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Campbell's roadblock delays naming new building to honor Polly Mays

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

One of the issues brought up at Tuesday's city council meeting was the renaming of the old Energas building on Runnels Street after Polly Mays.

Council members and city administrators had tentatively decided at the council's Aug. 12 meeting to name the building the Municipal Annex, but no formal decision had been made.

Councilman Chuck Cawthon was absent at the Aug. 12 meet-

ing and apologized to the council Tuesday, saying he was unavoidably detained on business.

What Cawthon said after that raised a lot of interest among the other council members as well as the audience — naming the old Energas building in honor of Mays, a longtime resident, historian, community volunteer and first female member of the council, who lost her two-year battle with cancer in July.

"We have a golden opportunity here to recognize one of our leading citizens," Cawthon said.

"She was a great lady and devoted so much time to this community."

Cawthon pointed out several of Mays accomplishments in Big Spring, including her service as the first female member on the city council.

"She was also the first lady to serve as Mayor Pro-Tem on the council and I feel like we should honor people who devote their life to Big Spring," Cawthon added.

The city plans to move several of its offices in the old Energas building in September

and Cawthon said he will continue to push to have the building named after Mays.

Councilman Jimmy Campbell questioned the idea saying the council recently talked about changing the city's procedures as to how streets and building are named or renamed.

"I'd like to wait until we have some of the new procedures in place before we do things like this," Campbell said.

Campbell referred to the city's Traffic Commission and Planning and Zoning Commission help in coming up

with procedures and criteria for renaming streets and buildings.

"Polly Mays is not the issue," Campbell said. "Naming the building after her is probably the thing to do and I'll probably vote for it, but I think we need to have a formal nominating process that depoliticizes the way we do this."

"I just want procedures in place that allow the people to get behind these type of nominations and take some of the power away from the council," Campbell added. "Right now all it takes is four votes and we can

rename any street we want to. This should be for the public to be able to do, even if the process is initiated by the council."

Councilwoman Stephanie Horton told the council she was in agreement with Cawthon and that the city really didn't need such procedures in place.

"If we want to rename a building or street, we want to rename a building or street," Horton said.

"People should be honored through a formal nominating process," Campbell said.

West Texas MHMR explains reorganization

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

West Texas Centers for Mental Health and Mental Retardation conducted a systemwide conference call earlier this week explaining to its member counties the first steps of a reorganization plan for the upcoming fiscal year.

The 1997-98 fiscal year for WTCMHMR begins Sept. 1, with an anticipated budget of \$18 million-\$19 million.

Public Relations Director Lisa Brooks said 25 locations in the 23-county area of WTCMHMR participated in the conference call. Chief Executive Officer Shelley Smith explained the reorganization, which will result in job changes for some management level positions but will not affect employee pay or benefits.

"We've had six months to develop a plan to integrate what had been four systems into the most effective way to operate as one system," Smith told employees. "We have also had to integrate our system in the growing managed care environment."

In February, WTCMHMR combined the community services arm of Big Spring State Hospital as well as portions of the community service branches of three state schools to form its current organization.

During its transition to an independent nonprofit entity, the WTCMHMR relocated several administrative personnel to Big Spring from San Angelo, Lubbock and Abilene.

The 23-county area of the WTCMHMR includes the counties of Howard, Andrews, Borden, Crane, Dawson, Fisher, Gaines, Garza, Glasscock, Kent, Loving, Martin, Mitchell, Nolan, Reeves, Runnels, Scurry, Terrell, Terry, Upton, Ward, Winkler and Yoakum.

Brooks said the reorganization plan streamlines tiers of management by moving some staff members into clinical positions and clarifying the roles of responsibility for supervisors and managers.

"We must live within the financial boundaries set by our funding sources," Smith told employees. "This has been an extensive process."

Part one deals with the management structure of the mental health program, mental retardation program, managed care department and early childhood intervention or ECI.

The 23-county program employs approximately 536 people and delivers services to some 1,500 persons.

AGGRESSIVE STEER

This aggressive Steer is just one of the logos of area high schools being painted on the windows at Neal's Sporting Goods. The artwork is being painted by an individual who would identify himself only as "Frank."

HERALD photo/Jonathan Grayson



Commissioners, council give approval to 911 budget

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Both the Howard County Commissioners' Court and the Big Spring City Council have given the 911 Communication District approval for its 1997-98 fiscal budget, which is pretty much in line with the budget submitted by the district last year, 911 Director Kay Kennemur said.

The new 911 budget is a little more than \$138,500.

A bit of a difference in this year's budget is how wireless

fees are collected and distributed to the various counties.

In accordance with House Bill 1432e, 911 service rates will be as follows: 50 cents per residential telephone line; 50 cents for wireless communication per telephone line; a business charge of \$1.17 per telephone line; and a charge of \$1.86 per telephone line for trunk lines.

Kennemur said these fees will go to the Advisory Commission on State Emergency Communications in Austin.

Because of changes in state law, counties no longer receive a check for 50 cents per tele-

phone for wireless fees, but will now receive a check equal to what percent its population is in relation to the state's overall population.

Howard County is estimated to receive about .017 percent of the fees it collects, meaning Howard County's population is .017 percent of the state's population.

"We won't get our first check from these fees until November," Kennemur said. "We may get more or less this year from wireless fees, but Howard County will not be hurt as much as other counties that

were charging a lot more for their customer line fee."

HB 1432E has locked in the 50 cent per residential line charge.

The personnel services portion of the 1997-98 budget includes \$57,380.

This fund provides for one full-time position, which is Kennemur. The dispatcher position is paid under contract to the city of Big Spring.

Salary and benefits for each position are totaled in accounts for personnel services and the administration cost for accounting is paid to the city as well.

Other items in the 911 budget

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BSISD, Stanton hold public hearings on new school budgets

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

After spending the past several months hammering out budgets for the new school year, school officials from Big Spring and Stanton will let the public have its say on the new financial packages.

Stanton school trustees will hold a public hearing on its new budget at 7 p.m. tonight in the school administration building.

Stanton's \$6.2 million budget similar to last year; Big Spring's includes bond money for junior high

Stanton's trustees have tentatively approved a \$5.2 million budget for the new school year. That package, similar to last year's budget, features about \$150,000 in personnel salary increases.

Following the public hearing, trustees will formally adopt the new budget.

Big Spring school trustees will hold a public hearing on the 1997-98 budget at noon Friday at the high school board room, at which time citizens will be allowed to discuss the proposed \$31 million budget.

At first glance, the new budget marks a sharp increase over last year's \$23 million

package. But it also includes more than \$8 million in voter-approved bond money which will go toward construction of the new junior high school.

Without the bond money, the new budget represents only a 2.8 percent increase in expenditures from the 1996-97 school year, officials said.

That increase is covered in personnel salary increases. The state legislature mandated \$669,000 in teacher pay raises during their last session, and local school trustees added \$72,000 in raises for teachers not covered by the state mandates.

Personnel salaries account for about 75 percent of the BSISD budget.

Both districts will adopt tax rates for the new budget year sometime in September.

Glasscock, Grady school districts look at tax cuts

Grady could cut property taxes by 10 cents per \$100

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

The tax rates at two area school districts may be heading south after tonight.

Glasscock ISD and Grady ISD

trustees both will consider tax cuts when they meet tonight. The Glasscock board meets at 7 p.m. in Garden City, while the Grady board meets at 7:30 p.m. in Lenora.

Booming property valuations in Glasscock County mean that a tax cut for school taxpayers is a strong possibility, Superintendent Charles Zachry said.

"I suspect the rate will be a little below (the current rate of) \$1.35 (per \$100 valuation)," Zachry said.

Glasscock trustees recently

approved a \$6 million budget for the 1997-98 school year. What tax rate they tentatively approve tonight will determine whether the district's budget carries a deficit for a second straight year.

"Our valuations went up, and hopefully we can lower our tax rate ... or at least keep it the same," Zachry said. "We've been on a deficit budget, and this is an opportunity for us to even some things out."

When the Grady school board holds a public hearing on the proposed budget tonight,

Superintendent Johnny Tubb will present trustees with a choice — a tax cut, or new computers.

Tubb will present two budget packages tonight. One, fueled by the current tax rate of \$1.38, will feature funds for a new computer lab and desperately needed buses. The other budget, which features a 10-cent tax cut, is minus the computer and transportation purchases.

Grady trustees also will set the date and time for a public hearing on the new tax rate tonight.

WEATHER

Tonight:



Thurs:



Fri:



Sat:



Tonight, fair. Lows 65-70. Friday, sunny. Highs in the mid to upper 90s. Friday night, fair. Lows 60-70. Extended forecast, Saturday through Monday, fair. Lows 60-70. Highs in the 90s.

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BRIEFS

HARLEY OWNERS GROUPS WILL have a fundraiser for the Muscular Dystrophy Association all day Monday, Sept. 1, at the Big Spring Mall. There will be two bands, bike show (with the winner being determined by the most donations, sandwiches and Coca-cola.

From 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wild Texas will play, from 2 to 4 p.m. motorcycle games and from 4:30 p.m. until 7 CW & Co. will also perform.

THE FOURTH ANNUAL DON McKinney Float Fly of the Big Spring Model Aircraft Association will be Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 6-7 at Comanche Trail Park Lake.

No landing fees are required. Pilot's prizes will be awarded and raffle prizes will be available. AMA membership is required. Call Steve Gay for information at 263-6148.

A BENEFIT DANCE AT Dr. Morgan Park begins at 7 p.m. Saturday night. Local DJ Danny Sherman will play music for the event.

The dance will benefit Venora Williams Community Center. Cost is \$3 per person. Donations toward the community center project are also being accepted. Call Stephanie Horton at 264-0306.

BIG SPRING FIREFIGHTERS will be conducting "Fill the Boot" Saturday to collect for the Muscular Dystrophy Association. Firefighters will accept contributions near the Gregg Street overpass crossing FM 700.

Their goal for the day-long drive is \$2,500.

THE ANNUAL FOOTBALL BARBECUE sponsored by the Big Spring Evening Lions Club will be from 5-7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 5 at the Big Spring High School cafeteria. Cost is \$5 per person and advance tickets are on sale now. Plates to go are available.

For more information, call Squeaky Thompson, chairman at 267-2758.

HOWARD COUNTY 4-H CLUB is sponsoring its annual omelet supper at the Howard County Fair, from 5-7 p.m. Sept. 1.

Advance tickets are on sale for \$4 from any 4-H member or by calling the Howard County Extension Office at 264-2236. Proceeds will benefit 4-H projects.

The supper will be in the activity barn at the fairgrounds.

A TALLEST WEED CONTEST is planned at the Howard County Fair with a \$100 first prize and \$49 second places in each division.

Entries will be accepted in the activities building at the fairgrounds Tuesday from 5-8:30 p.m. only. Weeds will be judged beginning at 8:30 p.m.

Entries must include the name of the exhibitor and where the weed was grown. Bring the actual weed to the KBEST booth on the first day of the fair. No photographs.

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Travis Fuller, 75, died Tuesday. Services were at 2:00 PM Thursday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment followed at Trinity Memorial Park.

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will be judged. The contest is sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and KBST.

BIG SPRING SOCCER ASSOCIATION sign up continues at the YMCA, 801 Owens, throughout this week.

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 3 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
•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.

•Masonic Lodge NO. 598, 7:30 p.m., 219 Main.

•Alzheimer's Association, support group, 7 p.m., Comanche Trail Nursing Center.

•The District Deputy will make his official visit to Staked Plains Lodge No. 598, 6:30. All master masons are invited to attend.

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
•Candlelight NA meeting, 10 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad.

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

•Open birthday night, covered dish, 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. birthday meeting, 615 Settles. This is to celebrate AA Sobriety yearly birthdays.

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 Al Valdes, 263-6810.

•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, VA Hospital room 212.

•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.

TUESDAY
•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.

•Beginning line dance class will be taught at 9 a.m. at the Senior Citizens Center. Call 267-1628 for more information. All ages welcome.

•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.,

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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 Koutz, 267-3821.

•Line dance classes, 1 p.m., Senior Citizens Center, following lunch. For more information call 398-5522 or 267-1628. All ages welcome.

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

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•Genealogical Society of Big Spring, 7:15 p.m., Howard County Library. Call Bernice Cason, 267-8542 or 267-7236.

•Masonic Lodge No. 1340, 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster. Call Ron Long, 267-8715.

•Lady Steer booster club meeting, 6 p.m., Athletic Training Center meeting room.

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Astronauts can vote from orbit this fall

HOUSTON (AP) — Astronaut John Blaha couldn't cast a ballot last November, but new software and a new law should allow his NASA colleague David Wolf to exercise his right — from orbit — this fall.

NASA and Texas state officials said the software was satisfactorily tested Monday under the supervision of Texas Secretary of State Tony Garza.

Wolf would use a laptop computer and an election ballot that is on a diskette to vote

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from the Russian space station Mir this November.

The previous state law said ballots had to be mailed in — an obvious problem when you're somewhere the U.S. Postal Service doesn't go. In June, Gov. George W. Bush signed a bill allowing astronauts registered to vote in Texas to cast ballots from space.

Blaha, who lived in the Houston suburb of Clear Lake, couldn't vote from Mir in November. He had spent most of the year in Russia training for his mission and forgot to ask for a mail-in ballot before his launch on Sept. 16.

Wolf, however, should get to vote for mayor, city controller, five at-large council members and in the council race for his district as well as on 14 state constitutional amendments, a countywide bond election and a possible referendum on affirmative action.

Wolf is supposed to be sent up to Mir in late September and remain there until January.

His election ballot would be e-mailed from the county clerk's office to Johnson Space Center, then to Russia for uplink to the space station. After he voted, the process would be reversed.

Company will buy troubled meat plant

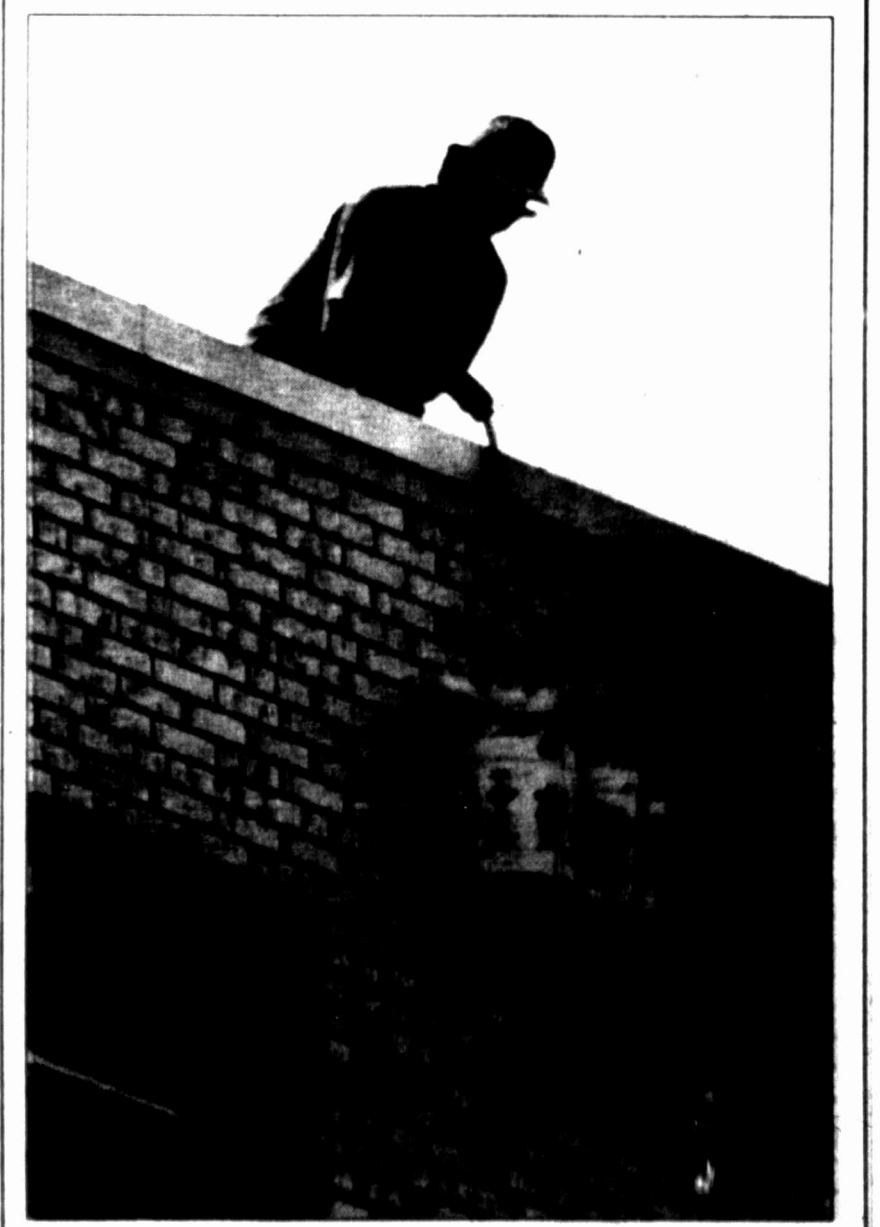
OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — The nation's largest meatpacker is taking over an idled Nebraska plant at the center of a massive hamburger recall and hopes to reopen it within a few weeks.

