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## Glasscock board talks of construction

By STEVE REAGAN  
Staff Writer

**GARDEN CITY** — Discussions on construction projects took up the lion's share of time at Monday's meeting of the Glasscock ISD school board meeting.

For the past few months, Glasscock trustees have looked into possible renovations at the high school gym and construction of new tennis courts. Monday night, they gave their approval to start the bidding process on new tennis courts,

Superintendent Charles Zachry said.

Currently, there are six courts near the high school, but those are in various degrees of disrepair and are in need of replacing, Zachry said. He added that trustees should take action on the bids sometime in August.

"Basically, we're looking at doing it in increments," he said. "We're looking at a lot of different options — what to do and how to do it."

Trustees also are looking at possible renovations at the high school gym, specifically with

seating and the ventilation system, but no action was taken during Monday's meeting, Zachry said.

Also Monday, trustees: • Approved the hiring of R.L. Coates. Coates, formerly a coach/teacher with the Coahoma Independent School District, will be an assistant with both the football and basketball programs at Garden City High School. He spent the last school year at Robert Lee High School.

He replaces Don Kelso, who is moving to Jacksboro.



HERALD photo/Jonathan Garrett  
Emergency personnel work to clean up after a car owned by Wayne Livergood of Carlsbad, N.M. rolled into a gasoline pump at HEB about 7:30 a.m. today. Firefighters were called to douse a small fire that began as a result of the pump being knocked over. Livergood was cited in the accident.

## Full slate of local activities set for July 4th

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN  
Features Editor

Looking for something to do on the Fourth? Big Spring has a host of events on tap, from a parade to Civil War battle reenactments to a park festival and historic pageant. Coahoma will celebrate our country's birthday with a parade Saturday.

At Big Spring State Park, Sons of Confederate Veterans will show visitors what life was like in a Civil War soldier's camp, complete with costumes and authentic artillery. Accompanying the performances will be drum and fife music.

It all begins about 2 p.m. Friday at the upper picnic pavilion and playground area. Admission is \$2 for adults, \$1 for seniors and children 12 and under are free.

Meanwhile, Coahoma Trail Park will host a day-long festival including arts and crafts booths, food, music, sports tournaments and special events for the kids. Plans include swimming, fishing, volleyball, softball and kite flying.

This event, "4th Fest," continues from 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Friday.

A historical pageant is slated for 8 p.m. in the Comanche Trail Amphitheater. Organized by Mamie Lee Dodds, "Let Freedom Ring" traces several aspects of our country's history, from the Pilgrim landing through the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

Actors are all local residents, church groups and community organizations.

A local tradition, the annual kids' parade, gets the day kicked off beginning at 10 a.m. on Highland Drive.

On Saturday, head over to Coahoma for their "Freedom Parade," sponsored by the Coahoma Lions Club. Entrants are still welcome to join this parade, which begins at 11 a.m. heading north along First Street from IH-20.

Call 393-5712 or 393-5994 to enter. Anything goes in this parade — floats, bicycles, walkers or motorized vehicles. Entries should line up just south of IH-20 on First Street by 10 a.m.

After the parade, stop by the bake sale sponsored by "Coahoma Exes," north of the railroad tracks on First Street.

### JULY 4TH ACTIVITIES

FRIDAY, JULY 4

10 a.m. — Highland South Kid's Parade, Highland Drive

10 a.m. — Fourth Fest begins, Coahoma Trail Park

Plans for the day-long festival include arts and crafts booths, food, music, softball tournament and special events for the kids, including swimming, fishing, volleyball, softball and kite flying.

2 p.m. — Civil War re-enactment, Big Spring State Park. Sons of Confederate Veterans will show visitors what life was like in a Civil War soldier's camp, complete with costumes and authentic artillery. Admission to the park is \$2 for adults, \$1 for seniors and children 12 and under are free.

8 p.m. — "Let Freedom Ring" historical pageant, Coahoma Trail Amphitheatre. The pageant traces several aspects of our country's history, from the Pilgrim landing through the signing of the Declaration of Independence and features all local residents as actors.

SATURDAY, JULY 5

11 a.m. — Freedom Parade, downtown Coahoma, sponsored by the Coahoma Lions Club. After the parade, stop by the bake sale sponsored by "Coahoma Exes," north of the railroad tracks on First Street.

## Get the barbecue grill ready to celebrate July 4th

By CARLTON JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

Friday will mark the 221st celebration of the birth of a nation — the United States of America — meaning food, fun and a variety of Independence Day activities.

No one has ever come up with a conventional menu for celebrating the Fourth of July, but traditional favorites that can most certainly be counted on make an appearance at family picnics and gatherings include hamburgers, hot dogs, barbecue, baked beans, potato salad, watermelon and a variety of desserts.

The foods enjoyed during a celebration such as this, are produced all over the country on a daily basis — something most people don't think about when the celebration is going on.

The beef you adorn your backyard grill

with Friday may have been produced right here in Texas.

According to 1992 Census of Agriculture, the most recent one conducted, Texas was the leading state in cattle and calves sold, with sales of 11.5 million head.

Weld County, Colo., was the nation's top county in terms of cattle and calves sold with sales of more than 950,000 head. In Texas, Deaf Smith County (Hereford) sold more than 780,000 head and Texas County, Okla., sold more than 587,500 head of cattle.

Now that the beef is accounted for, what about pork?

Sioux City, Iowa is traditionally the nation's top pork producing area, selling 25 percent of the country's hogs and pigs in 1992. North Carolina was the nation's leading seller of hogs and pigs, selling more than 3.5 million animals.

As for the mustard you may put on your

hamburger or hot dog, 55 percent (6.4 million pounds) of the mustard seed harvested in the U.S. in 1992 was harvested in North Carolina.

The chicken on the grill may also come from one of the top five broiler producing states of Arkansas, Georgia, Alabama, North Carolina and Mississippi, which accounted for 60 percent of the nation's chicken production in 1992, however, it was Delaware's Sussex County that led the nation in chicken production, with more than 194 million broilers.

As for fireworks as concerned, the value of U.S. manufacturers' shipments of fireworks totaled \$22.9 million in 1992, up from \$15.3 in 1986.

U.S. imports of fireworks totaled \$95.7 million in 1996; most of this total (87.2 million) came from China and exports only totaled 55 million with Canada as the leading country of destination.

## Taxes not paid?

### Unpaid property taxes moved to delinquent tax rolls today

By CARLTON JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

Mention the word taxes and most people instantly think of April 15 and federal income taxes, but property taxes have to be paid as well and any unpaid property taxes as of today will be transferred to Howard County's delinquent tax rolls.

Local residents who still owed 1996 property taxes will now be assessed an 18 percent late payment penalty plus an additional 15 percent penalty for attorney fees for attorneys having to file the delinquency on the county's tax rolls.

Several residents in the past have entered into Tax Payment Agreements with the county, but according to the Howard County Tax Office a Tax Payment Agreement will not excuse late penalties and interest.

Total delinquent tax figures traditionally don't become available until after July 1, but in the past Howard County has seen an increase in the amount of taxes it has been able to collect before they become delinquent.

Not counting the 1996-97 collection year, which is not yet complete, Howard County collected more delinquent taxes than it ever had during the previous two years, and the 1995-96 tax year was the most successful ever for the county, where delinquent tax collection is concerned with an overall collection of \$718,044.

During the 1994-95 tax year, \$665,645 in delinquent taxes was collected; and \$516,298 in 1993-94.

Last year, \$142,879 in delinquent taxes was collected for Howard County; \$81,337 for Howard College; and \$129,455 for the city of Big Spring.

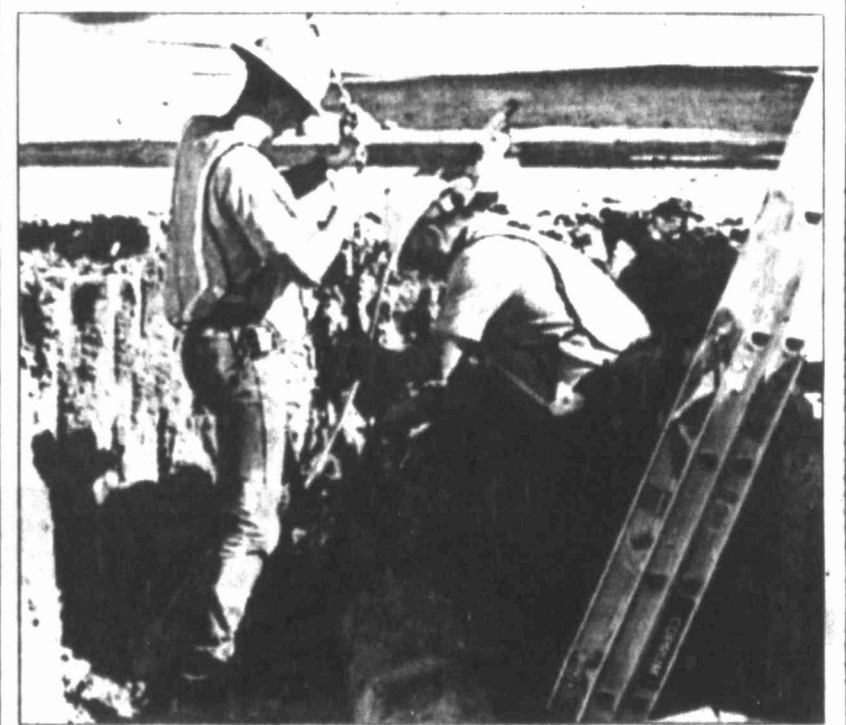
The nine entities for which taxes are collected include: Howard County, Howard College, city of Big Spring, city of Coahoma, city of Forsan, Big Spring Independent School District, Coahoma Independent School District, Forsan Independent School District and the Permian Basin Underground Water Conservation District.

What amount the county collects in delinquent taxes for 1996-97 won't be available for several months, but the county expects to have success in collecting delinquent taxes similar to what it has done in past years.

The amount of delinquent taxes due all nine entities for the 1996-97 tax year is \$584,228.49 or 2.49 percent of the overall tax levied, according to the Howard County Tax Office.

The total percent of taxes due that went delinquent for the nine local taxing entities in 1995 was 2.56 percent or \$599,932.44.

## WATER LINE REPAIR



HERALD photo/Jonathan Garrett  
Chad Harbour (left) and Jim Piper, a City of Big Spring Construction Supervisor, prepare to break a water line at Johnson and 3rd, which is part of the line being replaced from 2nd Street to 10th Street.

## Ryan foes would get time equal to his commercials

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUSTIN — If former pitching ace Nolan Ryan runs for state agriculture commissioner while his television commercials continue to run, Texas television stations would have to give opponents equal air time, a federal official says.

Ryan now appears in commercials for Dairy Queen and Advil.

Mark Berlin, a senior attorney in the complaints and polit-

ical programming branch of the Federal Communications Commission, made the equal time comments Monday.

