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## GAO report critical of Pentagon, White House's probe into Gulf War illness

WASHINGTON (AP) — Defense Secretary William Cohen today defended his efforts to get to the bottom of the Gulf War illness mystery and refrained from criticizing a new study linking the sicknesses with exposure to chemical agents.

The New York Times reported Sunday that a General Accounting Office study due for release this month criticizes investigations by the Pentagon and a special White House panel of illness complaints by Gulf War veterans.

Asked about the Times report today at a news conference in Kuwait, where he was visiting U.S. troops and meeting

Kuwaiti government officials, Cohen said he had not read the GAO report but suggested its criticisms were nothing new.

"I've criticized the Defense Department's handling of this investigation myself on several occasions," Cohen said.

"There obviously is a lack of reliable information ..., a loss of records," he said, adding that more evidence was needed to link the mysterious ailments of Gulf War veterans with exposure to nerve gas or other chemical agents.

He defended his recent decision to put former New Hampshire Sen. Warren Rudman in charge of oversee-

ing the Pentagon's efforts to get conclusive answers to Gulf War illness.

"We think that we're making a very strong good-faith effort to get to the bottom of it," he told reporters. He said the Pentagon has 85 studies under way.

A veterans' advocate, anticipating the official release of the GAO study, says sick Gulf War veterans need help now and future soldiers must get protection from chemical weapons.

"There should be no controversy on this issue any more," said James Tuite of the Gulf War Research Foundation.

The study by the GAO says the Defense Department should not rule out the possibility that Iraqi biological

weapons caused symptoms experienced by 80,000 Gulf War veterans who sought medical checkups from the government.

The Times said it obtained a draft of the report from an official critical of the Pentagon's response to veterans' illnesses. The official was not identified.

Tuite said that the GAO study follows three others that drew similar conclusions. Tuite began reviewing Gulf War illnesses while preparing a Senate Banking Committee report that investigated U.S. supply of chemicals and technology that helped Iraq develop chemical weapons.

"We have found a great deal of evi-

dence to show that veterans were exposed to a number of compounds that by themselves or in combination could cause the kinds of illnesses we are seeing," Tuite said.

Lt. Cmdr. Karen Jeffries, a Pentagon spokeswoman, said she had not seen the draft GAO report and would not comment on it.

The earlier studies by the White House and the Pentagon concluded that Iraqi chemical and biological weapons probably were not responsible for veterans' health problems. Each study suggested that the effects of wartime stress were more likely sources of the illnesses.



HERALD photo/Jonathan Garrett

Water cascades over the Comanche Trail Lake spillway Saturday evening after a heavy thunderstorm hit Big Spring. It was the second time in a week that water ran over the spillway.

## Thomas, Spence continue to catch water; Rains, utility work sites catch motorists

### Lake Thomas up 6.62 feet since June 5

By CARLTON JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

The rain storms that passed through Big Spring this past weekend left good news for the Colorado River Municipal Water District (CRMWD) and some news not so good for a couple of area motorists.

At the intersection of 20th and Scurry two motorists got quite a shock Saturday when their vehicles fell into a ditch that has been washed out by the rain.

No one was injured in Saturday's mishaps.

The city was in the midst of its College Heights waterline repair project and the contractor had filled the ditch in with sand and rock until work could resume, but the heavy rain, which only lasted a short while, washed the sand and rock away leaving nothing to support the barricade that was covering the ditch.

City Utilities Director Todd Darden said Saturday's heavy rains caused water to rise above the curb which allowed it to begin washing the sand and gravel out of the ditches.

"I went out to look around, drove over the barricade and fell in myself," Darden said.

As for the CRMWD, General Manager John Grant said water levels in area lakes have increased some as a result of rain received from June 5 through this past weekend's storm.

"We did have some runoff at lake Thomas this weekend," Grant said. "From June 5 until now, we've seen a rise from 6.62 percent of capacity to 12.6 percent of capacity."

This means the elevation level at Lake Thomas is about 2219.58 feet — or a rise of 6.36 feet since June 5.

"Right now, our operational plans won't change as far as our mixing Lake Spence water with Lake Ivie water," Grant said. "But, we're at the point where if we do receive another good in-flow, we could begin using some Lake Thomas water."

The reason for mixing water from Lake Spence and Lake Ivie to begin with was to insure that the Snyder area had a sufficient water supply.

Grant told the Big Spring City Council in April that the district was looking at pumping Spence water to Snyder as a result of the 1996 drought, but that the move was not expected to effect Big Spring residents.

In April, Lake Thomas was only 5 percent full, which was about a foot and a half lower than it was in April 1996.

According to Grant, both Lake Ivie and Lake Spence have also seen some rise in

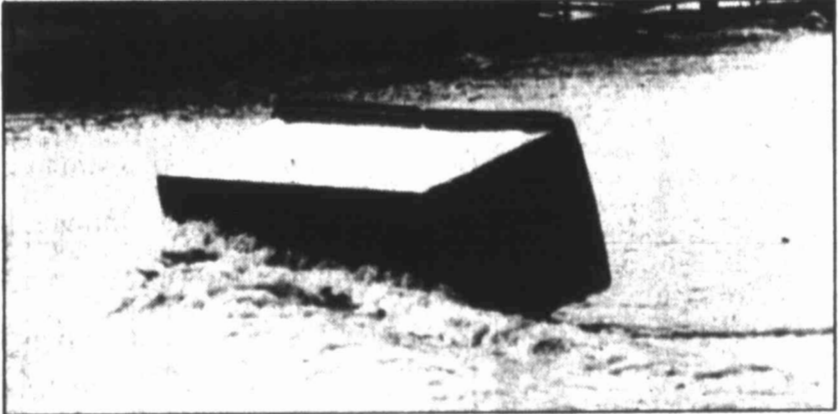
their water level as a result of the rain that has fallen in the last 10 days or so.

"Lake Ivie is up about a foot and is now at 93.75 percent of capacity," Grant said.

"Lake Spence is up about two and a half feet during this time period from an elevation of 1,858.8 feet to 1,861.35 feet," Grant added. "This means we've

caught about 14,183 acre feet of water."

Because of the recent rains, Lake Spence has gone from 25.43 percent of capacity to about 28.33 percent of capacity. An additional rise is expected as a large movement of water was heading down the Colorado River in the Colorado City area on Sunday.



HERALD photos/Jonathan Garrett

A trash dumpster is washed into the street by St. Paul Lutheran Church while a pickup is flooded out in the 1400 block of East Sixth.



## Ethics code

### Critics say non-binding code is method to avoid discussing certain issues

By CARLTON JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

Despite being a non-binding issue, the Big Spring City Council approved a code of ethics for itself recently, causing some concern that the move was more to get around addressing certain issues openly rather than to have the council self-police itself.

When Councilman Jimmy Campbell first brought the issue of a code of ethics before the council last month, he said, "A member is only one vote out of seven and anyone trying to influence city policy in a manner other than as a council member in a called meeting where majority rule is in effect, is acting outside of the scope of their responsibility."

"This proposal is intended to keep individual council members from acting as department heads or supervisors," Campbell added. "All issues should be brought before the council in an open forum. I'm a big believer in open governments and I don't like going behind closed doors."

At Tuesday's council meeting, a vote almost never came on the issue because Campbell's motion to accept the code as written didn't immediately receive a second.

Councilman Chuck Cawthon indicated he was disturbed by several of the items listed in the proposed code of ethics, including the following:

"Any council member may request the mayor to place an item on the agenda for discussion. Should staff time be required to address the item, the mayor will canvas all council members to determine the support for commitment of staff time and resources. The same action should be taken by the mayor when council concerns require staff time and budget."

"Any council member may appeal to the council as a whole for a ruling by the mayor. If the appeal is seconded, the person making the appeal may make a brief statement and the mayor may explain his/her position, but no other member may speak on the motion. The mayor will put the ruling to a vote of the council."

The section stating, "...but no other member may speak on the motion," was amended to read "any person (council member) will be able to speak on any issue."

Other items in the code of



ethics that Cawthon questioned included:

"Any council member may ask the mayor to enforce the rules established by the council. Should the mayor fail to do so, a majority vote of the council members present shall require him/her to do so."

"The mayor will encourage all council members to participate in council discussion and give each member an opportunity to speak before any member can speak again on the same subject. The mayor may limit each speaker to five minutes to ensure efficient use of time."

The council agreed to change five minutes to read "what's deemed appropriate."

Councilman Tommy Tune finally seconded the motion and the council approved the code of ethics.

Reminding the council that although they approved the code of ethics, City Attorney Jim Finley said it was still non-binding.

"How the council governs itself is determined in ordinances and by the city charter," Finley said.

As he pushed for support of his motion, prior to the council's vote, Campbell said, "This is just an outline that guides us. It's a simple promise to the public that we will conduct ourselves in a proper manner."

Mayor Tim Blackshear said, "This will give us a benchmark that we can judge our own actions by. We have to police ourselves as there are no penalties that can be imposed on anyone if they violate the code."

"The situation is that in the past we have had council members approach city staff members for special projects and weeks later the rest of the council would just be hearing about it," Blackshear added. "We want the council working together as a whole."

As far as going behind closed doors or keeping items quiet, Blackshear said, "This (code) in no way is an attempt to go behind closed doors or to keep an item off the agenda."

## WEATHER



Tonight, chance of t'storms, some possibly severe. Partly cloudy with lows 60-65. Tuesday, mostly sunny. Highs 90-95. Tuesday night, partly cloudy. Lows in 60s. Wednesday-Thursday, partly cloudy with slight chance of late afternoon and evening t'storms. Lows in 60s. Highs 90-95.

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## WHAT IS YOUR OPINION ON THE McVEIGH VERDICT?

 "I think he should have gotten life." — Bob Brown, Big Spring	 "It was a death. They should kill him." — Patricia Clark, Big Spring	 "He should have been put in prison." — Michael Young, Big Spring	 "I think they should fry him." — Art Perry, Big Spring	 "I don't think he should have gotten death." — Robert Johnson, Big Spring	 "I think that's what he needs is death." — Robert Johnson, Big Spring	 "I think that's what he needs is death." — Robert Johnson, Big Spring	 "I think that's what he needs is death." — Robert Johnson, Big Spring	 "I think that's what he needs is death." — Robert Johnson, Big Spring
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OBITUARIES

Fannie Overton

Graveside service for Fannie L. Overton, 86, of the Lees Community will be 2 p.m. Monday, June 16, 1997, at Trinity Memorial Park. Rev. Bill Ballard, Pastor of Airport Baptist Church, will officiate.