IBP Inc. said Wednesday it will buy the Columbus plant from Hudson Foods Inc., which went looking for a buyer after its biggest customer — Burger King — refused to buy any more meat from the company because of the recall.

The plant voluntarily shut down Aug. 21 after a national recall of 25 million pounds of its ground beef. An outbreak of E. coli contamination this month in Colorado was traced to the plant, which federal regulators are investigating for alleged unsafe practices.

IBP did not disclose the purchase price.

COMING DOWN



Lou Brito, with C. Fort Roofing Company of Garland, lowers his equipment from the roof of the courthouse as the workers complete repairs.

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TEXAS LOTTERY
PICK 3: 5, 7, 1
LOTTO: 2, 12, 14, 33, 34, 49

BUDGET

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A three-month fund reserve for the city would mean about \$4 million to \$5 million being set aside.

Fuqua said that figure is a rule of thumb for a budget of approximately \$20 million-\$24 million, but he would like to have a fund balance in the neighborhood of \$1 million.

The council will have its first formal reading of an ordinance to accept the proposed budget on Sept. 9 and a second reading on Sept. 23. The new fiscal year for the city begins Oct. 1.

RECORDS

Wednesday's high 93
Wednesday's low 71
Average high 92
Average low 68
Record high 103 in 1982
Record low 59 in 1970
Precip. Wednesday 0.00
Month to date 2.87
Month's normal 1.20
Year to date 17.33
Normal for the year 11.85
**Statistics not available

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents between 8 a.m. Wednesday and 8 a.m. Thursday:

• **PAULA SUE BAKER, 38**, Odessa, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **JUAN RENTERIA, 48**, no address given, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **ROGER R. HENRY, 34**, 801 Pine, was arrested on a charge of unlawfully carrying a weapon.

• **ADOLPH M. GARCIA, 47**, HC 625 Box 113A, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **WILLIAM RAYMOND CLEMENTS, 29**, HC 69 Box DH1, was arrested on a charge of no driver's license, no insurance and fictitious MVI.

• **SERGIO ROSAS, 28**, 805 1/2 E. 14th, was arrested on a charge of driving while license invalid.

• **CHERYL ANN MCCUITION, 32**, 1802 Winston, was arrested on local warrants.

• **DEANNA ENGLESTON, 19**, 1206 Wason, was arrested on charges of no driver's license and no insurance.

• **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported on the 1900 block of N. Lamesa Highway.

• **BURGLARY OF A BUILDING** was reported on the 1300 block of Gregg.

• **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported on the

1300 block of Colby and the 200 block of E. 21st.

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported on the 200 block of W. 12th.

• **ASSAULT** was reported on the 4200 block of Parkway.

• **THEFT** was reported on Fourth and Johnson streets, the 700 block of Willia, the 700 block of E. 13th, the 1600 block of Gregg and the 1600 block of E. Third.

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following incident between 8 a.m. Wednesday and 8 a.m. Thursday:

• **ERIC KILMAN, 22**, no address given, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

MARKETS

Oct. cotton 73.45 cents a pound, up 45 points; Oct. crude oil 19.70, down 3 points; Cash hogs steady at \$1 lower at 51; cash steers steady at \$1 higher at 65; Oct. lean hog futures 70.40, up 107 points; Oct. live cattle futures 67.62, no change.

courtesy: Delta Corporation.
Noon quotes provided by Edward D. Jones & Co.

Index 7718.35
Volume 144,464,130
ATT 39% - 1/2
Amoco 96% - 1
Atlantic Richfield 75% - 1 1/2
Atmos Energy 27% + 1/2
Calenergy Inc. 33% - 1/2
Chevron 79% - 1/2
Cifra 1.90 - 1.94
Coca-Cola 57% - 1 1/2
De Beers 32% + 1/2
DuPont 63% - 1 1/2
Excell Comm. 21% + 1/2
Exxon 62% - 1 1/2
Fina 66% nc
Ford Motors 43% nc
Halliburton 46% - 1/2
IBM 102% - 1 1/2
Intel Corp 93% - 1/2
Laser Indus LTD 17 nc
Medical Alliance 3% + 1/2
Mobil 73% - 1 1/2
Norwest 57% - 1/2
NUV 9% nc
Phillips Petroleum 47% - 1/2
Palex Inc. 12% nc
Pepsi Cola 36% - 1/2
Paralell Petroleum 5% - 1/2
Rural/Metro 27% - 1/2
Sears 56% nc
Southwestern Bell 54% - 1/2
Sun 38% - 1/2
Texaco 117% + 1/2
Texas Instruments 115% + 1 1/2
Texas Utils. Co 35% nc
Unocal Corp 38% - 1/2
Wal-Mart 35% - 1/2
Amcap 15.89-16.86
Euro Pacific 28.45-30.19
I.C.A. 29.56-31.36
New Economy 19.90-21.11
New Perspective 21.26-22.56
Prime Rate 8.50%
Gold 326.40-326.90
Silver 4.75-4.78

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Here's 3 great reasons to visit Lubbock the weekend of September 5 - 7!

- Buddy Holly Music Festival** Sept. 4-7
Hot Music! Cool Memorabilia! Classic Cars! Cruise down to Lubbock's Depot District and re-live the nostalgia of the 1950's with Rock 'n Rollers like Carl Perkins, Joe Ely, Johnny Tillotson, the Maines Brothers & more!
- National Cowboy Symposium** Sept. 4-7
Hit the trails to the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center and join authentic cowboys at the National Cowboy Symposium! Chuckwagon & chili cook-offs, cowboy poetry, songwriting & storytelling, as well as special exhibits & demonstrations!
- Rotary Apple Butter Festival** Sept. 6-7
Load up the family and head out 4 miles east of Idalou for the Rotary Apple Butter Festival at Apple Country Orchards! Relax & enjoy BBQ, square dancing, bluegrass & gospel music, arts & crafts, and pick your own apples!

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Federal rail agency finds problems galore with Union Pacific

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — Many of Union Pacific's safety problems have one simple cause — its employees are exhausted, the Federal Rail Administration chief says.

Jolene M. Molitoris said preliminary results of a safety inspection of the nation's largest railroad showed dangerous train maneuvers, dispatcher errors and missing freight information were the norm.

Her agency is midway through a 10-day, systemwide review of Union Pacific Railroad, prompted by a recent series of train wrecks that killed seven people.

Sheer fatigue is at the root of many errors, Molitoris said Wednesday.

"You have people who are working 7 days a week, 12-plus hours a day with no time off. When you are that tired it makes top performance and safety assurance impossible,"

she said. "And that schedule isn't just for a week or so, it's constant."

Molitoris met with Union Pacific President Jerry Davis, who said the company plans to hire 1,500 new workers by the year's end to help ease the heavy workload. He added that employees are limited by federal laws to working 12-hour days.

"We will do whatever it takes for as long as it takes until we are running the safest railroad in the United States," Davis said.

Hiring more employees also would allow more dispatchers to take road trips as part of ongoing training, Davis said.

The company had been criticized for training dispatchers through videos instead of letting them see the actual routes.

He said the company would organize a safety team to address FRA concerns and hold a safety summit.

Getting a good night's rest won't solve all of Union Pacific's problems. Some dispatcher errors showed a basic misunderstanding of railroad rules, Molitoris said.

She pointed to a recent situation in which a dispatcher talked a train through moves against the current of traffic, a violation of federal and company rules that require written approval for such a movement.

Davis said the mistake could have resulted in a collision if it had not been immediately corrected.

Union Pacific has said the merger with Southern Pacific last year has not affected productivity. But Molitoris said supervisors are so overloaded with administrative duties that they were not performing required routine safety checks on trains.

The FRA inspection is to end next week, Molitoris said her



A local switcher shuttles cars back and forth in Union Pacific's Big Spring Yard. The Federal Railroad Administration is investigating the nation's biggest railroad after three accidents in the past few months have resulted in the deaths of seven people.

agency will continue to work with Union Pacific on safety issues and will keep a senior official at the railroad's Omaha headquarters until changes are made.

Bullock backs Bush, calls Mauro candidacy 'kamikaze mission'

DALLAS (AP) — Democratic Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock says he would be proud to call Republican Gov. George W. Bush "my president."

Bullock also said he agreed to appear as guest speaker at a recent Bush fund-raiser out of respect for the "magnificent job" Bush has done as governor.

"I was there out of respect for what he's doing and what he has done," said Bullock, the state's highest-ranking Democrat. "And I would be proud to call him my president."

Some Republicans are pressing the son of the former president to run for president in 2000.

Asked if the appearance constituted a formal endorsement, Bullock said, "My endorsement don't mean anything."

Spokesman Joe Cutbirth said likely Democratic gubernatorial candidate Garry Mauro had no comment on Bullock's appearance at the Bush fund-raiser.

"I think we're going to take a pass on it," Cutbirth said.

Bush spokeswoman Karen Hughes said, "Governor Bush is

proud and honored to call Governor Bullock his friend. They've worked together to do what is right for Texas."

Bullock and Bush were the featured speakers at the fund-raiser, which brought in nearly \$900,000 for the governor's 1998 re-election campaign.

Bullock's speech was filmed by media consultants for possible use in commercials.

Bullock, who is not seeking re-election next year, sidestepped questions about whether he would agree to be in a Bush campaign ad.

"I ain't good on television. A better question is whether Bush would appear in an ad with me," he said.

Many state Democratic Party leaders were shocked and upset last month when Bullock said Bush was virtually unbeatable and Mauro and anyone else who might run against Bush would be wasting their time.

The Mauro campaign is "almost a kamikaze" mission, Bullock said, referring to Japanese suicide planes used against U.S. warships as a last-ditch effort in World War II.

TEXAS BRIEFS

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SAN ANTONIO — Richard Teitz, who had been the first and only director of the Alamo, has been fired in what a member of the Alamo Board of Management called a "regretful" move.

Teitz, who was hired two years ago, was fired Tuesday by the board.

Chairman Mary Carmack confirmed the firing Wednesday, saying that Teitz was "discharged." She would not elaborate.

"We have had a parting of the ways. It's very regretful. We're very sorry this happened," Carmack said. "We do wish him the very best in future endeavors."

The reason for the firing was confidential, she said.

HOUSTON — As the school year begins in the nation's fourth-largest city, so do false reports that immigrant children will be rounded up and deported by the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

INS reassured frightened immigrant parents in Houston this week that the agency does not raid the schools to collect students.

"There's no validity to the rumor," INS spokeswoman Kristi Barrows said Tuesday. "It is the Department of Justice policy that we do not conduct operations in schools."

Nevertheless, rumors that INS does conduct illegal immigrant raids in schools have dissuaded some immigrant parents from enrolling their children, advocates say.

HOUSTON — Residents on Houston's northwest side are feeling a little low right

now, but that sinking feeling has nothing to do with an emotional downswing.

New data shows northwest Houston is now the fastest sinking land in the coastal area. Between 1987 and 1995, some areas have dropped some 1.98 feet.

Houston's had a subsidence, or sinking problem, for years. But officials had been more concerned about the southeast side of Harris County and Galveston.

This new trend affecting the northwest side, revealed in a National Geodetic Survey, is important but not surprising, according to those who track sinking land for the Houston area.

BROWNSVILLE — Three days into a new initiative to control illegal immigration on the Texas border, activity has diminished on a 2-mile stretch of the Rio Grande garisoned by Border Patrol agents.

But illegal crossings have shifted up and down river, while an unprecedented number of aliens are sprinting across international bridges into the United States — a practice known as port-running.

The shift in activity was underscored Tuesday night with the sexual assault of a female migrant just east of the section of river where Border Patrol manpower was heightened under Operation Rio Grande.

Border Patrol officials said Wednesday that such shifts were anticipated and that adjustments were being made to address it. "Things are working exactly the way we had projected them to work," said Brownsville Border Patrol supervisor Herb Monette.

LUBBOCK — Four years of fewer patients has forced Lubbock's smallest hospital to announce plans to close its doors Oct. 31 if its parent corporation can't find a buyer.

"This is not an easy decision, nor is it one made lightly," South Park chief executive Clint Matthews said Wednesday. "We have been looking at a variety of options over the last year, and unfortunately none has developed."

South Park Hospital, which reported a 7-percent occupancy rate at the 98-bed facility last month, stopped accepting new patients Wednesday.

The hospital recently agreed to a \$9.5 million settlement with the family of a woman who died at the hands of a drug-abusing doctor. The decision to close had nothing to do with the lawsuit agreement, officials said.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. — Officials of a Texas county have 10 days to give the Missouri Department of Corrections documents relating to the videotaped abuse of the state's overflow prisoners in leased cells.

On Wednesday, officials of Brazoria County, near Houston, assured Cole County Circuit Judge Byron Kinder that they would comply with his order to produce the documents, and not destroy or alter any of them.

The videotape show inmates being dragged, kicked, beaten and bitten by a dog and officers cursing and yelling at Missouri inmates at Brazoria County Detention Center on Sept. 18, 1996.

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OUR VIEWS

SBDC can be good with commitment

Less than three months after Howard College dropped its business development center, college officials have decided to plunge back in. Howard College trustees decided this week to enter into a partnership with the University of Texas of the Permian Basin to operate a Small Business Development Center at the Big Spring campus.

Under the agreement, which should go into affect by October, Howard will provide office space and other infrastructure needs, while UTPB will provide a staff member to man the office. The SBDC, a federally funded operation, will help small businesses in several facets of economic development.

We welcome any assistance the center can bring in helping local residents start a business or keep a struggling enterprise afloat. But we are concerned about one thing: If Howard and UTPB decide to dissolve their partnership in the near future, will the SBDC go the way of the old business development center, leaving local small businesses in the lurch again?

It is our hope that this new center will provide new businesses in Howard County with much-needed advice and support, and we wish Howard and UTPB well in their new partnership.

OTHER VIEWS

A state judge's decision to set aside temporarily a law restricting public access to traffic records is a good sign for a bad law.

State Sen. Mike Moncrief, D-Fort Worth, sneaked the restriction into an otherwise non-controversial bill last legislative session after the governor vetoed a similar bill. The law the governor signed includes language that limits traffic accident reports to those who know the name of a person involved and the date or location of the crash.

It is a patently wrong-headed law that keeps information from the public that pays for it, pays to compile it and owns it. And it can be information the public needs.

Compiling accident reports allows the press and public to know the most dangerous intersections and roadways in a community. That can be valuable knowledge for drivers seeking to avoid danger and for governments charged with ensuring highway safety.

Many of the legislators who voted for the law Gov. George W. Bush vetoed, and accepted the language slipped into the bill he signed, argue that it is aimed at curbing abuse, not

the public's right to know. Restricting access was meant to keep the names of those in traffic accidents shielded from various ambulance-chasing professions and businesses seeking easy customers.

But in trying to hide the information from those individuals and entities looking for business, the Legislature kept the information from nearly everyone. Yet that is information paid for by tax dollars and the public that owns it should have access to it.

The Texas Legislature has been down this road before. It continues to struggle with the notion that people should have unfettered access to the information that serves the public.

