinguent tax attorney Drew Mouton that the Howard County

Commissioners' Court rescind its approval of the \$1,001 bid by former City Councilman Tom Guess on the old Palmer House Hotel has prompted Guess to withdraw his bid on the proper-

The city of Big Spring, along with the county, Howard College and the Big Spring Independent School District are the taxing entities that have to approve the



**GUESS** 

property before it can be sold. Guess'

was the only one submitted on the property, which in his estimation is in terrible condition and not much worth more than what he bid.

Mouton told commissioners he thought all of the taxing entities could get more out of the property than \$1,001, which was the

bids on the basis for his suggesting the bid not be accepted, but commissioners were reluctant to change their position since they had already expressed their approval of the bid.

> In a letter to Mouton withdrawing his bid, Guess stated, "My main interest was to make a viable piece of property (of the Palmer House) to better service the city and downtown area. This would also increase the tax base and give me a real chal-

According to Guess, the property has approximately \$11,000 in back taxes on it and lots that would have been the parking ing of the various taxing entities area for the property have already been sold.

"Several people had been asking about the property so it was put up for bids," Guess said. "Anything below what was owed on it in taxes would have to have been approved by the various taxing entities."

"From a sheer business standpoint, considering the condition of the building and the fact that the parking lots have already been sold, I don't think it's worth any more," Guess added.

According to Guess, he was told that there would be a meettoday, but he had not received a notification of the meeting.

"Considering the fact that the delinquent tax attorney (Mouton) is asking the taxing entities to turn down a viable bid, there are just too many unknown factors coming down in this situation and it's not worth me risking my life savings," Guess said.

"I've been in Big Spring for 30 years and I have a reputation of doing what I say I'll do, which means I would die and go to hell rather than break my promise of restoring the building," Guess added. "I would have liked to have taken the building and done something with it."

Guess said he has a silent partner interested in the deal, but they are nervous about the city codes and the way the situation is being handled.

"I'm especially nervous about they way the city is coming down on Al Moore and his situation with the Permian building." Guess said.

Guess said the city has sold delinquent tax properties in the past that were in much better condition and for a lot less money than what he bid.

# verdict reaction consistent

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) One by one, the families lined up at the slippery elm that had outlived the Oklahoma City bombing. They came to nourish it with water representing tears they had shed for the dead.

Some poured all they had, symbolizing the grief they had resolved. Others sprinkled only a few drops; some tears will never be forgotten. Slowly, the ground beneath the tree became muddy

"I really feel like I can go on with my life now," said Dan McKinney, whose wife, Linda, and niece, Shelly, were killed in the blast on April 19, 1995.

McKinney emptied about three-quarters of his bottle of



**HERALD file photo** 

Timothy McVeigh is escorted from the Perry, Okla. courthouse following his initial arrest. He was found guilty on 11 counts Monday in Denver.

## Local residents in agreement with guilty verdicts

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN

By CARLTON JOHNSON

Recent thunderstorms that

blanketed many counties in

the 30-county High Plains area,

including Howard County,

don't seem to have adversely

affected the final days of plant-

According to Plain Cotton

Growers Inc. (PCG) officials in

Lubbock, approximately 85

percent of the High Plains area

have completed planting for

"We still have a couple of

areas that are experiencing

planting delays, but for the

most part things seem to be on

track," PCG representative Shawn Wade said.

In Howard County, 60 to 65

percent (120,000 acres to 130,000

acres) of an estimated 200,000

acres have been planted

because of good moisture and

good planting conditions. Only

about 130,000 of the available

According to local agricultur-

acres last year were planted.

ing the 1997 cotton crop.

the 1997 growing season.

Staff Writer

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Features Editor

Some Big Spring residents on Monday **said if they had been on Tim McVeigh's** jury, the decision would have been the same as that rendered in a federal courtroom in Denver.

Of a group of locals interviewed at random Monday, most said they agreed with the guilty verdicts.

"I think the evidence was there," said Fredi Reed. "From the truck rented in his alias to the material found on his clothes, it looked like everything was set up and in line. If he hadn't bombed there, he was planning to bomb somewhere.'

"I believe he did it," agreed Craig Frank.

"I'm just waiting to see what they give him for it. I think the jury took enough time on it, and looked at it real close.

Frank's choice for punishment is the have to go through another trial." death penalty.

Several others agreed.

perature for planting cotton is

around 70 degrees and soil tem-

perature is rising around the

very well where cotton is con-

cerned," Assistant County

Agent Keith Klement said.

the ground, the rows are look-

ing good and the soil tempera-

ture is good because the out-

side air is warming up. Now

what we need are some 85-

degree and 90-degree weather."

drought, nearby Martin

County only benefited from a

final count of 50,000 planted

acres last year, but has already

planted approximately 50 per-

cent of its 130,000 plantable

One problem cotton produc-

ers hope to not have on their

minds for very long, despite a

recent Texas Supreme Court

decision, is that of a workable

boll weevil eradication pro-

The boll weevil eradication

acres for 1997.

As a result of last year's

"Plants are two inches out of

"Things are coming along

"I think he ought to get the death penalty," said Rosie Posey. "Anybody that kills that many people doesn't deserve to live." Most of those interviewed said the jury

appeared to take the case very seriously. 'They were real attentive to it," said Dean Turner. "From what I heard, the evidence was all there. I'm glad they didn't take too

much time with it." "I kind of thought it was going to come out a hung jury," said Shanon Tissue. "It

County cotton planting reaches 60-65 percent

al officials, the ideal soil tem- bill introduced by State Sen.

was taking a while for them to decide.' But the outcome, she said, was worth the See LOCAL, Page 2

tutional.

include:

Agriculture.

Robert Duncan and signed into

law by Gov. George W. Bush

just as the 75th Texas

Legislature Session ended

means more flexibility for

farmers and more state control

Duncan's bill (SB 1814) was

in direct response to the Texas

Supreme Court's recent deci-

sion declaring the previous

eradication program unconsti-

The new law addresses sever-

Provisions of the law

· Control of the program

being under the umbrella of

the Texas Department of

· Elimination of the power to

destroy the cotton crops of

farmers who fail to pay fees,

instead allowing for a lien to

be placed against those crops.

Specifying that farmers

delinquent on payments can

not be sued for past-due assess-

ment collections, and that

al concerns mentioned by the

court in its decision.

of the eradication program.

"I feel like he was guilty, and I think they proved that. I'm glad the families don't

"I'm glad it's over with," agreed Pat Rhoton. "I'm really just thankful that this part is over, for the families involved."

"I'm glad he was (found guilty)," said Virginia Duron, adding that she has not been keeping up with news reports about

"It was just too much for me," she said. What happened to all those people, to those babies ... I have a lot of grandchildren. Something like that was just too much."

"We always have to hope we got the right

eradication zone.

numbers.

Dickens,

Lynn,

Gaines.

farmers will not be refunded

for past assessment payments.

ry committee in each regional

· Establishment of an adviso-

While the legislation was

being passed, traps have con-

tinued to catch boll weevils,

which are estimated to cause

more than \$20 million a year to

According to PCG officials,

weekly boll weevil trap catches

indicate weevils are continu-

ing to emerge from overwinter-

ing habitats in increasing

The latest boll weevil

trapline figures, according to

PCG (for the week of May 26

through May 30) show that in

the surrounding High Plains

area, weevils were caught in

the counties of Howard Martin,

Andrews, Borden, Dawson,

Midland, Castro, Swisher, Briscoe, Hall, Bailey, Lamb,

Hall, Floyd, Motley, Cochran,

Hockley, Lubbock, Crosby,

Yoakum, Terry,

Garza, Kent, and

the state's top cash crop.

# **Beals Creek**

### City to get \$1.9 million credit from Corps for use of landfill

By CARLTON JOHNSON

Staff Writer

The city of Big Spring has been informed

by the U.S. Army Corps of **Engineers** that it will receive \$1,896,960 credit for the use of its landfill for the Beals Flood Creek Control Project.

Mayor Tim BLACKSHEAR

Blackshear announced this morning that the Corps District Engineer Col. Peter Madsen notified City Manager Gary Fuqua of the decision last week.

"While the actual amount of credit will not be known until the construction contract is **complete** next spring, the Corps' credit to the city is based on 130,000 cubic yards of contaminated soil going into the city's landfill," Blackshear said.

According to Blackshear, the Corps has also announced some progress on negotiating the contract modification for the additional contaminated soil.

"The contractor's initial proposal was about \$3.9 million," Blackshear said. "After negotiating, the contractor has revised his proposal to \$2.5 million. The Corps is waiting on an audit of the contractor's proposal and anticipates completing the modification by the end of August."

The Beals Creek Project includes 7,280 feet of grass lines channel with a 20-foot bottom width and a drop structure at

To accommodate the railroad that runs parallel to the creek. the project includes a vehicle access bridge and relocation of a railroad bridge.

Because of the additional petroleum contamination discovered last July, excavation quantities have increased more than five times from the original contract volume.

"To help the Corps in dealing with the additional contaminated soil volume, the city has recertified its landfill," Blackshear said. "This recertification allows the landfill to accept soils that do not exceed total petroleum hydrocarbon (TPH) of 600 parts per million."

Additionally, the city has acquired easements from the railroad and adjoining landowners for construction of remediation areas.

The original contract awarded by the Corps totaled \$5,734,529, but with additional soil contamination, that cost has doubled to \$11,482,800.