Overton passed from this life Friday, June 13, 1997, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center following a long illness. She was born January 11, 1911, in Travis County, Texas. She was the daughter of Scott Rutledge Boyd and Martha Elizabeth Sylvester Boyd. She married James J. Overton, July 27, 1928. Mr. and Mrs. Overton farmed in Glasscock County until retirement in 1975. He passed away October 23, 1984.

Mrs. Overton had been a resident of Glasscock County for over 65 years. She had been very active in community, school and church activities including the Central Baptist Church. She was a charter member of the Lees Home Demonstration Club. She served as an election judge for 23 years in Glasscock County.

She is survived by one son, Glen R. Overton, and his wife, Frances, of Big Spring. Two daughters: Ruby Pike and her husband Floyd of Big Spring; and Cora Conn of Big Spring. Two daughters-in-law, Fannie Overton of Big Spring, and Frances Overton of Farmington, N.M.; and one brother, Marvin Boyd of Leakey, Texas. Eleven grandchildren. A number of great-grandchildren, and several great-great-grandchildren. In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by two sons, Maurice Overton and Raymond L. Overton, one son-in-law, Lonnie Conn, and three great-grandchildren, Roy Lee Overton, Raymond Joseph Fontana, and Donnie Cortnie Overton; and two brothers, Alvin Boyd and Ira Boyd.

Pallbearers and honorary pallbearers will be grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Arrangements are under the direction of Myers and Smith Funeral Home.

Paid obituary

Lloyd Zack Gray

Service for Lloyd Zack Gray, 69, Weatherford, formerly of Big Spring, will be 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 17, 1997, at the First Baptist Church in Weatherford with Dr. Tom Shelton officiating. Burial will be 5 p.m. Tuesday, at Trinity

**NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH Funeral Home**  
Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory  
906 Gregg St.  
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Vilola Edna Walker Rogers, 87, died Sunday. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

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Fannie L. Overton, 86, died Friday. Graveside services will be 2:00 p.m. Monday, at Trinity Memorial Park.

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BRIEFS

**SCENIC MOUNTAIN MEDICAL CENTER** will have a community blood drive Monday, June 23 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the first floor classroom. Please call 263-1211 ext. 463 for an appointment.

**SWIMMING LESSONS WILL BE** offered at the Comanche Park Swimming Pool June 17-27.

For ages 4 and up, the lessons will be in two sessions, either 10-11 a.m. or 6-7 p.m. Cost is \$25 a session. To register, go to the pool or call 264-2484.

**THERE WILL BE A Kid's Rodeo Saturday** on the courthouse square at 12:30 p.m., after the parade. Registration for all events will be taken between 11 a.m. and noon on the day of the event.

Scheduled events are Bull Riding, Flag Racing, Milking Contest, Goat Hair Pulling, Barrel Racing and Clowns Contest (clowns need to arrive dressed and ready to perform). The winners for the clown contest will be the clowns for the bull riding event. All events will be divided into three age groups and each contestant may enter two events.

The Big Spring High School Key Club is aiding in production of the rodeo.

**FAMILY OF THE YEAR** nominations are needed for Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas.

A family will be chosen to represent Big Spring, along with one each from Midland and Odessa, at the center's October banquet. This family should be nominated for its strong values and community as well as religious involvement.

For more information, call 563-4144.

**BIG SPRING HIGH SCHOOL** cafeteria will serve lunch free to local youth (ages 18 and under) from now through Aug. 1.

Serving hours are 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Enter through the north exterior cafeteria door.

The free lunch is part of the Summer Food Service Program, an extension of the National School Lunch Program. No proof of residence or income required. No meal will be served on July 4.

BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

**THE FRIENDS OF THE** Library of Howard County will have their monthly meeting, Thursday at noon at the library. If you are a member of the Friends of the Library or interested in becoming one, you are encouraged to attend the meeting.

**THE EX STUDENT ORGANIZATION** of Flower Grove School is planning a reunion for all ex-students, teachers and friends on July 5.

It will be held in the Lamesa High School Student Center located in the 600 block of North 14th Street, Lamesa. Registration will begin at 1 p.m. A catered meal will be served at 6 p.m. for \$7.50 per person. Since an approximate count is needed of the number of people planning to attend the evening meal, please call 806-462-7666.

**TRENCH ART WILL BE** on display at the Heritage Museum through July. Pieces from the collections of two local residents are located on the museum's lower floor.

The art was made by soldiers during wartime, often using shell casings and other items found on the battlefield. For more information, call 267-8255.

SPRINGBOARD

**IF YOU HAVE ANY CHANGES IN A SPRINGBOARD ITEM OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT 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

Big Spring Evening Lion's Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 E. Third, Call Jan Noyes, 267-5811.

Project Freedom, Christian support group, 7 p.m. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241.

TOPS Clubs (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) 5 to 5:45 p.m. weigh in and 6 p.m. meeting, Carriage Inn, 501 W. 17th. Call 263-1340 or 263-8633.

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

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

Encourager's support group, 6 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, Seventh and Runnels. Enter through the north door. This will be a covered dish and the program will be by Sheree Moates. For more information call 398-5522 or 399-4369.

The New Voice Club, a support group for laryngectomies and their families, will meet 6:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Goliad and 10th, in the library.

O'NEAL-KUNCLE DAVA Unit No. 47, 6:30 p.m., VA Medical Center room 214.

Goliad principal on BSISD agenda for Tuesday

HERALD Staff Report

The naming of a new principal to replace the retiring Jean Broughton at Goliad Middle School is expected to highlight Tuesday's meeting of the Big Spring Independent School District's (BSISD) Board of Trustee meeting.

Other action items on the agenda include consideration of early dismissal dates for the 1997-98 school year, resignations, employments, nursing supply bids, athletic equipment and supply bids and awarding of the bid for the district's depository.

The superintendent's report will include setting the July meeting of the board, discussion of a budget workshop on July 21-23 and assignment/reassignment of administrative staff/principals.

MARKETS

July cotton 73.30 cents a pound, up 15 points; June crude oil 19.14, up 31 points; Cash hogs steady at \$1.50 lower at 56; slaughter steers steady at 63; July lean hog futures 80.42, up 40 points; June live cattle futures 65.50, up 32 points. Courtesy: Delta Corporation. Noon quotes provided by Edward D. Jones & Co.

Index	7779.32
Volume	132,420,260
ATT	38 + 1/4
Amoco	90% + 1/4
Atlantic Richfield	74% nc
Atmos Energy	28% - 1/4
Chevron	76% + 1/4
Chrysler	32% nc
Cifra	1.74 - 1.77
Coca-Cola	71% nc
De Beers	36% - 1/4
DuPont	59% + 1/4
Excel Comm.	21% + 1/4
Exxon	65 + 1/4
Fina	64% - 1/4
Ford Motors	38% - 1/4
Halliburton	79% + 1/4
IBM	89% + 1/4
Laser Indus LTD	14% - 1/4
Medical Alliance	5% nc
Mobil	142% + 1/4
Norwest	57% - 1/4
NUV	9% + 1/4
Phillips Petroleum	44% + 1/4
Palex Inc.	10% + 1/4
Pepsi Cola	38% - 1/4
Rural/Metro	28% nc
Sears	54% - 1/4
Southwestern Bell	60% - 1/4
Sun	31% + 1/4
Texaco	113% + 1/4
Texas Instruments	86 + 1/4
Texas Utils. Co	33% - 1/4
Unocal Corp	42 + 1/4
Wal-Mart	32% + 1/4
Ampcap	15.18-16.11
Euro Pacific	28.40-30.13
I.C.A.	28.62-30.37
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POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 2 p.m. Saturday and 8 a.m. Monday:

**FERNANDO RODRIGUEZ, 30, of 509 Union, was arrested for assault/family violence and resisting arrest.**

**CHARLES WRIGHT, 64, of 1204 W. 2nd, was arrested for public intoxication and theft under \$50.**

**JENNIFER CONINE BAILEY, 20, of 538 Westover #240, was arrested on local warrants.**

**DANIEL O. ARELLANO, 19, of Lubbock, was arrested on local warrants.**

**FRANK FIERRO JR., 49, of 1803 Hamilton, was arrested for public intoxication and disorderly conduct involving language.**

**ERIC JOHN VIASANA, 18, of 1001 S. Main, was arrested on local warrants.**

**PORFIRIO HERNANDEZ, 27, of Garden City, was arrested for public intoxication.**

**MARIE ANN CANTU, 17, of 814 Lorilla, was arrested on local warrants.**

**THOMAS REYES LOPEZ JR., 50, no known address, was arrested for public intoxication.**

**CHARLES RAY WRIGHT, 64, of 204 2nd, was arrested for public intoxication.**

**CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** in the 2000 block of Grace; and the 1300 block of Lexington.

**DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** in the 1600 block of Tucson; 1100 block of Lamar; 700 block of S. Johnson; and the 500 block of Westover.

**THEFT** in the 1100 block of N. Lamesa Hwy; 400 block of Pennsylvania; and the 900 block of Willia.

**BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** in the 1400 block of Mesquite; and the 2100 block of Main.

**DISTURBANCE/FIGHT** in the 1500 block of Kentucky Way.

RECORDS

Sunday's high 88  
Sunday's low 66  
Average high 93  
Average low 67  
Record high 112 in 1924  
Record low 50 in 1976  
Precip. Sunday 1.04  
Month to date 3.94  
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Jorge Parra, left, and Raul Martinez work Saturday on part of the Downtown Beautification Project.

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Thursday, June 19th.....Dr. Carl Brown  
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# Watergate burglars: No regrets, time to forget

MIAMI (AP) — Not all the president's men became household names.

The surviving Watergate burglars are quietly living out their retirements 25 years after the break-in that led to the greatest political scandal in American history and helped topple a president.

"I go to the Dolphins games, and I go fishing," said Bernard Barker, a retired city worker who spent 13 months in prison for the burglary.

Barker and the other four burglars did their time and returned to their lives as the national nightmare played out in headlines and on television.

"I wasn't out to save my skin," said Virgilio Gonzalez, the team's locksmith. "I pleaded guilty and did my fourteen months."