"If Nolan Ryan is not paying any money for (commercial air time), then the opponents would not have to pay any money for it," Berlin said.

The former star of several major league teams — including the Texas Rangers and the Houston Astros — has told Texas Farm Bureau officials he will seriously consider running

for agriculture commissioner if his lucrative television commercials can continue.

Ryan just signed a three-year contract with Dairy Queen.

A lawyer for the Farm Bureau has asked the Texas Ethics Commission for an opinion on whether such ads would constitute an illegal corporate contribution to Ryan's campaign. The commission is expected to rule later this month.

Another major issue may be whether Texas television sta-

tions are willing to air Dairy Queen and Advil commercials featuring Ryan while he's running for office.

Jack Goodman, a lawyer for the National Association of Broadcasters, said such commercials would be considered a political use of air time for Ryan.

That means stations would have to make an equal amount of paid air time available for Ryan's opponents at the lowest political advertising rate.

## Voters to go to polls twice after legislative session

By CARLTON JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

The last time there was a Special Election or Constitutional Amendment Election in the state of Texas was Nov. 7, 1995, but this year Texans will go to the polls twice — for a special election on Aug. 9 and probably again on Nov. 4 for a constitutional amendment election, according to Howard County Clerk Margaret Ray.

According to Ray, a constitutional amendment election usually shadows a legislative ses-

sion the following November.

The special election set for August will give voters a change to vote yes or no for a constitutional amendment providing school property tax relief by increasing the residence homestead exemption by \$10,000 (from \$5,000 to \$15,000) and providing for the transfer of the tax limitation to another qualified homestead for persons over 65 and a reduction in taxes on homesteads subject to the limitation.

According to Ray's office, there have been several ques-

tions across the state regarding the procedures to be followed in the Aug. 9 election.

Ray recently told county commissioners the Texas Secretary of State's office has informed her office that all current procedures and forms will be used in the election and that procedures and forms that will be changed due to legislation enacted by the 75th Legislature will not go into effect until Sept. 1 or until the Justice Department has pre-cleared those procedures.

As for as how the August election will be conducted around

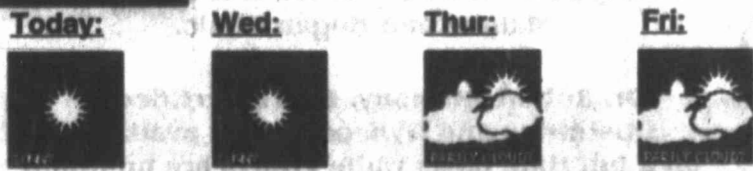
the state, the Secretary of State's office has informed county clerks and election administrators that they may consolidate their polling places as long as there is a total of (at least) four precincts, one in each commissioner's precinct.

If precincts are consolidated (and Ray has indicated they will be), each consolidated precinct will count as one precinct.

For example, if precincts 101, 102 and 103 are consolidated, ballots in these precincts will be

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### WEATHER



Tonight, fair. Lows 70-75. Wednesday, sunny. Highs 100-105. Wednesday night, fair. Lows 70-75. Extended forecast, Thursday and Friday, partly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms. Highs 95-105. Lows 70-75. Saturday, partly cloudy. Lows 70-75. Highs around 100.

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OBITUARIES

**John W. Ford**

Service for John W. Ford, 72, Big Spring, will be 4 p.m. Wednesday, July 2, 1997, at First Baptist Church Chapel with Rev. Bob Underwood, minister of missions at First Baptist Church, officiating. Graveside service will be 2 p.m. MDT Thursday, July 3, at Fort Bliss National Cemetery.

Mr. Ford died Sunday, June 29, in a Big Spring hospital.

He was born on June 19, 1925, in Earth and married Joanne Colicoto on April 25, 1969, in Brumaleo, N.M. He served in the United States Army for four years and when he came home he finished school and received a Master's Degree in Mechanical Engineering. He had lived in Big Spring for five and a half years and was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include: his wife, Joanne Ford, Big Spring; one daughter, Ann Ford, Alamogordo, N.M.; two sons, John W. Ford III, Denver, Colo., and Michael Ford, Sweden.

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

**Clara McMurray Black**

Service for Clara McMurray Black, 90, Big Spring, will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 2, 1997, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Rev. Hubert Wright, pastor of Midway Baptist Church, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

Mrs. Black died Saturday, June 28, in a Big Spring nursing home.

She was born on Sept. 14, 1906, in Rannels County. She married John Ivy McMurray on March 9, 1924, in Howard County. He preceded her in death on March 5, 1961. She then married John Hubert Black on Sept. 26, 1974. He preceded her in death on Oct. 9, 1982. She came to Howard

County as an infant and was a lifelong resident. She was a homemaker and an avid gardener. She was a member of Midway Baptist Church.

Survivors include: four sons, Earl McMurray, Edman McMurray, both of Big Spring, J.R. McMurray, Del Rio, and Ray McMurray, Lohn; three daughters, Ivy Lee Bedell, Dorothy Newby, both of Big Spring, and Mary Klahr, Eunice, N.M.; one sister, Zelma Hechler, of the Luther community; 18 grandchildren; and 26 great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to: Midway Baptist Church; 6200 S. SR 1-20; Big Spring, Texas; 79720.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home today from 7 to 8 p.m.

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

**Troy Ballard Drinkard**

Troy Ballard Drinkard, 81, Big Spring, died on Sunday, June 29, 1997, in a Midland hospital. Service will be noon Wednesday, July 2, 1997, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Dr. Kenneth Patrick, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Masonic graveside rites will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born on Feb. 9, 1916, in Eden, Texas, and married Evelyn Fields on June 6, 1940, in Melvin, Texas. She preceded him in death on April 19, 1992.

He was the son of T.B. and Elizabeth Drinkard, pioneer settlers and ranchers in Eden, Texas. They also operated a general mercantile business there. Troy lived in Eden for 40 years and then moved his family to Big Spring in June of 1957 and later opened Drinkard Electric. He operated it for 30 years until retirement.

He was a member of Baptist Temple and was a 50 year member of Paint Rock Lodge No. 613 A.F. & A.M.

Survivors include: two daughters and sons-in-law, Etta Jane and Richard Doane of Odessa, Troy Ann and Art Sinclair of Sherman; one son and daughter-in-law, Timothy and Robyn Drinkard of Big Spring; five grandsons, Troy Doane of Altus, Okla., Cheston Lane of Sherman, Timothy Drinkard of Sweetwater, Sterling and Lawrence Drinkard, both of Carrollton; three granddaughters, Kori Waddell of Odessa, Sherida Richardson of Midland and Sacha Warrum of Irving; eight great-grandchildren; two sisters, Lewelyn Nored of Eden and Virginia Fleming of Austin.

He was also preceded in death by one son, Arden Lee Drinkard on Jan. 22, 1987.

The family suggests memorials to the American Heart Association, Howard County Division; P.O. Box 1223; Big Spring, Texas; 79721-1223.

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counted together and only one precinct total will be given.

Howard County most recently used the consolidated precinct format during the Dec. 10, 1996 special election runoff between State Senate candidates Robert Duncan and David Langston.

"Some county clerks are going to paper ballots for this election in order to cut down on expenses, but some election judges don't like to count paper ballots," Ray said.

Commissioners gave Ray their approval to use paper ballots in the Aug. 9 election, with Commissioner Sonny Choate saying, "I think this is about as simple as you can get."

"I don't think switching to paper ballots will confuse voters at all," Ray said.

Howard County's 21 precincts will be consolidated into six precincts with the following polling places and election judges:

•Precincts 101-112 at the Northside Fire Station — Omega Hernandez, election judge.

•Precincts 202-205 at Goliad Middle School — Raford Dunagan, election judge.

•Precincts 207, 407-409 at Coahoma Community Center — Maxine Hinsley, election judge.

•Precincts 208 and 304 at Elbow School — Myrl Soles, election judge.

•Precincts 301-303 and 305 and 306 at the 18th and Main Fire Station — Nan Buske, election judge.

•Precincts 401-406 and 410 at the 11th and Birdwell Fire Station — Leta Kirby, election judge.

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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**

•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 Settles.

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

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

•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, 268-5077.

**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.

•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 p.m., Howard County Library. Call Bernice

BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

Cason at 267-6542 or 267-7236. •Masonic Lodge No. 1340, 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster. Call Preston Harris at 263-7136.

**FRIDAY**

•Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Music by CW & Co. Area seniors invited.

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

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

**SATURDAY**

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open meetings at noon, 8 p.m. and 10 p.m.

**SUNDAY**

•Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, has services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, 11 a.m. closed meeting and 7 p.m. open meeting.

**MONDAY**

•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.

•Gospel Singing, 7 p.m., Kentwood Center, 2805 Lynn. Call 267-6764. Guest singers from Stanton, Midland and Colorado City.

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•MS group, 6:30 p.m., Canterbury South. Call Diane at 263-0148.

MARKETS

July cotton 73.50 cents a pound, down 20 points; Aug. crude oil 19.99, up 19 points; Cash hogs steady at \$1.50 higher at 62¢; slaughter steers steady at 62¢; July lean hog futures 83.87, down 80 points; Aug. live cattle futures 64.32, down 12 points.

Noon quotes provided by Edward D. Jones & Co.

Index 7744.49	
Volume 168,668,410	
ATT	35% + 1/2
Amoco	87% + 1/2
Atlantic Richfield	71% + 1/2
Atmos Energy	24% + 1/2
Chevron	74% + 1/2
Chrysler	32% - 1/2
Cifra	1.78 - 1.81
Coca-Cola	89% + 1 1/2
De Beers	36% + 1/2
DuPont	62% - 1/2
Excell Comm.	26% - 2 1/2
Exxon	62% + 1 1/2
Fina	63% + 1/2
Ford Motors	38% + 1/2
Halliburton	79% + 1/2
IBM	92% + 1 1/2
Laser Indus LTD	14% + 1/2
Medical Alliance	4% + 1/2
Mobil	71% + 1 1/2
Norwest	57% + 1/2
NUV	9% - 1/2
Phillips Petroleum	44% + 1/2
Palex Inc.	10% + 1/2
Pepsi Cola	38% + 1/2

Texas Lottery PICK 3: 2,6,3 CASH 5:2,3,1,2,15,28

Rural/Metro	29% + 1/2
Sears	54% + 1/2
Southwestern Bell	61% - 1/2
Sun	31% + 1/2
Texasco	110% + 1 1/2
Texas Instruments	86% + 2 1/2
Texas Utils. Co	34% + 1/2
Unocal Corp	39% + 1/2
Wal-Mart	34% + 1/2
Ampac	14.99-15.81
Euro Pacific	28.94-30.71
I.C.A.	28.35-30.08
New Economy	19.19-20.36
New Perspective	20.82-22.09
Van Kampen	14.39-15.11
Prime Rate	8.50%
Gold	333.80 - 334.30
Silver	4.60 - 4.63

BRIEFS

**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.

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 7:30 a.m. Monday and 7:30 a.m. Tuesday:

•ANTHONY MUNOZ, 38, no known address, was arrested for public intoxication.