The temporary injunction granted by State District Judge Paul Davis keeps the bill from becoming law on Sept. 1 and allows both sides of the issue to work a resolution. Both the newspaper groups opposing the law and lawyers for the State Attorney General's office charged with defending it seem willing to negotiate.

Open records are a public trust, not secrets to be revealed to only a knowing few.

Austin American-Statesman

It was such a great excuse...



What's this about young blacks 'acting white'?

"In May 1987, I wrote a column about my dream of a society in which black youngsters would reject the destructive counsel of their dumb-dumb peers and strive for excellence. That dream has made Project Excellence a \$43.5 million reality for thousands of youngsters who dare to say, 'Where's the money?'" - Carl Rowan

By CARL T. ROWAN, Syndicated Columnist

WASHINGTON - All across the American landscape we see the destructive effects of peer-group pressures. Thirteen-year-olds are getting pregnant; 15-year-olds are becoming addicted to cigarettes and booze or becoming cocaine junkies - because their friends are doing the same thing.

Pressures to run with the crowd are wiping out the futures of millions of youngsters of all races and classes.

But the peer pressure that galls me most is being put on by ignoramuses who are trying to prevent black intellectual

achievement by arguing that black youngsters who strive to get good grades are "acting white."

Children caught up in anger and frustration are embracing a new kind of racism that says a black youngster who excels at speaking and writing is "using Whitey's language."

I find it hard to believe, but studies indicate that many brainy black youngsters refuse to give correct answers to questions in class because they don't want their "friends" to know how much they study, and thus have learned.

I understand the legacies of slavery and poverty are such that millions of young blacks still grow up in homes where there is no history of formal educational achievement, no appreciation of trained intelligence. I know that millions of teenagers have never understood or accepted the reality that ignorance is a greater enslaver than the Ku Klux Klan could ever be, and that learning has liberated more people than all the armies ever assembled by man. But I find it almost criminal that the know-nothings

are successfully pressuring youngsters of great promise to hang back at their level.

This is one of those problems that cannot be solved by civil rights law or a government grant. It requires that black people devise programs to counter destructive peer pressures. This means building up incentives and rewards that make it more than worthwhile for high-schoolers to reject anti-achievement pressures.

Suppose that in this town successful black journalists chipped in to a fund to give annual scholarships of, say, \$4,000 each to three high school seniors cited by a committee named by the school superintendent as the best achievers in writing and public speaking. This might help a lot of youngsters say, "I'm not playing dumb to please dumb friends; I want that money."

Black-owned newspapers and radio stations could contribute and publicize the winners (along with the general media). This kind of program is feasible in Chicago, Atlanta, Los Angeles, New York - well, in most major cities in America.

In many cities there are enough black accountants, companies engaging in computer sciences and other high-tech endeavors to set up grants for youngsters who really achieve in math, physics and related courses.

Black doctors and dentists could honor the students who excel in biology and related courses.

Many "rewards" need not involve money. What a difference it could make if every black church in Washington would stand up to praise and applaud once a month the teenagers who make the honor roll at their schools.

Praise and recognition by respected professionals could become as intoxicating as getting along with the gang. I shall talk to the school superintendent here and see in which ways I can organize a program to make black youngsters proud to use well the English language - the language of Martin Luther King Jr., Whitney Young, Mary McLeod Bethune and, yes, Oprah Winfrey.

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Is there intelligent life among space-station proponents?

By LEONARD LARSEN, Scripps Howard News Service

WASHINGTON - Survival of crewmen aboard the stricken and obsolete Russian space station Mir reminds us again of the courage and resourcefulness of men and women who travel in space and the brilliance of technology that puts them there and sustains them.

It also reminds us - should remind us - of the enormous expense and ultimate waste - the futility - of Mir and the scheduled construction, assembly in space and operation of the U.S.-financed \$100 billion "international" space station.

NASA propagandists, congressional boosters and media allies have gloried for years in the prospective wonders of the new space station - with its useful life estimated at 10 years - which, in a less charitable view, will be built and sent into orbit to work much like an ordinary squirrel cage.

That would be where squirrels run to keep the cage turning while watchful technicians monitor the operation whose basic purpose is just that - to keep the cage turning.

And all the while familiar statistics - days and months spent by each individual inside the

squirrel cage, troubles of weightlessness met and overcome, resupply of the space station, all that and similar data - will be added up by NASA officials and reported as significant scientific achievements.

But, as panels of scientists have repeatedly complained, they're not doing science, not in the NASA shuttle flights, not in the recent landing of the Mars probe and not in the planned launching of the "international" space laboratory.

They're doing stunts, increasingly difficult and often death-defying stunts in manned flights, but still stunts. And, doing them, now headed into America's most expensive effort in space, they are draining away monumental amounts of wealth and human effort that would be far better used for investigating and solving more pressing and vastly more important problems right here, on Earth.

What has become increasingly evident in the years that the Russian space station has been in orbit, more so since NASA began paying hundreds of millions of dollars so Americans could be taken aboard as Mir passengers, is that the science that's done on Mir is the science of survival.

That has been the grim squirrel-cage function of Mir for its occupants and its ground technicians, to keep the cage turning and keep its passengers alive in the face of calamities that may be learning experiences in survival but are not scientific advances in what is still spoken of as man's reach for the stars.

The American-sponsored and financed international space station only promises a safer, more comfortable platform in orbit, to do and redo the experiments in weightlessness, to make the same or similar observations of Earth and other planets, to sample packaged foods and work with new tools and other equipment, to do what are now the familiar chores of space travel while staying alive.

An article recently published in The New York Times concerning NASA's preparations for the "new era" of the international space station and space shuttles to support it made the point of the multibillion-dollar effort doing again what's been done before.

"If all goes well," the article concluded, "The East-West collaboration will culminate in a 470-ton, 366-foot behemoth that will hold as many as seven people studying the heavens, the

Earth and things like the physiological response of people to extended periods of weightlessness, crucial information if people are ever to venture to distant worlds."

That "venture to distant worlds," the same as the recent foolishness of describing the unmanned probe of Mars as a "search for life," is just more tiresome NASA propaganda and myth-spinning to pump up American expectations and pump more taxpayer money out of Congress.

The \$100 billion international space station, during its short 10 years of use, won't actually move anybody closer to "distant worlds." What's known and has been known since long before NASA began to spend money is that even nearby "distant worlds" are dead planets unworthy of any attempt at manned exploration.

At its working best, the space station will be just another squirrel cage, vastly more expensive and more elaborate, but a machine with no purpose but to function in space in order to keep functioning in space.

(Leonard E. Larsen writes this column twice weekly for Scripps Howard News Service.)

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Minnesota pilot program demonstrates success for long-term welfare recipients

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — A Minnesota pilot program is showing success for long-term welfare recipients, traditionally the toughest to help out, according to a report released today.

The study's authors said welfare reforms that push people into jobs often fail to pull them out of poverty because the work pays so little.

The key to Minnesota's program was requiring single adults to start working within two years of receiving benefits while also allowing them to keep more of their monthly welfare check, said one of the study's authors, Virginia Knox.

"Not only did (Minnesota) increase employment ... more unusual is that it reduced poverty for people who were working," Knox said.

The program was most suc-

cessful in urban areas, where long-term single parents were 39 percent more likely to be employed than they were on the old program, and 16 percent less likely to continue living in poverty.

Long-term clients are those on assistance for more than two years.

The authors studied 9,000 welfare recipients over an 18-month period. They also found the program did not move people off welfare rolls any faster, and it cost the state \$45 more per family each month than the old program, Aid to Families with Dependent Children.

"It's awful early to say that we have any answer to the long-term dilemma or even the medium-term dilemma," said Sid Johnson of the American Public Welfare Association.

Like other states, Minnesota's welfare rolls have dropped dramatically over the past few years — down 19 percent since 1993.

But the Minnesota Family Investment Program found a way to increase employment while reducing poverty — a unique achievement, the New York-based Manpower Demonstration Research Corp., a social science research firm, said in its report.

Participating families received benefits until their combined incomes reached \$22,470, or 40 percent above the federal poverty level, for a family of four. Under the old program, they would have lost assistance when their incomes reached about \$13,600.

The project has been operating in eight counties since 1994.

Lawmakers used it as a blueprint for a statewide welfare law that will take effect in January.

Sonthe Reine of Minneapolis has been on assistance since her husband left her with two young children five years ago. She said the differences between AFDC and the trial program were astounding.

"I was pretty much penalized for working when I was on AFDC. With day care and transportation costs, it pretty much put me in the hole," she said.

Reine, 36, works 20 hours a month in security at the Mall of America in suburban Bloomington, earning \$18 an hour. She estimated her annual income with public assistance at about \$13,000 a year, and plans to look for full-time work in the fall.

UT law school laments passing of affirmative action admissions

AUSTIN — The University of Texas law school counts U.S. Energy Secretary Federico Pena and Dallas Mayor Ron Kirk among its minority graduates.

But school officials, forced to abandon affirmative action, said they were distressed as classes began Wednesday with only four blacks and 26 Mexican-Americans among 468 new students.

Last year, 31 blacks and 42 Mexican-Americans were enrolled.

"The University of Texas School of Law is greatly distressed by the sharp reduction," said M. Michael Sharlot, dean of the law school. "For two decades, this school has been enormously successful in recruiting, enrolling and graduating students from these two groups, which have been and continue to be grossly underrepresented in the legal profession."

In California, Jesse Jackson planned a march across San Francisco's Golden Gate Bridge today to protest Proposition 209, which bans race or gender from being a factor in state hiring or school admissions. The law goes into effect today.

Local officials were bracing for a march-related traffic jam. "There is traffic every morning and every night. Traffic is not the problem," said Jackson. "Gender and ethnic cleansing is the problem. Re-segregation is the problem. Denying opportunity is the problem."

A similar measure, passed independently by University of California regents in 1995, is already in effect at graduate

students and will apply to undergraduate admissions starting next year.

Officials in Texas blamed the low number of minority students on the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, which ruled in a reverse-discrimination lawsuit that the school could no longer use race as a factor in admissions and scholarships. The U.S. Supreme Court let the ruling stand last year.

Final enrollment figures won't be known until Sept. 12. But the university said the new law class also was expected to include 391 whites, 39 Asian Americans and eight other minorities — such as American Indians, Puerto Ricans and Cubans.

Law and medical schools in California experienced similar losses of minority students this year. It hasn't been determined whether minority applicants are simply switching to other schools, or whether the new policies will result in a national decline in minorities with professional degrees.

The decline at Texas began with a drop in applications of 38 percent among blacks and 14 percent among Mexican-Americans, compared with 7 percent among whites. The school received applications from 225 blacks, 306 Mexican-Americans and 2,515 whites.

Sharlot said the school must work under "very different and disadvantageous rules" in competing with other law schools for top students. He called that "particularly sad" because the Texas law school has produced more black and Mexican-American lawyers during the past 10 years than any other school in the U.S.

Pledge's death gives object lesson in alcohol's dangers

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — Each fall, Louisiana State University holds a seminar to warn students about the effect of alcohol on the body and explain the college's policy on drinking.

Two dozen students attended the program Wednesday night, nearly two days after classmate Benjamin Wynne drank himself to death — a more palpable lesson than any workshop about the hazards of too much alcohol.

"I think students will think twice when they go out," Jacob Braud, 20, of New Orleans, said as he left the seminar. "They know now there's a point when too much is too much."

"This is a horrible thing that has happened and it will affect this campus for some time."

Wynne, 20, died early Tuesday of alcohol poisoning after an evening spent celebrating fra-

ternity pledge week. Preliminary autopsy results showed he had a blood alcohol content of .588 percent — almost six times the level for legal drunkenness in Louisiana.

A funeral Mass was celebrated for him Wednesday in Metairie, outside New Orleans.

His death left the campus shaken. Braud was one of the few students at the voluntary seminar who would talk to reporters afterward. Many fraternity houses posted signs saying they would not talk to the media.

During the seminar, university officials said no policy could have prevented Wynne's death — only people could.

"People are going to do dumb things and we need to rely on others to stop us," said Tom Risch, dean of students. "I've talked to (Wynne's) family.

What keeps ringing in my ears is the parents' plea: 'Please, please, please do what you can to make sure our son didn't die in vain.' We have got to take care of each other."

The state's legal drinking age is 21. The university and the state plan to investigate how Wynne got alcohol.

"This young man made a mistake. We all make mistakes. He paid dearly for it," said John Kennedy, secretary of the Department of Revenue and Taxation, which oversees the Alcoholic Beverage Control board. "If someone assisted him in making that mistake and broke the law, they're going to answer for it."

LSU's chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Wynne's fraternity, has been suspended by its national chapter. The fraternity has 130 members and pledges at

LSU.

Campus police received an emergency call from the SAE fraternity house Tuesday and arrived to find about a dozen people asleep or passed out. Wynne was among four taken to the hospital, where he was pronounced dead.

Wynne was believed to have been drinking off-campus at a party and at a bar called Murphy's. Witnesses said a dozen people at Murphy's were so drunk that they had to be carried to cars in shopping carts, by their arms and legs, or held up by others.

To reach a .588 percent blood alcohol level, Wynne would have to have consumed more than two dozen drinks in an hour, ABC officials said.

Disney takes precautions against encephalitis

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Walt Disney World has begun giving its guests less time for golf, fishing, hayrides, campfires, even splashing about in swimming pools and water parks after Orange County issued a medical alert about mosquitoes that carry encephalitis.

The company is also advising guests to wear long-sleeved shirts and pants after dark and use plenty of mosquito repellent to guard against the potentially fatal viral infection.

Disney's decision earlier this week followed the medical alert about St. Louis encephalitis, which is carried by the Culex nigripalpus mosquito which feeds after sunset.

"We're particularly concerned about swimming pools because people aren't fully clothed and they can't use mosquito repellent," Disney spokeswoman Diane Ledder said Wednesday.

The three water parks as well as swimming pools at Disney's 15 resort hotels and villas began closing at 7 p.m. this week, about an hour earlier than usual.

The company is also advising guests to wear long-sleeved shirts and pants after dark and use plenty of mosquito repellent.

William Peeper, executive director of the Orlando/Orange County Convention and

Visitors Bureau, said he didn't think the encephalitis alert would change visitors' plans.

"In 1990, when we had an alert, we could not identify any tour group that canceled because of the health alert," he said. "The chance of contracting any symptoms of the disease is less likely than winning the lottery."

So far, no one in Florida has contracted the virus. A 1990 encephalitis outbreak in Florida infected 230 people and caused 11 deaths. The elderly are most susceptible to encephalitis, which causes flu-like symptoms that can lead to coma and death.

Activities at Disney's three theme parks — Magic Kingdom, Epcot and Disney-MGM Studios — have not been affected by the alert.

"We're able to control mosquitoes around the theme parks by spraying," Ms. Ledder said.

Universal Studios Florida, Disney's rival, said the only precaution workers have taken is to spray pesticide in a large lake in the center of the theme park. Universal closes before sunset.

Encephalitis has been detected in sentinel chickens in nine Florida counties: Brevard, Charlotte, Glades, Hendry, Indian River, Lee, Martin, Palm Beach and Orange.

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NATO troops attacked in Serb-held towns by rock-throwing crowds

TUZLA, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Hurling stones, crowds attacked NATO-led troops in several towns today as soldiers tried to prevent violence between Bosnia's feuding Serbs. At least one American soldier was injured.

NATO troops used tear gas to disperse angry mobs in the northwestern town of Brcko.

One U.S. soldier in Brcko had his nose broken by a piece of wood, said NATO spokesman Capt. Edward Griffin. Another NATO soldier — likely an American — was injured in the eye by rocks, according to NATO spokesman Lt. Col. James Cronin.

Bosnian Serb sources said several U.S. soldiers were also wounded in a clash near the eastern village of Celopek. There was no immediate confirmation from NATO.

Associated Press Television reporters saw NATO helicopters drop tear gas and fire shots above the crowd in Brcko. One woman's leg was bleeding.

Media loyal to Karadzic claimed NATO troops wounded four civilians and said 20 people were injured in the rioting.

Brcko is in the part of Bosnia patrolled by American troops.

Brcko's shops were shuttered today and speeding cars were filled with shouting men, some carrying posters of war crimes suspect Radovan Karadzic, who is locked in a power struggle with the Bosnian Serb president.