"The city's agreement (for its share of the project costs) still requires a 25 percent participation with a 5 percent cash contribution," Blackshear said. "With the Corps credit, the city will meet most of its cost increase as lost income at the landfill associated with accepting the contaminated soil."

According to Blackshear, the city and the Corps now estimate the actual cash contribution required of the city will be \$574,140, an increase of \$287,414 from the original contract.

Currently, a half mile of the project's channel is complete, but the toughest part of the project is ahead, including the vehicle access bridge.

#### the outlet of One Mile Lake. Coahoma enlists Region 18 in superintendent search

By JOHN A. MOSELEY

**News Editor** 

Coahoma Independent School District (CISD) trustees, meeting in special session Monday, contracted with the Region 18 **Educational Service Center to** serve as a consultant in their search for a new superintendent.

Trustees met with Region 18 consultant Brian Labeff to discuss the upcoming superintendent search following last week's decision by L.D. Monroe to assume the duties as the district's assistant superintendent. "It was a mutual agreement,"

Monroe said of his decision to accept a two-year contract as assistant superintendent while there was still one year remaining on his contract as the CISD's top administrator.

There's only one member of the board remaining that was on the board when I was hired," Monroe added. "I just felt like this board wanted to hire its own superintendent."

While the district has not previously had an assistant superintendent. Monroe noted that it has had a curriculum director and a business manager.

Neither of those administrative positions were filled when they became vacant. Both Monroe and board members indicated many of the assistant superintendent's duties will be involved in those areas.

Key's attorneys granted 90-day extension in appeal







gram.







Tonight, isolated evening thunderstorms, otherwise partly cloudy Low in the upper 60s. Wednesday, partly cloudy. High 95-100. Low in the 60s. Extended forecast, Thursday through Saturday, partly cloudy. Lows in the 60s. Highs in the 90s.

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To reach all departments, please call 263-7331

#### By CARLTON JOHNSON

Staff Writer

Attorneys for Yale E. Key Inc. have been granted an extension to file their statement of facts in the Eleventh District Court of Appeals in Eastland in connection with a \$1.5 million judgement against the firm.

The company is appealing the decision last December of a Howard County jury that awarded Billie Strickland, Connie Moore and Eugenia Andrews \$1.5 million in connection with the April 1995 death of Roy E.

'Gene' Strickland. The extension was granted last

Thursday and is valid until Sept.

According to the clerk of the court, 118th District court reporter Karen Freeman needs the extended time to prepare the statement of facts requested by Key attorney Ben Taylor because of the current workload

in the court. On Dec. 19, the jury awarded Strickland's family \$1.5 million in the retrial of the wrongful death suit brought against Key after Strickland's death while

working for Key in Forsan. Key was originally found not

at fault during a June 1996 trial, but on Sept. 23, 1996, the company was found to have withheld evidence in the first trial.

Key was accused of not naming employee Jack Morris when plaintiffs asked the defense to state the name, address and phone number of all employees or independent contractors providing tire repair for Key's Forsan yard during five-year period preceding Strickland's

Failure on the part of Key to

do this was found to be unjustified by 118th District Judge Robert Moore III. Strickland's family argued that

disclosing Morris' name would have caused a different judgment to have been rendered. Originally, a \$6 million wrong-

ful death suit was filed by Billie Strickland, Strickland's widow, and her daughters Connie Moore and Eugenia Andrews in connection with her husband's death. Strickland was killed when a multi-piece rig tire he was repairing for the oil well

service company exploded.

#### **O**BITUARIES

Jose I. "Jody" Hernandez, III

Rosary for Jose I. "Jody" Hernandez, III, 29, Big Spring. was 8 p.m. Monday, June 2,

1997, at Myers Smith Funeral Chapel. Funeral Mass was 11 a.m. today, at Immaculate **Heart of Mary** Catholic Church with Jerry McCarthy, pastor, officiating.



Burial was in Mount Olive Memorial Park. Mr. Hernandez died Friday, May 30, in Fort Worth follow-

ing an automobile accident.

He was born on March 19, 1968, in Big Spring. He was a lifetime resident of Big Spring and was Catholic.

Survivors include: Jose Hernandez, Jr., Las Vegas, Nev., his grandmother, Dora Hernandez, Big Spring, and his grandfather, Jose Hernandez, Sr., Phoenix, Ariz.

Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel. Paid obituary

Ellis Wayne Dyer Graveside service for Ellis Wayne Dyer, 63, Ackerly, will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 4, 1997, in the Ackerly Cemetery with Rev. Gerald Parsons offici-

Mr. Dyer died Monday, June 2, at St. Mary of the Plains Hospital.

He was born on June 7, 1933. in Wewoka, Okla. He was a veteran of the US Army. He was a member of the Church of Christ and was an oil field pumper.

Survivors include: two daughters, Elizabeth A. Lawlis, Bandera, and Rita Jean Sadicarios, Dallas; one sister, Alta Gebhart, Wichita, Kan.; two brothers, Raymond Dyer, Baltimore, Md., and Alvin Dyer, Oklahoma City, Okla.; and two grandchildren.

Arrangements under the direction of Branon Funeral Home, Inc., Lamesa.

**Mary Wilma** Crayton Graveside service for Mary

Wilma Crayton, 85, Big Spring, will be 11 a.m. Wednesday, June 4, 1997, at Fairview

Cemetery in Midland. M r

Crayton died Monday, June 2, in a Lamesa nursing center

She was born on Aug. 4, 1911, in Ellis CRAYTON

County, and married William W. "Bill" Crayton on April 21, 1945, in

#### **MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME** & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288

Jose "Jody" Hernandez III, 29, died Friday. Funeral Mass was A.M. Tuesday at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church with interment at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

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



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

Mary Wilma Crayton, 85, died Monday. Graveside sorvices will be 11:00 AM Wednesday at Fairview Cemetery in Midland.

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Midland. He preceded her in

death on July 13, 1968. She

lived in Midland from 1939 to

1979 when she moved to Big

Spring. She attended the Big

Spring Senior Center and vol-

unteered there for about 13

Arrangements under the

water at the base of the tall,

leafy "survivors' tree" that

stands across the street from

where the Alfred P. Murrah

building was reduced to rubble.

He thought he might drink the

"That way it'll always be with

Relatives of the 168 people

who lost their lives gathered

here Monday night, hours after

the nation learned that Timothy

McVeigh, a 29-year-old Gulf

War veteran, had been convict-

Now the nation will wait

again as jurors decide whether

McVeigh will be sentenced to

die for the deadliest act of ter-

The verdict brought cheers

here and at the federal court-

house in Denver, where

McVeigh had been on trial

since April 24. After U.S.

District Judge Richard Matsch

left the bench, one man in the

courtroom raised both fists over

his head. People embraced and

Rudy Guzman, whose brother,

Marine Capt. Randy Guzman,

died in the bombing, stood sob-

bing outside the courthouse:

In Washington, President

Clinton said it was "a very

important and long overdue day

for the survivors and families of

those who died in Oklahoma

City." But he, too, acknowl-

edged that no verdict can end

"This brings some peace,"

said Deloris Watson, whose

grandson was severely injured

in the building's day care cen-

ter. "But my P.J.'s lungs are no

better than when the explosion

occurred. This will remain with

Aren Almon-Kok, whose 1-

year-old daughter, Baylee, died

in the blast, offered her thanks

"I don't think they're going to

regret this. They made the right

decision. He was guilty. I hope

he'll get the death penalty," she

A picture of Baylee as she was

carried lifeless from the build-

ing by a firefighter in one of the

most heartbreaking images of

the catastrophe. She was one of

"Years from now my kids are

going to open up their history

books and they're going to see

that picture, so I don't think I'm

ever going to be able to escape it

... I'm always going to miss

The attention now is on the

penalty for McVeigh. Like Ms.

Almon-Kok, many said he

"I don't think the convention-

al methods should be used. I

think they should amputate his

legs without anesthesia and

shove bamboo rods up his leg,"

said a tearful William Baay, a

rescue worker who had sifted

through the shattered concrete

"He killed my son and he's

not human now," said Charles

Tomlin, who lost his son, Ricky.

"He's an animal. Only an ani-

Inside his small, ranch-style

house in Pendleton, N.Y.,

McVeigh's father, William, qui-

etly watched the verdict on tele-

vision. Nearby was his daugh-

ter, Jennifer, who described her

brother's anti-government fer-

In a statement, they asked for

prayers on Timothy's behalf:

"Even though the jury has

found Tim guilty, we still love

him very much and intend to

stand by him no matter what

James Nichols, the brother of

co-defendant Terry Nichols,

said the trial proved nothing.

He accused the government of a

Wheat Furniture

and glass and twisted metal.

mal can do what he did.'

vor to jurors.

happens."

conspiracy.

should be shown no mercy.

Baylee," Ms. Almon-Kok said

this morning on NBC's "Today"

19 children who perished.

us for as long as we live.

''There's no relief at all.'

burst into tears.

the anguish.

to the jury.

show.

rorism in the United States.

ed of murder and conspiracy.

direction of Nalley-Pickle &

nieces and nephews.

Welch Funeral Home.

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**McVEIGH** 

me," he said.

years.

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one," said Dorothy Kennemur. "It seemed the evidence was clear this time. Now we will just have to see how it (the punishment phase) comes out."