•ELIZABETH VIASANA, 21, of 203 N.W. 3rd, was arrested for assault.

•BEN JOSEPH GARZA, 17, of 1020 Stadium, was arrested for burglary of a habitation.

•CRIMINAL MISCHIEF in the 1000 block of Nolan; and the 1500 block of Mesa.

•THEFT in the 1700 block of Wason; and the 1400 block of Mount Vernon.

•BURGLARY OF A HABITATION in the 600 block of W. 6th.

•DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE in the 4100 block of Dixon.

•AGGRAVATED ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON in the 1600 block of Martin Luther King Blvd.

The weekend arrest report 6/28 through 6/29 reported the following activity:

•THEFTS: 19 (15 from convenience stores).

•INFORMATION: 10

•POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA: 2

•CRIMINAL TRESPASS WARNINGS: 6

•FAILURE TO IDENTIFY: 1

•ASSAULTS: 5

•RUNAWAYS: 1

•BURGLARIES: 4

•UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A VEHICLE: 1

•CRIMINAL MISCHIEF: 3

•DUI: 1

•DRIVING WITH AN INVALID LICENSE: 1

•ACCIDENTS: 11

MINOR - 8

MAJOR - 3

TOTAL ARRESTS - 15

RECORDS

Monday's high 96  
Monday's low 71  
Average high 94  
Average low 69  
Record high 106 in 1994  
Record low 58 in 1924  
Precip. Monday 0.00  
Month to date 4.87  
Month's normal 1.97  
Year to date 13.40  
Normal for the year 8.65  
\*\*Statistics not available.

Statewide curriculum undergoes rewrite

AUSTIN (AP) — The state's first major curriculum rewrite in more than a decade now has the backing of Gov. George W. Bush, who criticized an earlier draft as vague and warned that he wouldn't be satisfied with "mush."

"After a lot of hard work by a lot of smart people, the TEKS (Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills) has been improved a lot," Bush said Monday.

Bush, who has placed particular emphasis on ensuring young students can read on grade level, added, "Based upon what I've been told by people who have made a living in the field, people whose whole life experience has been built around teaching people to read ... this document in terms of the reading program puts Texas on the leading edge of educational change."

The State Board of Education next week is scheduled to consider the revised curriculum standards in English, math, science, health and social studies.

Bush's comments came after State Board of Education member Donna Ballard of The Woodlands, one of six people on the 15-member board who have the backing of religious conservatives, criticized the TEKS proposal as not being rigorous enough or age-specific.

She called on Bush in particular to support an alternative curriculum rewrite for English, noting his interest in reading.

"I think the only way we can get the votes on the board now ... is if we have the support and influence of our governor," Ms. Ballard said. "I think it would be nice for him, since he is the reading governor ... to see him endorse this" alternative proposal.

Bush said some portions of the alternative proposal, developed under the leadership of a high school teacher, were incorporated in the version to be voted on by the State Board of Education.

Notice to the Ladies of Howard County:

Malone and Hogan Clinic regretfully announces the departure of Dr. Deborah Hajovsky from our staff effective August 6, 1997. Dr. Hajovsky will be relocating out of town with her family.

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Carter F. Paillo, Jr., 71, died Sunday. Services will be 2:00 PM Wednesday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

John W. Ford, Jr., 72, died Sunday. Services will be 4:00 PM Wednesday at First Baptist Church Chapel. Graveside services will be at 2:00 PM MDT at Fort Bliss National Cemetery in El Paso.

Troy Ballard Drinkard, 81, died Sunday. Services will be at 12 Noon Wednesday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

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### Quote of the Day

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### OUR VIEWS

## City's free trash-off picks up look of city

The city's free pickup of large trash items that began last month and continues through July 12 has resulted in a huge amount of rubbish being hauled away.

At last tally, more than 80 tons of tree limbs, landscape timbers, dilapidated storage buildings and the like have been taken from various properties around the community and hauled to the dump.

The city's efforts to assist her residents in cleaning their respective property of trash is beneficial in a number of ways.

First, it helps the resident rid their respective property of rubbish;

Second, it makes the job easier of city employees who regularly must deal with the disposal of such things, and

Third, it makes our community a better looking place.

And isn't that the bottom line?

When we work together — resident, city, volunteer and organizations such as the Code Patrol — doesn't it make for a better Big Spring?

And yes, that is the bottom line.

Remember, the city will haul away large items of trash that you leave on the curb if you call code enforcement at 264-2505.

City crews will pick up trash on each of the next two Saturdays to help you help clean up our community.

### OTHER VIEWS

The stunning tobacco liability agreement ... is a highly unusual climax to a highly unusual chapter of American legal history. But in all probability the deal is less climax than anticlimax. This is just where things begin to get interesting.

Before there is any hope of congressional approval, President Clinton will have to endorse the terms, and that, too, is less than certain. Although he is clearly attracted to the idea of seeing the tobacco liability controversy ended in a comprehensive way, there are political risks in being blamed for letting Big Tobacco off the hook.

Obviously, the elimination of smoking would be a good thing. And every reduction in smoking helps. In that sense, the legal coercion against the cigarette makers serves a useful purpose.

But the urge to punish an industry that for three generations has had a respected place in American life doesn't set well. It flies in the face of the fundamental American value of individual responsibility. And it can't help but make nervous those who may be wondering if their products might be the target of some future inquisition.

NEWS & RECORD  
Greensboro, N.C.

A recent cover of Congressional Quarterly highlighted the fact that in one significant respect, things are better on Capitol Hill than they have been for several years.

First there was this headline, "Capital Gains Tax Cut Emerging as Jewel in Both Parties' Crown." Immediately below that was another: "GOP Medicare Fix Sidesteps Partisanship of Previous Efforts."

See the common thread? Democrats and Republicans are working together to accomplish things that they both agree need to be done. For years, that was far from the norm; political parties were more interested in beating up on each other than in

finding common ground for the good of the country.

But something very positive happened in the elections of 1996 — neither party won a mandate. So, we've been spared the triumphalism of the first days of the Clinton administration, and the hubris of the "Contract with America." Politicians have started realizing that if they want to do anything, they'll have to work together.

THE STATE  
Columbia, S.C.

O.J. Simpson may soon be adding a few new words to his vocabulary. Words such as Target, Kmart and Wal-Mart.

After losing a civil trial, Simpson was ordered to pay the families of Nicole Brown Simpson and Ronald Goldman \$33.5 million in compensation and punitive damages for the wrongful deaths of his ex-wife and her waiter friend. ... Simpson's attorney Ronald P. Slates had tried to shield some of Simpson's valuables from the civil judgment on the ground that they were ordinary, necessary household items. Superior Court Judge Irving Shimer didn't buy the argument ... that a \$6,000 tulip lamp with a bronze base was not extraordinary. ... (For \$6,000 — if you shop right — you could light an entire home and have money to spare for extra bulbs.)

We'll allow Simpson's attorneys some credit for trying. But instead of devising schemes for him to hold on to his valuables, perhaps they should be concentrating on helping him adjust his standard of living. In addition to having to sell personal items to meet the terms of the civil judgment, Simpson's house will be foreclosed on next month, unless someone comes forward to pay the mortgage. Until Simpson gets real about the impact of this judgment on his financial situation, he's going to have an extremely difficult time making ends meet.

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## Time to ease up on Swiss over World War II

I think Switzerland is being treated unjustly — and deliberately so — in the flap over its World War II business dealings.

It is clearly being implied that the Swiss were somehow immoral because their banks and industries did business with the Third Reich. In fact, to maintain its neutrality, Switzerland had no choice.

Let's try to sort this out. First, the responsibility of the Swiss government, in 1939-45, was the health and safety of Swiss people and the preservation of Swiss independence. Its policy of armed neutrality did not start in 1939 but much earlier. It was entirely appropriate for Switzerland to maintain it.

Now, to be neutral means you don't take sides in a war. For Switzerland to have refused to do business with Germany would have been taking

sides. It certainly would have been seen that way by the Germans.

Our own country went to war with Great Britain, in part because the British refused to recognize our neutrality and tried to deny us the right to do business with France while Great Britain and France were at war. In other words, the United States maintained then the same position Switzerland maintained during World War II.

To sit around 52 years later and say that Switzerland should have provoked a German invasion with great loss of life is utter nonsense. The Swiss government, charged with the welfare of the Swiss people and the Swiss land, did the right thing.

Second, the charge that Switzerland purchased looted gold is also a bit of sophism. What government when buying gold bars from another government can certify the moral pedigree of the gold? People are trying to blame the Swiss today for failing to do something that no government ever has done. What were the Swiss to do? Demand that the German central bank official bring a note from his mother?

I need only point out that Americans and British were doing business with the Third Reich and Imperial Japan right up to the edge of the war.

When American banks loaned millions to the Soviet Union, did they ask the Soviets to certify that none of the money would be spent on the gulag, the KGB, nuclear weapons or torture chambers? When businesses accept payment for goods sold to China are they asking the Chinese to certify the money didn't come from Tibet? Let's get real, folks.

An entirely separate issue is whether there are some old unclaimed bank accounts belonging to Jews who perished in the Holocaust. There may be some. But the Swiss are acting in an entirely honorable way in suspending their bank secrecy laws to search for them. No bank in the world is required to keep an unclaimed account indefinitely. Nor is any bank required to search for distant relatives who may have some claim on a dormant account.

I doubt seriously if any Swiss bank asked a depositor to declare whether he was a Jew or a Gentile. There is no reason to assume that Swiss banks

knew or could have known after the war if long-dormant accounts had belonged to Jews or to Nazis or to any other category of people.

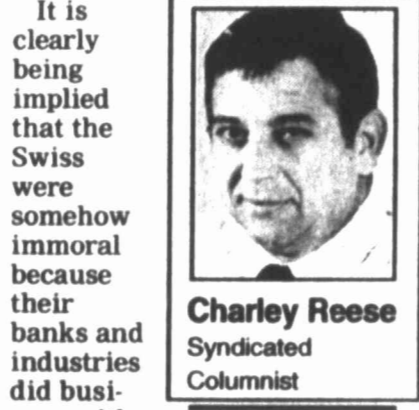
The Federal Republic of Germany has already paid billions of dollars in compensation to victims and survivors of victims of the Third Reich, to Jewish organizations and to the state of Israel. Some 4.3 million individual claims were filed, and by 1984, 99 percent had been settled.

Separate legislation was passed in 1957 to settle claims for property lost in Germany or in areas under the control of the Third Reich. This includes household goods and precious metals and jewelry (my emphasis). As of 1984, 734,952 claims had been made for loss of property, and 734,786 were settled.

The point is that with this much activity in pursuit of reparations and compensation — nearly 5 million claims — it's not likely that there are huge numbers of accounts in Swiss banks that survivors would not have known about.