Rival Serbs were fighting each other in Brcko today, NATO spokesmen said.

The peace force said it moved into Brcko, Bijeljina and Doboj to "deter the outbreak of violence" after hearing that forces loyal to President Biljana Plavsic would try to take control of police stations and the media in Serb-held areas of northern Bosnia.

A NATO spokesman, Maj. Chris Riley, said fire bombs were thrown at some U.S. troops in Brcko.

U.N. officials, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the crowd attacked the U.N. police station there, causing substantial damage but no injuries.

Considered crucial to all sides in Bosnia, Brcko sits astride a narrow Serb-held corridor, the only link between the two halves of Serb territory in Bosnia. It was the site of heavy fighting during the 1992-95 Bosnian war.

In Bijeljina, witnesses said a few hundred irate residents had blockaded the police station with trucks and tractors, apparently to prevent NATO troops from reaching it. The road to Brcko, 25 miles to the north, was also blocked. Peace force troops had moved away from the police station so as not to provoke violence.

Plavsic, a former Karadzic protege, is locked in a power struggle with officials loyal to

the wartime leader of the Bosnian Serbs, whom she accuses of growing rich through corruption and black market deals.

NATO and international officials strongly support her drive to isolate Karadzic, whom they would like to see stand trial in the U.N. war crimes court in the Netherlands.

Such foreign support has embittered the Karadzic loyalists. The hostility toward the NATO troops today appeared at least partially orchestrated by

them, with pro-Karadzic radio stations reported urging crowds to take to the streets in Brcko and Bijeljina.

The Bosnian Serb news agency SRNA quoted Karadzic loyalist Velibor Ostojic as saying that the NATO-led peace force had "started the occupation" of Serb areas on Plavsic's request.

Both regular police and the better-equipped special police in Bosnian Serb areas were reportedly carrying banned long-bar-

rel weapons, NATO said. Ljuba Maratovic, director of the pro-Karadzic radio station in Brcko, said NATO-led forces, most of them Americans, arrived with armored vehicles at the main police station during the night.

In a telephone interview, he said local officials and citizens prevented them from entering, and that the soldiers had to withdraw. However, they remained in the town.

Witnesses said civilians threw

stones at NATO vehicles and said shots were fired — but it was unclear by whom or whether anyone was injured. Sirens wailed in the streets.

Brcko residents said the local police chief, Andrija Milosevic, recently had switched sides in the power struggle and now was supporting Plavsic.

U.N. official Andrea Angeli in Tuzla said the radio station there also had called for a demonstration against the international forces.

Plavsic controls the western section of the Bosnian Serb half of Bosnia from her base in Banja Luka. Karadzic controls the eastern section from Pale, a village just east of the capital, Sarajevo.

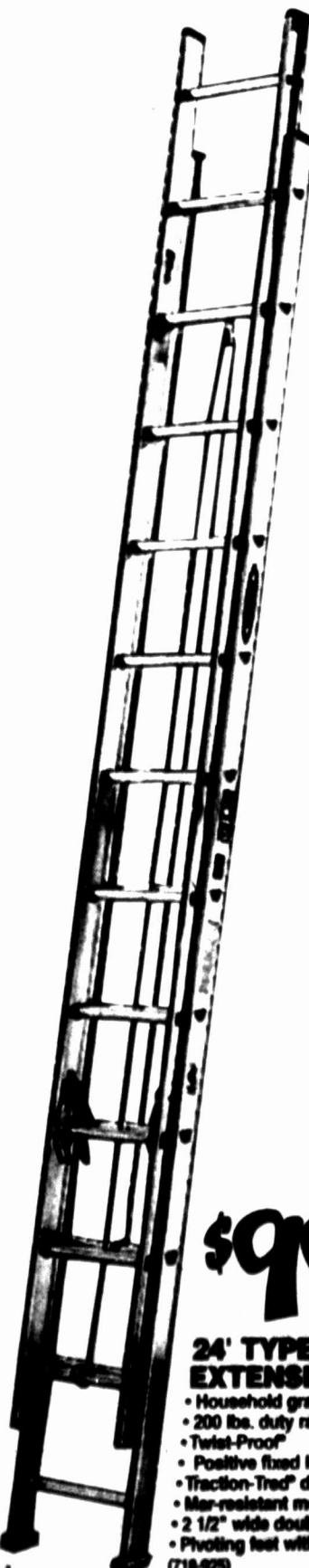
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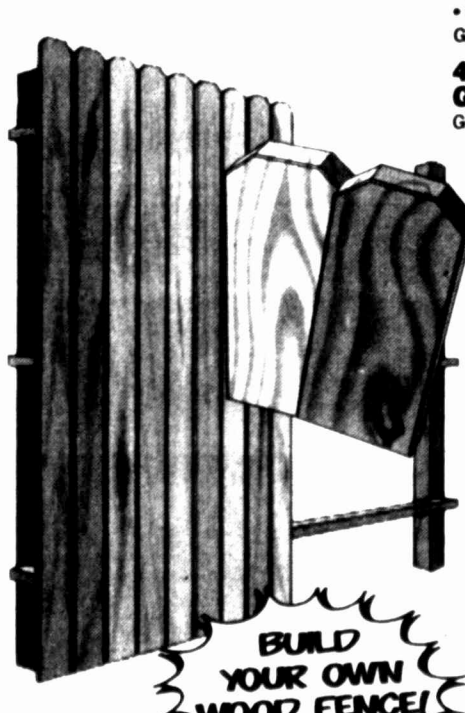
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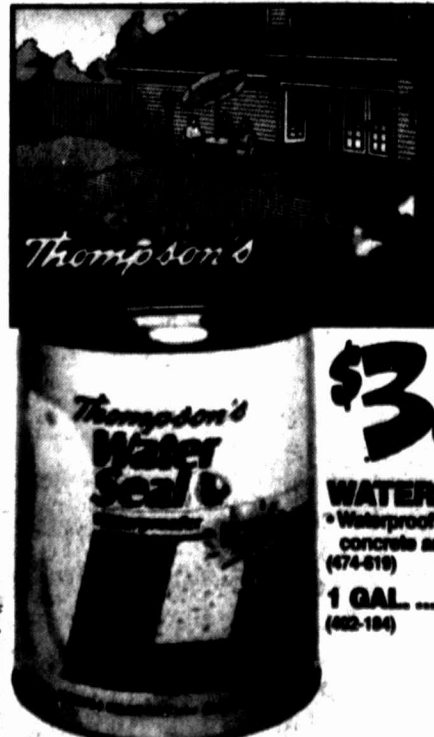
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Some congressional web sites get pretty personal with information

By LISA CLAGETT WENTRAUB
Congressional Quarterly

WASHINGTON — It's no secret that anyone surfing the World Wide Web can find everything from recipes for home-brewed beer to inspirational poems to a tour of Las Vegas casinos.

But it is a bit startling to see such diversions pop up on the official Internet home pages of members of Congress. Some lawmakers and their Web-savvy aides are starting to add pizzazz to stuffy biographies, legislative accomplishments and information on topics like how to order a flag that has flown over the Capitol.

Click on "The Fun" while visiting the home page of Rep. Peter A. DeFazio, D-Ore., and you'll find more than a casual visitor might need to know about Chesapeake Bay Retrievers (DeFazio and his wife, Myrnie, have three — Bear, Mollie and Edith). There's also a picture of the 1963 Dodge Dart that was a prop in the Oregon Democrat's campaign and his personal recipe for home brew.

"I'm just sort of a casual home brewer," DeFazio explained in an interview. "I like good beer." He said he decided to include his lighter side to give Web surfers "something they can relate to." He invites readers to try their hand at his beer recipe and let him know how it turns out, via electronic mail. He hasn't received much feedback in the month the recipe has been posted.

True surfers (the wet kind) might want to check out the pages of California GOP Reps. Dana Rohrabacher and Brian Bilbray, both surfing enthusiasts.

Rohrabacher, who bought his first surfboard in the 1960s, confesses on his Web page that he may not be the best surfer in his Orange County congressional district. "But," he adds, "for a time I was darn well the best surfer in the world."

Since Bilbray's election in 1994, Rohrabacher has had to be content to be chairman of the two-man congressional "Surfing Caucus." Both members have photos online with their surfboards.

Then there's House Republican Leader Dick Armey, R-Texas, who offers a page full of his favorite sayings. Among "Arme's Axioms": "Liberals don't see anything good happen unless the government does it;" "You can't put your finger on a problem when you've got it to the wind;" and "The market is rational and the government is dumb."

Rep. Dan Burton, R-Ind., has gained attention as chairman of the Government Reform and Oversight panel, which is investigating improper campaign fundraising. To unwind, Burton takes comfort in "inspirational poems," which he has posted on his web site. Among his favorites is the lyrics to the marching song, "Stouthearted Men," from the operetta "New Moon" by Sigmund Romberg and Oscar Hammerstein II.

"If you have the soul and the spirit, never fear it, you'll see it through," the lyrics say.

In an online introduction, Burton explains, "This is a poem that has given me much inspiration and resolution throughout the years." He also has posted Act IV, Scene III from William Shakespeare's King Henry V and Rudyard Kipling's poem, If.

Sports fans may be more inclined to click on Oklahoma Republican Rep. Steve Largent's site for the text of the former Seattle Seahawks wide receiver's speech when he was inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 1995.

House members' pages tend to

be more lively than those of their Senate counterparts. But a few senators have spiced up their web sites.

Nevada Democrat Harry Reid, for example, offers a link to a website called Las Vegas Deluxe, which allows viewers to take a virtual walk down the Strip and tour some of the city's glitziest hotels and casinos.

More recipes, although not for beer, can be found on Judd Gregg's home page. The New Hampshire Republican has put

up favorite family dishes like maple oatmeal cookies and baked scallops with mushrooms.

Fred Thompson, R-Tenn., has gained attention lately as the leader of the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee's campaign finance investigation. But visitors to his Web site are reminded that during his earlier career as an actor in 18 films and numerous television programs, he appeared in the 1993 remake of

"Born Yesterday." In that film he played a U.S. senator bribed by a junkyard tycoon.

Congress' other veteran of Hollywood, Rep. Sonny Bono, R-Calif., keeps the focus of his Web page more on his congressional activities. Bono's online biography makes a brief reference to his singing and comedy partnership with "girlfriend Cherylyn Sarkisian" in the 1960s and 1970s, but does not mention that he and Cher were married for several years or

that they have a daughter, Chastity Bono.

Bono's spokesman, Frank Cullen, said the omission of Cher and Chastity was "not intended as an oversight," calling their marriage common knowledge. "The focus on his bio was more in terms of where Bono is today and his current family," Cullen said.

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Skillet ready to sizzle at amphitheater

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

If anyone doubts, Skillet drummer Trey McClurkin said it is possible to play alternative rock and praise the Lord.

Skillet, a band from Memphis, Tenn., will headline a Christian music concert beginning at 7:30 p.m. Monday in Comanche Trail Amphitheater.

"It's a very high energy show," said McClurkin who, with band members John Cooper and Ken Steorts, is beginning a national tour.

"But it's also very evangelical," he added. "The only reason Skillet exists is to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ, to spread the good news to our generation."

Skillet's music is described as sounding like current popular groups Bush and Candlebox. It has also been described as "grunge" or alternative music.

Their message, however, is different from most groups of that musical style.

"I think artists, musicians tend to sing and write about what they know, what matters in their lives," McClurkin said. "As Christians, we sing and write about our relationship to God, the Bible and the revelation that God has given us."

Since becoming a Christian at age 16, McClurkin said, he has realized his responsibility goes far beyond attending church on Sundays.

"That's just a little slice of the pie," he said. "It's an all-encompassing thing."

He said he and other band members see Skillet as their means for spreading the gospel, and for the love of "Heavenly Father."

"God has given us this talent, and God's hand is definitely on us to do this for this season in our lives," he said.

Skillet's name comes from the fact that all three members come from very different backgrounds and musical styles, who put their experiences together, according to press information.

Lead singer John Cooper has studied piano, trombone and voice since early childhood. He played with church groups and in the high school band, and later headlined some mainstream bands and formed two Christian bands.

Guitar player Ken Steorts studied trumpet before switching to guitar as a teenager. He



The members of Skillet are, from left, drummer Trey McClurkin, lead singer and bass player John Cooper and guitar Ken Steorts. The Memphis-based group will perform with another Christian rock band Monday beginning at 7:30 p.m. at Comanche Trail Amphitheater.

SKILLET

The only reason Skillet exists is to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ, to spread the good news to our generation.

-Trey McClurkin, drummer

played with several Christian rock bands, and has led groups of church musicians. He holds a master's degree in classical music composition.

Russellville, Ark. native McClurkin was the son of a Methodist minister who moved frequently as a child. He began playing drums as a toddler, getting his first drum kit at age 8. He has played with

garage bands as well as marching bands.

"I was raised in a Christian home," McClurkin explained. "But I didn't really have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ until I was about 16."

Then, McClurkin said, he attended a church camp and had a "mountaintop" experience.

"I really felt God speaking to

me," he said.

Tickets for Monday's show are on sale now at the Karat Patch, Spanky's and Cornerstone Christian Resource Center for \$5 in advance. They are \$7 at the gate Monday night. Performing along with Skillet will be 3000+.

The performance is sponsored by Cornerstone Church.

Middle child often struggles to find place

QUESTION: Does the middle child really have greater adaptive problems than his or her siblings?

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DOBSON:

The middle child does sometimes find it more difficult to establish his or her identity within the family. She enjoys neither the status of the eldest nor the attention given to the baby. Furthermore, she is likely to be born at a busy period in the life of her parents, especially her mother. Then during her preschool years, her precious territory is invaded by a cute little newborn who steals Mama from her. Is it any wonder that she often asks, "Who am I and where is my place in life?"



Dr. James Dobson
Columnist

QUESTION: What can I do to help my middle child figure out who she is?

DR. DOBSON: Parents should take steps to ensure the identity of all their children, not just as members of the family -- which can be accomplished in other ways -- but as unique individuals. This is especially needed on behalf of middle children. Let me offer a couple of suggestions that will illustrate what I mean.

1. It is meaningful for Dad to "date" each child, one at a time, periodically. The other kids should not be told where they are going until it is revealed by the boy or girl in retrospect. They can play miniature golf, go bowling, play basketball, eat tacos or pizza, or visit a skating rink. The choice of activities should be made by the child whose turn has arrived.

2. Ask each offspring to design his or her own flag, which can be sewn in canvas or cloth. That flag is then flown in the front yard on the child's "special" days, including birthdays, after she has received an A in school, when he scores a goal in soccer or hits a home run in baseball, and so forth.

There are other ways to accomplish the same purpose. The target, again, is to plan activities that emphasize one

child's individuality apart from his identity within the group.

QUESTION: My marriage has been a very unsatisfying thing for me. I would divorce my husband if it were not for my concern for our three children. What does the research say about the impact of divorce on kids?

DR. DOBSON: It's now known that emotional development in children is directly related to the presence of warm, nurturing, sustained and continuous interaction with both parents. Anything that interferes with the vital relationship with either mother or father can have lasting consequences for the child.

One landmark study revealed that 90 percent of children from divorced homes suffered from an acute sense of shock when the separation occurred, including profound grieving and irrational fears. Fifty percent reported feeling rejected and abandoned, and indeed half of the fathers never came to see their children three years after the divorce. One-third of the boys and girls feared abandonment by the remaining parent, and 66 percent experienced yearning for the absent parent with an intensity that researchers described as overwhelming.

Most significant, 37 percent of the children were even more unhappy and dissatisfied five years after the divorce than they had been at 18 months. In other words, time did not heal their wounds.

That's the real meaning of divorce. It is certainly what I think about, with righteous indignation, when I see infidelity and marital deceit portrayed on television as some kind of exciting game for two.

The bottom line is that you are right to consider the welfare of your children in deciding whether or not to seek a divorce. As empty as the marital relationship continues to be for you, it is likely, from what I know of your circumstances, that your kids will fare better if you choose to stick it out.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Dr. James C. Dobson's "Focus on the Family" appears each Thursday as a cooperative effort of Scenic Mountain Medical Center and the Big Spring Herald. Letters to Dr. Dobson may be sent to P.O. Box 444, Colorado Springs, Colo.; 80903.