Flynn Long said he hopes the decision will satisfy victims and Survivors include several their families.

"You hate to see vengeance," he said. "But on the other hand, I'm not surprised at all with the verdict. Hatred was what started this whole thing, his (McVeigh's) hatred against people he thought had done wrong.

#### BRIEFS

A RUMMAGE SALE STARTS at 9 a.m. Friday and Saturday to benefit First United Methodist Church's Kingdom Class

The sale is planned for the churh's youth hall. Donations of rummage items for this sale will be no longer needed after Wednesday.

THE FORSAN POOL WILL open Thursday for the summer, closing on Sunday, Aug. 10.

The pool will be open from 2 to 5 p.m. daily except Tuesdays. Daily admission charges are .50 cents for students and \$1 for adults. Season passes are available for individuals at \$20 and \$40 per family. Quests of Forsan students and residents must be accompanied by the host and must be approved by the pool director. There is also the possibility of opening the pool one evening per week for families to swim.

A bus for swimmers will leave the 87-20 Co-Op area at 1:40 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays and reach the pool at 2 p.m. The bus will leave the pool at 4 p.m. and return to the Co-Op area. Stops will be made at "the pad" on the way to and from the pool.

THE CITY OF BIG Spring will help local residents clean up their property during June.

Large item pickup and towing of "junk" cars will be available each weekend. Call code enforcement at 264-2505 to

HOWARD COLLEGE HAS PROGRAMS planned during the summer, including "Kids College" as well as children's dance and art classes for all ages

Children's dance classes will be in two sessions, beginning June 9. Ballet, jazz, and pre-ballet for beginners are among the offerings.

Art classes include cartooning, watercolor, drawing and commercial art/design. Several one-week sessions begin June

Kid's College starts June 9 with a variety of courses for those age 6-12.

For more information, call continuing education at 264-

#### SPRINGBOARD

IF YOU HAVE ANY CHANGES IN A SPRING BOARD ITEM OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, CON-TACT GINA GARZA, 263-7331 ext. 238, BETWEEN 8:30 A.M. AND 2 P.M. All Springboard items must be submitted in writing. Mail to: Springboard, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas 79720; bring it by the office at 710 Scurry; or fax it to 264-7205. TODAY

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

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

Spanish services. •Al-Anon, 8 to 9 p.m., 615

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

> Happy <u>50th</u> Wedding Anniversary!! Charles & Joyce Bruton



# ROUND THE TOWN

Church.

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

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

•VFW Post No. 2013, 7 p.m., VFW Hall.

•Cancer support group, 7 to 8 p.m., VA Medical Center room 213. Call Beverly Rice at 268

 Westside Community Center will have registration from noon to 5 p.m., 1311 W. Fourth. For more information call 263-

WEDNESDAY

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

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

**THURSDAY** •Good Shepherd Fellowship

Church, 610 Abrams, has services 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend. Spring Tabernacle Church,

1209 Wright, has free food for area needy, 10 a.m. to noon. •Big Spring Senior Citizens

Center art classed, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., 55 and older. Group for •Support

Depression, 7 p.m., Howard College room A-10. •Al-Anon, 8 to 9 p.m., Scenic

Mountain Medical Center small cafeteria. ·Alcoholics Anonymous, noon

to 1 p.m. open meeting, 615 Settles. 8 to 9 p.m. closed meeting at Scenic Mountain Medical Center cafeteria.

·Genealogical Society of Big Spring, 7:15, Howard County Library. Call Bernice Cason at 267-8542 or 267-7236. •Masonic Lodge No. 1340, 7:30

p.m., 2101 Lancaster. Call Preston Harris, 263-7136.

### MARKETS

July cotton 72.95 cents a pound, down 41 points; June crude oil 20.62, down 36 points; Cash hogs steady at \$1.50 higher at 55.50; slaughter steers steady at 64; June lean hog futures 80.60, down 27 points; June live cattle futures 64.22, down 17 points. courtesy: Delta Corporation

Noon quotes provided by Edward D. Jones & Co.

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#### Texas Lottery

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### POLICE

**Big Spring Police Department** officials reported the following activity during the 24-hour period ending at 8 a.m. Tuesday:

 AUTO ACCIDENT WITH INJURIES at the intersection of 17th and Gregg Streets. Reports show a 1990 auto, dri-

ven by Kelly Lee Robbins, 20, of 538 Westover, No. 127, and a 1986 auto driven by William James Peterson, 79, of Big Spring were both northbound in the 1700 block of S. Gregg when the two vehicles collided around 10:05 a.m. Monday. Robbins was taken to Scenic

Mountain Medical Center by ambulance where she was treated for her injuries and released.

 AUTO ACCIDENT WITH INJURIES at the intersection of Highway 87 and I-20.

Reports show a 1996 18-wheeler, driven by John Edward Carter, 69, of Greenville was turning onto the I-20 service road, and a 1991 auto driven by Michael Eugene Mendez, 21, of 2613 N. Highway 87, was southbound on Highway 87 when the two vehicles collided.

Mendez was taken to Scenic Mountain Medical Center where he was treated for his injuries and released. • CHRISTOPHER

RIVERA, 19, of 1807 Mittel,

was arrested on a charge of DIANE •NATASHA DANCER, 17, of 1803 Mittel, was arrested on a charge of

theft SAM DUNN, 59, address unknown, was arrested for public intoxication.

• JOE C. TORRES III, 20, address unknown, was released on bond from the city jail after being arrested on local war-

• FERMIN RODRIGUEZ, age and address unknown, was arrested for public intoxication. HARVEY GUERRERO, 18.

of 711 S. San Antonio, was arrested for failure to control speed, no insurance and no driver's license. He was later released on bond. ANTHONY PAUL MUNOZ,

arrested on a charge of criminal trespassing. ·RAUL GALVAN ANDRADE, 41, of Odessa, was arrested for failure to stay in a single lane, no insurance and

18, address unknown, was

• APRIL LEE JETTON, 19, of 2114-C Carl, was arrested on local warrants. She was later released after paying fines. TONY MORA TORRES, 17,

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who listed an address in the Apache Bend Apartments, was arrested on local warrants. • WESLEY KERBY, 19, of

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 SHOTS FIRED were reported in the 3900 block of Dixon. Officers investigating the incident found no evidence of a shooting.

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Monticello. JUVENILE PROBLEM in the 800 block of Owens and in . the 1500 block of Sycamore.

• LOUD PARTY/NOISE in the 1100 block of E. 13th and in the 1600 block of Owens. ASSAULT BY THREATS

in the 600 block of W. Third. ANIMAL PROBLEM in the 3600 block of La Juanta and in the 800 block of E. 13th.

### SHERIFF

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

 ELVA GARCIA VALEN-ZUELA, 29, of Andrews, was released from the Howard County Jail on \$1,000 bond after having been arrested for driving while license was suspend-

· EDUARDO PAREA, 36, of El Paso, was released from the county jail on \$1,000 bond. He had been arrested for driving, while intoxicated and speeding.

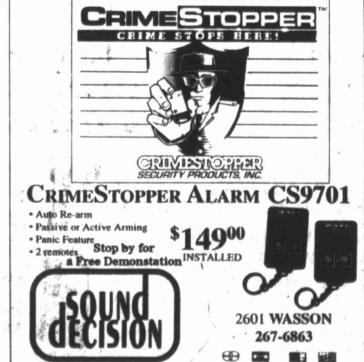
• TERRIE DEEANN ALLEN, 28, of 502 Lancaster, was released from the county jail on \$1,000 bond. She had been arrested for driving while license was invalid.

• EARL PERRY HANKE, 39, of HC 76, Box 135E, was released from the county jail on \$1,000 bond after having been arrested on a warrant charging him with possession of marijuana under two ounces. • RAYMOND TATE, 69, of

113 E. 18th, was released from the county jail on \$3,000 bond after having been arrested for driving while intoxicated. HEAD ·SHERYL BALTHROP, 30, of 5906 Ratliff Road, was released from the

county jail on \$1,500 bond after having been arrested on a Nolan County warrant. •FRANS HENDRIK GRABE, 32, of Kupportsie, South Africa, was released from the county

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# Near-sweep in Ontario returns Liberal Party to power in Canada

OTTAWA (AP) — Saved by a near-sweep of Ontario, the rul-ing Liberal Party headed back to power today with a slim victory in an election that fractured sharply along regional lines

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Prime Minister Chretien, whose Liberals barely won the minimum to govern without a coalition, was nearly defeated in his own Quebec district Monday after calling the election 18 months early on the assumption his Liberals would win handily.

Chretien's lackluster campaign raised doubts about whether he would remain at the helm of his party for his entire five-year term.

The right-wing Reform Party dominated western Canada and replaced the separatist Bloc Quebecois as the top opposition party. Two other parties, the Progressive Conservatives on the right and the New Democrats on the left, made impressive comebacks after having their ranks decimated by the Liberal landslide in 1993.

The end result of Monday's election is a weak federal government that will be heckled by four opposition parties in Parliament, including one party — the Bloc Quebecois that wants to secede from Canada entirely.

With voting polarized into regional blocs — Reform in the west, Liberals in Ontario, Canada's most populous province, and Bloc Quebecois in Quebec — it's not going to be easy for the ruling party to address any of Canada's substantial problems.