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## The key to a good location is, well, location

In all of my ramblings, I've never once been to Key West, a notable omission for such a committed Southern wanderer.

I've been holding it in abeyance lest I run out of characters, or maps. But from what I've been reading about the island lately, it's now or never.

Various reports say the rich have discovered Key West, so there goes the neighborhood. Key West has become one of the most unreal real-estate markets in the country.

You know the pattern. Trailer parks are replaced with mansions. Shell shops become Gucci stores. Hot-dog stands roll over for sushi bars. Mom and Pop get an offer they can't refuse from the Holiday Inn.

I'm no authority, having never been there. But I have listened to about 5,000 hours of Jimmy Buffett songs. The way he explains it, the charm of Key West always has been its last-refuge status. The people who end up in Key West are supposed to be dropping out, on the lam, hiding from the IRS or an ex-husband. Key West is a rare free zone for free spirits, a haven for has-beens and have-nots and all manner of misfits.

Only now it's going rich and respectable. Tennis and bridge will replace drinking and arm-wrestling. Men in suits will sit under the ceiling fans reading The Wall Street Journal.

Sigh. It happens every time to the world's beauty spots. Someone finds a pretty place and settles there to draw inspiration from its natural wonders. Word gets around. Somebody creative writes a beguiling book or a song. The crowd comes to see for itself. Tourists gather in wads to applaud a sunset. Then somebody with all his sensibilities

in his wallet builds a golf course and a condo. Last chapter: The natives and pioneers get the shaft.

It happened in Vail, Colo. It happened on St. Simons Island, Ga. It happens on every beach lapped by salty water.

I learned the lesson early, at age 22. To a starry-eyed kid, St. Simons seemed a logical place to settle. What was not to like?

It didn't take long — 26 weeks — to figure out that to live on that swell dollop you had to have deep island roots or lots and lots of money. Even the people with deep roots were having trouble hanging on. That was 22 years ago. Last time I visited the island, it was clear: The rich had won and won big.

Image is everything. Humans are only human, after all. We hear about somewhere nice and want to be there. That's why Idaho and Mississippi remain pleasant. Idaho is associated with potatoes and whackos. Mississippi with poverty and Ross Barnett. Those two may be the last

unspoiled states. National Geographic did a picture spread last year on Colorado. That state is fast being ruined by Californians who have done about all the damage they can at home and now fancy Denver, or Boulder. One photograph showed a "planned community" so large it has its own ZIP code.

The photograph was downright scary. The houses had an eerie sameness and were so close together you couldn't run a lawn mower between them. To find your own house at night, you'd have to leave a trail of bread crumbs.

The trick is to find an ordinary, small, workaday town and enjoy subtle delights. You might not have a seashore, but at least nobody will build a casino in your front yard. You might not have a mountain, but at least there's not a convention of bikers on the horizon.

Hemingway never slept here, but neither did Donald Trump.

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# As expected, postal service board of governors to hike cost of stamps

WASHINGTON (AP) — The post office is going to ask Americans to fork over another penny to mail a letter.

The postal board of governors voted today to seek an increase to 33 cents in the price of a first-class stamp. The current 32-cent rate took effect in Jan. 1, 1995.

The board also proposed a new 30-cent rate for bill payments and other transactions using reply envelopes that can be handled easily by automated machinery.

For a person who mailed 300 letters a year, a penny increase in stamp prices would raise annual postage costs by \$3.

This is just the first step in a complex process that can take nearly a year before any increase actually takes effect.

The board said any new rate would not take effect before May 1998.

Each penny increase means nearly \$1 billion in added income for the agency that, while it made record profits in the last two years, faces declining revenues and rising costs in coming years.

Besides first-class mail, increases are also likely for other classes of mail — including magazines and catalogs, parcels and those items that the

post office doesn't like to call junk mail.

The decision to seek an increase comes amid concern that asking for too steep a rise would reduce business already being lost to fax machines, the internet and high-speed delivery services.

Managers also have to plan ahead. Forecasts call for the postal service to make a profit this year but then to fall into the red as salaries and other costs increase.

In 1994, when the post office last sought an increase, a coalition of major mailers supported the agency. This time it could

be more contentious. Already questions are being raised by organizations that raise funds for charity by mail and a coalition of businesses that mail bills, magazines and other high-volume mailers.

Under the complex system for raising rates, any increase proposed now could not take effect until at least next spring.

Millions of stamps with the letter "H" instead of a price have already been printed for use at whatever the new rate turns out to be.

Any increase the Postal Service proposes has to go before the independent Postal

Rate Commission which can, and sometimes does, come up with a different answer. The commission has 10 months to study the case, during which it holds hearings and listens to competitors, businesses and others who want to comment on the proposed rate.

Then it issues its own recommendation which the post office can accept, ask for reconsideration or overrule if the governors vote unanimously.

Postmaster General Marvin Runyon has complained about the long delays in this process and asked for a simpler procedure. A House committee is

considering changes in the rate-making process as well as other changes for the postal service.

For many years after its 1971 independence, the Postal Service operated on an approximate three-year cycle, making money one year, breaking even the second and losing money the third year — followed by a rate increase and a return to profit. The agency no longer receives any tax subsidy to operate.

Under Runyon, rate increases have come less often and in the last two years the post office reported profits of more than \$1 billion each year.

## Mexico City covered with volcanic dust as Popocatepetl's ash billows into air

SANTIAGO XALIZINTLA, Mexico (AP) — Under the volcano, church bells clanged noisily in the darkness today and a voice over a loudspeaker called the faithful to pray.

Popocatepetl was rumbling again, and this time it was blanketing Mexico City, 45 miles to the northwest, with grimy soot for the first time in memory.

The governor of Puebla state called a "red alert" Monday afternoon after four small eruptions sent ash billowing 7 1/2 miles into the air, and lava 1,500 feet up. Officials in nearby Morelos state declared a similar alert soon after. Mexico City international airport was closed to all air traffic at around 9:15 p.m.

But both state governments downgraded the standby to "yellow" Monday night after the volcano's activity began to subside. No injuries were reported.

Authorities made preparations to evacuate at least 15 small communities on the slopes of the 17,992-foot mountain, but as of this morning nobody had been forced to leave. About 300,000 people live on the volcano's flanks.

Hundreds of people milled about the rutted dirt roads of one town, Santiago Xalizintla, early today, but few were anxious to leave.

"I'm not going anywhere unless this mountain starts to do something," said Magdalena Sandoval, 41, who was evacuated in December 1994 after the volcano awoke from a decades-long slumber.

He said, however, that he had never seen anything like this. "Mud is coming down the mountain," he said. "It has never come down here."

Volcanic ash fell over Mexico City, mixing with heavy rain to produce a grimy film. Motorists stopped to clean their windshields after their wipers became clogged.

Flights into Mexico City's main airport were diverted to Guadalajara and Acapulco until further notice. Because of volcanic activity, pilots were warned two weeks ago to avoid going directly over the volcano's area. Ash can clog air-

craft engines, causing them to stall.

On the slopes of Popocatepetl — meaning "smoking mountain" in the Aztec Indian language — church bells rang to call people to pray.

"We call all people to come and pray and beg the lord to deliver us from catastrophe," a priest called over a loudspeaker in Santiago Xalizintla.

About 20 women went into the blue-and-yellow church to sing and pray.

Other townspeople, many of them wrapped in blankets against the nighttime chill, scooped up river water to monitor the volcano's activity.

"This isn't normal," said Marino Sanchez as another man plunged his hand into a bucketful of gray mud. "This is the first time the water has been so muddy."

A government report said there is less than a 10 percent chance of a full-scale eruption.

## Archaeological team reported found after attack in Chiapas

MEXICO CITY (AP) — A missing team of archaeologists reportedly has been found alive days after Indian villagers attacked the expedition in a remote, southern jungle region.

The six-member team apparently was in good condition, an official at the Department of Foreign Affairs said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

The archaeologists had been trying to remove a Mayan altar from a jungle in southern Chiapas state on Friday when dozens of villagers attacked them. Three men were reportedly taken hostage. Two expedition workers and an aide from the Institute of Anthropology and History also were missing for a time.

Peter Mathews, an Australian archeologist and an expert in the translation of Mayan writing, was on the team, officials said.

Reports indicated that Mathews, who teaches at the University of Calgary in Canada, was seen jumping into the Usumacinta River after he was robbed during the attack near the Guatemalan border, according to colleagues.

The other men reported kidnapped were Mexican archaeologists.

The group was trying to remove a pre-Columbian Mayan altar from the area and had arranged with residents of the village of El Cayo to help them, according to Mary Dell Lucas, a friend of Mathews who operates an adventure-

travel company in Albuquerque, N.M.

She said the situation became violent and that witnesses had reported seeing three hostages being held in the area.

Carlos Silva, head of the Chiapas state office of the Institute of Anthropology and History, said a group of about 80 people "attacked, beat and robbed" the expedition members.

He said a witness reported that Mathews and Institute employee Nazario Magana jumped into the river and that some of the others escaped in a boat. He could not confirm the reports that people had been taken captive.

Carmen Gaytan, a spokeswoman for the National Institute of Anthropology and History, which authorized the altar's removal for study, said local Indians may have misinterpreted the operation.

Other expedition members were Armando Anaya, a Mexican doctoral student at the University of Calgary, Mario Aliphat of the University of the Americas in Puebla, Mexico, and Martin Arcos, a villager from Frontera Corrozal, institute officials said. The sixth person's name was not immediately available.

El Cayo is 20 miles north of the Yaxchilan ruin site, one of the largest Mayan complexes in Mexico. The site is 125 miles east of the Chiapas state capital of Tuxtla Gutierrez, and 550 miles east of Mexico City.

## New group offers airline safety ratings

WASHINGTON (AP) — More than 200 of the world's airlines received top marks for safety in ratings prepared by the newly formed Air Travelers Association.

Of 29 U.S.-based airlines rated, all got an A grade except ValuJet, the budget carrier that suffered a crash in the Florida Everglades last year killing 110 people. The airline was later grounded, though it is now flying again.

That accident led to complaints that airline safety ratings are not generally available. ValuJet got an F, the lowest ranking.

The Federal Aviation Administration has begun providing information on safety problems it uncovers but does not rate airlines for their overall safety.

"Ironically, it is easier for travelers to obtain advance information about in-flight meals or movies than it is to find out about the safety record of the airlines they are going to fly," said David Stempler, founder of the new association.

"While flying is generally very safe, there are a few bad apples in the airline industry," Stempler said. "Passengers should be wary of those airlines with poor fatal accident histories and give preference to those that received a grade of A or B."

The new ratings are based on data collected by Airclaims Ltd., a British group that investigates airline accidents around the world. Airclaims' information is widely used in the insurance industry.

Of the 260 airlines rated, 218 were graded A, five got a B rating, seven received a grade of C, one carrier got a D and there were 29 rated F.