Barker, Gonzalez, Rolando Eugenio Martinez and Frank Sturgis — all anti-Castro activists — were recruited in Miami by CIA agent E. Howard Hunt for the break-in at the Democratic National Committee headquarters.

They had worked for Hunt a decade earlier in the Bay of Pigs invasion. The fifth was James W. McCord, a former CIA agent and a security consultant for Nixon's campaign.

The burglars went to the Watergate building on the night of June 17, 1972, tapping over the lock of a door on a stairwell.

"And then what happened was, the last man in didn't take the paper off the lock," said Barker. "And then the guard came and he saw the paper."

The guard called police, who nabbed the burglars in the

Democrats' office.

While the reason for the break-in has been disputed, Gonzalez said the they were trying to plant a wiretap to gather information on Nixon's Democratic opponent in the upcoming election, George McGovern.

"McGovern said he didn't want any fight with Castro," said the 71-year-old Gonzalez. "He forgot how many people got killed over there."

Gonzalez said they are still well-known among Miami's Cuban exiles.

"We are sort of appreciated here," said Gonzalez, retired from the locksmith business. "Everyone figured out we were fighting communism. If I had to do it again tonight or tomorrow I'd do it."

Barker, 80, said he also has no regrets. He said he watched with

interest as Richard Nixon, who resigned in disgrace in August 1974, underwent a rehabilitation of sorts. The former president died in 1994.

"As the years go by people are not so uptight about these things after all," Barker said. "What he had done in the international field, he was in my concept, one of the best presidents this nation ever had."

Gonzalez, Barker, and Martinez live in Miami and still keep in touch from time to time. Sturgis died in 1993. McCord retired to Colorado.

As time goes by, Barker and Gonzalez said they think less and less about their crime. Barker said he wishes the nation would think less about it, too.

"I think it's time that people forgot the whole damn thing," he said. "That was a sad time."

# Jewish settler opens fire on Palestinians

HEBRON, West Bank (AP) — Palestinians threw stones at Israeli troops in the West Bank town of Hebron for a third day today, and a Jewish settler opened fire on Palestinians during a land protest in the Gaza Strip.

In Jerusalem, dozens of Palestinians rallied outside the U.S. Consulate to protest last week's U.S. Congress resolution recognizing Jerusalem as Israel's undivided capital. The Palestinians want a sector of the city for a future capital.

Many Palestinians feel the United States is biased toward Israel in its attempt to broker the Mideast conflict, and the congressional resolution has sparked new anger.

Palestinians also are disenchanted by a prolonged deadlock in peace talks with the Israelis, especially after the apparent failure of the latest Egyptian attempt to restart talks.

"People are frustrated," said Moussa Abu Sabha, a Palestinian legislator from Hebron. "They see that the Israelis are not implementing the peace agreement and that the United States is biased."

In Hebron, Israeli troops fired rubber bullets at 70 Palestinian stone throwers. Nine people were injured, including eight protesters and Heldi Levine, a photographer on assignment for The Associated Press.

Palestinian police stayed away from the clashes, as they did Saturday and Sunday.

In the Gaza Strip, a Jewish settler opened fire on 30 Palestinians who tried to tear down a fence they said was part of an illegal land grab by the Jewish settlement of Gush Katif. A deaf Palestinian man was wounded.

The settler, who was on a tractor, fired from his pistol for 25 minutes, with Palestinian protesters throwing stones from

time to time. Journalists took cover behind trees.

Israeli soldiers arrived eventually, but did not restrain the settler. Troops threw stun grenades to disperse the Palestinian protesters, and also pushed and shoved journalists. One soldier held an unexploded stun grenade near the face of a Palestinian TV cameraman and others banged journalists' cars with their guns.

In the Jerusalem protest, dozens of Palestinians gathered outside the U.S. Consulate in the city's eastern sector. The rally was led by the top Palestinian Liberation Organization official in the city, Faisal Husseini, and the chief Muslim cleric, or mufti, Ikrema Sabri.

The group raised banners reading "Who is the U.S. Congress to determine the fate of Jerusalem?" and "This is an American conspiracy against Jerusalem."

The mufti said he considered the congressional resolution an aggression against all Palestinians, Arabs and Muslims. "This is a blatant declaration of war against us," Sabri said.

The protesters tried to deliver a letter to U.S. diplomats, but a guard refused to accept it. In the letter, the protesters warned that U.S. interests in the Middle East would be hurt because Washington is increasingly losing credibility among the Arabs.

According to the Israeli-Palestinian peace accords, the future of Jerusalem is to be determined in negotiations by May 1999. East Jerusalem was captured by Israel from Jordan in the 1967 Mideast war and today is home to 180,000 Palestinians.

Successive U.S. governments have held that while the city should not be divided again, its future should be determined in peace talks.

# Republicans take on Clinton over tax cut package

WASHINGTON (AP) — Fresh from their defeat last week on a disaster relief bill, Republicans came out swinging in their battle with President Clinton over an \$85 billion tax cut package.

"Beginning Monday we are going on the offensive in trying to explain what's in the bill, why it's important to working Americans and what the president is up to," Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., said Sunday on ABC's "This Week."

Lott said Clinton "acts like a spoiled brat. He thinks he's got to have it his way or no way." The president, asked his reaction, said, "I wish him a happy Father's Day."

White House economic adviser Gene Sperling said later in a telephone interview that "rather than engage in name-calling the Senate majority leader should discuss the merits of why they have specifically designed their child tax cuts to give nothing to 4 million of our most hardest pressed working families."

That was a reference to the

fact that the GOP's proposed \$500-per-child tax credit would not go to families not making enough to pay income taxes.

"The president simply wants the tax cut to be fair to working families and honor the budget agreement's commitment to roughly \$35 billion for higher education tax cuts and to ensure that the tax cut does not have exploding costs in (future) years," said Sperling.

A showdown between GOP leaders and the White House over a disaster relief bill last week ended in the near-total retreat of the Republicans with their decision to remove from the bill provisions that Clinton opposed.

Lott said his party failed to get across its message on the relief bill but was determined to do better on the tax issue.

With that aim, Republican leaders took to the Sunday news programs to tout the five-year, \$85 billion tax relief package approved by the House Ways and Means Committee last week. The Senate Finance Committee is ready to take up

a similar bill. The White House has opposed the package, saying it violates the terms of the balanced budget agreement by undercutting the administration's tax relief priorities.

It said the plan put together by Ways and Means chairman Bill Archer, R-Texas, lacks the \$35 billion in education tax breaks and favors the rich over the poor.

Archer struck back on "Fox News Sunday," saying Clinton's tax plan created another welfare program and that "tax relief shouldn't go to people who don't pay taxes."

Democrats want to ensure that those who do not earn enough to pay income tax also benefit from the tax breaks. The Archer plan excludes this group, but it does extend a \$500-a-child tax credit for children up to age 17. Under the Democratic plan rejected by Archer's committee, the cutoff age would be 12.

Archer, in a letter to Clinton dated Sunday, said "I hope you won't support policies that

increase welfare at the expense of these middle-income families, especially families with teen-age children who are struggling to make ends meet."

Archer acknowledged that his bill was "worthless" if the president vetoes it, but he said he was encouraged that Clinton has not threatened a veto.

However, the ranking Democrat on the Ways and Means Committee, Rep. Charles Rangel of New York, said earlier on Fox that Republicans had rammed through the bill and "only gave Democrats an opportunity to yell out and scream out against the provisions. So that bill will not be signed into law."

Republicans tried to differentiate Clinton's more muted opposition to the tax package to the strong dissent of some Democrats in Congress.

"Why don't we stop this business of dividing America and stop this outrageous rhetoric about class warfare?" House Budget Committee Chairman John Kasich, R-Ohio, said on CBS' "Face the Nation."

## TEXAS BRIEFS

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

### Sea threatens oldest house on the Bolivar Peninsula

CRYSTAL BEACH — A historic beachfront house that has withstood the tests of time and tempest is faced by slow death and likely will have to be moved, its owner said.

The Breakers has stood on the Bolivar Peninsula for 113 years, surviving the 1900 Galveston Storm and every other hurricane that came its way to become the oldest house on the sparsely populated sand spit between Galveston and High Island.

Today, years of erosion by the Gulf of Mexico threatens to engulf the 113-year-old house, the oldest on the peninsula between Galveston and High Island.

John B. Gordon's family has owned the house for 93 of those years. Now, after surf from a tropical storm a year ago and heavy winter storms caused serious erosion in front of the Breakers and neighboring cabins, Gordon wants out. And he wants to take his home with him.

Gordon's home sits about 40 feet from the tide line. About half of the distance is beach, the rest is the bluff, cut by erosion. The stairs to the beach from the house are gone.

### Report: Tobacco accord expected this week

DALLAS — Both sides in the tobacco settlement talks say they expect to send President Clinton a proposed deal by the end of this week, The Dallas Morning News reported today.

Unidentified sources told the newspaper that only a few details, remain, and they hope to present a proposed settlement to Clinton by Wednesday.

Negotiations were scheduled to resume Monday in Washington, D.C., to resolve differences remaining over punitive-damage limits for individual lawsuits and total dollar-amounts. Both sides say the issues will be overcome easily, the newspaper said.

"We're trying to bring this thing to a final resolution this week. It's going to happen," said Mississippi Attorney General Mike Moore, who has led the negotiations for Texas, 36 other states and 17 class-action cases.

### Once Colombians' mules, Mexicans gain own clout

CIUDAD JUAREZ, Mexico — Once they were merely "mules" for Colombia's powerful cocaine cartels. Now, Mexico's narcotics traffickers have grown into drug lords in their own right, and the front line of the drug war has shifted from the Andean jungles to America's front door.

Mexican gangs run their own distribution networks in the United States, and they produce most of the methamphetamine used north of the border. They have even bypassed the Colombians several times to buy cocaine directly from producers in Bolivia and Peru.

"These sophisticated drug syndicate groups from Mexico have eclipsed organized crime groups from Colombia as the premier law enforcement threat facing the United States today," Thomas Constantine, director of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, told a congressional committee this year.

Because of the power shift, drug-related violence and corruption regularly spills over the U.S.-Mexico border, threatening historically sensitive bilateral relations.

"They still haven't reached the sophistication of the Colombian networks of old," Errol Chavez, DEA special agent-in-charge in San Diego, told The Associated Press in an interview. "But unless we stop this new threat, we are going to have a big problem next door."