Those difficulties include a 9.6 percent unemployment rate, a floundering national health care system and constitutional disputes with Quebec sepa-

The Liberals emerged with only 155 of the 301 parliamentary seats at stake, down from 174. Voters in the Atlantic provinces tossed Liberal lawmakers out for not focusing on creating jobs and residents in Manitoba lashed back at them for launching the campaign

Liberals salvaged a win by grabbing 101 of Ontario's 103

during the century's worst

districts. Reform boosted their seats from 50 to 60, the Bloc Quebecois dipped from 50 seats to 44, the New Democrats surged from nine to 21 and the Conservatives Progressive came back from near-oblivion - two seats - to win 20. One independent was elected.

The Liberals captured 38 percent of the vote, while the Conservatives and Reform won 19 percent each and the New Democrats and the Bloc Quebecois both earned 11 percent. Support for Reform and the Bloc Quebecois translated into more seats because their voters were so concentrated.

Turnout was 67 percent, slightly below average. Farmers, native Canadians and other groups had complained bitterly that their concerns were ignored in a cam-

paign that paid little attention to issues other than national In a rambling acceptance speech, Chretien urged the

new, divided Parliament to work together but offered little hint to the priorities of his next "The Canadian people expect

all of us to carry out our responsibilities in accordance the longstanding Canadian values of tolerance, on in to victory.

openness, generosity and inclusion. That I will do," he promised.

Reform's leader, Preston Manning, had been accused by other candidates of running a bigoted campaign that played on anti-Quebec sentiment. Bloc leader Gilles Duceppe used Manning's contention that Quebec should not be given any special rights to press his case for independence.

"The hard line against Quebec in this campaign is the best proof that reconciliation is impossible," Duceppe said.
"For Quebeckers as a whole, there is only one option to come out of the constitutional quagmire and that is sovereignty for Quebec.'

Manning insisted the new Parliament would be able to work together despite its regional divisions.

"Some will say this new Parliament is a House divided." Manning said to the cheers of supporters in Calgary. "I say this is a season of transition. It is one to be welcomed rather than one to be feared."

Alexa McDonough, the New Democratic leader, reignited what many felt was a dying party by focusing on jobs. health care and education. Her party's strong showing in the Atlantic provinces was the surprise development of the elec-

"We are the only opposition party that can say we truly represent Canadians from coast to coast," she said. "And the message to the Liberals is, don't take us for granted."

For their part, Conservatives had to accept that once again, they divided the right-wing vote with Reform, often allowing Liberal candidates to walk

#### TEXAS BRIEFS

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Police arrest man in serial sex offender case HOUSTON - A man who posed as a truant

officer so successfully that a woman allowed him to take her child with him has been arrested on 12 charges and is believed to be a serial

Police arrested Christopher Warren Sharp, 30, Saturday on charges of impersonating a police officer. Monday, 11 charges of sexually assaulting children were added.

Sharp was arrested at his home after a caller to Crime Stoppers identified him as the man who posed as a truant officer to lure children to

Charges filed against Sharp after he appeared in a police lineup on Monday include aggravated kidnapping, attempted aggravated sexual assault, aggravated sexual assault of a child and indecency with a child.

The investigation that led to the arrest of Sharp began with sex crimes officers from the Houston Police Department and Harris County Sheriff's Department began working with Houston Independent School District officers.

Jostling under way over airline tax proposal

WASHINGTON — As the House tax-writing panel scrambles to put together an \$85 billion tax cut, a behind-the-scenes battle centers on the scope of airline ticket taxes, including one proposal that could raise taxes on domestic legs of international flights.

While the issue is far from settled, the airline industry and House Ways and Means Committee staff are poring over scores of options to revise the current taxes on airline tickets, which play a pivotal role in the balanced-budget agreement.

The stakes are huge. Discount air carriers complain they could be socked with \$550 million in higher taxes and other costs under a new airline tax formula advanced by seven big airlines, which assert they now pay a disproportionate

"We, like everyone else, are responding to various proposals" emanating from the House Ways and Means Committee and its staff, said D. Scott Yohe, a lobbyist for Delta Air Lines in Washington. "There have been a number of different proposals submitted out there.'

The issue is quickly coming to a head; the Ways and Means Committee is scheduled to finish work on a tax bill by June 13.

ATF's credibility attacked by judges, agents

WASHINGTON — Some unlikely sources are taking aim at the credibility of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.' Its own agents have challenged their bosses and several judges have weighed in with some harsh words of their

None of the agents or supervisors involved in a dozen cases — both criminal and civil — in which questions of credibility were raised has ever been disciplined, according to a review by The Associated Press.

The agency says problems are isolated given the thousands of cases it handles involving violent gunrunners, gang members and bombers — and that they are being blown out of proportion because of the recent negative spotlight cast on the bureau.

ATF agents were cited in 1996 for events that included drunkenness and racist behavior at gatherings dubbed "good ol' boys roundups" in Tennessee. And several were reprimanded for the botched 1993 raid on the Branch Davidian compound at Waco, Texas. In the latter, the government concluded ATF supervisors made false statements to cover up errors.

"Clearly, a public perception still persists about the agency stemming from Waco and the roundup, but nothing can be further from the

Out-of-state cases flooded Houston courts

**HOUSTON** — Attorneys representing nearly 3,000 out-of-state plaintiffs suing asbestos companies filed cases in Houston a day before Gov. George W. Bush signed a new law discouraging lawsuits by non-Texans.

State judges in Harris Gounty are now ordering attorneys to separate the plaintiffs in two of the largest lawsuits against 60 makers or distributors of asbestos related products. Many of the plaintiffs live in Southeastern states, primarily Alabama. The cases were filed last Wednesday, a day

before Bush signed into law a bill that would have blocked them. Supporters of the measure had argued that Texas courts have been swamped by outsiders "shopping" for venues and high-dollar verdicts. 'We anticipated some additional filings were

likely since we knew the change was effective with the signing of the bill by the governor,' said Wes McCoy, assistant chief deputy clerk for Harris County.

'We just had no way of knowing whether it would be 20 or 200 or 2,000 new cases. It has burdened our entire operation by having to field it with the normal work flow.

Malcolm X's grandson had troubles in Texas

SAN ANTONIO – Malcolm X's grandson, accused of setting a fire that critically injured his grandmother in Yonkers, N.Y., struggled in school and had encounters with police during his recent short stay in Texas.

Malcolm Shabazz, 12, named for his famous grandfather, was arrested Sunday after an early morning fire left Malcolm X's widow, Betty Shabazz, with third-degree burns over 80 per-

cent of her body. The youngster had returned to the New York City area about three weeks ago after a tumultuous five months living in San Antonio with his mother, Qubilah Shabazz, family friends

"Obviously, he did have some problems," said Chuck Andrews, president of Inner City Broadcasting Co. of San Antonio, which owns radio station KSJL, where Qubilah Shabazz worked before resigning last week.

Study: More angioplasties, better the patient DALLAS - Angioplasty patients whose doctors haven't had much experience with the artery-opening procedure are more likely to die or have complications, including heart attacks,

two studies published today found. The findings may intensify efforts already under way to require that cardiologists be certified for the procedure. Some doctors also suggest that physicians be required to tell patients how many times they have done specific procedures, and recommend limits on the number of

"It's a powerful report because it objectively describes what many patients, and physicians have felt, which is practice makes perfect or at interventional cardiology at the Scripps Clinic in California, who wrote an editorial accompanying the studies.

doctors nationwide who are allowed to perform

The studies in the American Heart Association journal Circulation, compared complication rates to the number of times per year physicians performed balloon angioplasty.

The nonsurgical technique is performed to reopen clogged arteries and prevent heart attacks. A balloon-tipped tube is threaded through blood vessels to a blockage in a diseased heart artery. There, the balloon is inflated to flatten the fatty material, reducing the blockage and restoring blood flow.

## French president Chirac hands over premiership after election defeat

PARIS (AP) — Conservative ond round. But it was not President Jacques Chirac, forced to share power with the Socialists who routed his party could quit. in national elections, handed over the premiership Monday to Juppe's ouster, his Socialist govern in a split government former opposition leader Lionel rival walked up the palace steps

Both Chirac and Jospin were tight-lipped about how they will govern together and battle the record unemployment that led to the right's downfall in Sunday's vote. Questions also remained over whether communists will join the Socialists in a

coalition government. A poll Monday confirmed job creation was the top priority for French voters, who overwhelmingly cited Jospin's promised job program for young people as their chief demand.

That and other Socialist campaign promises would reverse the conservatives' budget-cutting measures, which aimed to boost the private sector and qualify for the euro. The Europe's single currency planned for 1999 is part of an effort to turn the 15-nation European Union into an economic superpower.

"The New Chance," the leftist daily Liberation said in a headline Monday, after the left swept the right from power. Chirac had miscalculated in calling the vote 10 months early, hoping to save his crumbling majority in Parliament.

Monday began with Chirac's loyal lieutenant, Premier Alain Juppe, submitting his resignation at the president's Elysee Palace, giving the news media only a tight-lipped smile.

When the left took an early lead in the first round of voting on May 25, France's most unpopular premier in 40 years promised to resign after the sec-

enough for the right to survive: jobs. Voters fired him before he

to take power. A jubilant Jospin, talking to reporters on the steps, called his meeting with Chirac "excellent."

The 59-year-old Socialist said he will form a new government 'quickly, within the week," half the time he is allotted to do so. He did not elaborate, but he faces the tough task of forming a diverse, leftist coalition that can keep his promises.