The grades are derived from a

numerical system based on dividing an airline's number of fatal accidents by its total number of flights. Ratings cover airlines operating at least 20,000 flights in the previous 10 years.

The new association plans to update its ratings every six months based on 10 years of performance for each airline, said Stempler, a Washington lawyer with experience in airline management.

He said the group also will encourage airline workers and the general public to call with reports of safety problems.

The Association is offering ratings to U.S. residents who call its hotline, 1-800-247-7233, or

contact its Internet site at <http://www.1800airsafe.com>. The ratings are provided free, though there is a \$4.95 shipping and handling charge that must be charged to a credit card.

The Washington based Air Travelers Association was founded by Stempler to serve as a watchdog for air safety. Stempler is a former director of the International Airlines Passengers Association and was active in the management of two regional airlines and a jet charter company.

Like the United States — where only ValuJet received an F rating — European airlines also had high ratings.

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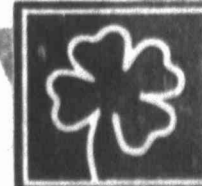
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## Newly Chinese Hong Kong hopeful

HONG KONG (AP) — Starting briskly, Hong Kong launched its new life as part of China today with pageantry and purpose, inaugurating a new leader, a new legislature, even a new symphony of its very own.

Chinese authorities responded tolerantly to early challenges, with police halting downtown traffic for a peaceful march by about 3,000 pro-democracy activists.

Newly sworn-in lawmakers worked through the night to ratify bills they approved earlier, including one that would allow police to ban such demonstrations. Then they emerged into Hong Kong's foggy, rain-soaked first dawn under Chinese rule.

Ten hours after the handover, in the same building, new Chief Executive Tung Chee-hwa and Chinese President Jiang Zemin joined a mostly Chinese crowd of dignitaries at an elaborate celebration of the territory's new identity.

"Today is a momentous day for China. Today is a joyous day for all Chinese people," Tung

said. He promised to forge a future of economic prosperity and continued rule of law.

The morning-after celebration featured a 20-minute symphony called "Heaven, Earth, Mankind," written just for the handover.

Jiang seemed buoyant and unaffected by the late hours he kept while swearing-in the

Beijing-backed legislature. In a spirited speech, he welcomed Hong Kong home.

"The flesh-and-blood bond between mainland people and Hong Kong compatriots had never been severed, nor had their shared sentiment for the well-being of the nation," Jiang said before flying back to Beijing.

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# Tyson apologizes for 'bite of the century'

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Mike Tyson won't fight the Nevada State Athletic Commission. Now the commission will decide if Tyson will ever fight again.

Tyson threw himself at the mercy of Nevada boxing regulators on Monday in the wake of his disqualification for biting Evander Holyfield, saying he "just snapped" and will not contest any penalty the commission wants to impose.

But he begged the commission not to ban him for life from the sport he has dominated for the last decade.

"I only ask that it's not a penalty for life for this mistake," Tyson said, reading from a prepared statement.

Tyson apologized to everyone from the judge who sentenced him for his rape conviction in Indianapolis to boxing fans around the world for behavior

he said even he couldn't explain.

Most of all, though, he apologized to Holyfield for the bizarre end to the fight.

"Evander, I am sorry," Tyson said. "You are a champion and I respect that. I am only saddened that this fight did not go further so that the boxing fans of the world might see for themselves who would come out on top."

Tyson said he was prepared to "pay the price, like a man" and expects a severe penalty from the commission, which meets today to begin the process of disciplining the former heavyweight champion.

The New York Times and the New York Daily News reported today that Tyson will receive at least a one-year suspension, according to Nevada sources.

The New York Post reported Tyson will likely be suspended

for a year and fined \$3 million, the maximum allowed under Nevada law.

Standing alone in front of a lectern, his right eye still puffy and bandaged from the fight, Tyson spoke in a calm, yet vulnerable voice and took full responsibility for his actions.

For 4 minutes and 16 seconds the most feared man in boxing pleaded for forgiveness and said he was seeking psychological help for biting Holyfield on the ears, taking a gash out of one.

On his 31st birthday, Mike Tyson, a man of intimidating arrogance and power, was now just a man admitting he needed help.

"I have reached out since Saturday to ask my god to help me and to renew my faith as a true believer," said Tyson, who converted to Islam while serving his prison sentence. "I have

also reached out since Saturday to the media professionals for help to tell me why I did what I did. And I will have that help."

Holyfield, meanwhile, said Tyson's apology was "a good gesture."

"The fans truly deserve it most," he said. "They are the ones who didn't get to see a full show. I felt I was going to knock him out anyway, but still the fans need to see that we as athletes get paid a lot of money and we should be able to hold our composure and not do anything illegal."

Holyfield believes Nevada officials should hand down a stern penalty.

"Whatever punishment they give him will show what kind of commission we have," Holyfield told the Atlanta Journal-Constitution. "It has to be something to make a statement; otherwise, other people

are going to be doing the same thing."

Holyfield said he had not talked to Tyson, but said he would accept his apology.

"I'll let him know that his apology is accepted — and I'll probably ask him a few questions," Holyfield said, "but they'd be personal."

By law, boxing commissioners can only fine Tyson up to 10 percent of his purse, or \$3 million. But they can suspend him from the sport of boxing for as long as he lives if they choose.

Ironically, a new federal law takes effect Tuesday that would force other states to honor any suspension that Nevada imposes.

Commission director Marc Ratner said the commission legally could not act on the penalties Tuesday, but said he hoped to have a full hearing to issue sanctions within a week.

"I want to do it as fast as we can," Ratner said. "But they still have to do the legal things."

Tyson, who had planned to celebrate his birthday at a New York nightclub, instead found himself in a position the feared puncher may have never thought possible — standing in front of the media and apologizing publicly and profusely for his actions.

Tyson is still on probation for his rape conviction. But authorities said his actions during the fight and his efforts to brawl with police who tried to separate the two camps after the disqualification would probably not be cause to revoke his probation.

George M. Walker, the Marion County, Ind., chief probation officer, said no action is

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## Witt pitches, hits Rangers to 3-2 win

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Texas pitcher Bobby Witt had a simple plan when he went to the plate. It worked to perfection.

"I just swung hard in case I hit it," said Witt, who became the first AL pitcher to hit a regular-season home run in nearly 25 years, and it proved to be the difference as the Rangers beat the Los Angeles Dodgers 3-2 Monday night.

"I didn't know if it was going out," Witt said. "It just kept going. I couldn't believe it. It was the last thing on my mind. I know I was running as hard as I could."

Witt hit Ismael Valdes' first pitch of the sixth inning over the left-center field fence. The homer traveled nearly 400 feet and gave the Rangers a 2-0 lead.

(Valdes laid one in there and (Witt) hit it," Dodgers manager Bill Russell said. "We knew he was a good hitting pitcher — at least he swung the bat well."

"He hit the ball hard the first time up, and the second time up he hit a home run. You don't see pitchers doing that very often, but it happened tonight and it cost us."

Witt (9-4) also did a fine job on the mound, allowing just five hits and one run in eight innings while walking two and striking out four.

The biggest thing was to try and pitch well and win the game," he said. "We've been struggling a little bit."

The Rangers, who lost 10 of their previous 12 games, are

### TEXAS TEAMS

now 5-2 in interleague games.

The Dodgers, who have lost six of their last nine, are 3-4 against AL teams and fell eight games behind first-place San Francisco in the NL West.

Witt, 33, said the homer was his first since high school.

"I think a lot of that has to do with the velocity of the pitch," he said. "Ismael throws pretty hard."

Mike Brito, who operates the speed gun on the field level behind home plate, said Witt hit a letter-high fastball clocked at 85 mph — certainly not as fast as many other pitches Valdes threw in the game.

Roric Harrison of the Baltimore Orioles was the last AL pitcher to hit a home run in the regular season. He did it at Cleveland on Oct. 3, 1972. The designated hitter rule took effect the following season.

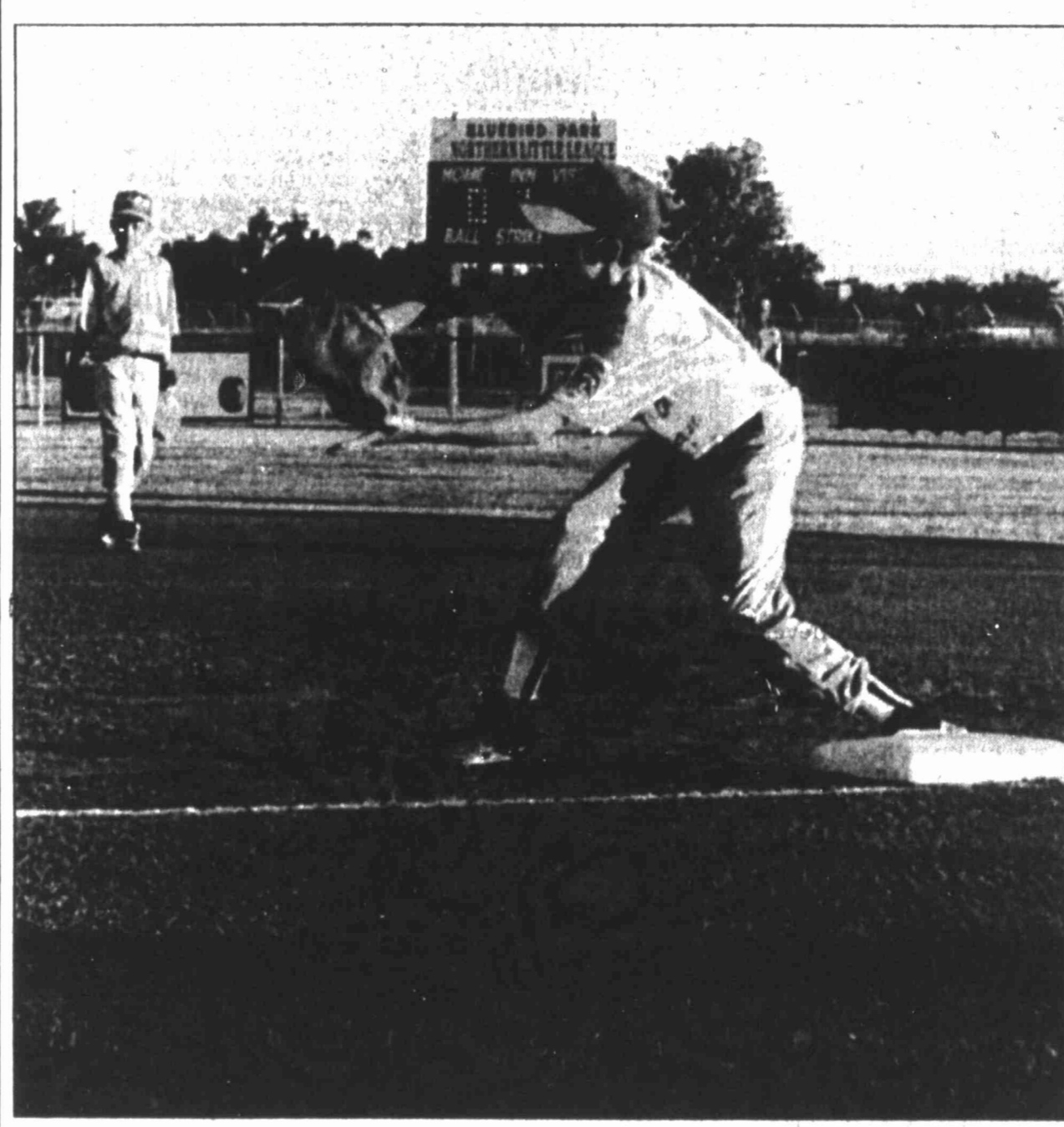
Ken Holtzman homered for Oakland in the 1974 World Series against the Dodgers.