### Texas Motor Speedway site of huge country concert

FORT WORTH — After what was billed as the biggest country music concert ever, Texas Motor Speedway security supervisor Robert Langley surveyed the infield of the massive two-month-old facility.

Strewn with ankle-deep garbage, from beer bottles to watermelon rinds, it looked more like a landfill than a race track.

"In all the times I've worked out here for racing, I've never seen it this dirty," Langley said.

You can't expect a tea party when tens of thousands of hot, humidified country music fans gather to watch stars such as Hank Williams Jr., Wynonna, Vince Gill and hometown teen-age sensation LeAnn Rimes.

Concert officials said Saturday's show that extended into Sunday morning attracted an estimated 260,000 people. That was more than twice the number who watched the NASCAR Winston Cup Interstate Batteries 500, described as the largest sporting event ever held in Texas, during the speedway's debut weekend in April.

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Quote of the Day

"Soon learnt, soon forgotten."

-Anonymous

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OTHER VIEWS

When he got up to his neck in campaign-finance embarrassments at the beginning of the year, President Clinton embraced sweeping campaign-reform legislation and challenged Congress to send a major bill to him by July 4. Unfortunately, that isn't going to happen.

Congress isn't even focusing on legislation at this stage. It is still engaged in preliminary wars.

A bill is pending called McCain-Feingold. It is designed to take the fundamental step: reduce the amount of money that candidates have to raise. This is the only way to break the lock of money on the political process.

McCain-Feingold would offer candidates for Congress and president an incentive to limit their own spending: free television time and cut-rate postage.

This idea is resisted by those political forces who think they can raise more than other people: many Republicans and some incumbent Democrats. ...

-Dayton (Ohio) Daily News

It's hardly news that Sen. Jesse Helms is throwing a monkey wrench in the works of a presidential appointment. It is his favorite pastime. What makes Helms' announcement that he will block President Clinton's choice for ambassador to Mexico interesting is less the audacity than the sheer perversity of it.

Bill Clinton reached across party lines to tap Gov. William Weld of Massachusetts for the job at least partly in hopes of appeasing the Republicans who rule the Senate, including Helms. While it's true that Weld has a reputation as something of a liberal, as Republicans go, at least on the face of it, this was presidential bipartisanship.

To which the senior senator from North Carolina said, in effect, "phooey!" and a little more: "I don't think he is ambassador quality and neither do a great many of the conservatives and Republicans in the state of Massachusetts," Helms said. Then he added obliquely, "He's a little loose with his lips sometimes and that sort of thing." ...

-Greensboro, (N.C.) News & Record

In one of his recent weekly radio addresses, President Clinton promised to investigate a growing problem in America — hate crimes.

Clinton announced he has ordered a Justice Department review of the laws against hate crimes and has promised to convene a White House conference devoted to the problem.

In making the announcement, he pointed to several highly publicized incidents of hate crimes: gunfire at a black family's home after moving into a predominantly white Atlanta suburb, the beating of a homosexual man in Washington, and the bombing of a Jewish student's Los Angeles dormitory room.

There were surely other hate crimes committed, but these caught Clinton's attention, as they should catch the attention of all Americans. Immediate attention should be given toward discussions about hate crimes, preventative measures and the possibility of stiffer penalties. ...

-Carlsbad (N.M.) Current-Argus

After four-plus years on the job, President Clinton may have learned a technique to avoid waffling on a big issue. He is saying nothing about the possibility of tougher air pollution regulations.

Environmental Protection Agency head Carol M. Browner has spent the past six months defending a plan to impose new controls on ozone and fine chemical particles. Current standards, Browner says, fail to protect the public from soot and smog.

The agency's proposals undoubtedly would have widespread effects and significant costs. The EPA plan has the merit of being based on science and adherence to current law. That ought to be good enough for the president, whose job is to uphold the law and let Congress make changes. ...

President Clinton should take a deep breath and then do what comes hardest for him: Take a stand. He should support Browner and the EPA. America will breathe easier.

-The Herald, Everett, Wash.

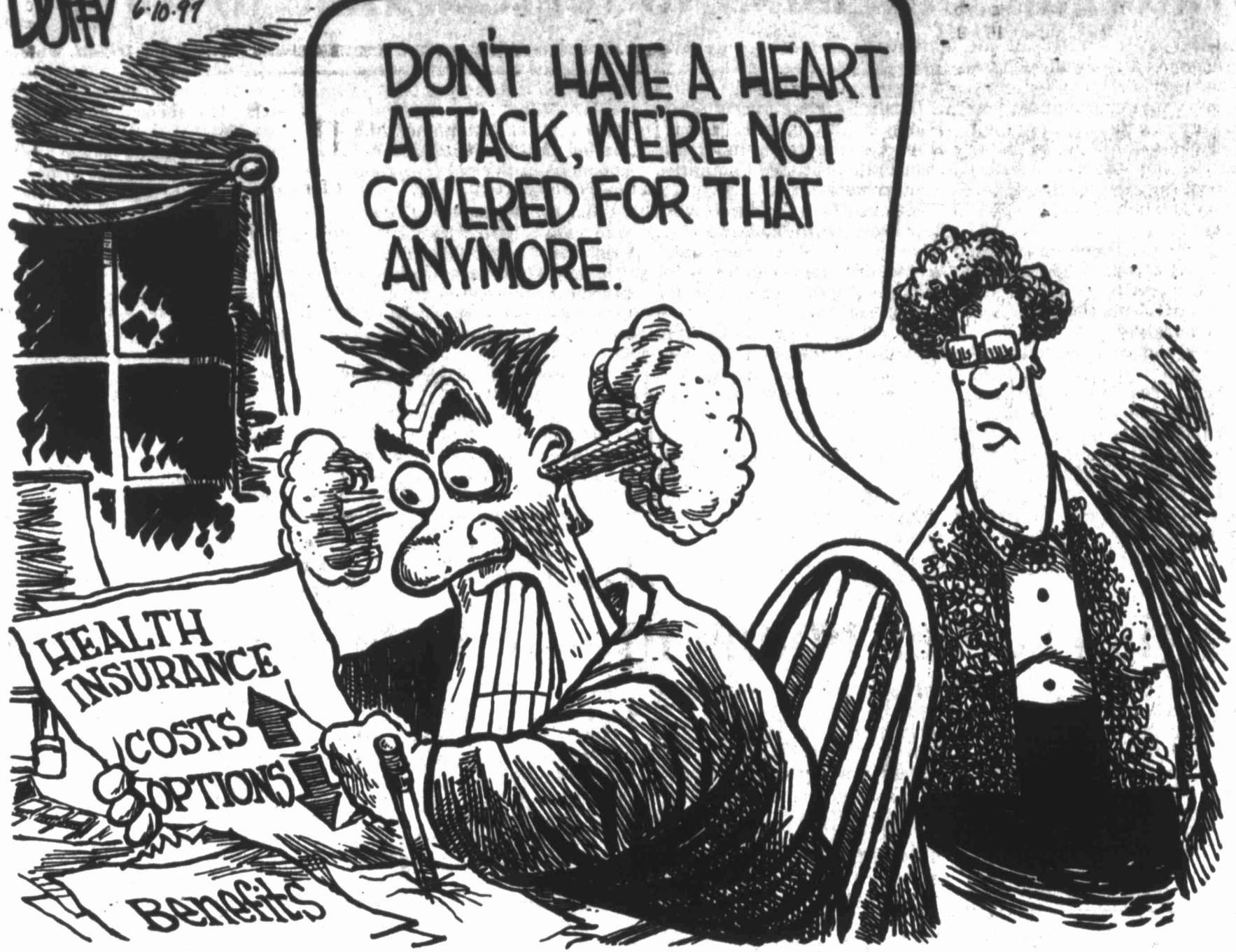
The United States is blessed to have such a friendly neighbor as Canada, but as ... elections demonstrated, our northern ally is deeply troubled. Prime Minister Jean Chretien failed in his gamble to strengthen his Liberal Party government.

Hoping to capitalize on voter approval shown in opinion polls, Chretien called elections 18 months ahead of schedule. But instead of rewarding the prime minister, voters punished him. His party scraped back into office, but with a majority that normal attrition will soon whittle away.

For the United States, the election results are worrying. As many Canadian political analysts noted, the voting pattern in the general election revealed that the trend toward division in Canada has accentuated.

-The Post and Courier, Charleston, S.C.

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How about bill to limit also-rans from running?

By CALVIN WOODWARD  
Associated Press Writer

If term limits are such a hot idea, why limit them to elected politicians? Why not stop the also-rans from running again?

Even in this impatient culture, some who get their day in the sun just won't go gently into the night.

Steve Forbes turned the "hope, growth and opportunity" theme of his last Republican nomination campaign into the name of his new organization, where he is believed to be plotting a second run if he sees a bit of personal hope, growth and opportunity.

Pat Buchanan slides back and forth between practicing politics and commenting professionally on them. He hasn't ruled out a third try at the presidential barricades.

Two-time candidate Ross Perot, too, hovers, trying to keep his Reform Party together.

There's a Quayle, a Gore and a Gephardt in the future — all three of them past losers of

some sort, but unbowed.

Term limits for the unelected might solve all that. And why stop at presidential politics?

Health gurus, Bees Gees comebacks, Madonna and those drearily repetitive parking tickets could be other candidates for the term-limit impulse. Anyone capturing 15 minutes of fame could be held to a half hour, max.

By comparison with the British parliamentary system, where a defeated party leader may lick wounds in the comfort of Her Majesty's Loyal Opposition, U.S. presidential politics are brutally efficient at the top. You lose, you're outta here.

The thought of Jimmy Carter or George Bush returning to the fray is inconceivable. Only Grover Cleveland pulled off a victory after such a defeat. Presidents who lose re-election bids are expected to write books, play golf or both.

Carter has expanded that scope by building houses and mediating international disputes; Bush, by jumping out of

an airplane.

Not since Adlai Stevenson has a beaten Democratic presidential candidate been given a second chance. Dwight Eisenhower defeated him in 1956 even more soundly than in 1952.

Among Republicans, Richard Nixon came back from his narrow 1960 defeat to John Kennedy to win twice.

It's mostly the smaller fry who just won't quit. They take it on the chin and get up.