The Socialist Party's No. 2 Vaillant, leader, Daniel appeared to be trying to temper high expectations.

"The French elected us to succeed, but they also know the road will be difficult," Vaillant told RTL radio.

The Socialists won 252 seats, short of the 289 needed for a majority. They'll need to gather support from among the communists, who won 38 seats; independent leftist parties with 16; and environmentalists with seven. The former governing center-right coalition won 243

The far-right National Front of Jean-Marie Le Pen took only one seat but played the spoiler, drawing votes from the centerright. Le Pen himself stayed out of the parliamentary election for the first time in three decades.

While communist leader Robert Hue has expressed hostility toward the sell-off of state industries and the euro currency, he sounded conciliatory Monday. Jospin has said he would not block existing privatizations and that he backs the

euro, though not at the cost of

Under French law, Chirac must wait a year to call elec-Barely two hours after tions again, and will otherwise with a leftist National Assembly until the next scheduled elections in 2002.

The president still maintains control of defense and foreign policy, and can thwart an opposition majority's domestic programs by blocking government decrees and slowing down the legislation process. France's stock market opened

sharply lower Monday; it had fallen several percentage points 'last week on the prospect of a leftist win. The franc slipped to 5.83 to the dollar from 5.77 on Friday amid concern over what Jospin's policy on the euro.

A poll Monday showed the main concern for French voters was that Jospin fulfill his promise to create 350,000 public jobs for young people. Jospin has also promised to create another 350,000 youth jobs in the private sector, and to cut the work week from 39 to 35 hours without a cut in pay.

The second-most important measure to voters was an increase of the minimum wage and retirement, picked by 55 percent of those surveyed by the agency Sofres for TF1 tele-

Asked if they felt Chirac should stay in office despite his coalition's defeat, 61 percent agreed. The poll, which questioned 1,000 people nationwide, had a margin of error of plus or minus 2-3 percent.

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## Report: Aberdeen Proving Grounds' general to retire after admission of committing adultery

NEW YORK (AP) — The com- crime by the military, but offimanding general of the Army's cials said Longhouser's offens-Aberdeen Proving Ground in es were not comparable to Maryland has decided to retire those committed by drill after admitting he committed adultery during a separation from his wife, The New York Times reported Tuesday.

Gen. John Longhouser, 53, was targeted by investigators who received an anonymous tip over a hot line established to uncover cases of sex abuse at Aberdeen, the Times said, citing unidentified Pentagon officials.

The telephone line was established in the wake of a flurry of recent cases of male drill sergeants preying on young female recruits. Adultery is considered a

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sergeants at the base, which included rape. The officials

Longhouser's situation also is unlike that of 1st Lt. Kelly Flinn, an Air Force bomber pilot who had an affair with a married man. The case of Flinn, who recently agreed to resign with a general discharge in exchange for the Air Force dropping criminal charges against her, was complicated by charges of lying and disobeying orders, they said.

Longhouser, a two-star general, had an affair with a civilduring a separation from his wife and before he came to Aberdeen. He will resign as a one-star general, since he has not completed the required three years as a two-star general, the Times said.

Longhouser served two tours of duty in Vietnam and earned the Distinguished Service Medal, the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star Medal, the Purple Heart, and the Meritorious Service Medal.

Longhouser declined to be interviewed by the Times, but issued a statement in which he said he was resigning "to spend more time with my fam-

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#### OUR VIEWS

# Coahoma's Bulldogs set for 'The Show'

In just about two days, Coahoma's Bulldogs will take the field in Austin in quest of the Texas Class L2A state baseball championship.

While some schools never have the opportunity to make the trip to Austin, this will be the second time in three years for the Bulldogs to journey into Texas high school baseball's version of "The Show."

After a slow start against larger classification schools, the Bulldogs proved to be the class of Class 2A baseball — first in District 8-2A and most recently in all of West Texas.

As the Bulldogs prepare to leave for Austin at 9 a.m. Wednesday, there's a measure of pride throughout Howard County that these young men are carrying more than just the banner of Coahoma and Coahoma High School.

Indeed, they represent all of us in Howard County. Their spirit on the diamond is the same spirit of the men and women who settled this country more than

Theirs is a spirit of "yes we can" and instead of looking for reasons why they might fall short of their goals, the Bulldogs seek out ways to get on base, reach home plate and realize their dreams.

Despite being just 14 players deep, the Bulldogs have done what was needed to reach this rung on the lad-

Yes, there are players on the team who are better known than others, but baseball is a sport in which any player at any time can deliver the game-winning hit or make a game-ending catch.

Coahoma baseball is Mike McMillan, Rodney Gressett, Marshall Wright, Jerry Mann and Scott Goodblanket.

It is T.J. Green, Shawn Rye, Michael Cobb, Vincent Garcia and Freddy Olivas.

And it's Steven Henry, Delvin White, Mario Garcia, Lance Monteleone and manager Jason Beard.

It's coaches Trey Morgan and Brandon Collins and it's the hundreds of fans who fill the stands to support the Bulldogs as they take the field to take on all com-

Coahoma baseball is the spirit of the community. It's a spirit that will bathe Austin in red and white as the Bulldogs seek to fulfill their dreams of a state

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"FRANKLY, I LIKED 'THE TAMING OF THE SHREW" BETTER BEFORE THE N.E.A. CUTBACKS."

# The power (washing) of coming clean

Don Baxter has a surgeon's steady hands, hands capable of building a clock or dovetailing furniture.

My Miss issippi friend, in fact, teach es a clock class in Syndicated

his basement, where sev eral welllighted tables hold an array of antique beauties

with irregular ticks or missing tocks.

Columnist

Rheta Johnson

I have grown used to Baxter's esoteric interests. But his latest hobby surprised me. Last time I visited, he told me about his new passion: powerwashing.

Not one to do things halfway, Baxter bought his own power-washing machine, a gasoline-run gorilla that could knock the red off a brick. Clock-mending and gardening and all his other refined, avocational loves were on back burner. He

swore now by power-washing. Life is full of intersections. Only a few weeks after hear-

I had visions of Gilbert, crossing the Chattahoochee headed east toward Atlanta, wagging his nower-washer behind him.

ing Baxter extol the virtues of power-washing, I was in Langdale, Ala., working on a column about the 60th anniversary of a theater. My old friend Bill Gilbert was the volunteer in charge.

It seemed Gilbert, too, had fallen under the powerful spell of power- washing. There was a strange, determined look in his eyes.

Already Gilbert had power-

cleaned the concrete apron at the theater, not to mention a mile or so of city sidewalk. Years of grime and graffiti had melted away like a southern snow as he waved a wand. It had been a feeling so satisfying that he couldn't seem to stop himself.

"See that bridge over there." Gilbert pointed to a big, concrete bridge in the distance. "I think I'm going to wash it."

I had visions of Gilbert, crossing the Chattahoochee headed east toward Atlanta. wagging his power-washer behind him. After seeing the evangelical

zeal aroused in my friends, I decided to take the powerwashing plunge. I needed a productive hobby: sitting in a porch swing gets you nowhere.

The concrete walks around my house had a green patina of dirt and moss. It's the look Martha Stewart says you should encourage on a flower pot by painting it with yogurt. But on a walkway the same slime can be dangerous.

The rental store had a sign on its front wall: "You Can't Buy Happiness, But Maybe You Can Rent It Here.'

Two men loaded a machine that a clerk said packed 4,000 pounds of pressure per square inch. It looked like a small nuclear reactor.

"Be careful. That thing can cut a board in two," said Harold Miles, who owns the

rental store. "Stand back away from what you want to clean.'

At home I rolled the monster onto the grass and cranked her up, but not before reading a printed warning on the side that said the State of California has determined power-washers can cause birth defects. The noise was deafening. Birds flew from their nests. My dog ran for the hills.

Power-washing is painfully slow, something nobody had mentioned. For all its muscle. the machine cleans only a few inches at a time. My trigger finger grew tired. I forgot I wasn't sprinkling petunias with a garden hose and hit my bare toes with that lethal flow. It felt like a cross between a wasp sting and an elephant stepping on your foot.

I've heard athletes rave about a runner's high, a feeling of euphoria you get at a certain point while exercising. I get tired and sweaty and sore, but never a runner's high.

And now this. The intoxicating punch was eluding me. I couldn't get drunk with power-washing.

#### OTHER VIEWS

Gov. George W. Bush says he will turn down his part of a pay raise of more than 15 percent a year that is proposed for him and seven other statewide elected officials. He says he was elected at his current salary and is content with \$99,122 a year. What upsets state employees isn't the

amount of the proposed raise for Bush and the others, it's the comparison between the \$1,000-plus per month the eight elected officials would get and the belated \$100 per month state employees are slated to receive.

State employees have gotten the short end of the salary stick for quite a while, in some cases, years and years. The state can and should do better by the people who do the grunt work.

There's not a crying need for the proposed raises for Bush, the state comptroller, attorney general, agriculture and land commissioners, and railroad commission--AUSTIN AMERICAN-STATESMAN

The immigration issue is back although it never went away — and once

again it is a problem that touches on every other American issue, from welfare to the budget to our relationships with other countries.