Pitchers are required to hit in NL ballparks in interleague games. The designated hitter is used in interleague games at AL ballparks.

John Wetteland relieved Witt at the start of the ninth. Wetteland, who had blown three of his previous four save opportunities, gave up Raul Mondesi's 16th homer before

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### MAKING THE PLAY



HERALD photo/Edwin Vela  
Roy Holland, first baseman for the Big Spring American Little League All-Stars, catches a throw for an out during his team's game against Midland Tower Monday at the District 3 Little League tournament in Midland. The AL stars lost 12-2, while Big Spring National fell to Midland Eastern 12-1.

## Hingis reaches final 8

WIMBLEDON, England (AP) — Top-seeded Martina Hingis became the first women's player to reach the Wimbledon quarterfinals today when she beat Belgium's Sabine Appelmans 6-1, 6-3.

The 16-year-old Hingis needed just 66 minutes to complete the victory — just before play was suspended by rain for the first time in four days.

Hingis said she was happy to get the match over quickly because she still had doubles and mixed doubles matches scheduled later in the day.

Hingis sailed through the first set in 27 minutes. Appelmans went up a break at 2-0 in the second, but Hingis took command again when she broke for 4-3, setting up the point with a drop shot, then tapping a backhand into the open court.

Two games later, Hingis broke Appelmans again to close out the match. Despite a swinging serve by Appelmans that pulled her off the court, Hingis stretched to hit a sliced backhand return that just dropped over the net for a winner.

"I got pretty lucky there," Hingis said. "I had almost no chance. I barely got to the ball."

Hingis remained on course to become the youngest Wimbledon women's singles champion this century. The youngest was Charlotte "Lottie" Dod, who won at the age of 15 years, 285 days in 1887.

"Nobody saw me as a favorite at the beginning of the tournament," Hingis said. "I got through pretty easily until now. I'm improving every match. I feel pretty good. The draw doesn't look too bad for me."

Appelmans said Hingis has everything it takes to win the tournament.

"She's just a little better than most of us," the Belgian said. "She hits a little bit earlier, a little bit faster."

In another early women's fourth-round match, Indonesia's Yayuk Basuki beat Patricia Hy-Boulais 6-0, 7-6 (7-2).

Play resumed after a 30-minute rain interruption.

It was the first rain since last Friday, when the second of two straight washouts forced Wimbledon to schedule play on the middle Sunday for only the second time in history.

The rain clouds moved in just after noon. The forecast called for the possibility of more showers in the afternoon.

After the waterlogged first week, the tournament was nearly back on schedule. With all men's and women's fourth-round matches scheduled for today, it figured to be the busiest day of the two-week tournament.

Among featured matches today, defending champion Richard Krajicek met Britain's favorite son, Tim Henman.

### BRIEFS

From staff and wire reports

#### Crossroad Summer League results

Forsan handed Stanton its first loss during Crossroads Girls Summer League junior division action Monday.

Forsan downed Stanton 23-9. That, coupled with Greenwood's win over Coahoma, places Greenwood in first place in the junior division with a 5-1 mark, followed by Stanton at 4-1. Forsan improved to 3-1 with its victory.

In senior division play, Big Spring and Sands I remained perfect in the standings. Big Spring took a 37-21 decision over Greenwood, while Sands I defeated Sterling City 54-35.

Big Spring and Sands I are tied for

first in the senior division with 6-0 records, while Coahoma (3-1) is third and Grady (4-2) is fourth.

Thursday night games will feature Big Spring II vs. Forsan and Greenwood against Stanton in the junior division. In the senior division, Garden City takes on Coahoma, Sands II faces Stanton and Grady will meet Sands I.

#### Scramble set for CTGC

A 27-hole, two-person scramble is scheduled for July 4 at Comanche Trail Golf Course, course pro Jack Birdwell said.

Competitors will play nine holes in the morning. After that, teams will be flighted and play an additional 18 holes. Registration is \$30 per team and will

be accepted up until the start of play.

For more information, contact the golf course pro shop at 264-2366.

#### Big Spring Football Camp scheduled

The first Big Spring Football Camp has been scheduled for July 8-10 at Big Spring High School.

The three-day camp, according to BSHS coach Dan Arista, will be structured to provide basic football skills and fundamentals to youngsters between the ages of 11 and 13.

Camp sessions will begin at 8 a.m. each day and conclude at 5 p.m. Participants may either bring a lunch with them, or a meal will be provided at a reasonable cost, Arista added.

Youngsters are being asked to pre-reg-

ister by contacting Arista at 267-6884 or in person at the new athletic facility on the BSHS campus. Athletic offices at the high school will be open today and Thursday, as well as Monday through Thursday of next week.

In addition, youngsters of other ages wanting to take part should contact Arista to obtain special permission prior to the start of camp.

#### Westbrook ragball tournament

Westbrook High School's senior class will sponsor a ragball tournament July 18-19 at the Westbrook baseball field.

Entry fees are set at \$100 per team. For more information, call Doug Koch at 644-5031 or Chris Majors at 644-3111.

## Griffey, healthy for once, landslide winner of AL All-Star vote

NEW YORK (AP) — Ken Griffey Jr., a landslide winner in the AL All-Star voting, knows he's been missed from the game the last two years.

"I'm happy because this time I get to play," Griffey said Monday after he was elected to start for the eighth consecutive year. "Oh, I shouldn't say that, because I have seven more games left."

The Seattle Mariners outfielder, who missed the past two All-Star games because of broken bones, got 3,514,340 votes in the final total released Monday — nearly a million more than any other AL player.

Griffey, the leading vote-get-

ter in the majors in 1996 and 1994, and the AL leader in '91 and '93, was forced from center field for three games last week because of a hamstring injury, but returned Sunday.

The All-Star vote was another demonstration of his popularity.

"I'm not surprised. He's the best player in the game, and he relates to the fans and the kids better than anyone," said Tino Martinez of the New York Yankees, elected to start at first base.

Baltimore Orioles third baseman Cal Ripken, elected to play in his 15th All-Star game, was second with 2,571,985.

The AL lineup has at least three Mariners (four if Randy Johnson is picked as the starting pitcher) and three Baltimore Orioles.

Completing the starting lineup are Texas catcher Ivan Rodriguez (1,666,384), Tino Martinez (866,722), Baltimore second baseman Roberto Alomar (1,657,418), Seattle shortstop Alex Rodriguez (1,854,758), Mariners designated hitter Edgar Martinez (1,213,429), Cleveland outfielder David Justice (1,840,716) and Orioles outfielder Brady Anderson (1,197,617).

Final NL totals were to be released today. Reserves for the

July 8 game at Jacobs Field in Cleveland will be announced Wednesday.

AL manager Joe Torre already was thinking Monday about filling out his roster.

"The toughest position for me is going to be first base, and I think that's the case every year," the Yankees manager said.

"How do you choose that without leaving the other positions short?"

Among the first basemen besides Martinez having strong seasons are Frank Thomas, Mark McGwire, Tony Clark, Will Clark, Mo Vaughn, Jim Thome and Rafael Palmeiro.

Ripken will be starting at third base for the first time following 14 seasons at shortstop.

"It's a little bit different, just like the season's a little different being at third," said Ripken, the top vote-getter in 1995. "There's a certain level of excitement playing at third, certain challenges of making bunt plays and diving. I'm sure it'll feel a little weird, just like the first game over there, but I've had quite a few games under my belt there and I feel comfortable."

Alomar, despite last September's spitting incident with an umpire, will be making his eighth straight appearance.

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# Different year, same results: Yanks beat Atlanta

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Same teams. Same place. Same frustrating result for the Atlanta Braves.

In a rematch of last year's World Series, the New York Yankees beat the Braves 1-0 Monday night. Luis Sojo's two-out single in the 10th inning scoring Joe Girardi from second base.

"It wasn't October, but it's no less frustrating," said Braves starter Tom Glavine, who pitched nine innings. "That's the way it goes sometimes."

In the 10th, Chad Curtis singled off Mike Bielecki (3-4), but was thrown out by Andrew Jones trying to take third on Girardi's single. Derek Jeter then singled, and Sojo grounded a single through the middle.

"Tommy pitched like a money pitcher," Atlanta manager Bobby Cox said. "It's hard to lose when a guy pitches that well."

Former Atlanta reliever Mike Stanton (5-0) struck out two in the 10th for the victory, New York's fifth straight over the Braves since the National League rival took the first two

games of the World Series.

"We've got to score some runs if we're going to beat them," Atlanta third baseman Chipper Jones said. "It's pretty cut and dry."

The Braves had the go-ahead run at third with two outs in ninth, but Kenny Rogers, who replaced Andy Pettitte in the sixth, got out of the jam by retiring Mike Mordecai on a slow roller to third.

Pettitte coasted through the first five innings, but the left-hander left the game after being struck on the left knee by Javy Lopez's comebacker.

While Atlanta again fell short, the NL dominated play Monday night with nine victories in 14 games. The AL leads the overall race 53-45.

In other games, it was Detroit 14, New York Mets 0; Montreal 2, Toronto 1; Baltimore 8, Philadelphia 1; San Francisco 8, Seattle 6, in 10 innings; St. Louis 2, Minnesota 1; Colorado 11, Anaheim 7; Chicago Cubs 8, Kansas City 7; Florida 8, Boston 5; Cincinnati 4, Milwaukee 3; Pittsburgh 3, Chicago White Sox 1; and San Diego 15, Oakland 6.

Tigers 14, Mets 0

At Detroit, Bobby Higginson had three home runs and seven RBIs, and Tigers starter Justin Thompson (8-6) allowed four hits in eight innings.

Higginson hit a two-run homer in the first, a three-run shot in the sixth, and another two-run homer in the seventh to push his season total to 12. Raul Casanova, Damion Easley and Orlando Miller also homered.

New York starter Mark Clark (6-5) took the loss.

Expos 2, Blue Jays 1  
At Toronto, Pedro Martinez pitched a three-hitter and Vladimir Guerrero homered in his first interleague at-bat as Montreal beat Blue Jays in the first regular-season game between the Canadian teams.