Al Gore's 1988 campaign for the Democratic nomination was a flop. He declared his utter lack of interest in being anyone's vice president. Now, Bill Clinton's vice president is a prime candidate for 2000.

Missouri Rep. Richard Gephardt, the Democratic House leader, was defeated in his 1988 nomination bid and is a top potential rival of Gore's. Dan Quayle, another name from the past, has quietly but painstakingly tended to his influence in the GOP since his defeat on the Bush ticket in 1992.

Buchanan actually won something the second time around — the New Hampshire primary — en route to being crushed in the nomination fight by Bob Dole, who in turn was defeated by Clinton and retired to make commercials and a loan to House Speaker Newt Gingrich.

Perot faded to 8.5 percent of the popular vote last year from 19 percent in 1992, when he was a fresh phenomenon.

Forbes dropped out after spending \$30 million of his own money and winning the Delaware and Arizona primaries.

From his platform now at Americans for Hope, Growth and Opportunity, he's been championing a variety of issues and pitching them specifically to all-important political states — a speech in New Hampshire, a call to reporters in Iowa.

The millionaire publisher believes in term limits but only in the usual sense.

Calvin Woodward covers national affairs for The Associated Press.

Past problems not so distant in thoughts

FORT SMITH, Ark. — This gallows could hang 12 men at once, snap a dozen chafing necks as fast as the executioner made his way down the deck, from rope to rope.



Rheta Johnson  
Syndicated Columnist

It's a reproduction of the real thing was built in 1886 on this same spot near the Oklahoma border on the banks of the Arkansas River. And the most men ever hung at one time was six. But there was plenty more room if needed.

I walked down to old Fort Smith and its facsimile gallows after reading the morning newspaper. It was just a short stroll from the downtown Holiday Inn with cascading fountain and plant-strewn atrium to the red brick fort with austere lines and grim gallows.

My destination seemed eerily

appropriate. I wanted to see this cheaper-by-the-dozen gallows. On just one page I had read about 173 murders, 13 rapes and all manner of thoroughly modern violence. "Two New Jersey teens lure a couple of hapless pizza deliverymen to an abandoned house and kill them with a spray of bullets. Six young Kentuckians are charged in the senseless shooting of a Knoxville family. Timothy McVeigh is on trial in the 1995 deaths of 168. And a former Army drill sergeant is accused of 13 rapes."

I put the paper down and started walking.

"At the present there seems to be a criminal wave sweeping over the country the likes of which I have not seen before. It is due to the laxity of the courts."

That quote might have come from the morning edition, too. But it did not.

Judge Isaac C. Parker said that at some point during his 21-year tenure as judge of the Federal Court for the Western District of Arkansas. From 1875 to 1896 Parker was charged with bringing order to Indian territo-

ry. Tribal courts took care of Indian crimes, but — before Judge Parker — plenty of desperate white criminals sought refuge in the judicial no-man's land.

Then came Judge Parker, who quickly became known as "Hanging Judge Parker." During his 21 years at Fort Smith, Parker heard more than 13,000 cases, 12,000 of them criminal in nature. Of those, 344 involved rape or murder. Some 160 men were sentenced to hang. Only 79 were ever hung. The rest languished in a Fort Smith basement jail that inmates called "Hell on the Border."

"I never hung a man; the law did," Parker often said. History says Parker improved things for the Indians; he was determined that they not be "set upon by ruffians operating outside the law." He was fair and honest.

But victories were hard-won. More than 100 of Parker's 1,000 deputies were killed over the two decades. (A lot of the deputies were rough customers themselves. Before they became known as the notorious Dalton Gang, two of the Dalton brothers

rode as Parker deputies.)

Anyone can do the arithmetic. Only 79 bad guys were ever hanged, and 100 good guys died getting them to that 12-holer gallows.

One ironic note: Hanging Judge Parker thought they ought to abolish capital punishment. It's the "certainty, not the severity" of punishment that deters crime, Parker said. The veteran crime-fighter was convinced of that much.

Modern statistics have borne out what Parker sensed. There's no proof that capital punishment deters crime. But an assured, prolonged stay in a Hell on the Border-type jail might be another story.

A National Park Service tape at the gallows tells about the holiday atmosphere that prevailed on execution day. A hanging always drew a crowd. People brought picnic lunches and visited with their neighbors.

Then, just before the doomed would die, a hush fell over the people. You could hear the flap of Fort Smith flapping in the breeze.

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## Els wins U.S. Open as Lehman, Montgomerie suffer again

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

BETHESDA, Md. — The cast of characters was the same, and so was the outcome — shock for Tom Lehman, tears for Colin Montgomerie and another U.S. Open championship for Ernie Els.

Just when it seemed that Lehman would have something to show for taking a lead into the final round of the U.S. Open, the shot that sets up perfectly suddenly becomes too far left.

Just when Montgomerie seems poised to break through with his first

major at the tournament that suits his game to a tee, a crucial putt slides over the lip of the cup.

And just like that, the world gets a reminder that greatness comes in all sorts of stripes.

Els, the 27-year-old South African with a rhythmic swing and a knack for rising to the occasion, won his second U.S. Open in four years that ended talk of Tiger Woods winning the Grand Slam.

Els shot a 1-under-par 69 at Congressional Country Club under intense pressure brought on by four players — all of them in the last two

groups — jockeying for the lead over the final 12 holes.

His 4-under 276 was one stroke better than Montgomerie, whose chances perished when his 5-foot par putt on No. 17 grazed the ridge edge of the hole. Lehman, with bogeys on the 16th and 17th hole, was another stroke back. Jeff Maggert shot a 40 on the back and finished at 1-over 281.

Els becomes the first foreign player to win the U.S. Open twice, and he is the youngest player on the PGA Tour with two major championships.

"You're going to a different class now," Els said. "A lot of guys have

won one major. I've won two now. And I'm sure Tiger will probably win a couple before he's 25 still. But at least I've got two now, and I'm looking for more."

Montgomerie is still looking for his first. The Scotsman lost to Els in a three-way playoff at the 1994 U.S. Open in Oakland.

"It's getting me down now, this major business," Montgomerie said after a 69. "The more I'm in contention in these majors, there will be a little bit more pressure. But if I knock on the door enough, as I seem to be doing, especially in this tournament,

the door will open one day."

Montgomerie also lost in a playoff to Steve Elkington at the 1995 PGA Championship with birdies on the last three holes of regulation, but the one in the playoff refusing to fall.

Lehman seems to be around the leaderboard in just about every major these days. Sunday was the sixth time he had played in the final pairing of a major championship since the 1993 Masters.

And he has led or shared the lead going into the final round of the U.S. Open. The closest he came to winning was last year at Oakland Hills.

## Rangers thump Padres

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

ARLINGTON — Bobby Witt almost didn't get a chance to end his three-game losing streak.

Texas Rangers manager Johnny Oates considered pulling the right-hander before the fifth inning Sunday, even though he was leading the San Diego Padres by one. Oates had decided if anyone got a hit, Witt would be gone.

Although Tony Gwynn led off by reaching on an error, Oates gave Witt another chance. Witt didn't allow Gwynn or anyone else past first for the next three innings and Texas held on for a 7-4 victory.

The Rangers ended their first weekend of interleague play going 3-1, while the Padres went 1-3. Texas has its first three-game winning streak since taking four straight May 9-12.

Both teams are off today for the last time until the All-Star break.

Witt (8-2) won for the first time since May 20, giving up eight hits and four runs, only two earned, in seven innings. He struck out five and walked one.

"I got the ball up early a little bit," said Witt, who gave up all his runs in the third and fourth innings. "In about the fourth inning, I started to get command of my stuff."

Padres starter Andy Ashby (2-3) also was struggled, but it was his first start since going on the disabled list May 20 with a strained right elbow.

He gave up seven runs, six earned, and 10 hits in five innings. It was the first time he went more than one inning since May 11.

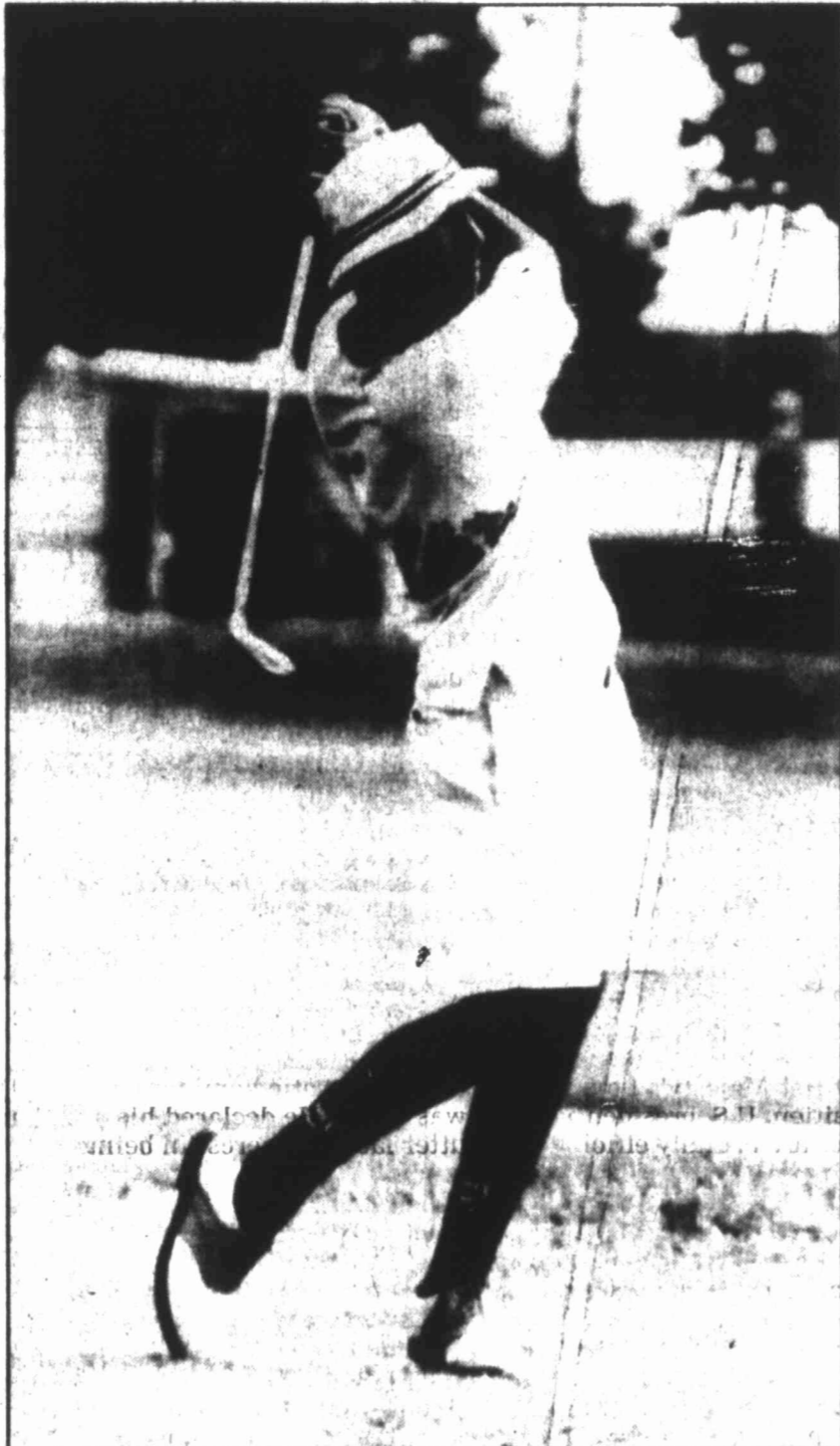
"It's frustrating," said Ashby, adding poor location — not pain — was his biggest problem. "I was glad to at least get into the sixth, but I wish I would've kept it closer. I was hyped up because I hadn't been out there in awhile. I need to get sharper."