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'Sagging' controversy

Baggy jeans catching eyes of BSISD administrators

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

It's become as common a complaint directed at teenagers as "Turn that music down!" or "Get a haircut!"

"Pull up your pants!" is the refrain parents and educators find themselves repeating again and again as students try out the latest fad.

"They've got the crotch of their pants down at their knees," said Big Spring High School principal Kent Bowermon. "We've got kids with waist size 20 wearing size 42 pants."

The fashion fad became such a problem at the high school

recently that on Friday, Bowermon made an announcement over the intercom effectively banning that style in clothing at the school. In that announcement, he used the brand name JNCO as an example of the style that educators find objectionable.

"It's not the brand name in particular that we won't allow," he said Wednesday.

"Some JNCO's are okay. If they're up at their waist, we're not going to have a problem."

Sandra Vela, who has a 15-year-old son at the high school, as well as two cousins who attend there, said the announcement may have given some students the wrong idea.

She said after paying the high price tag for some of the brand-name jeans for her son, she was concerned that they had been completely banned from the high school.

"He's a good kid," she said of her son. "I thought he deserved to wear what he wanted to wear and I was willing to pay for them. A lot of jeans are made like that, and they're comfortable."

The baggy-style jeans that students wear should be acceptable, Bowermon said, as long as they are worn at the waist.

"It's just because the kids are showing their underwear," he said. "We find that unacceptable."

At Runnels Junior High, principal Bill Tarleton said there has not been a big problem with oversized pants so far this year.

"We've got them wearing the baggy clothes, don't get me wrong," Tarleton said. "But I haven't seen any underwear."

Goliad students were informed at the end of last year that the clothing fad would not be allowed, officials said.

Bowermon encouraged any parent or student to contact him if they have any more questions.

"I've had several bring their (jeans) in, and they've been OK'd to wear them," he said.

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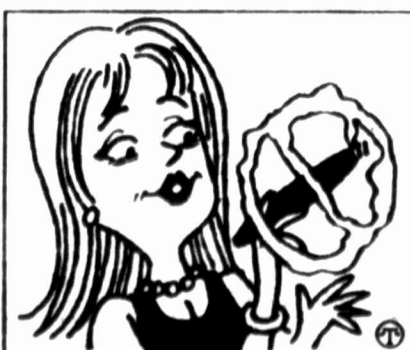
Beware fashionably fatal habit

While celebrities puff away on them at Hollywood bashes, magazine cover feature supermodels smoking them and sophisticated-looking diners light them up in restaurants, cigar smoking has increased dramatically in the U.S.

That doesn't mean it is a healthy habit, however. The risks associated with cigar smoking include lip cancer, gum disease, and other serious complications.

A large cigar carries the nicotine kick of four or five cigarettes.

Danger signals of problems include red, raw or white patches in the mouth, a sore that fails to heal and blood in the spit, sore throat or hoarse voice, difficulty in chewing or swallowing.



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Barbecue tickets on sale

The annual football barbecue sponsored by the Big Spring Evening Lions Club will be from 5-7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 5 at the Big Spring High School cafeteria. Cost is \$5 per person and advance tickets are on sale now. Plates to go are available. For more information, call Squeaky Thompson, chairman at 267-2759.

Group meets Sept. 8

Promise Keepers will meet on Monday, Sept. 8, at 7 p.m. at the First Church of the Nazarene. There will be a time of prayer and fellowship.

THE LAST WORD

Immodest words admit of no defense, for want of decency is want of sense.

Wentworth Dillon, Earl of Roscommon

I not only use all the brains I have, but all I can borrow.

Woodrow Wilson

It is very foolish to insist on being the only one who is right.

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WHO'S WHO

Eight-year-old Kaitlin Hill, League City, was named All-State Musician for the second year in a row at the National Federation of Music state competition in San Marcos. Hill also received honorable mention at the state level in the composition context and was a winner of the PTA Reflections Composition competition at Ferguson Elementary, district and region competition. She was named Outstanding Musician at the Gulf Coast Music Association Sonatina Festival in Baytown.



HILL

She is the daughter of Alan and Kathy Hill and the granddaughter of Bobby and Margie Hill, Big Spring.

Alex Edgemon, a student at Runnels Junior High, was selected as one of the 10 finalists from a field of 22 entrants at the Permian Basin Fair and Expo Talent Show Preliminaries in Odessa on Saturday, Aug. 23. He played "The Second Piano Concerto" by Rachmaninoff. The finals will be held at the Fair on Sept. 13, at 6:30 p.m. in the main tent. Alex is the son of Connie Edgemon. He is a third year piano student with Vicki McDowell of Big Spring.

Students receiving their diplomas at Summer Commencement at Texas A&M University, Commerce included: Aricia C. Grant, Big Spring, with a MS.

Nora Williams, Coahoma, and Stacy Armstrong, Big Spring, were among 11 graduates Thursday, Aug. 21, in ceremonies for Western Texas College's Licensed Vocational Nursing program.

Eleven graduates of the program were honored, including Williams, and 11 students were "pinned" — including Armstrong, indicating she has completed the first six months of the 12-month course.

Dustin Wayne Kujawski, Garden City High School graduate, and Amanda Suzanne Phinney, Coahoma High School graduate, have been awarded scholarships by the Texas Interscholastic League Foundation.

Kujawski received an Abell-Hanger Foundation Scholarship in the amount of \$3,000, payable \$750 each semester for the first two years. He plans to attend Texas A&M University, College Station, and major in electrical engineering.

Phinney receive a Lloyd T. Jones Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$2,000, payable \$1,000 each semester of the first year. She placed fourth in computer applications at the 1997 UIL Academic State Meet. She also participated in UIL accounting, persuasive speaking, and solo and ensemble. She ranked fourth in her graduating class and was a member of Business Professionals of America, drama Club, yearbook staff and school band.

Phinney plans to attend Midland College and major in marketing.

Biologist W. Michael Kemp has been appointed as the new vice president and chief executive officer of Texas A&M University at Galveston.

Kemp is currently associate dean of Texas A&M's College of Science and is a professor of biology.

He came to Texas A&M in 1975 from his position as an assistant professor of biology at Abilene Christian College. He was awarded his professorship in 1982. He received an Abilene Christian College Outstanding Teacher Award in 1974 and a Teaching Excellence Award from Texas A&M's College of Science in 1981. Kemp graduated from Sand High School in Ackerly, in 1961.

He is the son of Mary Kemp Hooten, San Saba, and the late W. Lonnie Kemp, Ackerly.

Joshua Ray Paul, son of Ervin and Katy Paul, has been selected for Who's Who Among American High School Students 1996-97.

Paul is a junior at Forsan High School. He is eligible to compete for a \$1,000 scholarship to be awarded this year.

He plans to attend The University of Texas at Austin

and major in Wildlife Management.

Lindsay Moates, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Moates, received the 4-H Gold Star Award at a recognition luncheon Aug. 23.

The Gold Star is the highest 4-H achievement award a 4-H member may receive at the county level. Also honored were Steve and Donna Bibb, recognized as Outstanding Adult Leaders for contributions made to the Howard County 4-H program.

Others attending the recognition luncheon were Katie Gaskins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Gaskins who serves the District 4-H Council as Public Relations Chairman, and County Extension Agents Dana Tarter and David Kight.



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CHURCH AND CLUB NEWS DEADLINES

Church and club news items are due at the Herald office by noon Wednesday for Friday publication. Items should be dropped off to the office, 710 Scurry; mailed to P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, 79721-1431; or faxed to 264-7205.

For more information call 263-7331, ext. 235. Pictures of one person who may be speaking at a club or church can also be submitted.

Life! section policies

All Sunday items (weddings, anniversaries, engagements, birth announcements, Who's Who, military) are due to the Herald office by Wednesday at noon. Birth announcements, engagement, wedding and anniversary forms are available at the Herald office. We will not accept announcements unless they are printed on our forms, and we will include only information listed on the forms. There is no charge for these announcements.

Taking new focus

Paralyzed man says life changed instantly, adjustment took years

By ALLYSON REYNOLDS DIXON
San Angelo Standard-Times

SAN ANGELO — There are times when Mike Hooker feels great hope. And there have been times in his life when he felt pretty helpless.

One of the worst times came when Hooker was 18. Submerged in a river, he knew something was wrong and that he was close to drowning, but he was unable to do anything about it.

Moments before, he had been swimming with cousins in the Pedernales River near Fredericksburg. They were cutting up, having fun and diving off a boat ramp.

But then something went terribly wrong. Hooker dove into an area that was too shallow and hit his head on the bottom of the river, breaking a vertebra in his neck and mashing the spinal cord.

"I was laying in the water, holding my breath, and I couldn't move," recalled Hooker, now 35. "Finally, my cousin started looking around for me because he couldn't see me anywhere and he thought it was about time for me to come out. Then he looked down and saw bubbles start coming up, and he dove down and found me. I

Please see FOCUS, page 10A.

RECOGNIZE THIS FACE?



Courtesy photo
Former Big Spring resident Trey Lockhart is in New York City modeling for Tommy Hilfiger's men's line. The son of Vonda Ross, he was chosen to model at a convention in Tampa, Fla. in June.

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was laying there (under the water) and I knew something was wrong because I couldn't move, but I didn't know what was going on. I was trying so hard to hold my breath and then I just closed my eyes and let the air out. When I (inhaled) again, it was air and my cousin had pulled me out of the water."

A trip to a San Antonio hospital confirmed there really was something wrong. Hooker was a quadriplegic, a "C6," meaning that he had injured the sixth cervical vertebra and, barring a miracle, would need a wheelchair for the rest of his life.

He spent a lot of time in intensive care and in traction and he wore a Halo device — cranial-skeletal traction with weights that physicians use when they believe the spine is unstable.

The Halo is kept in place by holes drilled in the patient's skull.

Hooker was placed in a special bed that kept his spine straight and turned very slowly and continuously.

Once his hospital stay was over and he was stabilized, he was sent to a rehabilitation hospital in Houston, where he spent about seven months learning to deal with his disability. He went through physical therapy, occupational therapy and classes on why he was taking the medications prescribed for him. And he learned how to wash his own clothes.

"It was getting me ready for the real world," Hooker said. "They even taught me how to drive a car — in Houston! It was all to teach you how to be more independent."

Independence was never hard for Hooker. Dependence was. Before his accident, Hooker worked for the highway department and was involved in a lot of outside activities. He loved waterskiing.

"I was always that 'I'll do it myself' kind of person," he said. "You know, 'If you want it done right, do it yourself.' Well, I would do it myself."

But after the accident, Hooker wasn't sure what he would do.

"It's tough, it's very tough," he said. "Your life is changing; it's a major change. You think 'I can't do this. I'll never be able to do this.' And that may be true.

"But you have to start focusing on what you can do, not on what you can't do. And that's a hard step to make, but it's one of the main things that you have to get into your brain. ... And you have to finally realize if you can't do something, then it's time to look at other ways of how to get it done."

When you start looking at it that way, then the moments of great hope start happening. Hooker has seen plenty in the last 15 years.

He's going to college part time and doing bookkeeping for his brother. He plays wheelchair basketball and "Quad Rugby," which, if you're in a chair, is every bit as rough as its non-wheelchair counterpart.

Hooker recently started playing music with Red & The Rock'n Chairs, and he dives out of a friend's pontoon boat. He even learned how to scuba dive.

"That was really something, because for a long, long time, I didn't think I wanted to stick my head back under the water," Hooker said. But he did — and even took a trip off the Honduran coast to search a sunken ship.

Is it still frustrating to be living in a wheelchair?

"Especially when you fall out and you're trying to get back in," he said, nodding. "But patience is what I really had to learn. ... You know, all your friends keep doing their things, and here you are struggling, trying to do the little things just to survive. It's hard to get used to.

"It's amazing. It's just a totally different life. I guess. My accident happened 17 years ago, and after about 10 years I was able to start being more independent."

Before the accident, playing music and searching for sunken treasure were things Hooker never dreamed about doing. They weren't exactly adventures he'd planned on, but he's happy with the way life is going now.

Especially for kids and their families
The Mini Page

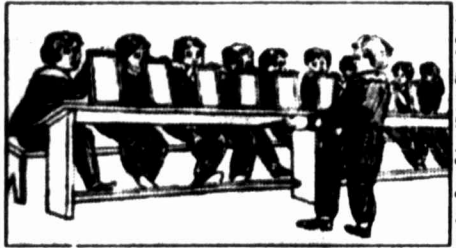
By BETTY DEBNAM

Back to School, Back in History
School Ways in Past Days

Kids' ways 200 years ago

Schools change because of new ideas in education.

About 200 years ago, in the early 1800s, most children went to school in one-room schoolhouses. A teacher taught everything on every grade level.



A teacher would issue a command such as "show slates" and all students responded.

Joseph Lancaster, a teacher from England, came up with an idea that spread to this country. His idea made it possible for one teacher to teach subjects on different grade levels at the same time.

He divided students into groups. A monitor, or older student trained by the teacher, was in charge of each group.



In the painting "Blackboard" by Winslow Homer, a young teacher in 1877 puts a geometry lesson on the blackboard.

The Mini Page thanks Tryon Palace Historic Site and Gardens in New Bern, N.C., for help with this issue.



To save paper, lessons were written on posters stuck up on the walls. Each group, led by a monitor, stood around the lesson and read the same text.

Teachers' ways 100 years ago

The customs of the day have a great deal to do with what goes on in the classroom.

About 100 years ago, teachers had to follow very strict rules. In the early 1900s, a woman teacher might have signed a contract agreeing:

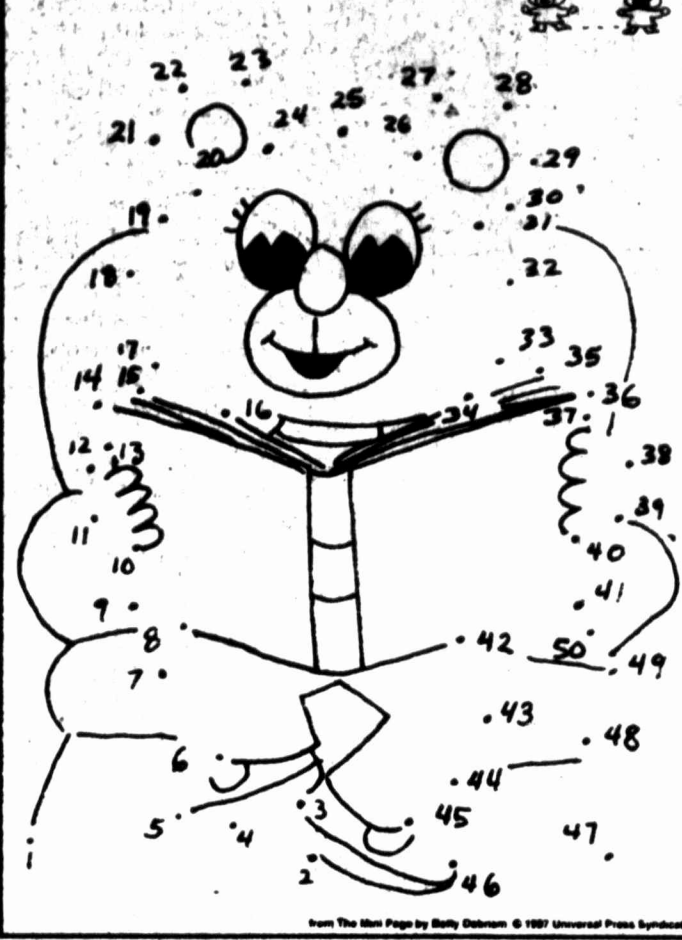
1. To wear at least two petticoats.
2. Never to wear dresses that were more than two inches above her ankles.
3. To wear dark-colored clothes.
4. Never to dye her hair.
5. Never to smoke cigarettes.
6. To be at home from 8 o'clock at night until 6 o'clock in the morning, unless she were at a school meeting.
7. To get a good night's sleep every night.
8. Not to stay downtown in ice cream parlors too long.
9. Not to go out with men.
10. Never to get married.
11. To sweep the schoolroom floor every day.
12. To scrub the schoolroom floor weekly.
13. To start a fire in the schoolhouse every morning so the room would be warm when the children arrived.