Martinez (10-3) retired the first 12 batters he faced before walking Carlos Delgado in the fifth, and lost his no-hitter in the sixth on Alex Gonzalez's leadoff single. The right-hander had 10 strikeouts.

David Segui gave Montreal a 2-0 lead with an RBI triple in the sixth off Pat Hentgen (8-5). Delgado homered in the sev-

enth.

Orioles 8, Phillies 1  
At Baltimore, Cal Ripken's second grand slam of the season highlighted a six-run third, and Mike Mussina (10-2) won his 100th game as the Orioles routed Philadelphia to end a four-game losing streak.

Mussina allowed six hits over eight innings to improve to 100-43. Calvin Maduro (3-7) took the loss for the Phillies, who have lost seven straight.

Giants 8, Mariners 6  
Glenallen Hill had an RBI single in the 10th inning and Mark Lewis added a sacrifice fly as San Francisco won at Seattle.

Edgar Martinez tied it in the ninth with a run-scoring single against Giants closer Rod Beck (4-2). Doug Henry got the final two outs for his second save, while Norm Charlton (2-5) took the loss.

Jeff Kent, J.T. Snow and Lewis also homered for the Giants, 6-1 in interleague play and 3-0 against Seattle. Martinez, Alex Rodriguez and Paul Sorrento hit home runs for Seattle.

Cardinals 2, Twins 1  
At St. Louis, Gary Gaetti,

Minnesota's star third baseman a decade ago, drove in the winning run with a third-inning single as St. Louis beat the Twins in the opener of a series matching 1987 World Series opponents.

Matt Morris (6-4) allowed nine hits in 7 1-3 innings, and Dennis Eckersley finished for his 17th save. St. Louis' John Mabry had an RBI double off Rich Robertson (7-5), and Rich Becker homered for Minnesota. Rockies 11, Angels 7

At Denver, Colorado's Dante Bichette capped a five-run second inning with a two-run double, and also had two singles against his former team.

Larry Walker and Andres Galarraga hit consecutive homers in the first off Kevin Gross (1-1), Walker's 25th and Galarraga's 22nd.

Jerry Dipoto (2-1) pitched three shutout innings. Jim Edmonds homered for Anaheim.

Cubs 8, Royals 7  
At Chicago, Dave Clark's three-run, pinch-hit homer with two outs in the eighth capped a five-run inning as the Cubs rallied against Kansas City.

Mark Pisciotta (1-0) pitched one inning for the victory, and Mel Rojas finished for his sixth save. Rickey Bones (0-1) was the loser.

Kansas City built a 7-3 lead behind Jeff King's fifth homer in seven interleague games, and Jermaine Dye's career-high four hits. Dye and Chicago's Mark Grace also homered.

Marlins 8, Red Sox 5  
At Boston, Florida's Alex Fernandez (9-6) allowed four runs on six hits in 7 1-3 innings to win his fourth consecutive start. Florida scored five runs on four Boston errors, and Tim Wakefield (3-8) helped the Marlins with seven walks to go with the seven hits he allowed in 6 2-3 innings. Troy O'Leary and Mike Stanley homered for Boston.

Reds 4, Brewers 3  
At Cincinnati, Joe Oliver homered and drove in the Reds' first three runs and Bret Boone knocked in the go-ahead run with a groundout. Kent Mercker (6-5) allowed three runs over seven innings, and Jeff Shaw finished for his 16th save. Milwaukee reliever Mike Fetters (1-4) took the loss.

## TYSON

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pending against Tyson in Indiana, where he was convicted of raping Desiree Washington and spent three years in prison. But he said he would be watched closely.

"I think that at least for the time being, I'll be in a little more frequent contact with him," Walker said. "Mike still has some learning to do about how to control his anger."

Chuck Thompson, chief deputy district attorney in Las Vegas, said he had "no reason to believe" that Las Vegas police would submit a complaint against Tyson.

Tyson's \$30 million check, meanwhile, remained in a safe

at the athletic commission offices, where it is being held pending the disciplinary hearing.

Commission phone lines were tied up all day Monday by callers angry with the outcome of the fight.

"The public response has been as nasty as it gets," Ratner said. "We had 450 calls this morning already from people demanding their money back and saying Tyson should be banned from boxing."

A San Francisco lawyer who bought the fight on pay-per-view said he planned a class action lawsuit alleging breach of contract by Tyson for not giving fans their money's

worth. Mark Webb said he would seek the money from Tyson and the Showtime cable network, which had estimated that 1.8 million people would buy the fight at home for \$49.95.

The controversy may actually help attract viewers eager to see just how Tyson bit a chunk out of Holyfield's right ear and spit it on the canvas when the fight is replayed on Showtime July 7.

Showtime predicted in a press release that the fight will set records for viewership, calling it the "biggest boxing event of the decade."

## WITT

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striking out Todd Zeile and Todd Hollandsworth for his 17th save.

Witt also grounded out in the third and fouled out to right in the eighth, leaving him with three hits in 36 at-bats during his career.

He hadn't hit in a game since Aug. 5, 1995, when he pitched for the Florida Marlins. His last hit was a double at Houston two months earlier.

The homer was the second for a pitcher in an interleague game. Mark Clark of the New York Mets hit one against the Boston Red Sox on June 14.

"He swung the bat the same way he does in batting practice," Rangers manager Johnny Oates said of Witt. "He swings hard in case he hits it."

Valdes (4-9) held Texas hitless until Juan Gonzalez doubled off the right-center field fence leading off the fifth. One out later, Dean Palmer doubled off the left-center field fence to break a scoreless tie.

Mike Piazza hit his 16th homer in the bottom of the sixth to make it 2-1.

Texas got its final run in the ninth off Scott Radinsky on a double by Rusty Greer and an RBI single by Gonzalez. It turned out to be a run the Rangers needed to win.

Valdes allowed six hits and two runs in eight innings while walking one and striking out four.

## Astros

HOUSTON (AP) — Kevin Seitzer doesn't consider himself part of the Cleveland Indians' stable of power hitters.

The Houston Astros might think otherwise. Seitzer's two-run pinch-hit homer with one out in the ninth inning Monday night gave the Indians a 6-4 victory in their first visit to the Astrodome.

With Matt Williams (No. 19) and Brian Giles (No. 8) adding back-to-back solo shots, it gave Cleveland 108 homers for the year, almost double the 59 home runs hit by the Astros.

"The guys who hit the home runs earlier are legitimate home run hitters," said Seitzer, whose homer was his second of

the year. "Mine was just a fluke. I was just trying to get the run in."

Seitzer, batting for reliever Jose Mesa (1-4), hit a 2-2 pitch from Tom Martin (2-2) over the left-field wall, also bringing home Pat Borders, who led off the inning with a single.

"You just try to fight off as many pitches as you can and scratch out a hit," Seitzer said. "I got lucky."

"They have a good lineup and a bunch of guys who can really hurt you," Martin said.

The Houston reliever, however, admitted he was a victim of his own mistake, throwing a changeup when catcher Brad Ausmus signaled for a curve.

"I missed a sign," Martin said. "That stuff can't happen. I need to concentrate more. You can't do those things, and I know it."

Indians manager Mike Hargrove, who team protected its AL Central lead with the victory, refused to characterize the home run contest as a typical American League outing.

"We take what we can get," he said. "I don't think anything is typical. You can talk about what's typical, but we go play the Cardinals and they bunt us to death."

"It's true there's more bunting over here and there's more action plays and there may be a difference, but tonight it was just our turn to hit the ball farther than them."

The Astros, who fell into a virtual tie for first in the NL Central with St. Louis, took a 3-0 lead in the second inning, sending eight men to the plate

despite collecting just two hits — singles by Derek Bell and Tony Eusebio — off Cleveland starter Charles Nagy.

Nagy got his team started with his first major league hit, a leadoff single off starter Darryl Kile in the sixth, snapping a string of 10 consecutive Cleveland outs. Then, with Jim Thome up and two outs, Nagy took second uncontested as Thome worked the count to 3-2 before singling to cut Houston's lead to 3-1.

Nagy's hit was the first by a Cleveland pitcher since Steve Dunning reached base Oct. 1, 1972 against the New York Yankees.

"When I went up there, I saw the ball and swung," Nagy said. "I just wanted to put the ball in play."

The Indians went ahead 4-3 in the eighth when John Hudek, who replaced Kile to start the inning, threw a wild pitch with the bases loaded. The Astros tied it again, however, with a fluke run of their own in their eighth.

Alvin Morman hit Luis Gonzalez with a pitch leading off the Houston eighth and was replaced by Mesa. Mesa then threw wild to first on an attempted pickoff of James Mouton, who was running for Gonzalez. Mouton wound up at third and then scored on Bill Spiers' single.

Borders led off the ninth with a single, went to second on a sacrifice and came home when Seitzer connected. Mike Jackson pitched the ninth for his ninth save.

# Tuttleton fights through pain in effort to help his teammates

By JOHNNY PAUL

Fort Worth Star-Telegram

FORT WORTH — Rarely is a player's level of commitment and dedication exemplified by a zipper, but in the case of Mickey Tuttleton, it is.

The uniform pants worn by the Rangers' Tuttleton require two zippers. The second, attached to the left pants' leg, allows the brace that Tuttleton wears on his left knee to slide through the uniform unencumbered.

The brace remains as much a part of Tuttleton's uniform as the red cap he put on a week ago for the first time since April 15.

"The doctors say there is nothing left in his knee," Rangers manager Johnny Oates said, referring to the cartilage.

Tuttleton had surgery on his knee May 14 to remove loose cartilage. It originally was thought he might miss the rest of the season, but his work ethic had him back in a remarkably short time.

The question remains: Why does Tuttleton put himself through such hardship?

"I don't go out there trying to be a tough guy. I enjoy the competition," said Tuttleton, whom the Rangers activated June 23 after a 66-day stay on the disabled list. Since his return, he was 1-for-5 before last night. For the season, he's batting .100 (4-for-40) with three homers and four runs batted in.

"I enjoy being out there, although I don't enjoy some of the other things that go along with it."

Those "other things" he refers to would be surgery and rehabilitation.

Tuttleton, who on Aug. 3 sustained a complete tear of the knee's cartilage, underwent off-season surgery and entered spring training healthy — at least by his standards. However, he reinjured the knee on April 15.

That required further arthroscopic surgery in which Dr. John Conway removed loose cartilage. Tuttleton spent two months rehabilitating the left knee.

"It's a lot better than it was," Tuttleton said. "I live in a place where there are stairs, so I've basically been holding onto the handrail and going down them one stair at a time by putting both feet on the same step all the way down."

The latest injury cost Tuttleton his duties as the Rangers' designated hitter. He will remain a pinch hitter for the immediate future, partially because of the performances of left-handed hitters Lee Stevens and Warren Newson and right-handed hitter Mike Simms.