Every Texas starter but Ivan Rodriguez had at least one hit and Rodriguez still managed to drive in a run. The most productive players were No. 8 hitter Damon Buford (3-for-4), No. 9 Bill Ripken (2-for-4) and No. 1 Mark McLemore (2-for-3).

But the hottest Ranger of all is Rusty Greer, who went 1-for-3 and was hit by a pitch, making him 9-for-12 against NL pitching with two doubles, two homers and four walks.

## Garcia, Garza charge late for Best of Rest win

By JOHN A. MOSELEY  
Sports Editor



Michael Strain tees off on No. 10 at the start of Sunday's final round of the Best of the Rest golf tournament at the Comanche Trail Golf Course.

Ben Garcia Jr. of Big Spring and Adolph Garza of Stanton knew exactly what they had to do going into the final three holes of championship flight play in the 1997 Best of the Rest golf tournament — all three had to be birdied.

With Felix Martinez and Knobby Sanchez playing ahead of the first round co-leaders and blistering the Comanche Trail Golf Course in 8-under-par 63 fashion, the pressure was on.

Garcia and Garza responded, suddenly finding their putting touch and knocked down three consecutive birdie putts to finish with a round of 64 and take a one-stroke victory with a 124 total.

"We couldn't make a putt ... we were losing it," said Garcia, who holds the Comanche Trail course record. "We knew we had to birdie those last three holes, and somehow, we did it."

"We hadn't been able to make anything happen all day," he added, "then, all of a sudden at crunch time, it comes together."

Don Osborne and Ronnie Broadrick managed third place in the flight, but not without having to birdie the second hole in a playoff with Charlie Garcia and Luven Flores.

Riley Wyatt and Roland Atkins, who held a share of the lead going into the final round, soared to 69, leaving them with a 129 total.

Defending champions Mike Weaver and Johnny Rutherford were well back in the field, finishing at 66-70, 136.

Playoffs were the rule, rather than the exception in first flight play.

Pat Gent and Daniel Silen,

### TOURNAMENT SCORES

Final scores Sunday of the Best of the Rest Golf Tournament on the 6,327-yard, par-71 Comanche Trail Golf Course:

CHAMPIONSHIP FLIGHT	
Ben Garcia Jr./Garza	60-64 — 124
Martinez/Sanchez	62-63 — 125
Osborne/Broadrick	62-66 — 128
C. Garcia/Flores	64-64 — 128
Wyatt/Atkins	60-69 — 129
Caudsoz/Izy Soto	61-68 — 129
Thomas/Crockett	62-70 — 132
Cox/McCulloch	63-69 — 132
Roger/Dimidjian	64-68 — 132
Hatfield/Kerr	63-73 — 136
Foster/Stone	64-72 — 136
Weaver/Rutherford	66-70 — 136
Nichols/Roberts	66-72 — 138
J. Birdwell/Flynn	66-74 — 140
FIRST FLIGHT	
Gent/Silen	68-69 — 137
Byers/Williams	67-70 — 137
Brunson/Chance	70-68 — 138
Sharpneck/Moore	70-68 — 138
Richbourg/Fletcher	67-71 — 138
R. Rutledge/Jiminez	67-71 — 138
T. Rutledge/Gaffery	68-70 — 138
Palmer/Hedges	68-72 — 140
D. Birdwell/McKee	67-74 — 141
Corson/Schaffer	69-72 — 141
Howell/Harris	69-72 — 141
Barr/Spey	67-75 — 142
Ramirez/Ben Garcia Sr.	68-74 — 142
Farmer/Ayers	69-74 — 143
Register/Templeton	70-74 — 144
Mark Wie/Mike Wie	69-76 — 145
Cockrell/Gilbreath	70-76 — 146

Sweeney/Phillips	70-76 — 146
Beal/Laxton	69-78 — 147
Mackey/Ontiveros	69-78 — 147
D. Fiehrty/M. Fiehrty	70-79 — 149
Gray/Hickman	70-82 — 152
SECOND FLIGHT	
Slape/Lozano	71-73 — 144
Pirkle/Hunter	71-73 — 144
Billalba/Sanchez	72-74 — 146
Decker/Chrane	72-75 — 147
Newson/Smith	71-77 — 148
Hecker/Harris	71-78 — 149
Brown/Spey	72-79 — 151
Wash/Jinnetti	76-75 — 151
Green/Bauer	73-82 — 155
R. Battie/D. Battie	74-83 — 157
Robbes/E. Garcia	76-81 — 157
Summersel/Childress	76-83 — 159
Watkins/Fletcher	76-83 — 159
Alexander/Sledge	75-85 — 160
Crowse/Carson	75-85 — 160
Bodine/Dyer	73-70
THIRD FLIGHT	
Leonard/Tubb	77-71 — 148
Huffman/Spruel	79-74 — 153
G. Matlock/H. Matlock	78-76 — 154
Zant/Kennemuer	77-78 — 155
K. Brown/J. Brown	77-81 — 158
Belen/Fowler	77-81 — 158
Gilbert/Hill	77-86 — 163
Thornha/Rubio	78-87 — 165
Koch/Hale	80-88 — 168
A. Patterson/Wrinkle	81-88 — 169
Gressett/Lewschner	88-85 — 173
Bunley/Neff	80-95 — 175
S. Patterson/Cloud	83-92 — 175

who finished regulation at 68-69, 137, defeated first round co-leaders Denny Byers and Marvin Williams (67-70, 137) on the first extra hole.

But determining third-place honors required a five-team playoff that lasted six holes before B.A. Brunson and Pat Chance (70-68, 138) managed a birdie to defeat Joe Sharpneck and Greg Moore (70-68, 138).

The other three teams involved in the playoff were Russ Rutledge and Manuel Jiminez (67-71, 138), Jerry Richbourg and Tommy Fletcher (67-71, 138) and Tommy Rutledge and Tim Gaffery (68-70, 138).

Another playoff decided the second flight's title, as well.

Two of the teams that had entered Sunday's final round in a four-way tie for the lead — Dewey Slape and Pancho

Lozano, and A.J. Pirkle and Travis Hunter — finished regulation deadlocked with identical 71-73, 144 scores.

Slape and Lozano managed the playoff win, while Tommy Billalba and Mike Sanchez took third with a 72-74, 146 score.

In third-flight action, Fred Leonard and David Tubb put up an even par round of 71 for a 148 total and a five-stroke victory over Scott Huffman and T.C. Spruel (79-74, 153), while Gary and Homer Matlock were one more stroke back at 78-76, 154.

Leonard and Tubb had been one of five teams to enter Sunday's round tied at 77.

Among the flight's other first-round leaders, only Leslie Zant and Ed Kennemuer came close to being a factor — finishing fourth with a 77-71, 155.

## Interleague play proves to be big at box office

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

The big winners on the first weekend of interleague play were the Seattle Mariners, the Baltimore Orioles, the Montreal Expos and the bank accounts of baseball owners.

Seattle beat Los Angeles 8-2 Sunday to improve to 4-0 in interleague play, while Baltimore beat Atlanta 5-3 in 10 innings to complete a three-game sweep of the NL champion Braves. Montreal finished a three-game sweep of Detroit with a 10-2 rout.

And attendance averaged about 35,000 for the opening four days of interleague ball, up from about 25,900 for the first 10 weeks of the season.

"You can see what it's done for attendance, not only here but throughout baseball," Mariners manager Lou Piniella said. "If it's good for business, it's good for the sport."

The Mariners, averaging 37,461 before the start of interleague play, drew 208,297 for the first interleague games in the Kingdome, a club record for four consecutive home games and an average of 52,074.

And equally important, the Mariners outscored NL opponents 35-22 and improved to 11-2 in June, opening a two-game lead in the AL West.

"It's kind of weird," said Paul Sorrento, who has spent his entire career in the AL and hit one of three Seattle homers

Sunday. "It almost seems like a spring training atmosphere."

In Atlanta, Lenny Webster hit a two-run homer in the 10th inning off Mark Wohlers (2-2). The AL's best team thus far thought it proved something against the No. 1 team in the NL.

"If anybody thought the Baltimore Orioles were a fluke, I think we changed their minds in this series," Webster said.

Atlanta has lost seven straight against the AL since taking a 2-0 lead over the New York Yankees in last year's World Series.

"I've never seen this much excitement for a series in June," Braves starter Tom Glavine said.

In Montreal, one of the few places that didn't see a big rise in fans, Henry Rodriguez became only the second player to homer off the rim of Olympic Stadium and helped Montreal extend its winning streak to nine.

"They called it a home run and I looked up to see where it hit," he said. "I didn't know. I lost it. When I hit that ball, it felt like a feather. I didn't believe it got out."

More big interleague matchups are scheduled today. The Chicago Cubs take on the White Sox in the first real games between the teams, and the Mets go to Yankee Stadium tonight in the first game that count between New York teams

since the Brooklyn Dodgers and New York Giants met in September 1957.