Having dealt — sort of — with illegal immigration last year, some in Congress hoped to address legal immigration this year. Instead, because of political fallout, Congress is easing the restrictions on Supplemental Security Income benefits for legal immigrants that were included in the 1996 welfare reform legislation, and it is fending off criticism for parts of the immigration law that are just now taking effect — such as a return to the old policy of requiring requests for permanent resident visa to be filed in an immigrant's home country instead of being requested here by people already in this country illegally.

And now there are stories pointing out problems being caused by the lack of enforcement of immigration laws inside the United States. A Washington Post article quotes Immigration and Naturalization Service reports about massive smuggling of Chinese nationals through loopholes in

U.S. immigration law. The INS concludes that it needs hundreds more fraud investigators and thousands of agents to enforce the laws well inside our borders.

The underlying problem, meanwhile, persists. Just as our superior economy and the opportunities it fosters are attractive to legal immigrants, the United States is a magnet for illegal immigrants seeking work. As the Jordan Commission pointed out in 1995, the answer is to crack down on the hiring of illegals. Yet tough sanctions against employers and mandatory document verification proposals both were dropped from last year's immigration bill opposed by employer groups and civil libertarians.

As long as the American people aren't really sure they want to keep out aliens who will work cheaply, the influx of illegals will continue. It will remain politically popular to bolster the Border Patrol, which can never be entirely effective, while closing our eyes to the thousands of illegal workers hundreds of miles behind the borders.

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# Defense, pitching power Bulldogs

By STEVE REAGAN

COAHOMA - You build baseball teams on pitching and defense, and Trey Morgan has built a winner in Coahoma.

Good pitching and defense, the initial building blocks of any good team, have been the major reasons for the Bulldogs' postseason success this season.

Coahoma opens play in the Class 2A UIL State Baseball Championships at 4 p.m. Thursday at the Burger Center in Austin against Alto. The winner of that game plays for the state championship at 10:45 a.m. Friday at Disch-Falk Field.

The Bulldogs entered postseason play hitting .355 as a team, but that average has shrunk by almost 100 points in the playoffs. In the absence of consistent hitting, however, Coahoma has displayed superior pitching and defense.

Staff ace Mike McMillan has been particularly effective this postseason. Despite struggling through his last outing, the senior righthander has posted some sterling numbers in the playoffs.

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Through four games, McMillan has limited opponents to a .138 batting average (13-for-94). He has struck out 40, walked only and allowed six runs - all earned - en route to compiling a playoff ERA of

McMillan's two main pitches are a fastball that breaks the 80 mph barrier and a curveball that tails away from righthanded batters.

He was particularly effective in Coahoma's first two playoff games, wins of 6-1 over Albany and 3-0 over Tahoka in which he allowed only five total hits and was so effective that his pitch count barely broke 100.

Coahoma's defense has been just as stellar in the postseason, successfully handling 40 of 43 chances for a fielding percentage of .930.

Offensive highlights, on the other hand, have been sparse for the Bulldogs this postsea-

The team has averaged .257 at the plate during the playoffs. Individually, McMillan leads with way with a .308 average, followed by left fielder Jerry Mann (.300), shortstop Vincent Garcia (.273) and designated hitter Michael Cobb (.250).

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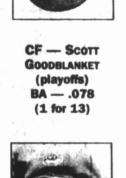
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DH - MICHAEL (playoffs) BA - .250 (2 for 8)



LF - JERRY (playoffs) BA - .300 (3 for 10)



2B - FREDDY **OLIVAS** (playoffs) BA - .167 (2 for 12)

# Irvin's minicamp no-show irks some of his teammates

Dallas Cowboys have added one All-Pro receiver, but they're still missing another.

The Cowboys signed freeagent receiver Anthony Miller on Monday, but it was another star wideout, Michael Irvin, who stole the spotlight by pulling another no-show at a team minicamp.

Irvin's continued absence is starting to irk some of his

"It's discouraging, no question about that," quarterback Troy Aikman said Monday when Irvin didn't appear for a mandatory quarterback school.

"It comes down to whether he wants to play for us or he doesn't. If he wants to, we want him to start working with us. If he doesn't want to play, we want to know that too so we can go in another direction."

Irvin, the Cowboys' all-time leader in catches and receiving yardage, has given no reason for his absence. He also missed a minicamp last month.

Head coach Barry Switzer had five 1,000-yard receiving five-time Pro Bowl receiver.

IRVING, Texas (AP) - The said he was told by team owner seasons. Jerry Jones not to expect Irvin.

> "It think it disappoints all of us, but Jerry said not to expect him so we just go about our business," Switzer said.

> Jones acknowledged Monday that Irvin has asked to be traded, but the Cowboys owner insisted that can't and won't happen and said he's confident Irvin will be at training camp next month.

The Cowboys will at least have Miller, released earlier Monday by the Denver Broncos for salary cap reasons.

Miller will serve as the deep threat Dallas missed last season when it finished 24th in the NFL in total offense.

"I'm definitely excited," Miller said. "You won't see too many dual receivers in the league like me and him (Irvin). This was my first choice. This is a team that has a chance to get to the top.'

Miller had 56 catches for 735 yards and three touchdowns for the Broncos last season. He's

Aikman's mood brightened at the idea of throwing to Miller. Irvin had 64 receptions last season, but the Cowboys got only 89 catches from their other wide receivers.

"He's a guy who gives us a tremendous deep threat, something we have not had,!" Aikman said. "He's a guy who's proven what he can do in this league.'

But most of the locker room buzz Monday surrounded Irvin, whose problems have marred team morale since he face drug charges and a resulting five game NFL suspension last year.

He continues to put in community service time linked to his sentence of four years of adjudicated probation for pleading no-contest to felony cocaine

Irvin has told friends he is tired of the public scrutiny in Dallas and would prefer to play elsewhere, but the Cowboys would take a major salary cap hit if they were to trade the

# Dennis Rodman, scoring machine? 'The Worm' says he will fire away

CHICAGO (AP) - Pass the ball, Michael. Step aside, Scottie. The Worm is ready to turn into an offensive force.

That's right, Dennis Rodman said he's through standing around and watching the Chicago Bulls' big shooters hog all the glory while he gets ignored by Karl Malone and other Utah Jazz defenders.

When the NBA Finals resume Wednesday night, Rodman said, "I'm going to have to shoot the ball more." YETTE HE

"I'm going to have to be more take the ball to the hole, put up shots," he said Monday, a day after the Bulls won the series opener 84-82. Rodman, the NBA's six-time

rebounding champion, has averaged only five shots a game this season. During the playoffs, he has more technical fouls (16) than free throws (12), is shooting 40 percent from the floor and 60 percent from the line and is averaging 4.9 points. Nevertheless, he believes he's

the man to keep Utah's defense from concentrating so heavily on Michael Jordan and Scottie Pippen, who combined for 58 of Chicago's 84 points in Game 1.

"Karl's not going to play defense outside," Rodman said. "I have to shoot that 15-footer. If I make it, great. If I miss it,

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get back and play defense. I've got to make them play 5-on-5 instead of 5-on-4. That Malone, the league's

MVP this season, outscored Rodman 23-4 wasn't surprising. That the Mailman outrebound ed the Worm 15-12 was somewhat unexpected. Rodman, a world-class instigator, never tried to mess with Malone's mind was downright stunning

Rodman said that the Jazz are too well-coached and mature to be bothered by his shenanigans taunting, flopping, grabbing, undercutting, etc.

"I'm not going to do too many of my antics," Rodman said. "I'm just trying to get through this, be more offensive-minded and do my job.'

Malone, a summer league teammate of Rodman's when both were NBA neophytes, has had numerous confrontations with Rodman since the Worm become an in-your-face, tattooed cross-dresser with multihued hair.

'As well as I knew him then, I don't even know who he is now," Malone said. "But that's his path, and I have mine."

Asked if he was worried

about Rodman's behavior, Malone said: "I'm worried about how my kids behave themselves. On the court, I don't worry about guys behaving themselves. Rodman gave no cause for

concern in Game 1, anyway. It was the first game this postseason in which he didn't get a technical. And he didn't really commit an obvious foul until 9.2 seconds remained, when referees caught him grabbing Malone around the waist during a loose-ball situation.

But with the score Malone missed both free throws. Jordan then hit the game-winning jumper at the buzzer. "It's typical," Rodman said of

Malone's misses. "He's known to miss free throws in clutch situations. Malone has made 76 percent

of his foul shots this postseason. But he built a reputation as a poor clutch shooter in last year's playoffs, when he shot 57 percent and missed six free throws as Utah lost Game 7 of the Western Conference finals to Seattle.

"He won't say it, but I'm sure he had some jitters" Sunday, Jazz center Greg Ostertag said. "If we had to do it over again, though, we would want the same guy up there."

#### SPORTS BRIEFS

From staff and wire reports

#### Stallings ends college career

Jeremy Stallings, the Stanton High School graduate who is now a senior at the University of Florida, will conclude his collegiate career when he participates at the NCAA outdoor track and field championships at Bloomington, Ind.

For the fourth consecutive year, Stallings will compete in the 800 meter run at the meet.

Stallings also will compete in the 800 run at the USA Track and Field Championships June 11-15 at Indianapolis, Ind. He is attempting to qualify for the U.S. team for the upcoming IAAF World Championships.

#### Girls' hoops league starting

The Crossroads Girl's Basketball Summer League will hold its 1997 season from June 2-July 31.