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The Presidents of the United States Popper is an attractive, educational reference for home and classroom use. It contains reproductions of engraved portraits of each of the presidents, including Bill Clinton, shown in chronological order along with the dates they held office. To order, send check or money order for \$3 plus 7% credit postage and handling per copy, payable to Andrews and McNeil, P.O. Box 41894, Kansas City, Mo. 64141.

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MIGHTY FUNNY'S Mini Jokes

WHAT DID THE BIG GRAPES SAY TO THE LITTLE GRAPES?
"IS THE SEASON TO BE JELLY?"
(sent in by Candice Lofton)

Q: What day of the week is the brightest?
A: Sunday!
(sent in by Joshua Wilson)

Q: What occupation drives its customers away?
A: Taxi drivers!
(sent in by Grace Ness)

Rookie Cookie's Recipe
Best Bean Salad

You'll need:

- 1 15 1/2-ounce can kidney beans, drained
- 1 15 1/2-ounce can black beans, drained
- 2 carrots, thinly sliced
- 1/4 cup onion, chopped
- 3 tablespoons sweet pickle relish
- 1 tablespoon honey
- 4 tablespoons vinegar
- 1/4 cup olive oil

What to do:

1. Combine first five ingredients in a medium bowl. Mix well.
2. Combine remaining ingredients in a small bowl. Mix well.
3. Pour dressing over vegetable mixture. Mix well.

Refrigerate at least 1 hour. Serves 6.

THE NEWS HOUND'S SCHOOL TRY 'N

Words that remind us of schools are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward or diagonally. See if you can find SCHOOL, COMPUTERS, READ, CLASSROOM, ROOM, STUDENTS, TEACH, EDUCATION, IDEAS, LEARN, GRADE, LEVEL, SUBJECT, STUDY, PAPER, LESSONS, TEXT, HOME.

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Mini Spy ...

Mini Spy and her friends are doing some research for summer school. See if you can find:

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It's Back to School for Most Kids

Today many kids are on their way back to school. The map below shows, state by state, the number of students in public schools in kindergarten through the eighth grade. (We have rounded out the numbers to the nearest hundred.)

Washington: 673,100	Montana: 116,700	North Dakota: 63,400	Minnesota: 680,400	Wyoming: 70,100	South Dakota: 101,800	Wisconsin: 601,200	Illinois: 1,298,300	Indiana: 679,600	Ohio: 1,298,300	Pennsylvania: 1,244,100	Virginia: 774,200	North Carolina: 647,500	District of Columbia: 62,100
Oregon: 372,000	Idaho: 166,900	Utah: 328,500	Colorado: 469,800	Kansas: 329,200	Nebraska: 303,100	Missouri: 628,300	Arkansas: 319,300	Oklahoma: 442,800	Texas: 2,720,800	Alabama: 635,200	Georgia: 934,600	Florida: 1,077,900	Alabama: 635,200
California: 3,265,700	Nevada: 185,300	Arizona: 542,900	New Mexico: 228,170	Alaska: 93,700	Hawaii: 133,700	Louisiana: 583,900	Mississippi: 344,800	Tennessee: 640,500	West Virginia: 187,500	Kentucky: 467,200	West Virginia: 187,500	Alabama: 635,200	Alabama: 635,200

After studying the map, circle and make a list of the 10 states with:
• the most students
• the least students
How many students does your state have?

Do research to find out what attracts people to the 10 top states.

Some kids don't leave home

Zachary and Aaron aren't leaving home to go to school. They are taught in their own home by their mother.

Experts don't know exactly how many kids are doing this, but home-schooling is getting more popular.

Some parents choose to home-school because they want to set their own schedules. They also want to teach kids the subjects they want them to learn, at their own pace. They want to share learning with the entire family.

Each state has its own rules about home-schooling. Parents who do this must spend a lot of time planning and teaching.

To do: Look through your paper for stories and ads about going back to school.

Some kids go to year-round schools

Mary, like many kids in Las Vegas, goes to a year-round school. Fast-growing areas such as Las Vegas have so many kids that schools are very crowded.

At any one time during the year, part of the kids are on vacation, while others are in school. All kids get the same number of vacation days. This makes the best use of the school building.

Some experts feel that kids lose a lot of what they learn during the year in the long summer vacation. By giving shorter vacations that are spaced throughout the year, kids might not forget as much.

Some other people don't agree. They feel that kids need the three months off in the summer to relax.

Next week: Read all about alphabets. International Literacy Day is Sept. 8.

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SCOREBOARD

Baseball
Houston Astros at Atlanta Braves, 6:30 p.m., BS, Ch. 11
Texas Rangers at San Francisco Giants, 9 p.m., LN, Ch. 98

Tennis
U.S. Open Championships, second round, 6:30 p.m., USA, Ch. 38
WWEA Playoffs
Charlotte Sting at Houston Comets, 6:30 p.m., ESPN, Ch. 30
New York Liberty at Phoenix Mercury, 8:30 p.m., ESPN, Ch. 30

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Steers face stiffer test in scrimmage at Midland Friday

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

Now comes the real test. After having literally had their way in a four touchdowns to one scrimmage win over Lamesa a week ago, Big Spring's Steers will get a better idea of where they've progressed Friday night when they scrimmage Midland High's Bulldogs at Midland Memorial Stadium. Operating out of a new wing-T offensive set, the Steers piled up 364 total yards in 41 plays — 200 yards rushing and 164 yards through the air against lightly-rated Lamesa. And while Steers coach Dwight Butler admitted the scrimmage with Lamesa was encouraging, he stressed Midland's bigger and better 'Dogs will be a sterner test as both teams get their final warm-up prior to their regular season openers on Sept. 5.

AREA SCRIMMAGES

Tonight:
Forsan at O'Donnell, 6 p.m.
Sands vs. Amherst at Meadow, 6 p.m.
Ira at Grady, 6 p.m.
Friday:
Big Spring at Midland, 6 p.m.
Coahoma at Tahoka, 6 p.m.
Stanton at Wink, 6 p.m.

"We were playing a lot of young kids in the offensive and defensive lines against Lamesa and they played better than we expected," Butler said, adding that he and his staff hope they've

built off that success. "Midland High is going to be a lot tougher," he said. "They're extremely big and quick." In other scrimmage games involving Crossroads Country teams, Forsan, Grady and Sands will play tonight, while the rest play Friday. Forsan travels to O'Donnell for a 6 p.m. scrimmage tonight, while Sands will face Amherst at Meadow, and Grady hosts Ira at the same time. Friday, Coahoma travels to Tahoka for a 6 p.m. scrimmage and Stanton is one the road facing Wink at 6 p.m. Garden City will not scrimmage this week. Midland's size and speed, Butler says, will give the Steers a better idea of how well they'll be able to operate their new wing-T offensive scheme and attacking defense when they run into District 4-4A foes like highly-ranked Sweetwater.

"We want to be able to give our linemen some advantages," Butler said. "We're just not big enough up front to block the power I. In the wing-T we have an opportunity to give our linemen some angles... let them use their quickness and strength to an advantage." Defensively, the Steers are employing a somewhat different style — again taking advantage of their overall quickness and strength with an aggressive scheme designed to swarm opponents before plays can develop. While the Bulldogs lost the services of 1,000-yard rusher Sammy Powell to graduation last year, but coach David Browning has 25 letter men returning and an experienced quarterback in quarterback Lamar Jackson, a 6-foot-2, 190-pounder. Midland's power-I offensive scheme figures to feature fullbacks Ryan Stewart and Darnell Johnson, both were reserves last season.

Midland dumps Steer netters

Villarreal, Li get wins in 13-5 loss

HERALD Staff Report

While Big Spring's Steers fared better than they ever have against Midland High's Bulldogs in dual team tennis play Tuesday, coach Ralph Davis admitted the 13-5 loss was somewhat disappointing.

"If you look at the scores, you can tell that we played better than we've ever played them before, but we pushed them to three sets in six of those matches and didn't win a single one of those matches," Davis lamented.

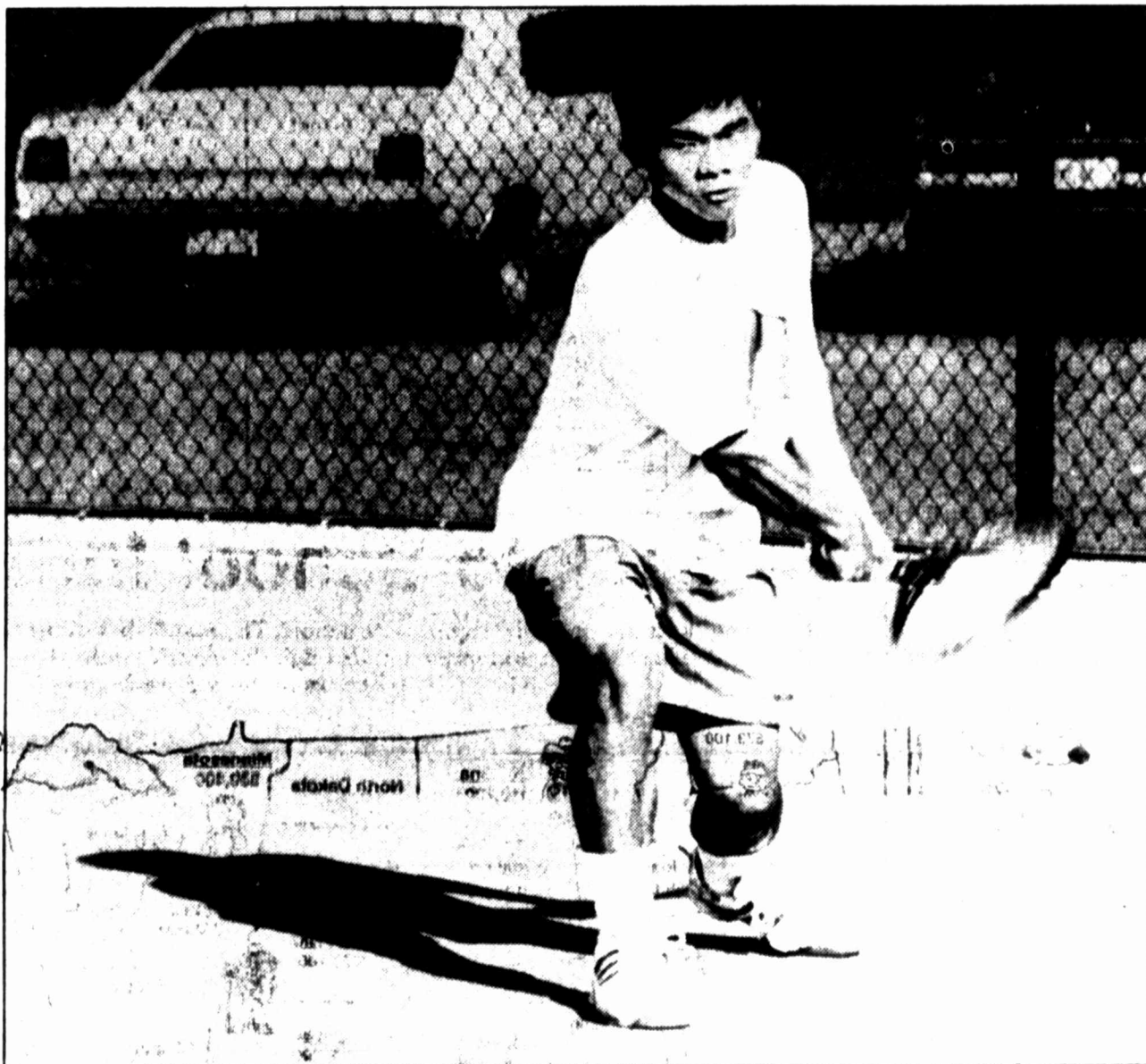
"If we'd taken three or four of those sets, it would have been more respectable," he added.

As Davis had expected, Midland's top players were no match for his No. 1 singles players in both girls' and boys' play. Big Spring's Monica Villarreal had no trouble in taking a 6-1, 6-0 win over Sonia Valdez in the top girls' match.

However, Midland's Mathew Gray proved a little more difficult for Hsiao-Hsuan Li to dispatch, but the Steers' co-captain eventually took a 6-4, 6-3 win.

Li's success was Big Spring's only boys' singles win, as Drew McKinney dropped a 2-6, 6-2, 1-6 loss to Quillan Harris; Kayne Stroup fell to Justin Brammer, 2-6, 4-6; Devon Swafford was a 3-6, 4-6 victim of Marlin Geib; Jeff Castle was defeated by Bobby Jones, 6-7, 6-2, 4-6; and Sterling Hillman fell to Travis Vandergriff, 6-2, 2-6, 3-6.

"They just have so much depth... especially in the boys' singles," Davis said of the Bulldogs. "They've got one good player right after another... they don't even know what to do with them all."



Big Spring's Hsiao-Hsuan Li prepares for a two-handed backhand during tennis practices at the Figure 7 Tennis Center while practicing with his teammates Wednesday.

Big Spring fared better in girls' singles, where Villarreal's win was one of three Steers victories.

Midland managed to take the No. 2 and No. 3 girls' singles matches when Dana Giles knocked off Kim Dominguez, 6-2, 7-5; and Lindsay Hanlon handled YuChing Li in 6-2, 6-2 fashion.

But Big Spring answered when Stephanie Lewis took a 3-6, 6-4, 6-2 win over Lindsay Cates in the No. 4 match and Christina Vera took out Elisabeth Webb, 6-4, 6-1, in the

No. 5 match. Midland's Emily Leeton defeated Meredith Tissue, 6-1, 6-2, in the No. 6 girls' singles match.

The hosts iced away the dual win with wins in five of the six doubles matches — Big Spring's only win coming when Christina Vera and Lewis defeated Giles and Webb in the No. 3 girls' doubles match.

In other girls' matches, Villarreal and Welch dropped a 3-6, 1-6 loss to McClung and Wilson, while Li and

Dominguez were 2-6, 3-6 losers to Valdez and Hanlon.

Li and Swafford had an opportunity to upset Midland's No. 1 boys' doubles team of Gray and Doug Prieto, but wound up losing 6-7, 6-0, 4-6.

The No. 4 boys' doubles match also went three sets before McKinney and Stroup dropped a 3-6, 6-3, 1-6 decision to Brammer and Geib.

Midland's J.T. Pitts and Chris Vandergriff closed out the day with a 6-3, 6-2 win over Hillman and Castle in the No. 3 boys' doubles match.

Jordan's back for one more run at crown

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHICAGO — Michael Jordan all but demanded the Chicago Bulls be kept together for another run at an NBA title. Of course, he can get away with those kinds of things.

His leverage? The threat of retirement.

But Jordan's coming back. And he's commanded another huge salary to lead that bid for a sixth championship of the 1990s.

Money is not the only object — at least not for a man who has been making millions in off-court endorsements for years.

Jordan can now preside over what might be a last running of these Bulls. He agreed to a one-year deal after a quick Las Vegas meeting Tuesday with team chairman Jerry Reinsdorf. His return was announced Wednesday.

"Jerry and I have a special relationship which enables us to work cooperatively. I am committed to Chicago and to winning. So is Jerry," said Jordan, who is in Las Vegas this week to run a fantasy basketball camp.

"I'm delighted and excited to be back again. I look forward to helping bring another NBA championship to Chicago," he said in a statement.

The Bulls did not comment Wednesday on the value of the contract that follows Jordan's record \$30.14 million deal last season.

He was believed to be asking for at least \$36 million. Some reports say the contract is for \$38 million, with incentives pushing it all the way to \$41 million, although a source said that figure would appear to be high.

A nine-time scoring champion, four-time regular-season MVP and the MVP of the NBA Finals five times, Jordan laid out requirements for returning, and a major one was met earlier this summer.

Threatening retirement, Jordan said he'd only play for coach Phil Jackson. And Jackson — also after a face-to-face meeting with Reinsdorf — agreed to a one-year, \$6 million deal.

Jordan also said he wanted a promise in his new deal that his good friend and teammate Scottie Pippen, who was nearly traded in June, would remain with the Bulls.