"If you're a Yankee or a Met fan, you've been waiting for this for your whole life," Yankees catcher Joe Girardi said.

In other games Sunday, the Yankees split a doubleheader with Florida, winning 8-5 and losing 6-5; the Chicago Cubs beat Milwaukee 4-3, Boston beat the New York Mets 4-1, Toronto beat Philadelphia 11-1, Kansas City beat Pittsburgh 8-1, Cleveland beat St. Louis 9-2, Houston beat Minnesota 3-2, the Chicago White Sox beat Cincinnati 14-6, Oakland beat Colorado 5-2 and San Francisco beat Anaheim 4-1.

### SPORTS BRIEFS

From staff and wire reports

#### Pizza Inn supporting softball team

Big Spring's first 10 and under ASA competitive fastpitch softball team will receive 20 percent of the proceeds made by Pizza Inn on Monday nights during the month of June.

Supporters are being encouraged to patronize the restaurant each Monday night this month.

#### Softball tournament scheduled

The Cobras Softball Tournament has been scheduled for Friday through Sunday at Walker Field in Stanton.

Tournament games are slated to begin at 8 p.m. Friday.

Entry fees are \$100 per team. Team trophies will be awarded to the first-through fourth-place teams, while individual trophies will be presented to first-through third-place finishers. In addition Most Valuable Player and Golden Glove awards will also be presented.

For additional information, contact Ray DeLeLeon at 264-0680 or Chopper Oliva at 264-0014.

#### Cowboy Golf Tournament set for June 19

The second Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo Cowboy Golf Tournament, the Justin Cowboy Crisis Four Man Scramble, has been scheduled for June 19 at the Comanche Trail Golf Course.

Each team will consist of three local golfers and one cowboy or cowgirl.

Entry fees for the tournament are set at \$30 per player. All proceeds will go directly to the Justin Cowboy Crisis Fund which benefits injured cowboys and their families.

The tournament will begin with an 8 a.m. shotgun start and also feature a fish fry by Mel's Catch of the Day immediately following the presentation of awards.

For more information, call David "Shorty" Barr at (915) 965-3382, O.L. Cooper at 267-1651 or Jack Birdwell at 264-2366.

## Malone faces summer of reflection

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

SALT LAKE CITY — Karl Malone, reflective after failing to add an NBA title to his Most Valuable Player award, says he isn't sure he'll return for another Utah Jazz season.

Two days after Chicago beat Utah 90-86 in Game 6 to claim its fifth title in seven years, the 10-time All-Star said he would spend his summer deciding what to do after falling agonizingly short of his first championship ring.

"I've had 10 months of basketball," he said while attending wrap-up team meetings at the Delta Center Sunday. "I had about a week and a half off after the Olympics. I've had my share of basketball."

Malone, who along with pick-and-roll partner John Stockton is under contract for the 1998-99 season, said there are several factors to consider.

"Part of it is who's coming back," he said, but declined to specifically discuss the six Jazz

players, including starters Jeff Hornacek and Bryon Russell, who are free agents.

"I'm proud of these guys," was all Malone would add, his eyes taking inventory of the teammates who joined him in setting a franchise record of 64 regular-season wins. "I'm prouder than I've ever been with a group of guys."

If the Mailman returns, he wants "to get back to the finals next year, no doubt about it."

Jazz owner Larry Miller, the wealthy car dealer whose money saved the Jazz from moving to Minnesota 12 years ago, just smiled when told of Malone's apparent uncertainty.

After all, it wasn't the first time — or second or even third — that his 6-foot-9 power forward has ended a tough season with hints of retirement.

"Karl's a guy trying to carry too much of this load," Miller said. "He's just trying to gather himself. ... Karl wants to play another two, three or four years. He's just sending out feelers."

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 17:

This is a special birthday year. Create greater happiness in your personal life. Reorganize, and eliminate red tape. Many offers come your way; they involve travel and education. You could meet someone very different, who turns your world upside down in a fashion you appreciate. If you are single, you will want the closeness and confidentiality of a relationship. Because of your mind-set, you are likely to create a dynamic pairing. If attached, relating is important. The two of you build stronger foundations. You might opt to purchase a new home or make another strong domestic decision. SCORPIO is a good worker.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) One-to-one relating is key to making everyone happy, including you. You take the lead, strongly managing work and career. With ease, you correct problems that previously were hassles. You want to go overboard with a friendship.

Tonight: Enjoy life.\*\*\*\*

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Defer to others, and get feedback. You tend to go to extremes with bosses and partners. Make a long-distance call.

Overindulgence is the order of the day. There is plenty of reason for celebration. A love affair or relationship adds spark. Tonight: Do what you want.\*\*\*\*

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Make time to deal with the many facets of your life. A domestic matter could become entwined with a partnership and work. If you don't have a home office, you might want to consider one. Sensitivity goes a long way in fostering your desires. Tonight: Pace yourself.\*\*\*

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Creativity and brainstorming help resolve different issues. Express what you want. You are surprised and delighted at how receptive an associate or partner is. An associate and finances blend. You'll like the end result. Tonight: Be naughty and nice.\*\*\*\*

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Be more direct with a family member. Instincts are right on with decisions. You tend to get carried away. Conserve your energy with a balanced pace. Follow through on a money-making idea. You are the only one who sees the big picture. Tonight: You go on overboard.\*\*\*\*

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Communications get you what you want. Do not hesitate; clearly go for what you want. Determination is important

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with a work-related matter. There are many different ways to go. Think through options before you take a decisive action. Tonight: Go to a favorite spot.\*\*\*\*

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You are confused about a domestic decision. Following desire is best. A flirtation or relationship could become exceedingly important. You understand a lot more than you wish to reveal. Gather information. Tonight: Indulge yourself.\*\*\*\*

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You are full of magnetism. Go for the brass ring. Make a key call, and stay centered about possibilities. Suddenly, a lot is on your plate. A family member is full of ideas, and may overwhelm you. Inquire about education and travel. Tonight: Beam in what you want.\*\*\*\*

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) You learn much from a partner's offer. You want to make a statement about what is right; you are capable of discovering other answers. Finances are the focus of a career decision. The amount of information you need to digest is overwhelming. Tonight: Take a night off.\*\*

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Emphasize your dreams. Another wants to share with you. Discussions are key to creating a more desirable reality.

You have a tendency to go overboard. Still, you get what you want because a partner can't resist your offer. Tonight: You are happy with friends.\*\*\*\*

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Take the initiative, and follow through on a major career decision. Consider what is important to a partner. Discussion with this person needs to be on an intimate level. Positive changes in your schedule work in the long run. Tonight: You are a force on the scene.\*\*\*

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Take a step back, in order to get a better perspective. Not everything you feel at this time is accurate. A trusted associate provides important feedback. Heed his suggestions; he helps you get what you want. Tonight: Listen to a favorite piece of music.\*\*\*\*

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Man carrying torch fears he is playing with fire

DEAR ABBY: A woman I have known for some time recently moved back to town and we have run into each other on several occasions. We're both in our mid-20s and neither of us is involved with anyone right now.

A few years ago I began to develop feelings for her that I never had the courage to express. I don't remember when they started, but since her return I realize I still have them, and now when I am around her I can think of little else. I don't know if she thinks of me as any more than a friend.

I've been infatuated before, but I don't think what I've been feeling for these last few years is infatuation. I believe it is love. I want to tell her how I feel, but I fear damaging our friendship.

If I tell her and she does not share my feelings, I don't know how I will get past the awkwardness of seeing her in social situations in the future. Our social circle is tight, and chance meetings would be unavoidable if I want to keep my friends.

What do you think, Abby? Should I take a chance and tell her how I feel? I have everything to gain, but it looks like so much to lose. — LOVESICK AND LOSING IT

DEAR LOVESICK: There is something that's in between ignoring your feelings and confessing all. It's called a date. Ask the young woman to have dinner with you. Take her to a restaurant where the noise level is low and you can talk. During dinner you'll have an opportunity to steer the conversation in a personal direction. Be attentive to her responses, and you'll come away with a good sense of where your relationship may or may not go. Good luck!

DEAR ABBY: After reading the letter in your column signed "Sad Widow in Illinois," I had to respond.

My father died in 1965. My mother was devastated by his unexpected death and was inconsolable. The following May was their anniversary, and I wondered what I should do. Sending Mother a card might cause more sadness, but I just couldn't ignore that very special day.

A friend told me that when her mother's first anniversary had come up after her father's death, she and her siblings did not do anything by way of remembering it. Later, her mother made the remark, "You would think it never happened." And my friend said to me, "Send your mother a card."

So I did as "Sad Widow" suggested. I bought a "thinking of you" card and wrote a letter to my mother, expressing understanding that this was not a happy anniversary, but their marriage was still something to be celebrated.

My mother was deeply appreciative. She called it her "empty anniversary," and

thanked me for remembering. My mother died nine days later.

Abby, please remind your readers to remember the surviving spouse on his or her wedding anniversary. It is still a meaningful occasion. — GRATEFUL JEANNE

DEAR JEANNE: Thank you for your compassionate insight. I wholeheartedly agree with you.

DEAR ABBY: I hope it's not too late for me to respond to your question, "What is a great lover?"

Abby, there's no such thing as "a" great lover. They only come in pairs. — JOHN WEHRLER, CHARLESTON, W.VA.

DEAR ABBY: My fiancé and I will be getting married in July, after an 18-month engagement. We have worked very hard on our wedding plans to make sure our special day is as perfect as possible.

Throughout our engagement, my future mother-in-law has been nothing but trouble. There have been many problems, but one has been especially upsetting. Early on, my future mother-in-law talked about giving me a big family bridal shower. I thought this was fine. As the months went by, the shower date kept changing. Now she says she wants to have a combination baby shower for her daughter, my future sister-in-law, and bridal shower for me, six days before our wedding.

Am I selfish because I want a separate bridal shower? I plan on getting married only once, and want everything to be "special." How can I explain to my future mother-in-law that I would rather not have a bridal

shower at all than to share it with someone who should have a shower of her own also? — HURT IN PORTLAND, ORE.

DEAR HURT: You are not being selfish. You and your future sister-in-law are both celebrating very special events in your lives, and each of you should have an individual shower.