There will be two leagues - varsity and sub-varsity - and all games will be played at Garrett Coliseum.

Cost of the league is \$45. For more information, contact Terry Robertson at 267-1817-or 264-5165 or Matt Corkery at 264-5043.

#### Girls' camp June 9

The annual Howard College Girls' Basketball Camp will be held June 9-13 at the college.

Cost of the camp is \$95, with a \$25 deposit due upon registration. There will be a \$10 discount for anyone who sends in their application and deposit by Friday.

The camp will be conducted by head coach Matt Corkery and a staff consisting of Howard assistants and players and high school For more information, contact Corkery at 264-5043.

The Couples Memorial Day Tournament at Comanche Trail Golf Course was a handicap man/woman format. Placing first were Tom and Diana Posey with a net 68. Ray and Sue Russell finished second with a 69, while two teams tied with a net 70.

Thursday evening couples nine hole handicap play saw Byron and Leslie Abshier finish first with a score of 31. Pat and Estella Chance and Jimmy and Georgie Newsom each shot 33 to share second place.

#### Olivers avoids walks, shuts down Minnesota ARLINGTON (AP) - Darren

Oliver avoided the walks that haunted him all season, and the rest was easy. Oliver (3-6) walked one and

pitched eight shutout innings as the Rangers beat the Minnesota Twins 8-0 Monday night

In his previous outing, Oliver walked six and paid for that lack of control with a 5-0 loss to the Seattle Mariners. This time, Oliver had much better command and was rewarded.

"We needed Darren to get himself straight," Rangers first baseman Will Clark said. 'When he throws strikes, he makes it easy on all of us. We get in, we get out and we're able to use our bats."

Last season, Oliver was a 14game winner for the divisionwinning Rangers. But Oliver dropped five of his previous six decisions before Monday, when he gave up five hits and struck out a season-high six

Ollie threw the ball like he did last year," Rangers manager Johnny Oates said. "He had good stuff and good command of his pitches in the strike

Ivan Rodriguez went 3-for-5 with a home run, and the Rangers had six doubles and two homers, including Warren Newson's two-run shot in the sixth. Domingo Cedeno went 3-for-4 and Clark 3-for-5 as Texas had a season-high 18 hits. But it was Oliver who set the

#### TEXAS TEAMS

tone, surviving a first inning that included three hard-hit balls, two of which were caught. Oliver settled down, retiring 14 of the last 16 batters he faced

'All my pitches were working for me," said Oliver, who threw a season-high 118 pitches before he was lifted. "I've been struggling lately. It was good to get a win for the team. I was in a groove. I just felt comfortable." Twins manager Tom Kelly said Oliver's best pitch was his

change-up. "It was a very effective pitch for him," Kelly said. "He threw it when he was behind in the count for strikes.

Twins starter Brad Radke (4-5) gave up a career-high 13 hits, one short of the club record. Radke struck out three and walked two before leaving after six innings while trailing 4-0.

Texas took a 1-0 lead in the third on consecutive doubles by Rodriguez and Rusty Greer. Rodriguez led off the fifth with his sixth homer to extend Texas' lead to 2-0.

In the sixth, Benji Gil led off with a single and Newson followed with his fourth homer to put the Rangers ahead 4-0.

Dean Palmer and Gil had RBI singles and Rodriguez drove in another run on a groundout in the four-run seventh, which gave Texas an 8-0 lead.

chance against the Rangers on

"The Rangers hit 'em hard, they hit 'em soft, they hit 'em over the fence," Kelly said. "They had their hitting shoes on. I don't know if anybody would have beat 'em tonight. We couldn't get anything going, and they played a super game."

#### **Astros**

**HOUSTON** — The prospect of facing Hideo Nomo seems to bring out the best in the **Houston Astros.** 

Donne Wall and Jose Lima combined on a six-hitter and Brad Ausmus hit a two-run double Monday night as the Astros snapped a three-game losing streak with a 2-0 victory over Nomo and the Los Angeles

Wall (2-2) tied a career-high with nine strikeouts in seven innings — his longest outing of the year — to win for the first time since April 23. Lima held the Dodgers to one hit in the final two innings for his first

"It's exciting to face Nomo," Wall said. "You know he's always going to give you a good game so you have to pick up your own game. I'm just glad to go out and contribute to the win. It's probably one of my better games and I needed that. I've been struggling with my

Nomo (5-5) dropped to 1-5 in

Kelly said his team had little his career against Houston, the right-hander's worst record against any NL team. His career ERA vs. Houston (4.93) is also his worst.

> "He pitched a good game, we had the same number of hits as Houston, the difference was they got the big hits and we didn't," Los Angeles manager Bill Russell said. "We're just not getting the offense right now.

> The Dodgers, already shorthanded because of an eightgame suspension to rookie second baseman Wilton Guerrero for using a corked bat, lost Raul Mondesi in the fourth inning with a sprained left shoulder and little finger. He is

> Houston's Luis Gonzalez doubled to open the sixth off Nomo and Bill Spiers walked before Ausmus followed with a tworun double to center. Ausmus had two hits to raise his career average against Nomo to .556 (5for-9).

"I threw him a fastball but it was higher than I wanted it to be," Nomo said. "I didn't think he'd be swinging away in that situation anyway."

"The first pitch the bunt was

on, then they took it off and I was free to do what I wanted," Ausmus said. "I just figured he thought I was bunting so they usually will give you fastball in that situation.

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**ARIES** (March 21-April 19)

Talks will determine if there

is a snafu, and where it is. The

biggest problem is someone's

determination to have it his

way. Revamping plans might

be a necessity. Unexpected

good news throws an interest-

ing twist into events. Tonight:

You and someone else have a

very different idea about what

is financially acceptable. End

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

Find your friends.\*\*\*\*

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Difficult.

are heading. Creativity and talk to the boss.\*\*\* ingenuity mark your work and **GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) You are in a struggle of wills life. You'll incorporate new types of thinking. Pressure is with another. Insisting on your intense from partners, who way won't work; being gracious want things their way. Power and open to possibilities will. struggles are likely. If you are Empower yourself, and call the shots. Your smile helps break single, romance is exciting. down resistance. Tonight: Go However, you might find yourself frequently involved in for something different.\*\*\*\* clashes of will. You must **CANCER** (June 21-July 22) resolve these issues of control. Take a back seat. You are If attached, you will benefit if

strengthened by letting go and not being demanding. Gather information, and eliminate red tape. You might be exhausted. Look at another point of view. Understanding takes you down a new path. Tonight: Take a night off.\*\*

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)

Remain confident, even if someone nitpicks at you. Another might have a valid grievance; you aren't giving him what he wants. Keep your eye on the big picture, and don't get hung up on petty things. Join friends, and work with groups. Tonight: Get some shopping done!\*\*\*\*

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Tension is high, as others pull at you. A boss is difficult. and makes unanticipated demands. How you view another could change dramatically. the disagreement while you The unexpected at work allows

still can. You are in a pressure more leeway. Note than not everyone has an answer. Tonight: Make others happy!\*\*\* **LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

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Dynamic thinking is the outcome of meeting an obstacle head on. How you see a personal matter could change because of your insight. Unexpected good news from a loved one piques your interest. A flirtation surprises you. Tonight: Go where the music is.\*\*\*\*

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) One-to-one relating is imperative if you want to resolve a personal matter. Handling money is a key issue. Events at home loosen you up to a degree, and permit more options. Someone is out of control. Tonight: Be with a favorite friend.\*\*\*

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Defer to others. You might be too determined to have it your way. Relax. Go with the moment. Your point of view is dogmatic. Unexpected happenings throw you into the thick of things. Enjoy popularity. Tonight: Accept an invitation.\*\*\*\*

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan.

Level out, and don't react. Your inner agenda is intense: you need to sort it out. You are responding to your own hangups. Work is at a high level. A money matter takes an unpredictable twist. Be willing to put in the hours you need to. Tonight: Work late.\*\*\*

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Ingenuity soars as you deal with a friend who is adamant about having his way. Humor helps you, though you don't really want to contend with all the pressure. Determination helps. Allow your inner child to come out with others. Tonight: Take a midweek break!\*\*\*\*

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

You are more anchored than you have been in a long time. Your good cheer must come out with a boss who is determined to assert his will. Give him his way! You have other things on your mind. Internalize, then implement, a revelation. Tonight: You are happy at home.\*\*\*

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column from the 9-year-old girl who signed her letter "Missing My Dad in Michigan." She hadn't heard from her father in more than four years.

I experienced the same thing when my



Daddy,

Abigail Van Buren Columnist

dwindled to nothing after a couple of

Ten years after the divorce, I began an effort to find my father. I located his mother, which resulted in her contacting my father. Ten minutes after I spoke with my grandmother, my phone rang and my father was on the other end. It was, needless to say, a very

DEAR ABBY: This letter is emotional phone call. I realized ter. Dad, she needs you. There's prompted by the letter in your that after many years with no communication, I had built up tremendous reserves of anger, resentment and bitterness. I had hated my father for not lov-

ing me It turned out that he had loved me very much. He had been afraid to contact me for fear that my mother would have him arrested (for non-payment of alimony/child support) if he appeared in Virginia or if she discovered where he lived. A year after our first conversation, I flew out to see him. It was a trying yet rewarding time, as we began to get to

We are learning even more as the years pass. By 1994, we had me away at my wedding. He's now eagerly awaiting the day we can tell him he's a grandfa-

know each other all over again.