It is not known if that assur-

ance was granted. Reinsdorf had said earlier he was not inclined to make that guarantee to Jordan.

Pippen will make \$2.7 million next season in the final year of an eight-year contract. It is his future free agency, as well as the fact that he turns 34 in September, that led the Bulls considering a trade.

General manager Jerry Krause has said it would be Jackson's final season with the Bulls. Pippen will probably not be back after 1997-98, and the team might look to rebuild, meaning Jordan's future after one more season is unclear. He will be 35 in February.

"After sitting down with Michael, it was quite evident in our conversation that both of us continue to care very deeply about the Bulls organization, its fans and where this franchise is headed," Reinsdorf said in the team release.

"That made Tuesday's decision easy. Now we can turn our full attention to bringing a sixth championship to the city of Chicago."

Reinsdorf now must deal with the decision of whether to trade another member of the 1990s championship team. Rookie forward Dennis Rodman, a six-time NBA rebounding champion who missed most of last season because of a knee injury, is a candidate.

He certainly will not be. "My main desire is to stay with the Bulls," Rodman said in the Chicago Sun-Times Tuesday week.

"Our next order of business will be Dennis," Krause said in the Chicago Tribune Tuesday, adding that he hoped to start negotiations next week.

About an hour after the Bulls wrapped up a six-game winning streak over Utah in the Finals on June 12, Jordan was strong in his opinion on the team's future.

He said the Bulls earned the right with what they had accomplished — 72 and 67-win regular seasons and two championships — to come back and defend, no matter the cost to Reinsdorf.

Jordan was pretty much unstoppable in the series victory over the Jazz. He hit the winning baskets in Games 1 and 5 and set up Steve Kerr's winning jumper in Game 6. He averaged 22.3 points in the series and 31.4 in Game 7.

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Lethridge quietly leads Tech into fourth straight season

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

LUBBOCK — When Texas Tech and No. 5 Tennessee meet Saturday, a quarterback already among his school's all-time best at his position will trot into Neyland Stadium to begin his fourth year as a starter.

His teams have played in bowl games the last three years and he owns a conference record for most passes without an interception. His teammates respect him so much they've

made him a captain three years in a row.

Peyton Manning? Nope. He's Zebbie Lethridge, Tech's mobile, strong-armed leader who is being counted on more than ever following the departure of star tailback Byron Hanspard and the rest of the team's depth in the backfield.

"Zel" needs to have a great year and we have all the confidence in the world in Zebbie," four-year center Jay Pugh said. "We know what he does and he knows what we do."

While outsiders haven't

always considered Lethridge an elite quarterback, he's admired by his peers and opposing coaches, who named him to the Big 12's second all-conference team last winter.

Red Raiders coach Spike Dykes has been driving Lethridge's public relations bandwagon all summer.

"I think, certainly, he will be everything we ever thought he would be this year," Dykes said. "And, I think this, his senior year, all the leadership and all the hard work will pay off. He is the most fierce com-

petitor I have ever coached."

When critics point to Lethridge's 48 percent career completion rate, Dykes counters that his quarterback is coached to throw balls away to avoid sacks and interceptions. Dykes often refers to Lethridge's Southwest Conference record of 211 consecutive passes without being picked off.

"I think he never quite got the credit he deserves for the things he does that aren't obvi-

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Different, happier Muster shows up and loses in first round

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — It was a different Thomas Muster who showed up at this year's U.S. Open. This one smiled. He even laughed. And this one lost in the first round.

"He is a pretty entertaining guy both on and off the court," Britain's Tim Henman said after upsetting the fifth-seeded Muster 6-3, 7-6 (7-3), 4-6, 6-4 Wednesday in the opening round of the year's final Grand Slam tournament.

When the match was completed, Muster even chased Henman off the court in the new Arthur Ashe Stadium.

"That was more like fun," Muster said. "I just like a bit of fun, too, sometimes."

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On the court, Henman had the most fun, finding answers to every problem the hard-working Muster presented.

"With his style of play and my style of play, he has got a good game for me to play against," Henman said. "He stands quite a long way back on the serve and gives me an opportunity to get pretty close to the net."

That the British right-hander did, going to the net 103 times against just 26 for Muster. Henman won 71 points at the net and sometimes out-hit Muster from the baseline, an area of the court

where the Austrian has ruled for the last few years.

"He is not somebody you could warm up against, and if you don't have a real good rhythm and timing, it is easy to lose that match," Muster said. "Tim served well and took his chances, and he covered the net very well."

"And I obviously made too many mistakes at certain stages of the game."

Muster was not happy in the postmatch interview when the questions turned to rumors that he had tested positive for drugs during a recent tournament in Cincinnati.

"That rumor has been going on six, seven times this year," he said. "I have heard... about being tested positive at tournaments I haven't

been playing at."

Then he lightened when asked what is the difference between the Muster of the past, when he was known as the King of Clay and briefly ranked No. 1 in the world, and now.

"I don't know," he said. "Less hair, bigger bank account."

While Muster laughed and lost, 11th-seeded Irina Spirelea of Romania took out her frustrations on one of the new teeny boppers of women's tennis. Spirelea moved into the third round with a 6-1, 3-6, 6-3 victory over 16-year-old Anna Kournikova.

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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) Verify information, though by the afternoon, you will be pleased with what you hear. A co-worker is busy, producing results that could make a difference financially. Encouragement and ample appreciation only spur this person on. Tonight: Be naughty and nice!****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Express what is on your mind, if you want others to understand. Don't expect someone to get the message on his own; he is thick-headed. Take care of yourself first. Make personal matters a high priority. Another likes your idea. Tonight: Enjoy yourself.***

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You disagree with someone about finances, which is frustrating. Reach out for others, empower yourself and be direct. A family member surprises you with an offer of assistance on a key project. Communications flourish later in the day. Tonight: Go with the moment.****

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You still have on your rose-colored glasses. Take them off, and get a better perspective of another. Money matters need your attention. Make calls, initiate talks and consult a trusted adviser. Feedback enlightens you. Tonight: It's your treat!****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

HOROSCOPE

Getting past limitations is key this morning. Let go of what doesn't work, and go for what does. Your personality melts barriers and creates better understanding. Touch base with needs and long-term desires. You are building stronger foundations. Tonight: As you like it!****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Much is going on behind the scenes. Think before you leap into action. Gather information. Later in the day, when you do proceed with a plan, another responds in a big way. You make an imprint professionally as well. Be as subtle as possible. Tonight: Mystery works!****

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Focus on what you want, and don't get distracted. You will be unusually successful, if you channel your creative energy into the areas that most fulfill you. You might need to take a strong financial action. A loved one changes course. Tonight: Be where the party is.****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Take the lead, and assume responsibility. You can make a substantial difference if you follow through on a career goal. Others, after initial confusion, will clear the path for you. Financial changes allow you to take a stand. Tonight: It could be a late night.****

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) One-to-one relating leaves you miffed. Eye the big picture, to get what you want. Reach out for others, and look at others' styles. You can learn from observing. There is no time like the present; sign up for a mind-expanding seminar. Tonight: Take off as fast as you can!****

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) A morning dialogue could be all right, but you won't achieve clarity until the afternoon. A long-distance call proves informative. A boss rewards you financially for work well done. Keep a hands-on approach with money and partnerships. Tonight: Light candles, and pull shades.****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You are pushed to get a lot done early, and you might not feel well; by afternoon, you

regain confidence. News from a distance is most rewarding. Others clamor for your company. A partner is concerned about your professional image. Tonight: Say yes.****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Creativity is high, and you can make a professional difference. Honor your feelings with a partner. Reach out for another, and have a discussion about a trip or special news. Fantasize less, and keep your nose to the grindstone. Tonight: Get errands done.****

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Husband's empty promise leaves wife full of hurt

DEAR ABBY: "Mel" and I married two years ago. He was 67 and retired, a widower after 30-plus years of marriage, with two children and four grandchildren. I'm 54, stopped working when I married him, have three children and one grandchild. Mel and I now live in the same house he lived in with his wife.

Before the wedding I asked Mel if we were going to move. I made it clear that I didn't want to stay in his house. He promised we would move. Bottom line: It's been two years and now he says we're not moving. He's happy in this house, comfortable, etc. I once suggested that he let me change things around the house a little. His response: "What for? Everything is in its place. Besides, we're moving anyway."

What shall I do? He does not see things the way I do because he is not hurting emotionally. I have become very frustrated because even if we talk it out the whole day, he'll conveniently "forget" and not do anything about it. Abby, I'm not getting any younger and if I need to get a job, I should try to get one right now.

One other thing: He thinks money is everything. But I have proven to him that money is not everything to me by signing a prenuptial agreement wherein I get nothing. However, he always says he will provide for me when he's gone, that I will not go hungry, etc. How can I believe him when he cannot even make good on his word regarding moving? — UNHAPPY IN ORANGE COUNTY, CALIF.

DEAR UNHAPPY: I am unable to determine from your letter if your husband is "forgetting" because he is selfish or whether it could be the beginning of senile dementia. But I urge you to protect yourself. By all means, find a job. You may need the income. Also, consult an attorney to find out how your husband will provide for you, should anything happen to him, in the aftermath of that prenuptial agreement you signed. I, too, wonder how you can believe his promise to take care of you, since he refuses to follow through about moving.

DEAR ABBY: I thought the letter from Ruth A. Davis of the U.S. State Department regarding consular officers at embassies abroad was both interesting and informative.

Several years ago, my husband and I were in Italy with another couple when our trunk was broken into. Everything was taken — including my friend's purse containing her and her husband's passports.

Needless to say, it caused us untold problems. We had to change our travel plans to include a visit to the U.S. consulate in Milan. Fortunately, the hotel we had stayed at the prior evening had recorded our passport numbers so we were able to call and obtain the much-needed information. Only then could the embassy quickly issue new passports.

We learned a valuable lesson that you might like to pass on to your readers, Abby. Make a copy of your passport before you leave home and carry it with you while abroad, separate from your original passport. — INFORMED TRAVELER, ATLANTA

DEAR INFORMED TRAVELER: Thank you for a helpful reminder. Another worthwhile safety measure: Record the numbers of your traveler's

checks and keep them separate from the checks, in case of theft.

DEAR ABBY: Our dad, age 60, divorced our mom five years ago, after 26 years of marriage. There are six children. Dad is soon to be married to a divorced woman with three grown children and grandchildren.

Shortly after our parents' divorce, Dad inherited a substantial amount of money because of the death of his mother and his aunt. Both his mother (our grandmother) and his aunt had intended that the six of us would be remembered through our father.

Would it be appropriate for us to ask Dad to make a prenuptial agreement to ensure our grandmother's and aunt's wishes are honored? — THE WONDERING SIX

DEAR WONDERING SIX: I have said many times that a prenuptial agreement is a good idea for couples with property and children from previous marriages. However, the person to discuss that subject with your father should be his attorney, because although it shouldn't be, the issue is often emotionally charged.

Call your dad's attorney and suggest he (or she) talk to your father about prenuptial agreements.

DEAR ABBY: I am a writer of short stories and poetry, but I think I would have to ponder a long time to top the letter I read in your column a few weeks ago.

It concerned a woman who was cremated and her ashes spread over the family plot, to give life to the wildflowers — only to have a drought set in. Still she produced an abundance of forget-me-nots.

Truly a tale of God's love for those understanding his promise and how he will carry it through. Thank you and the lady for sharing it. — MEL IN PHOENIX

DEAR MEL: Thank you for the kind words. Her letter touched me, too.

DEAR ABBY: Dr. James Prentice of Austin, Texas, wrote to you about being on the set of "That Hagen Girl" in 1947 and seeing "a young Ronald Reagan and a young actress whose name I don't recall."

I wonder how many people wrote to say that the young actress was probably Shirley Temple in her first "grown-up" role? — MARGARET BROMBAUER, MILWAUKEE

DEAR MARGARET: A dozen — but your letter was the first to arrive, so yours is the one I'm printing. Thanks for setting the record straight.

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Abigail Van Buren Columnist

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Garage Sale: 2535 Gunter Circle. Sat & Sun, 8-7 Boys & girls clothes, lots of misc. -#8859

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INSIDE SALE: 2210 Main, Fri & Sat, 9-5. Drastic price reduction to clean out warehouse. Free delivery on large purchase. -#8873

The City Council has directed the City Manager to designate and maintain two (2) stop signs at Arizona Street, yielding to Kentucky Way. Big Spring City Code Sec. 18-133. Stop intersections. Authorizes the City Manager to designate and maintain stop intersections on streets as directed by the City Council. 1540 August 28 & 29, 1997

The Howard County Auditor will receive sealed bids until 10:00 a.m., September 4, 1997 for preconstruction Medicine and Services for the County Indigent Health Care, Welfare, Jail Inmate and Juvenile Programs. Specifications may be obtained at the County Indigent Health Care Office, 300 Main St., Room #210, Big Spring, Texas 79720, (915) 264-2219. Bids will be presented to the Commissioners' Court on September 8, 1997 at 10:00 a.m. for their consideration. The Court reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Jackie Olson, County Auditor 1518 August 28 & 29, 1997

Bagwell's homer in 13th gives Astros 6-4 win over Braves

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Two games, two thrillers. If the Atlanta Braves and Houston Astros meet in the playoffs, it could be quite entertaining.

A day after Javy Lopez homered to give Atlanta an 11th-inning victory, Jeff Bagwell connected for a two-run shot in the 13th, sending Houston to a 6-4 win Wednesday night.

"Last night, we had our chances, but we didn't come through," Bagwell said. "Obviously, this is a big win. We really worked hard for this one."

In this series between division leaders, Houston rallied from a 6-0 deficit in Tuesday's opener before Lopez won it.

This time, the Astros scored twice in the ninth off Mark Wohlers, who blew what would have been Greg Maddux's league-leading 18th win.

"Nobody's perfect," Maddux said. "It's going to happen occasionally."

In other NL games, Los Angeles beat Pittsburgh 9-5, New York routed San Francisco 15-6, Florida edged Chicago 4-3, Philadelphia tripped San Diego 7-6 in 12 innings, Colorado beat Cincinnati 7-5 and St. Louis stopped Montreal 4-3.

In American League games, Boston topped Seattle 9-5, Oakland outlasted New York 8-7, Baltimore beat Kansas City 7-3, Toronto trounced Chicago 13-2, Minnesota downed Detroit 2-0 and Texas defeated Milwaukee 7-1.

At Turner Field, Bagwell hit his 35th homer after Paul Byrd (3-3) hit Craig Biggio with a pitch. All 10 teams between the teams this season have been decided by one or two runs.

John Hudek (1-2) won and Jose Lima got two outs for his second save. The game ended at 12:38 a.m. EDT and included a 30-minute rain delay in the 11th.

"Any time you can win a game is good, especially at 12:30 at night," Bagwell said.

Derek Bell's run-scoring single put Houston ahead 4-3 before the rain delay, but Greg Colbrunn hit an RBI double with two outs in the bottom half.

"Oh well, you're going to lose some like that," Braves manager Bobby Cox said.

Dodgers 9, Pirates 5

Mike Piazza homered twice and drove in six runs as visiting Los Angeles won for the 11th time in 15 games and

MAJOR LEAGUES

increased its NL West lead to 1 1/2 games over San Francisco.

Piazza had a run-scoring single in a three-run first against Steve Cooke (9-13), then hit a three-run homer in the second. He added his 31st in the ninth, a two-run shot off Matt Ruebel.

Dennis Reyes (2-2) allowed four runs and eight hits in 6 2/3 innings.

Mets 15, Giants 6

Jason Istringhausen (1-0), making his first start since last Sept. 17, won despite giving up five runs, 11 hits and six walks in five innings at Shea Stadium.

He allowed 17 of 29 batters to reach base safely, but got the win when the Mets rallied for five runs in the fifth inning and scored eight more in the seventh.

Brian McRae's two-run triple highlighted the Mets' fifth as New York won for just the sixth time in 18 games. Julian Tavarez (5-4) was the loser.

Marlins 4, Cubs 3

Darren Daulton hit a two-out, two-run single off Terry Adams (1-8) in the ninth at Chicago as Florida won for the sixth time in eight games and opened a five-game lead over San Francisco in the NL wild-card race.