"I couldn't see taking at-bats away from them," Oates said. "Mickey and I sat down, and I explained the situation to him. He wants to do whatever he can to help this ball club, and I'm going to give him that chance."

"Mickey knows what he's up against. He could have gone home, but Mickey Tuttleton is not a quitter. I've told him that when I think he can no longer help this team, I'll tell him. He knows that. There won't be any surprises."

Tuttleton, 36, entered this season on the final year of his two-year contract and planned to honor it. Oates admires Tuttleton's commitment, ranking it among a handful of players who have played for him.

"There are probably three or four tied for first," Oates said. "And he's one of them."

Tuttleton got even more respect from his teammates.

"That's a testament to his mental makeup, his guts or whatever you want to call it," left fielder Rusty Greer said. "At this point, he could say, 'I'm going to retire,' but he's showing he has the mental makeup or guts to come back from a bad injury and step on the field again."

Rangers first baseman Will Clark, who played the past two seasons with injuries, can relate.

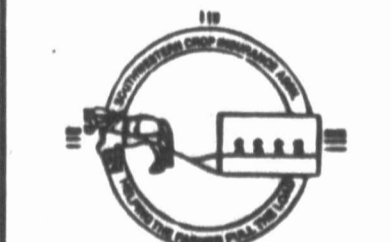
"Our job is based on going out there and playing every day," Clark said. "I don't care if I'm signed to a one-year deal or a multi-year deal. My job is to go out there and play every day, and we have several guys on this team like that. Mickey is one of them."

Tuttleton remains vague when discussing his plans beyond this year.

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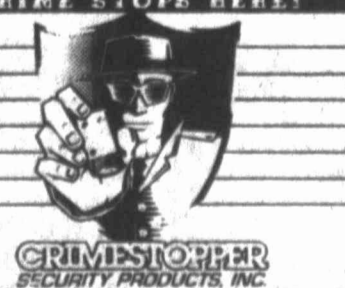
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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR WEDNESDAY, JULY 2:**  
Take a back seat more often this year. Work is unusually pressure-filled; a boss can be exacting. Higher-ups communicate in a way that confuses you. Verify instructions. Your positive attitude opens doors. Expect to earn a reputation as a hard worker; be willing to put in extra hours. If you are single, you are likely to meet someone through your daily travels. Be sure a new love can be there for you. If attached, take time alone together to keep your relationship steady. Be aware of how work demands affect your relationship. GEMINI is a good friend.  
The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.  
**ARIES** (March 21-April 19)  
Understand the origin of your confusion. You are hard on others. You must realize how you project. Emphasize friendship, long-term results and generosity of spirit. Talk about your feelings and views. Tonight: Go to a favorite spot.\*\*\*  
**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)  
Instincts are right on with others. But your tendency to be negative might cause a problem in a discussion. Reprogram your thoughts, and plan on a positive discussion with a boss. An offer could increase your financial stability. Tonight: It's your treat.\*\*\*  
**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)  
You are focused, even if you hit a dead end. Be careful with finances. You feel limited. Good news comes from someone who is at a distance. Don't decline an invitation. Your personality melts barriers. Tonight: Ask for what you want.\*\*\*  
**CANCER** (June 21-July 22)  
Take a break, and clear up a problem. A boss is difficult with you. You can say all you want, but it falls on deaf ears. A partner gives you feedback that is very positive. Together, you might decide to go into your own business. Tonight: Escape.\*\*  
**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)  
Be more self-assured. Confirm plans, making sure your sources are correct. You could easily make a costly mistake if you do not communicate explicitly. Go for what you want. Popularity climbs, making nearly anything possible. Tonight: Be wherever the fun is.\*\*\*  
**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)  
A partner disappoints you with his choices. You feel he has deserted you. Straighten out confusion with a friend. You can get the job done. Your talent for reorganization catches a boss's eye. Be willing to help out more often. Tonight:  
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6:30	News With Fortune	Simpsons Home Imp.	Science Guy Creatures	Waltons (705536)	News (7371) Ent. Tonight	News With Fortune	News (8284) Seinfeld	Fam. Mat. Major League	Luz Clarita (10617)	Twice Upon a Time	Dates of Hazzard	(10) Movie: Mo'Nasty (93230710)	December (97328526)	Wimbledon Tennis	Light of the Southwest	Law & Order	Hong Kong Story	Kung Fu: Legend Cont.	Sports News FOX Sports	(588159) X Games	Movie: The Wrong Man (023875)	Hit List
7:30	Roseanne Grass Under	Deadly Invasion: The Killer Bee	Nova (CC) (49420)	Rescue 911	Promised Land	Roseanne Grass Under	Mad Abc. You Naked Truth	Baseball: Atlanta	Te Sigo Amanda	James and the Giant Peach	Yesterday & Today	Movie: Spin Cup (CC) (260401)	Movie: Tin Cup (CC) (748130)	Wimbledon Tennis	(105468) BJ Robinson	Biography (654062)	Wild Discovery (939994)	Movie: The Protector	Major League Baseball	Recap (260197)	(819541)	Planet Groove (370772)
8:30	Home Imp. Spin City	Killer Bee Nightmare	Mars: The Red Planet	Hawaii Five-O (351739)	Movie: Harmful Home Imp. Spin City	Home Imp. Spin City	Fraser Caroline	Breves at New York	Lu y Yo (06352)	Prime Time Country	3 Ninjas Knuckle Up (CC)	Movie: The Dark	Coroner (90178)	Prison the Lord (CC)	Touch of Frost (844826)	Law & Order	To Be Announced	Merle: Back in Action	Cleveland Indians at Houston Astros (579898)	Baseball	Movie: Red Line 7000 (668948)	ComicView (406536)
9:30	NYPD Blue (CC) (6246)	Phi Factor: Chronicles	Frontline (CC) (45604)	700 Club (331975)	Intert (CC) (23826)	NYPD Blue (CC) (86246)	Dawkins (CC) (38772)	Yankees Movie: Over the Top (554352)	P. Impacto Noticiero Uni.	(15) Movie: Fantastic Deltas (157823)	Heart (CC) (817975)	Red Shoe Love Street (550702)	Contact: 1st	Arts Beyond	Law & Order	Wild Discovery (932695)	(180197)	FOX Sports News	Sportscenter	Movie: Horror of Dracula (236081)	Rap City (88913)	
10:30	News Cheers	Mad Abc. You in the Heat of	News-Letter (45604)	Three Stooges	News Late Show	News Nightline	News (48474) (45) Tonight	the Top (554352)	P. Impacto Noticiero Uni.	(15) Movie: Fantastic Deltas (157823)	Heart (CC) (817975)	Red Shoe Love Street (550702)	Contact: 1st	Arts Beyond	Law & Order	Wild Discovery (932695)	(180197)	FOX Sports News	Sportscenter	Movie: Horror of Dracula (236081)	Rap City (88913)	
11:30	Nightline Politically Inc.	The Night Martin	P.O.V. (CC) (14994)	Carson Carson	Married... With Children	Ent. Tonight Politically Inc.	Show (CC) (81658265)	Movie: ...	Al Fimo de la Noche	Voyage (CC) (10879604)	Dukes of Hazzard	Cyber-Trucker 2 (CC)	Married	Desire (CC) (487888)	Biography (487130)	New Detectives	Movie: The Protector	FOX Sports News	Baseball Wheelchair	(236081)	Rap City (88913)	
12:30	Roseanne Bible Lesson	Universe H. Patrol	Movie: Before Stonewall	Paid Program	Late Late Show	News Ent. Tonight	Late Night	Tick, Tick, Tick.	(889178) Juntos-No	Marlyn Monroe	Prime Time Country	(238062) Graw: Food	People Single Sex II	Comedy Jam (35) The	Rehd Bonnie Update News	Touch of Frost (350260)	To Be Announced	(546013)	Motorcycle Racing	Surfing NBA Today	Movie: The Wrong Man	

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  - Pair
  - On (climbed)
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  - Ovine confine
  - Loose rock
  - Pantomime player
  - du Diable
  - Shipboard prison
  - Speechifier
  - UN body
  - Racer
  - Mil. letters
  - Pub potion
  - Type of chair
  - Worn-out
  - Fireplace part
  - Members of a jazz band
  - A long, long time
  - Haggard novel
  - Black Sea port
  - Old-womanish
  - Type of egg
  - Byway
  - Hall U.
  - Neck part
  - Roofing material
  - Dutch
  - Russian inland lake
  - Monk's title
- DOWN
- Long time
  - Piquant
  - Goos astray
  - Trouble for a swimmer
  - Sandwich meat
  - Wrath
  - One behind the other
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  - Wireless transmission
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  - Put up
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  - Fashion magazine
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  - Type of sausage
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  - Antisocial one
  - Merge
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  - WWII battle site
  - Attention-getter
  - Mauna
  - Corn unit
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In 1863, the Civil War's Battle of Gettysburg began.

In 1898, during the Spanish-American War, Theodore Roosevelt and his "Rough Riders" waged a victorious assault on San Juan Hill in Cuba.

In 1916, Dwight D. Eisenhower married Mary "Mamie" Geneva Doud in Denver.

In 1943, "pay-as-you-go" income tax withholding began.

In 1946, the United States exploded a 20-kiloton atomic bomb near Bikini Atoll in the Pacific Ocean.

In 1963, the U.S. Post Office inaugurated its five-digit ZIP codes.

In 1966, the Medicare federal insurance program went into effect.

In 1968, the United States, Britain, the Soviet Union and 58 other nations signed the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty.

In 1980, "O Canada" was proclaimed the national anthem of Canada.

In 1991, President Bush nominated federal appeals court judge Clarence Thomas to the Supreme Court, beginning a confirmation process marked by allegations of sexual harassment.

Ten years ago: President Reagan nominated federal appeals court judge Robert H. Bork to the Supreme Court, setting off a tempestuous confirmation process that ended with Bork's rejection by the Senate.

Five years ago: California issued its first state IOU's since the Great Depression as a budget standoff left the state cashless on the first day of its fiscal year.

One year ago: Twelve members of an Arizona anti-government group, the Viper Militia, were charged with plotting to blow up government buildings. President Clinton declared an emergency in drought-stricken parts of the Southwest.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Olivia de Havilland is 81. Actor Farley Granger is 72. Actress-dancer Leslie Caron is 66. Actress Jean Marsh is 63. Movie director Sydney Pollack is 63. Actor Jamie Farr is 63. Comedy writer Pat McCormick is 63. Bluesman James Cotton is 62. Cookiecaker Wally Amos is 61. Singer-musician Delaney Bramlett is 58. Dancer-choreographer Twyla Tharp is 56. Actress Karen Black is 55. Actress Genevieve Bujold is 55. Gospel singer Andrea Crouch is 55. Rock singer-actress Deborah Harry is 52. Rock singer Fred Schneider (B-62's) is 46. Actor Daryl Anderson is 46. Actor-comedian Dan Aykroyd is 45. Actress Lorna Patterson is 40. Princess Diana is 36.