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no way to recapture the years lost when you weren't in your daughter's life. Mom, no amount of money you may or may not receive is worth the emotional pain and loss being inflicted on your daughter.

To the young lady who signed her letter "Missing My Dad in Michigan'': I was your age when I went through the same experience. Divorce is extremely painful for all involved, but particularly for you because you are innocent. I hope and pray that you will learn to anderstand, forgive and love both your parents — because I am sure they both love you. KNOWS HOW YOU FEEL

DEAR KNOWS: Your letter is but they repaired our relationship so-further testimony to the importance of both parents staying involved and in frequent, continuing contact regardless of the status of the marriage. Parents should be partners in raising their children, even when they do not live in the same household, because it benefits the emotional wellbeing of the children.

> The Children's Rights Council has published a book containing valuable information for parents and professionals on how to handle divorce so that it's less traumatic for children. It's titled "The Best Parent Is Both Parents." It can ordered from: Children's Rights Council, 220 Eye St. N.E., Suite 140, Washington, D.C. 20002-4362. The cost: \$10 plus \$2 shipping and handling. Please allow four to six weeks for delivery.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 15-yearold virgin attending high school. Lately there has been lot of controversy about handing out condoms in our school. As an educated teen-ager. I would like to tell all of the adults who are trying to terminate the distribution that they need to go outside their fantasy worlds and realize that many teen-agers are having unprotected sex because of the lack of availability of contraceptives and condoms The risks of unprotected sex

are no longer short-lived, but can have lifelong effects and, in some cases, can be terminal.

It is ignorant to believe that if we tell people not to do something they will always listen. Education is the key to awareness, but when education fails, some form of protection must be available. The comparison heard on the popular television series "Beverly Hills, 90210" is that you can build a fence around a pool and lock the gate, but if there is even a possibility that a child might get in, why not teach him to swim? MELISSA IN NORFOLK, VA.

DEAR MELISSA: Bravo! I couldn't have said it better.

DEAR ABBY: The pain I am feeling is so great it doesn't allow me even to cry. I have been married to my second husband for more than 17 years. This week I found out that he is bisexual and has been having one-night stands during our 17 years together, events that have increased over

the past four years.

I know I need to find a counselor to help me work through this. I will start the process of finding one today. My husband claims I am the only person he has ever loved, and that he can stop his bisexual activity if I just give him another chance. Even if he could — and that's my question to you — I'm not sure I would ever be able to trust him again or be comfortable making love which, until now, has been a very satisfying part of our relationship.

With your vast years of experience and knowledge about the human personality, do you know if it is possible, or even likely, that an active bisexual person can stop the attraction to same-sex partners? My husband says he's only kissed one man and that he gets his gratification from touching — massage, etc.

Yes, I'm going for an AIDS test today. — HEARTBROKEN IN PLEASANTON, CALIF.

HEARTBROKEN DEAR Since your husband is bisexual, his attraction to both sexes is natural for him, and he will always be attracted to members of both sexes. And since his infidelities with men have increased over the last four vears, it would seem that either his attraction to men is increasing, or he is less in control of his impulsive behavior than he believes.

You have my sincere sympathy for the pain you are experiencing, and you are on the right track to seek professional counseling and have an HIV test immediately

QUOTE WORTH THINKING ABOUT: Why is it when we talk to God we're said to be praying — but when God talks to us, we're schizophrenic? -Lily Tomlin

What teens need to know about sex, drugs, AIDS, and getting along with peers and parents is in "What Every Teen Should Know." To order, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Teen Booklet. P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is includ 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 includ-

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Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$200.46, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest,

suit, are NONE. Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinqui ad valorem taxes on the propert hereinabove described, there to and including the day of judgment herein, and the estat and foreclosure of liens, if any,

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now on file in said causes by al other parties herein, and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property.

You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit on

tion of forty-two (42) days from and the same being the 23rd day of June, 1997 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County. Texas, to be held at the court house thereof, then and there to show cause why judgment sha not be rendered for such taxes penalties, interest, and costs, an condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judg-ment herein, and all costs of this

issued and given under my hand and seal of said court in the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, this 7th day of May, A.D. 1997. Glenda Brasel Clerk of the District Court Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE** certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. L. R. CROW-

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN AS FOLLOWS: TO: L. R. CROWELL AND WIFE ELLEN CROWELL

and any and all other unknown owners or persons, including adverse claimants, owing or having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the following described property delinquent Plaintiffs herein, for taxes, to-wit: Two tracts of land in the South East-Quarter (SE/4) of Section Fourteen (14), Block Thirty-Three (33), Township-One-South (T1S) T & P Ry. Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas more fully described by meets and bounds on the attached Exhibit, A Pages 1 & 2 incorporated herein for all pur poses as if repeated verbatim.

Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$660.90, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest penalties, and costs thereon allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein. You are hereby notified that sui has been brought by HOWARD

COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs,

WIFE, ELLEN CROWELL as

Defendant(s), by petition filed on

the 29th day of April, 1997, in a

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property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file num ber of said suit is T-97-04-4422 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE.

ELL AND ELLEN CROWELL for

collection of the taxes on said

to and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishmen and foreclosure of liens, if any provided by law.

All parties to this suit, including Plaintiffs, Defendant(s), and Intervenors, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties, and cost allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefore, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, and all said parties

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#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

day of April, 1997, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF KERRY LYNN DAUGHERTY, TEXAS, NOTICE IS HEREBY and any and all other unknow owners or persons, including

interest in or lien upon the follow-ing described property delinquent to Plaintiffs herein, for taxes, to-wit: A One Third (1/3) interest of a One Hundred Twenty Nine foot by One Hundred Twenty Five foot (179' X 125' ) tract of land legated in Section Thirty Two (32), Block North (T1N), T& P Fly. Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas, More fully described by meets and bounds on Exhibit A, Pages 1 & 2, Attached

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You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs,

against KERRY LYNN DAUGHER-TY, ET AL as Defendant(s), by

ET AL for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is T-97-04-4420, the first Monday after the expira that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this

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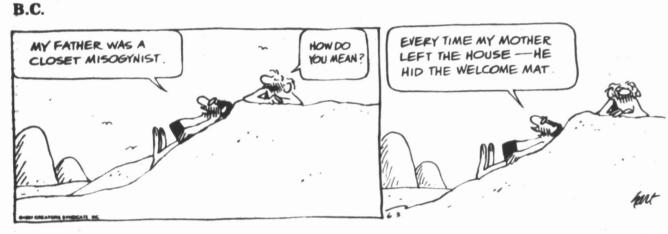






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## THIS DATE

### IN HISTORY

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Today is Tuesday, June 3, the

THE Daily Crossword

154th day of 1997. There are 211 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On June 3, 1963, Pope John XXIII died at the age of 81, ending a papacy marked by innovative reforms in the Roman

Catholic Church. He was suc-

ceeded by Pope Paul VI. On this date:

In 1621, the Dutch West India Company received a charter for New Netherlands, now known as New York.

In 1808, Jefferson Davis — the first and only president of the Confederacy — was born in

Christian County, Ky, In 1888, the poem "Casey at the Bat," by Ernest Lawrence Thayer, was first published, in the San Francisco Daily Examiner.

In 1937, the Duke of Windsor, who had abdicated the British throne, married Wallis Warfield Simpson in Monts, France.

In 1948, the 200-inch reflecting telescope at the Palomar Mountain Observatory California was dedicated. In 1965, astronaut Edward

White became the first American to "walk" in space, during the flight of Gemini 4.

In 1981, Pope John Paul II left a Rome hospital and returned to the Vatican three weeks after the attempt on his life.

In 1983, Gordon Kahl, a militant tax protester wanted in the slayings of two U.S. marshals in North Dakota, was killed in a gun battle with law enforcement officials near Smithville, Ark.

In 1989, Iran's spiritual leader, Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, died.

Ten years ago: President Reagan arrived in Italy to prepare for a summit of major industrialized democracies, the 13th such gathering of world leaders.

Five years ago: Undeclared presidential candidate Ross Perot announced he'd hired Hamilton Jordan and Edward Rollins to help steer his campaign. Democrat Bill Clinton appeared on "The Arsenio Hall Show."

One year ago: The FBI pulled the plug on electricity at the Freemen ranch in Montana in an attempt to persuade the occupants to negotiate an end to the 71-day-old standoff. During joint war games in the Pacific, a Japanese destroyer mistakenly shot down an American attack plane; two Navy aviators ejected safely.

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Today's Birthdays: Actress Ellen Corby ("The Waltons) is 86. Actor Tony Curtis is 72. Musician Boots Randolph is 70. TV producer Chuck Barris is 68. Musician Curtis Mayfield is 55. Rock singer Ian Hunter (Mott The Hoople) is 51. Rock musician John Paul Jones (Led Zeppelin) is 51. Singer Suzi Quatro is 47. Singer Deniece Williams is 46. Rock musician Billy Powell (Lynyrd Skynyrd) is 45. Singer Dan Hill is 43. Actor Scott Valentine ("Family Ties") is 39. Singers Ariel and Gabriel Hernandez (No Mercy) are 26.

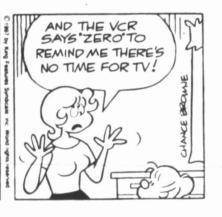
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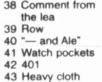






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