Cubs shortstop Many Alexander helped the Marlins by making errors on consecutive plays.

Robb Nen (9-2) pitched two scoreless innings for the win, retiring Scott Servais on a groundout with runners at second and third.

Phillies 7, Padres 6

Curt Schilling became the first pitcher since Dwight Gooden in 1984 to reach double digits in strikeouts 15 times in one season.

After wasting a 6-3 lead in the ninth at Veterans Stadium, the Philadelphia won it on Kevin Stocker's 12th-inning single off Jim Bruske (3-1) for its first four-game sweep in two seasons.

Schilling allowed three runs and six hits in six innings, struck out 10 and walked two. He raised his strikeout total to 264, tying Seattle's Randy Johnson for the major league lead.

Wayne Gomes (3-1) helped send San Diego to its ninth loss in 11 games.

Rockies 7, Reds 5

Vinny Castilla hit his third home run in two games and Dante Bichette went 4-for-4 at Coors Field. Ellis Burks and Andres Galarraga also homered for the Rockies.

John Thomson (6-8) allowed four runs and five hits in seven innings, and Jerry Dipoto pitched the ninth for his 11th save. Mike Remlinger (6-6) was the loser.

Cardinals 4, Expos 3

David Bell tied the game with a seventh-inning homer, then hit a go-ahead single in the eighth at Busch Stadium as St. Louis rallied from a 3-0 deficit.

John Frascatore (5-2) pitched two scoreless innings, and Rigo Beltran got three outs for his first major league save. Anthony Telford (3-4) was the loser.

Athletics 8, Yankees 7

Jason McDonald hit a single that skipped past New York right fielder Paul O'Neill for a three-base error, giving Oakland the winning run with one out in the ninth inning at the Coliseum.

McDonald lined a shot off Jeff Nelson (3-6) that took one hop and got past O'Neill.

O'Neill threw up his hands in disgust, then ran to retrieve the ball near the wall. McDonald kept running and made a head-first slide to beat the relay.

Oakland's Dave Magadan had his first five-hit game since 1987. Matt Stairs, Ernie Young and Magadan all homered off Hideki Irabu, who lasted only 3 1/3 innings.

Indians 10, Angels 4

Matt Williams hit a three-run homer and a three-run double during a 10-run fourth inning, leading Cleveland to victory at Anaheim.

Williams tied the major league record for RBIs in an inning. Matt Stairs was the last to drive in six, doing it on July 5, 1996, during Oakland's 18-run first inning against the Angels.

Allen Watson did not allow a hit for three innings before the Indians broke loose in the fourth. Marquis Grissom hit a grand slam and Williams capped the burst with his double off Shigetoshi Hasegawa.

Rookie Jaret Wright (5-2) was the winner. The 21-year-old right-hander is the son of former Angels pitcher Clyde Wright, who was in attendance.

Red Sox 9, Mariners 5

Nomar Garciaparra singled on the first pitch at Seattle, extending his hitting streak to 29 games, and later hit another single and his 25th home run.

Garciaparra's two-run homer keyed a four-run rally in the fifth inning that put the Red Sox ahead for good at 5-3.

Garciaparra is nearing the longest hitting streak by a rookie, set by Benito Santiago at 34 in 1987. The longest hitting streak in Red Sox history is 34 by Dom DiMaggio in 1949.

Orioles 7, Royals 3

Rafael Palmeiro hit a solo home run in the fifth inning, then hit a tiebreaking grand slam in the eighth as Baltimore beat Kansas City.

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body because they just think so much about her," Spirlea said. "I am not saying she is not good, but it is frustrating because sometimes you are seeded and you are not playing on the stadium court ... And she is unseeded and she gets everything."

What Kournikova couldn't get Wednesday night was a berth in the winner's circle. Time and again she was caught flat-footed by Spirlea's well-placed groundstrokes. And she had only 15 winners to 33 by the Romanian.

Also advancing into the second round were second-seeded Monica Seles, No. 5 Amanda Coetzer, No. 8 Anke Huber and No. 9 Mary Pierce. But No. 4 Iva Majoli, the reigning French Open champion, was upset by Sandrine Testud of France 6-4, 2-6, 6-1.

"I'm pretty disappointed with the way I've been playing," Majoli said. "I just have to prepare better. ... This is a Grand Slam. It's not the same like any other tournament."

In men's matches, all the other seeded players made it through to the second round: No. 7 Sergi Bruguera, No. 10 Marcelo Rios, No. 13 Patrick Rafter and No. 14 Mark Philippoussis.

Today, the two No. 1 seeds take to the court in second-round matches — Pete Sampras against Germany's Patrick Bauer and Martina Hingis against Denisa Chladkova of the Czech Republic.

The host Orioles averted their first two-game losing streak since mid-July. They have won 10 of 12.

Palmeiro's fourth career slam came with two outs off Hector Carrasco. Palmeiro, with 31 home runs, became the first Baltimore player with 30 in three straight seasons.

Chili Davis became the eighth Royals player to homer in four straight games, and the first since Kirk Gibson in 1991.

Blue Jays 13, White Sox 2

Joe Carter tied George Bell's team record with 202 home runs as Toronto topped Chicago at SkyDome.

Carter has 377 homers overall, tying Norm Cash for 35th place on the career list. Carter,

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Never did he prove his value more than in pivotal Game 5. Stricken with a stomach virus, a weakened, nauseous and fatigued Jordan scored 38 points and made the decisive 3-point shot with 25 seconds to go.

For his career, he has scored 5,307 points in 158 postseason games, a 33.6 average.

Since 1991, the only two years

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ous," Dykes said. "He's got some stats that aren't too hot and there's a reason for them. Other coaches recognize that."

In reality, it was Hanspard who carried Tech into the post-season the last three years. Now, traditionally lukewarm expectations have been raised and it's up to Lethridge to keep the streak going.

"People are not really accepting just going to bowl games any more," Lethridge said. "I guess they expect to win a national championship. That's what I want to do, too."

Lethridge has been a football fixture on the South Plains for many years, beginning with three starring seasons at Lubbock Estacado. He redshirted at Tech in Robert Hall's final year and has gone 21-11 since taking over in 1994. The Red Raiders are 1-2 in the bowl games.

"The ups and downs are going to go with this position," Lethridge said. "I feel like my ups outnumber my downs by far."

The 6-foot, 192-pound senior is among the schools top three in all passing categories and third in total offense with 5,935 yards. His 58 passing and running touchdowns are second-most in Tech history.

Last year, Lethridge completed 132 of 261 passes for 1,596 yards and 12 touchdowns. He

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have to forget about both games in their off day today. The club returns to interleague play Friday night at home against the Pittsburgh Pirates.

"You can't get too high or low," he said. "We have to win every game we can at this point. The next 10-14 days are big for us."

Steve Woodard (3-3) gave up six runs and eight hits in three-plus innings, leaving because of a strained muscle in his

who drove in four runs, reached the 20-homer level for the 12th straight season.

Carlos Delgado homered twice and drove in four runs for the Blue Jays. Pat Hentgen (14-8) pitched a six-hitter for his AL-best ninth complete game.

Twins 2, Tigers 0

Bob Tewksbury earned his 100th career victory, pitching a five-hitter that led Minnesota past visiting Detroit.

Tewksbury (5-10) is 100-86 lifetime, having started in 1986 with the Yankees. He pitched his second shutout of the season and seventh of his career.

Ron Coomer went 3-for-4 for the Twins, who have their first two-game winning streak since July 29-30.

the Bulls didn't win the title were 1994, when Jordan was playing baseball, and 1995, when Jordan had just come out of retirement.

He retired suddenly in October 1993 after the Bulls completed their string of three straight titles, gave baseball a try in the Chicago White Sox organization and returned in March 1995 to the game he has ruled.

ran for 289 more yards and another six touchdowns.

This season, the offensive focus will be on Lethridge for the first time. The running game has gone from Hanspard's 2,000-yard ability to a quartet of backs who have never played a college game.

"I don't feel like it's the 'Zebbie and Peyton Show.' It's Tech vs. Tennessee," Lethridge said. "Peyton Manning, to be honest with you, I have no control over. I'm more worried about a guy like (linebacker) Leonard Little than Peyton Manning."

Estacado coach Louis Kelley admits he's biased, but said he'd "just as soon have Zebbie as have Manning" on his team.

Lethridge, a three-sport high school star, has been at the forefront of Lubbock athletics for seven years now. He admits the pressure was more than he anticipated, though not more than he can handle.

"Expectations are pretty high, and if I don't meet those expectations, people start forming opinions, mainly because of your high school stats," he said. "They can see you week in and week out and keep up to date on how you're doing."

"It makes it hard because you know so many people around town, and they always come up to you with questions. That's just something you deal with and try to keep a positive attitude about."

side. It was not known if he will have to be sidelined, but losing him would hurt the Brewers' chances of catching Cleveland for the division title.

Texas took a 3-1 lead in the second on Benji Gil's RBI single and Tom Goodwin's two-run double. Texas added three runs in the third on Greer's 23rd homer, Fernando Tatis' run-scoring groundout and Alex Diaz's RBI double.

Jim Leyritz singled in the final run in the seventh.

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Davis, the receiving star of the Cowboys training camp, will be Dallas' third receiver behind Michael Irvin and Anthony Miller. At Pitt, Davis was fifth on the Panthers' all-time receiving chart with 1,800 yards. He had 51 receptions his senior season and caught 10 passes for 135 yards in a game against Rutgers.

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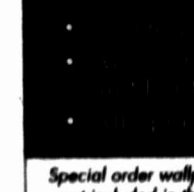
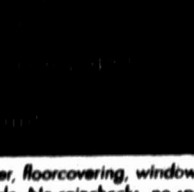
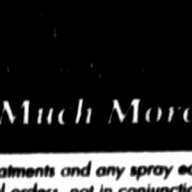



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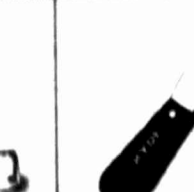




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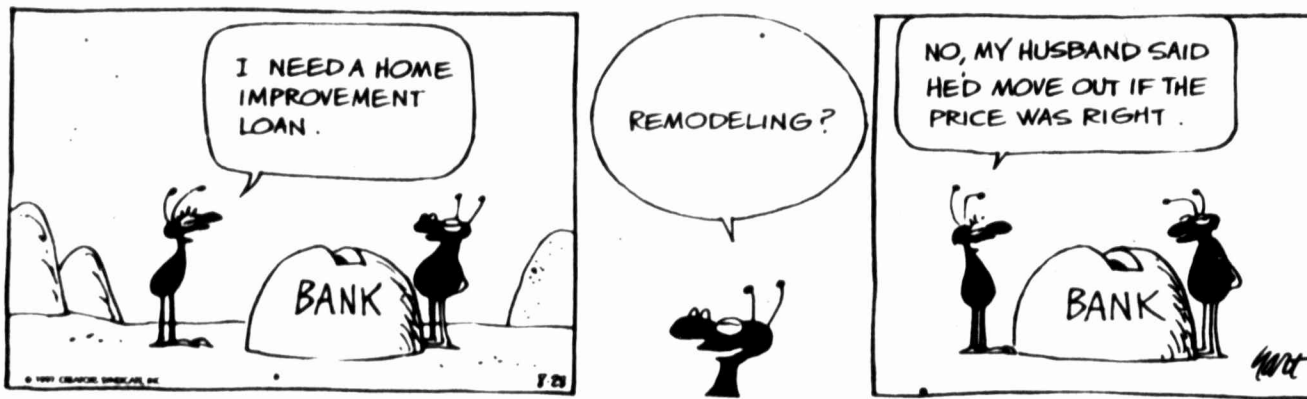
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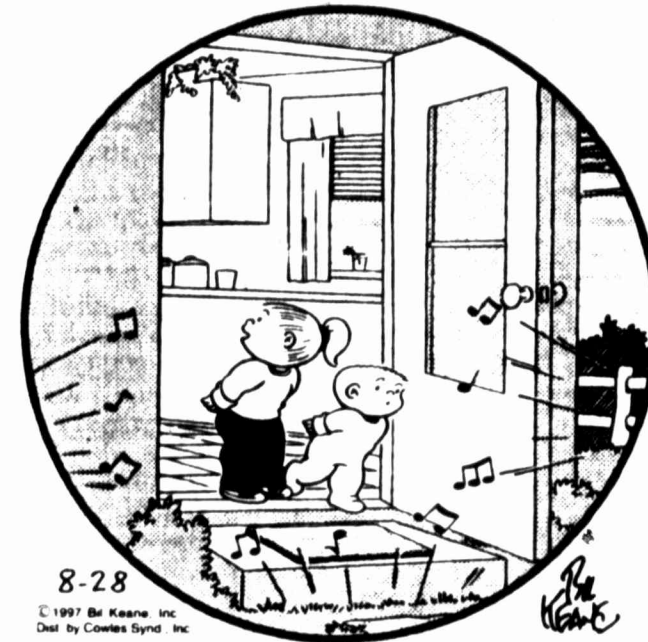
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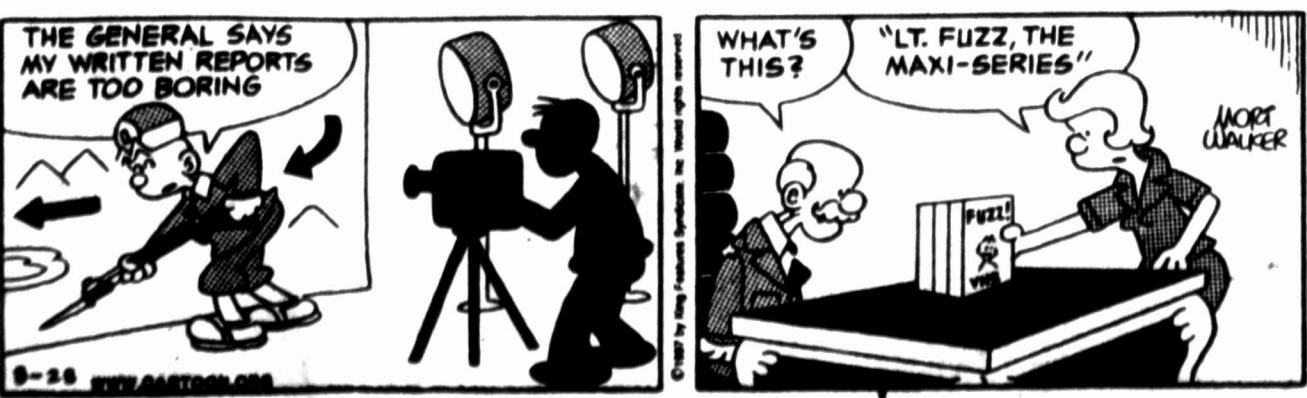
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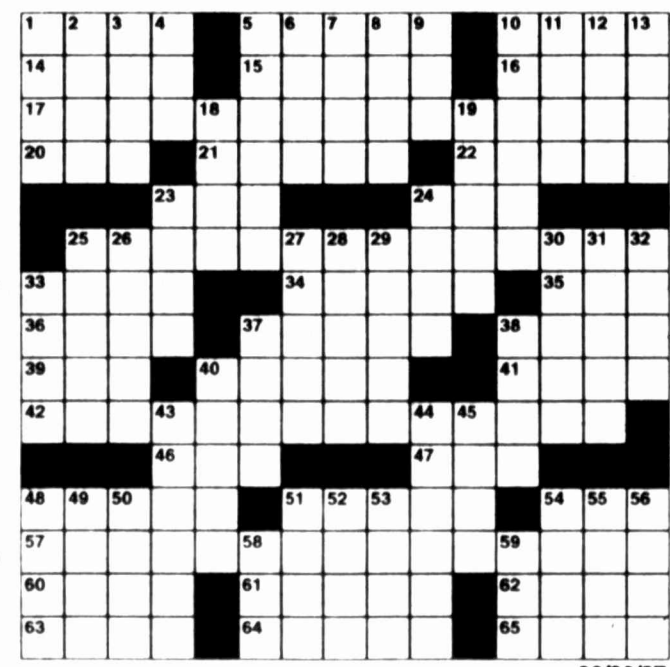
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