According to the etiquette books, neither shower should be given by your future mother-in-law. As I have explained in my booklet, "How to Have a Lovely Wedding," showers are never given by either the bride's immediate family or her fiancé's. Generally the maid of honor, a bridal attendant or another close friend — anyone who is not related — gives the bridal shower. And the appropriate time for it is approximately six WEEKS before the wedding, not six days.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 17-year-old girl who just attended my first prom at another school. I was appalled by the fact that tickets cost \$95. (At my school they cost \$10 a couple and seniors go free.)

My advice to "Penniless" is: If you need extra money, call some local business and explain your dilemma. Many plant nurseries are very busy during the spring and could probably use an extra hand for a couple of Saturdays before the prom.

I would also advise making some adjustments to prom night: Instead of renting a limousine, clean up your — or your parents' — car for the big night. Call restaurants around town and ask if they have a set menu. (They usually give you a choice of two dishes and everyone makes their selection in advance.) The set menu is usually much cheaper, and you are spared the embarrassment of not having enough money to pay the bill. To save gas money, ask another couple to ride with you and split the cost of the fuel.

If you still can't afford it, ask the girl and explain your dilemma. I'm sure she'll be excited and willing to share the cost — but still as "more than friends." (I know I would.)

I hope this is helpful. Don't skip your senior prom. It's something you will never forget. — GINNY SMITH, LAKE CHARLES, LA.

DEAR GINNY AND THE MANY READERS WHO OFFERED THEIR PROM NIGHT SUGGESTIONS: Prom night has evolved into an end-of-the-year bash for many high school students and their parents, and it's not unheard-of for kids to drop hundreds of dollars on limousines, hotel rooms for all-night after-prom parties, and other expensive items. It's refreshing to see that with a little ingenuity and cooperation among friends, it's still possible to have a memorable night without breaking the bank.

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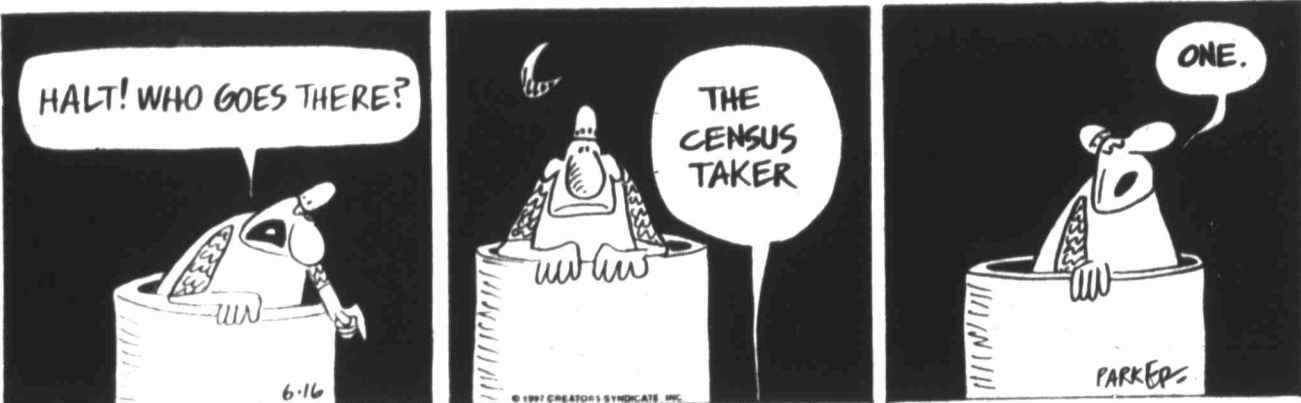
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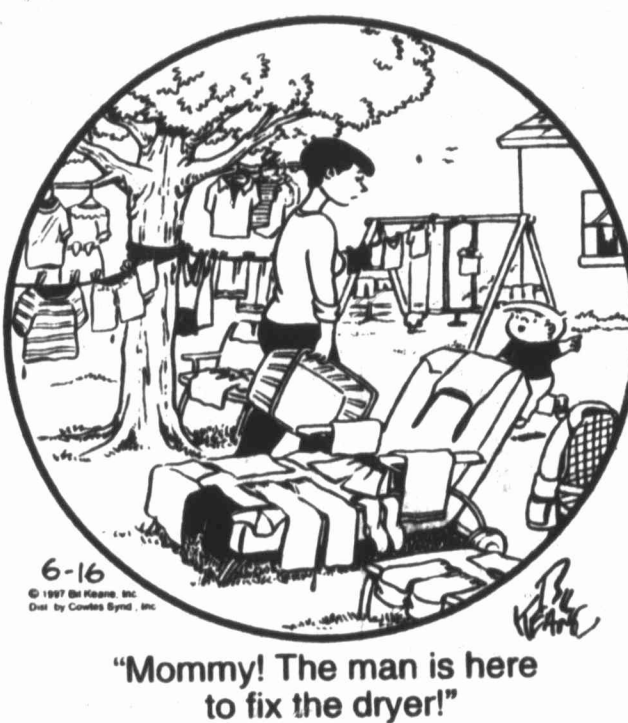
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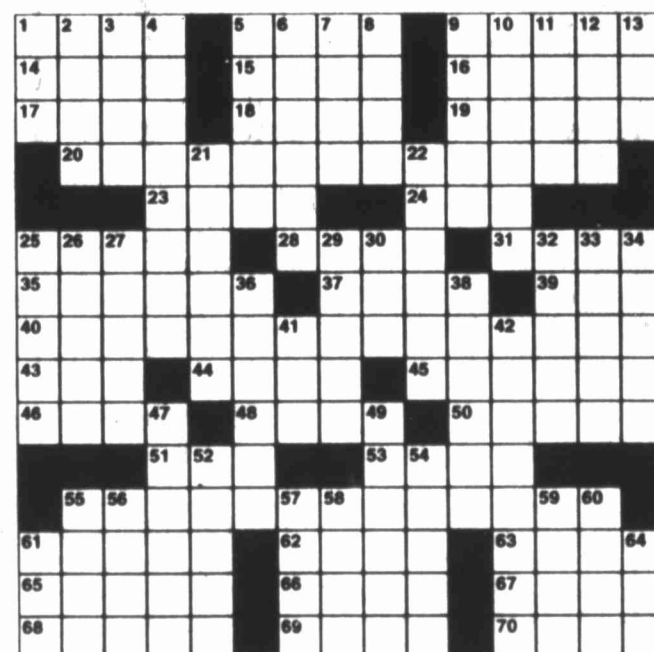
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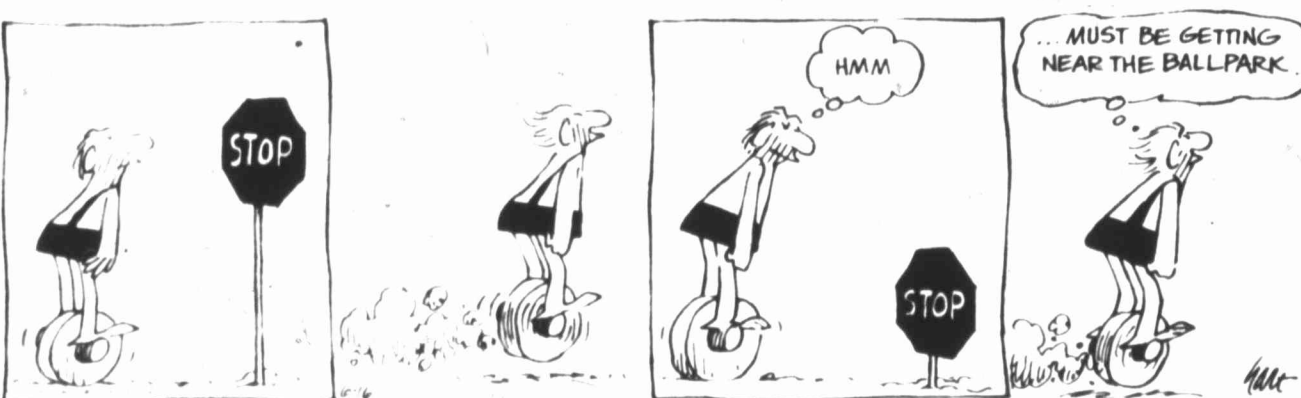
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In 1567, Mary, Queen of Scots, was imprisoned in Lochleven Castle in Scotland.

In 1897, the government signed a treaty of annexation with Hawaii.

In 1903, Ford Motor Co. was incorporated.

In 1933, the National Industrial Recovery Act became law. (It was later struck down by the Supreme Court.)

In 1955, Pope Pius XII excommunicated Argentine President Juan Domingo Peron, a ban that was lifted eight years later.

In 1961, Soviet ballet dancer Rudolf Nureyev defected to the West while his troupe was in Paris.

In 1970, Kenneth A. Gibson of Newark, N.J., became the first black to win a mayoral election in a major Northeast city.

In 1977, Soviet Communist Party General Secretary Leonid Brezhnev was named president, becoming the first person to hold both posts simultaneously.

In 1978, President Carter and Panamanian leader Omar Torrijos exchanged the instruments of ratification for the Panama Canal treaties.

Ten years ago: A jury in New York acquitted Bernhard Goetz of attempted murder in the subway shooting of four young blacks he said were going to rob him; however, Goetz was convicted of illegal weapons possession.

(In 1996, a civil jury ordered Goetz to pay \$43 million to one of the persons he'd shot.)

Five years ago: President Bush and Russian President Boris Yeltsin capped the first day of their Washington summit by announcing their countries had agreed to slash their long-range nuclear arsenals by two-thirds. Former Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger was indicted on felony charges in the Iran-Contra affair (however, he was later pardoned by President Bush.)

One year ago: Russian voters went to the polls in their first independent presidential election; the result was a runoff between President Boris Yeltsin (the eventual winner) and Communist challenger Gennady Zyuganov. The Chicago Bulls won the NBA championship, beating the Seattle SuperSonics in Game Six, 87-75. Sportscaster Mel Allen died in Greenwich, Conn., at age 83.

Today's Birthdays: Former Washington Post Co. Chairman Katharine Graham is 80. Author Erich Segal is 60. Author Joyce Carol Oates is 59. Country singer Billy "Crash" Craddock is 58. Songwriter Lamont Dozier is 56. Rhythm-and-blues singer Eddie Levert is 55. Actress Joan Van Ark is 54. Boxer Roberto Duran is 46.